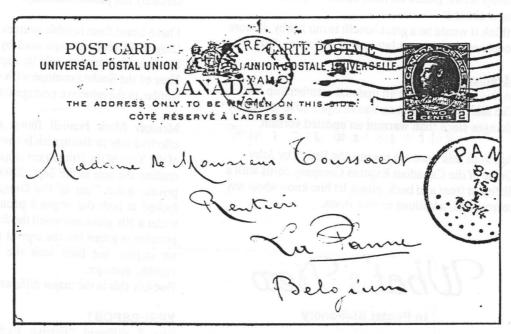
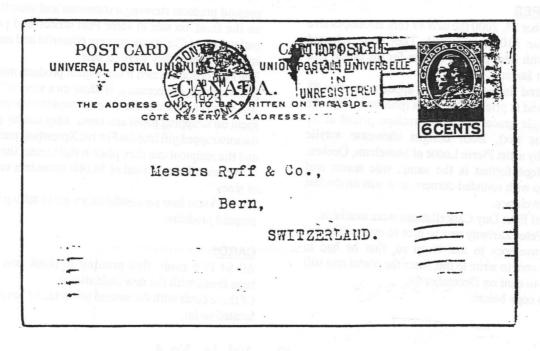
# Postal Stationery Notes

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Study group member Emile R. Hoorens from Brussels, Belgium sent some photo copies of very interesting Canadian postal stationery items with a letter stating: "There are only a few collectors of postal stationery of Canada in Belgium, so I have the occasion to find some good items."





## Happy New Year to all

Editor's Notes

At the recent Phil-Ex show in Toronto I talked to the editor of Canadian Stamp News mentioning that their paper very seldom has any articles about Canadian postal stationery and I was told by Virginia that it is a lack of getting someone to contribute.

So if anyone would be willing to write an article about Canadian postal stationery once a month in Canadian Stamp News, please let their editor Virginia St-Denis know about it.

I think it would be a great benefit to our hobby, if more people read about our interesting collecting field.

## Membership list

In this issue we bring an updated membership list.

The last time it was done was in April 1996 and many changes since than warrant an updated version.

Again in this issue we resume the listing by John Grace of the Canadian Express Company cards with a different front and back. please let him know about any corrections, additions or new items.



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## **ENVELOPES**

On December 28, 2000 the new 47 cent envelopes size #8 and size #10 were issued. They were released together with new postage stamps for the postal rate increase in January 1, 2001.

The Lapland longspur design appears on the #8 envelope and is priced at 50 cents (plus tax) while the golden eagle graces the #10 envelope priced at 51 cents (plus tax). Both designs showcase acrylic paintings by artist Pierre Leduc of Stoneham, Quebec. The envelope format is the same, side seams and square flap with rounded corners, as it was on the last 46 cent envelopes.

No Official First Day Cancellations were available. Member Peter Zariwny was so nice to mail a first day of both envelopes to me. Even so, that he had to overpay 1 cent to write to me, since the postal rate still was only 46 cent on December 28.

See photo copy below.

## SPECIAL ENVELOPES

The so called special "Holiday" prestamped envelopes supposed to be available in selected Hallmark Gold stores before Christmas sure were a disappointment. Robert Lemire wrote the following on November13. "When is a prestamped envelope not a prestamped envelope? When it is a "pre-stamped" envelope. The new Hallmark test envelopes are out; Andrew Chung rounded some up, and found to his disgust that the "pre-stamped" envelopes are simply envelopes that have a 46c Christmas adhesive affixed to each envelope. Certainly postal, and certainly stationery, but certainly not postal stationery."

I have heard from reliable sources that the Year of the Dragon 46 cent envelope used by Asia International Services Corporation will be replaced by a 47 cent Year of the Snake envelope with a stamp impression similar to the adhesive postage stamp.

Member Mark Fennell found an interesting and effective way to distinguish between the two printings of the Year of the Dragon envelopes. He writes: "After reading the note in the Sept. 2000 issue of PSN re the private order Year of the Dragon 46¢ envelope, I looked at both the original printing and re-printing under a 10x glass and noted the dragon on the original printing is green but the reprint is brown, at least on my copies, but both look the same from normal viewing distance.

Possibly this is the major difference."

## **XPRESSPOST**

The 7 different "Festive Packaging" Xpresspost prepaid products showing a snowman and snowflakes on the front, on sale at some Post offices and postal outlets before Christmas are very colourful and easy to spot where ever they were on sale.

The Post office claimed it was a great product, making gift wrapping unnecessary. In their own words: "This will save the customer time, not to mention the money spent on wrapping paper and bows. They simply place the unwrapped gift into the Festive Xpresspost package and the recipient can then place it right under the tree. ... We are offering a total of 56,000 items in a variety

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I do not know how successful they were in selling these prepaid products.

