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WEBB'S 6th EDITION - CORRECTION OF ADDRESS FOR BNAPS BOOK DEPARTMENT

As noted in the last issue of PSN, the 6th edition of the Webb's Postal Stationery Catalogue is available from the BNAPS Book Department. However, the address given for the BNAPS Book Department in the last issue of PSN was an old address. The current address is BNAPS Book Department, c/o Don Kaye, Box 66660, Stoney Creek, ON, Canada, L8G 5E6. The postpaid price to BNAPS members is CAN\$20 or US\$16.

THE XPRESSPOST ENVELOPES - VARIETIES ALREADY

When the XPRESSPOST envelopes appeared in mid-September, those of us who collect these large prepaid envelopes were surprised to find envelopes for different purposes and of different sizes had appeared in different styles. The dust has now settled slightly, and thanks to Dick Staecker and Pierre Gauthier we can provide a list of what has been found so far. The gummed flap types of the small envelopes were widely distributed, but appear to be being replaced by the self-adhesive flap envelopes.

small size

regional - self-adhesive flap, rouletted

- gummed flap, rouletted

national - self-adhesive flap, rouletted

- gummed flap, not rouletted

medium size

regional - self-adhesive flap, rouletted

national - self-adhesive flap, rouletted

large size

regional - self-adhesive flap, not rouletted national - self-adhesive flap, not rouletted

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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY PICTORIAL POST CARDS

In this issue we present comments about varieties on the card depicting "CHATEAU LAKE LOUISE". There are several sequential changes. These appear to be constant regardless of plate position. (All date references are to form dates, not postmark dates.)

1st state

Tree at right with extra shading at right: through the end of 1904.

2nd state

Trimmed to the right edge of the tree at the right: early 1905 through early 1906.

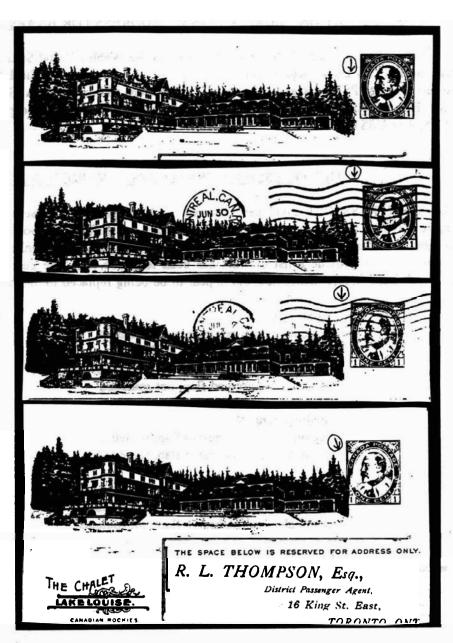
3rd state

Right tree gone: early 1907 through mid-1911.

4th state

Partial tree added back in at the right: September 1911 through January 1912.

After this <u>many</u> retouches appear.



The following pictures show examples of differences that appear to occur <u>positionally</u> rather than sequentially. There are many such differences, some of which do reflect changes in positions (or entire plates) - - a patient study and an enormous amount of material are prerequisites.

A: "S" of "ROCKIES" over "WA" of "RAILWAY"

B: "S" of "ROCKIES" over "AY" of "RAILWAY"

C: "S" of "ROCKIES" over "A" of "RAILWAY"



Bill Walton

CPR PRIVATE ROULETTE CARD UPDATE

The following data is an update to the Canadian Pacific private roulette post card list that I compiled several years ago. The items listed include my new acquisitions and reports from John Aitken, Dick Staecker and Lyle Armitage.