### **CARDS**

All 84 PCF cards, first printing in black now have been found with the new code sticker.

Of these cards with the second printing, 57 have been located so far.

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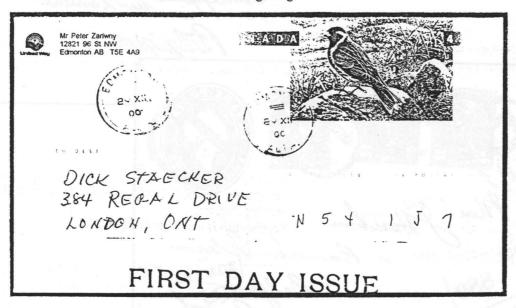
<u>DUES:</u> If your label on the envelope reads V16#1, your study group fee is now due. Please make out the cheque (Can. S8.00 or U.S. equivalent) to 'JOHN GRACE' not to BNAPS or the Postal Stationery Study Group.

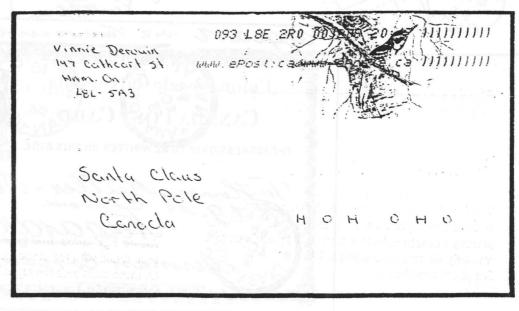
Dues or any change of mailing address should be sent to John Grace, 734 Aspen Rd. Pickering, On. L1V 4H2 E-mail jandmgrace@sympatico.ca

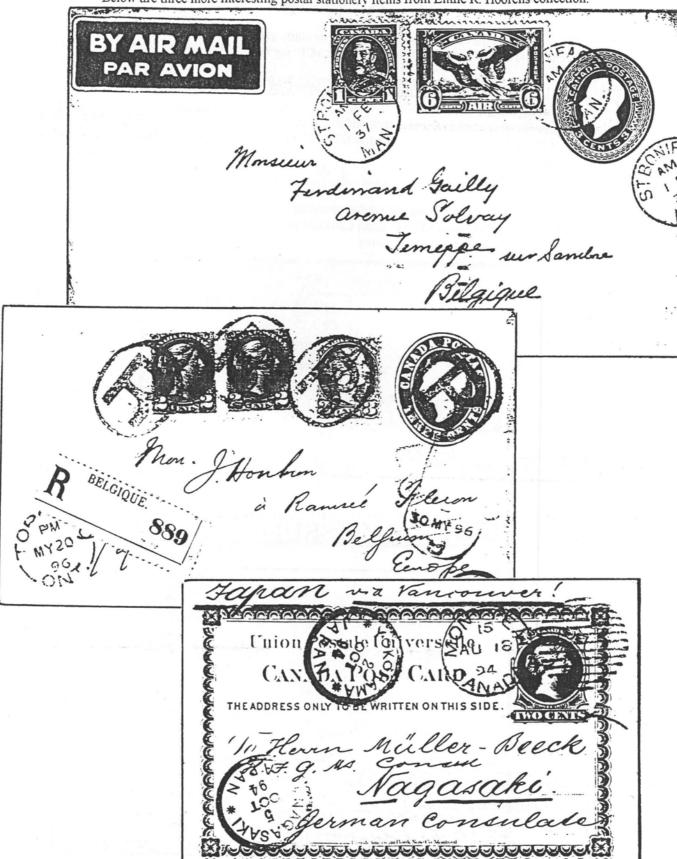
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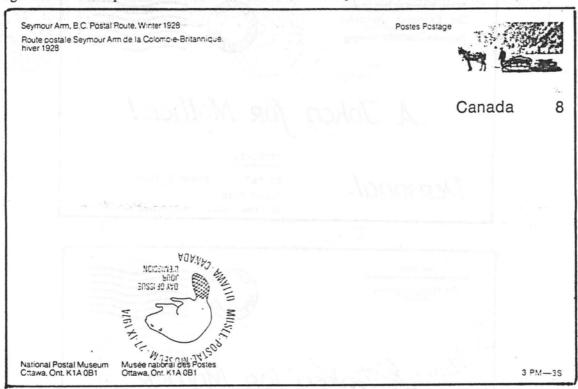
Below is the new 47 cent #8 envelope (almost) first day cancelled (29 XII 00) and a 46 cent envelope mailed to Santa Claus North Pole Canada. Santa knows that I collect Canadian postal stationery and I appreciate very much, that he remembered me with all the mail he must be getting