P55a 2¢ Medallion, brown

- Form 161F, in upper left corner

F4: B3

P65a 2¢ CBN Profile, brown

- Form 13, date on back 3-38

F16: B24

P68a	2¢ George VI, light brown (38-O)	
	- Form 13, date on back 12-39	F16: B24
	- Form 13, date on back 11-41	F16: B26
	- Form 161F, right of centre line, black globe in shield logo	F7: B5
P77a	3¢ George VI, brown, (43/O)	
	- Form 13BI, date on front 3-43	F18: B27
P79a	3¢ George VI, pale mauve (43/O)	
	- Form 13, date on back 8-46	F16: B26
	- Form 13, date on back 5-48	F16: B26
P85a	4¢ First Karsh, purple	
	- Dominion Atlantic Railway, DAR 13, dated 3-56	F17: B25
	- Form 13, date on back 7-56	F16: B26

Art Klass

MORE NOTES ON THE AMERICAN BANK NOTE ENGRAVED UPU CARDS

It's been a couple of years since I've reported progress in plating these cards (see PSN Vol. 9, pg. 1) and there is, at last, some news to share.

It is now safe to make statements concerning the plate size and layout, and the number of plates used for each issue, also to make reasonable assumptions about plate use and maintenance.

PLATE SIZE and LAYOUT

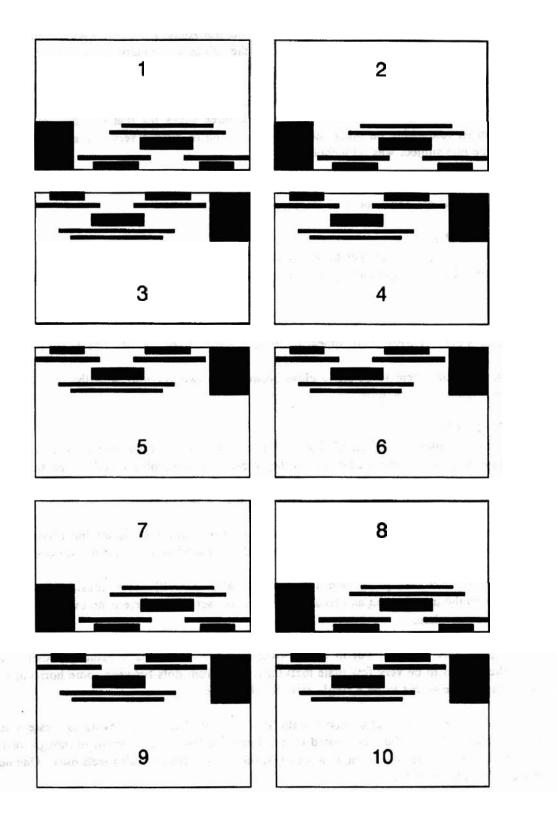
All plates were of ten subjects (2 x 5), arranged as shown in the illustration on the following page. I have arbitrarily chosen a configuration that has six upright subjects, but the actual 'top' of the plate may just as well have been what I show to be the bottom.

Marginal markings (guide lines and dots; cutting guides) differ somewhat on each plate.

THE MAPLE LEAF ISSUES

One plate was used to print the vermilion card (Webb P20). As of this writing, this plate is TENTATIVELY replated; it appears that the **DOT AFTER UNIVERSELLE** variety is in position 5. There are very faint marks between the subjects vertically, and there are dots between some horizontal pairs of subjects, along an invisible guideline that would run down the vertical gutter of the plate; but, in the orange printings, only a few of the cross-gutters have cutting guides (small engraved 'crosses' --see my previous article). There appears to be only a single state of this plate in the orange printings.

This same plate was used for the first printings of the blue card (Webb P21). There is significant wear on the plate, compared to the orange printings, and many of the guide dots on the plate have become very faint, but there is no evidence of plate work on the subjects. It does seem, though, that cutting guides were added in the cross-gutters between most subjects.



ABN Engraved UPU Cards Plate Layout

A second plate was also used for the blue card (this is positively replated). This plate has cutting guides in most, or all, of the cross-gutters, and dots between the horizontal pairs of subjects along an invisible vertical guideline There are also faint marks between the subjects vertically, as with the first plate.

Five subjects from the second plate have now been found re-entered; it may very well be that all ten were re-entered. One subject has also been found with retouching in the stamp (which was actually done before the re-entering, and remains visible afterward), giving three states for that one subject. There is no evidence of similar retouching on other subjects, even in the re-entered versions, and it may be safe to say that only the one subject was retouched.

Of the blue cards, fewer than twenty percent seem to come from the first plate, and fewer than ten percent come from the second and third states of the second plate

THE EDWARD ISSUE

One plate was used (this has not yet been replated, but all ten subjects have been found). There are cutting guides in all of the cross-gutters, and other markings similar to those on the second Maple Leaf plate.

All ten subjects exist in two states, the second being re-entered. Generally, the difference between states is slight. Besides general wear, there appear to be no other changes over the life of the plate.

At this point, quantities seem to be fairly close between the two versions with the re-entered varieties being perhaps slightly less common.

THE ADMIRAL ISSUES

Perhaps the most complex of the bunch! For the basic (2¢) card, two plates were used. It is difficult to say which came first (I have seen used copies of the 2¢ card from both plates, both are postmarked WELL before the overprinted version was issued . . . the card from the plats I have arbitrarily designated as plate one is cancelled in 1912; the card from plate two is cancelled in 1913).

Plate one is not yet replated (as of this writing, I have seen only seven subjects), but I have put together some pairs, etc. There appear to be cutting guides, and other markings similar to the earlier plates.

Although subjects from this plate (and the second plate, as well) show considerable variation in appearance, due to the introduction and erosion of many fine scratches, there is no evidence of moro than a single state for this plate.

Plate two is positively replated, but in the un-overprinted version I have actually located only four subjects. There seem to be very few plate markings, aside from dots between some horizontal pairs of subjects. Again, there seems to be a single state for this plate.

For the 6¢ cards, an overprint was prepared, with the intention of avoiding having to create a new plate when the rate changed (a 6¢ die was created by the Canadian Bank Note Company though, just In case - see Marler). It must be borne in mind that the overprinting was done in **full sheets only**. One need only to examine a few copies of the

overprinted card to see that they tend to be all cut very badly; yet the overprint is quite well placed on nearly all cards. That would clearly be impossible had any individual cards been overprinted.

All overprinted cards seen so far have been from plate two; All ten subjects have been located and it was from these that the plate was reconstructed.

I have also seen an essay of an attempt to deal with a later rate change on an Admiral card (with a 4¢ surcharge, rather than the 6¢ overprint); this card is also from plate two.

In the overprinted version, there are many new scratches on the plate (some subjects actually appear to be on bluish paper because there are so many scratches, covering the entire card) but, other than this, there is no evidence of re-entering or retouching any subjects before the new printings were made.

CONCLUSION

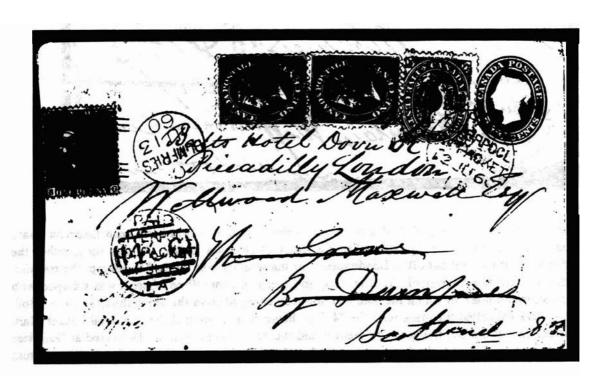
Obviously, there still remains a lot to do to answer all the questions about the plates of these issues. Because my reference stock of these UPU cards is composed almost exclusively of unused examples, it has been impossible for me to attempt to determine when the re-entering and retouching was done on those plates so affected. I will still have to acquire and study a good number of cards to finish reconstructing a couple of the plates, and to determine how complete was the re-entering of the second Maple Leaf plate.