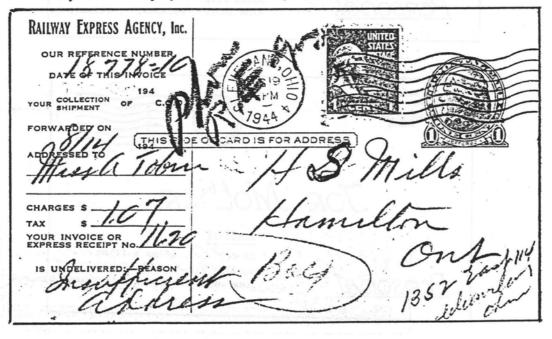




This 1974 Postal Museum card with the 8 cent Seymour Arm, B.C. Postal Route, Winter 1928 stamp impression has the first day Ottawa Postal Museum cancel upside down on the lower left. A very unusual location, since the cancels were printed on and, as far as I know, this was done the same time the cards were printed. All other cards in the package had the Ottawa postal museum cancellations at the correct place.

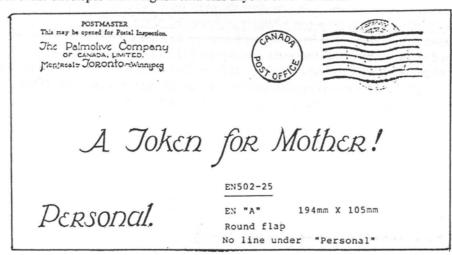


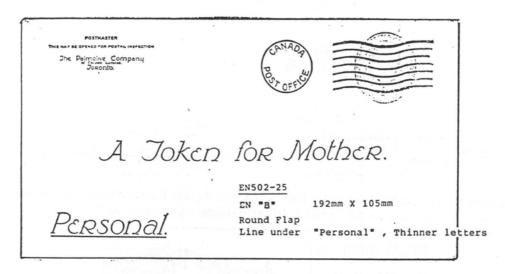
This U.S. postal card used in 1944 by the Railway Express Agency has similar shipment notifications as Canadian postal cards used by the same company which delivered shipments across the border to destinations in both countries.

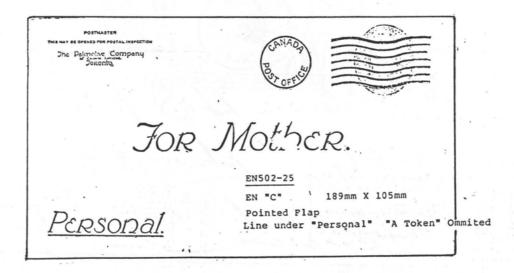


### PALMOLIVE COMPANY PRECANCELLED ENVELOPES

In volume 9, No. 3 page 25 in Postal Stationery Notes the portion of a French version of the Palmolive private order envelopes owned by Pierre was shown. Now Peter Zariwny sent me photo copies (64%) of his three varieties of the Palmolive private order envelopes with English text. Has anyone other varieties?





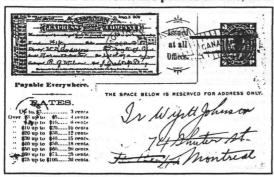


## PART II - CARDS WITH PRINTED FRONTS -3. MONEY ORDER PICTORIAL CARDS

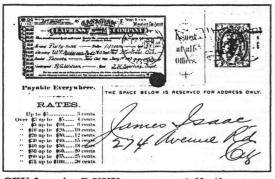
Part II, Section 3 deals with cards issued by the Canadian Express Company that have a facsimile of a money order printed on the front. The listing relies heavily on Webb's Postal Stationery Catalogue of Canada and Newfoundland, 6th edition (1993), and on contributions from Chris Ellis, Dick Staecker, and Robert Lemire, and the author. So far there are 45 cards reported, with 28 different fronts. Many of these differences are differences of ornament, hook, or colour. The ornaments and hooks are illustrated below, thanks to Webb.



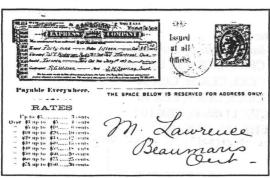
We illustrate first the 28 fronts for which we have copies, followed by illustrations of all the backs that we know of. Fronts are printed in blue, backs in black, unless noted otherwise.