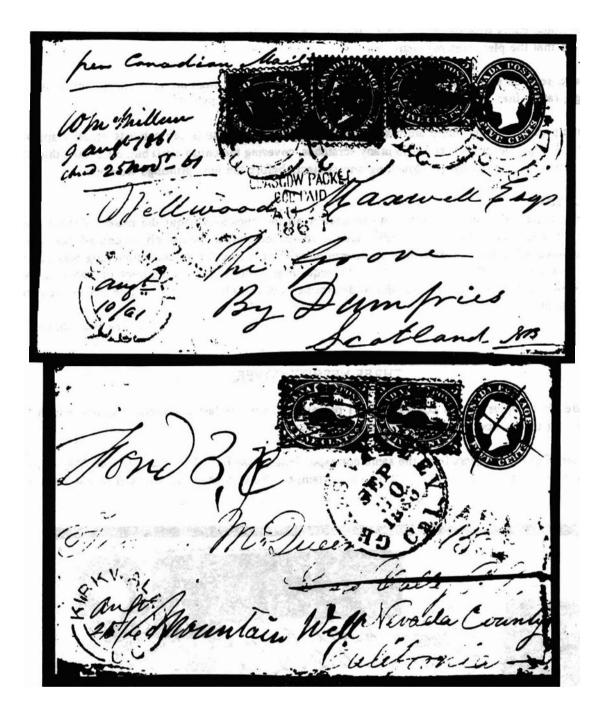
Steven Whitcombe

THREE NESBITT COVERS

Below are photocopies of two covers which I recently (within the last 2½ years) acquired which have some hearing on the operations of the Ocean Mail Clerks.

The earlier of the two covers from the same correspondence went from Kirkwall, U.C. on May 19, 1860 to Rockton and thence to Hamilton. It was backstamped there on May 21, where it would have been





placed in the closed bag for the U.K. and sent on to Québec where it would have been taken on board the "Canadian" and sorted to the Liverpool bag for distribution upon arrival. At this time, either the Scottish and Irish mail was not put off at Londonderry, or the weather was too bad to attempt the transfer. In any event, upon arrival at Liverpool, the letter went to Liverpool Post Office where it was stamped with the red Colonial packet mark in which the date had not been changed from the day before, 11 June, 1860. Therefore, the clerk cancelled the mark with the "4 C 6" hammer and applied the Colonial Packet Mark with the correct date at the UR tieing the 5¢ Beaver and the 5¢ envelope stamp. Delivered at Dumfries on 12 June and so backstamped, the letter was picked up by the addressee's agent, a forwarding address

in London added together with a Penny Red for the forwarding charge. The letter was cancelled with the Dumfries duplex numeral canceller "108" and sent on to London where it was received on 15 June.

Note that the postmaster at Kirkwall carefully refrained from putting the X on the Queen's visage, hut had no such compunction about the lowly beaver.

The second cover was posted at Kirkwall on August 10, 1861 to the same address as the first, in both cases the ½¢ postage was paid in cash. This cover also went to Rockton the same day, thence to Hamilton where it was sorted to the closed bag for the U.K. and sent on to Québec for dispatch on the Allan Line's "Anglo-Saxon" which departed Québec on 17 August, 1861. On board this letter was sorted to the Glasgow bag by the Ocean Mail Clerk. This bag was transferred to a Mail Boat as the "Anglo-Saxon" passed Londonderry Lough, arriving at Glasgow August 28 and the letter dispatched to Dumfries via Carlisle, arriving the same day.

I have recently acquired another cover from Kirkwall, a 5¢ Nesbitt with two 5¢ Beavers added to pay the 15¢ rate to California on August 25, 1860 (obtained from still another source, but that is an entirely different story - one which will require a lot more research). It certainly had to go by closed bag from Hamilton, but how it got to California is the question.

Horace Harrison

PERFORATED REGULAR ISSUE CARDS - A FEW COMMENTS

As mentioned in the last issue of PSN, selected privately rouletted regular issue post cards have returned to the Webb's Catalogue in the latest edition. This has been welcomed by a large number of members, but has also elicited some comments. First of all, Pierre Gauthier questions why the "Standard Precancel" cards have been singled out on the cards used for the Christmas Seal campaigns. He points out that perforated varieties of P83 and P96 were also used with Christmas Seal messages. From several sources, I have heard suggestions that the series of cards rouletted for use by the Public Service of Canada Surgical-Medical Plan was at least as worthy of listing as the I.O.F. cards (as noted by Colin Campbell, the "I" stands for "Independent", not "International").