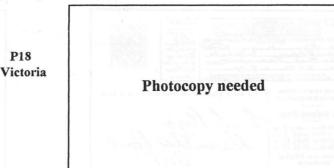
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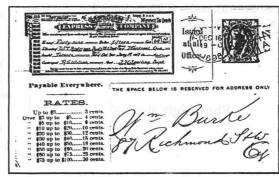
CEX 2, series B XXX, ornament 1 [3, 4]



CEX 4, CEX 4 var. (brown), series B XXX, ornaments 3 and 1 /CEX 4: 5, 5A, 6A; var.: 3A/



CEX 1A, series B 000, ornament 1

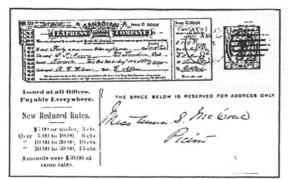


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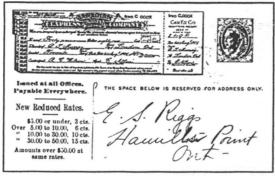
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CEX 4A, (brown), series B XXX, ornament 4 All text except money order in French

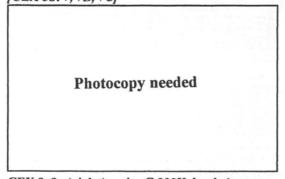
In Series C 000X numbers CEX6, 7, and 7a have a receipt stub with a dotted and a solid vertical line. Numbers CEX5, 5a, 5b, 5c, 8, 8a, 9, 9a, 12, and 13 have only one dotted vertical line.



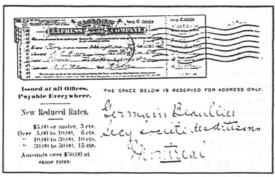
CEX 6, series C 000X, hook 2 [7]



CEX 5, 5a (greenish blue), 5b (dark blue) 5c (red brown), series C 000X, hook 1 /CEX 5b: 7, 7B, 7C/

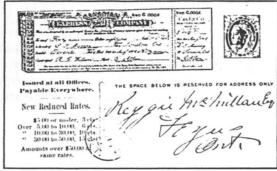


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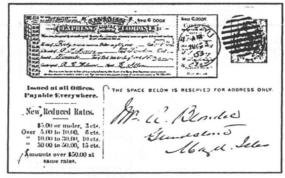


CEX 13 (blue) 13 var. (black) series C 000X, no hook /CEX 13 var. (black): 7E/

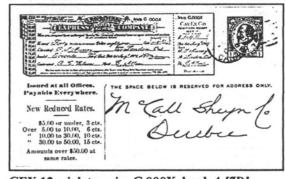




CEX 7a, 7(red brown), series C 000X, hook 3 /CEX 7a: 7A, 7B; CEX 7: 2A/



CEX 8 (red), 8a, series C 000X, hook 3 [CEX8a: 7D]



CEX 12, violet, series C 000X, hook 4 [7D]

P23 Edward

P18 Victoria

P23

Edward

Note:
No backs are as yet recorded for:
CEX 1A, CEX 3a, CEX 4A
CEX5, CEX 5a, CEX 5c
CEX 8, CEX 9, CEX 9a
CEX 13 (blue), CEX 10
CEX 15b, CEX 18A

In Series B XX there are six lines of text beginning "SAFEST" between the money order and the stamp.

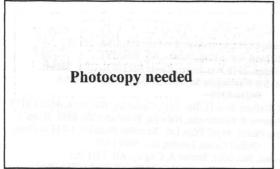
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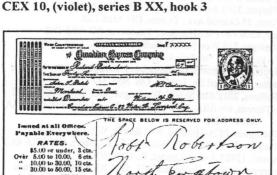
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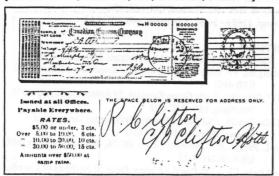
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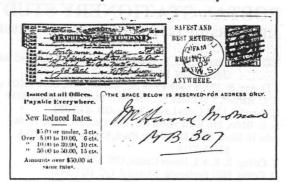
CEX 14, 14a (violet brown), 14b (black), 14c (green), series F XXXXX [CEX 14: 7G; 14a: 7G, 7H; 14b: 7G; 14c: 7G]



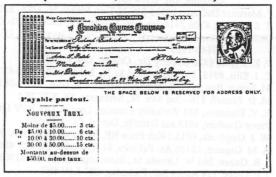
CEX 15 (violet brown), 15a (light blue), 15b (slate blue), 15c (gray green), 15d (black) series H 00000 /CEX 15: 9, 10A, 11; 15a: 10, 10B; 15c: 10C; 15d: 10D, 12, 13]



CEX 16, green and red, series N 000 [14]



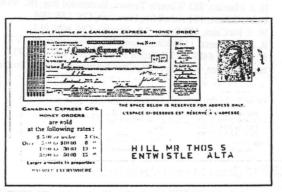
CEX 11 (violet), 11 var. (blue), series B XX, hook 3 /CEX 11: 7D; CEX 11 var.: 7F/



CEX 14 var., series F XXXXX All text except money order in French [8]



CEX 15 var. (brown), series H 00000 All text except money order in French [8]



CEX 17, green and red, series N 000, on P28d, 1¢ red, die II, type 4C [14, 15]

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