The short answer, I suspect, is that not everything can be listed. The Catalogue editors had to make choices and they made them. They decided not to attempt to list all privately rouletted and perforated cards, precisely because the roulettes and perforations were privately added to regular issue stock. They opted to list only series of cards that they felt were being widely collected. This is stated clearly in the introduction to the Catalogue section. In any case, the comments provide food for thought, and indicate some minor expansion of the listings might be warranted. In any case, it suggests the new edition of Webb's is being read, and read quite thoroughly.

AN ADDITION TO THE LIST OF OFFICIAL SPECIAL LETTER ENVELOPES

Thanks to Allan Steinhart, I have now obtained a commercially used copy of the Standard Size, red, Government of Canada Special Letter envelope (form date 92-12-08), unlisted in the 6th edition of Webb's. This regional envelope has definitions of the "regions" printed on the back, and they are quite similar to those used for the new XPRESSPOST.

VARIETIES ON WEBB'S P331

Bill McCann writes that having searched all the back issues of PSN, he cannot find any mention of printing varieties on P331. On examining the statistics table on copies of the card, several were found to have periods after the figures in each of the bottom two lines plus the 4th and 6th lines from the bottom. A few were found with no period after any of the mentioned lines, some with a period after the 2nd and 4th lines only and some with a period after the 4th line only. These are shown below along with another card having a period only in the 6th line from the bottom.

Arnold's catalogue of The Post Cards of Canada notes: "There are several minor constant varieties in the table of statistics, with missing periods and/or missing dots over the letter "i".". Indeed, three of the examples shown below also are missing the dot in the "i" of "risen". One possible cause is the use of worn plates.

Since 1901 the total value of field crops has risen from \$195,000.000 to \$841,000,000

The total value of live stock. in same period. from \$265,000,000. to over \$800,000.000

Exportable surplus of agricultural products:—

1868-70— \$13,000,000

1916-17—\$480,000,000

no periods after each of the last six lines

Since 1901 the total value of field crops has risen from \$195,000,000 to \$841,000,000

The total value of live stock, in same period, from \$268,000,000 to over \$800,000,000.

Exportable surplus of agricultural products:—

1868-70— \$13,000,000

1916-17—\$480,000,000

period after 4th line from bottom

Since 1901 the total value of field crops has risen from \$195.000,000 to \$841,000,000.

The total value of live stock, in same period, from \$268,000,000. to over \$800,000,000

Exportable surplus of agricultural products:—

1868-70— \$13,000,000

1916-17—\$480,000,000

period after 6th line from bottom

Since 1901 the total value of field crops has risen from \$195,000,000 to \$841,000,000.

The total value of live stock, in same period, from \$268,000,000 to over \$800,000,000

Exportable surplus of agricultural products:—

1868-70— \$13,000,000.

1916-17—\$480,000,000

period after 2nd and 6th lines from bottom

periods after the last two lines and the 4th and 6th lines from the bottom Since 1901 the total value of field crops has risen from \$195.000.000. to \$841,000,000. The total value of live stock, in same period, from \$258,000,000. to over \$800,000,000. Exportable surplus of agricultural products:—

1868-70— \$13,000,000.

1916-17—\$480,000,000.

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THE POSTAL STATIONERY STUDY GROUP ROSTER

It has been a long time since I provided an up-to-date roster for the study group. A couple of years ago, I proposed doing this in conjunction with a survey of members' interests, but the overall response was insufficient to complete the listing. Furthermore, the time I have allowed to elapse since my original request means the list of interests would not be current. However, a recent set of conversations revealed several members in a single city did not know of each other's interest, and this suggested publication of a simple roster list would be useful. Associate members are marked with an asterisk (*).

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