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In 1943, Mr. Jack Levine, confronted with the realization that a stamp club devoted entirely to the study and collecting of the stamps and postal history of B. N. A. didn't exist, decided to form a Society to fill the obvious need. Through his efforts and with the fine co-operation of the Philatelic Press, an organizational meeting was held on October 28, 1943. Fifteen collectors attended and chose a committee of seven to prepare a Constitution and By-Laws. These were approved and adopted at the first regular meeting held on November 24, 1948 at 505 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

At this same first regular meeting, Mr. Walter R. Hoffmann was appointed to serve as President, pro tempore; Mr. Harold R. Meyers as Vice-President; Mr. William C. Peterman as Treasurer; and Mr. Jack Levine as Secretary. A Board of Governors was selected composed of Messrs. Bedell, Meyerson, Odell, Pollock, Sheffield, Sohn and Wadden. All officers served until the first regular election by ballot was held in December 1944 and the following were duly elected to their respective office: Mr. W. R. Hoffmann of New York, President; Mr. J. R. Barraclough of Montreal, Canada, Vice-President; Mr. W. C. Peterman of New York, Treasurer; and Mr. Jack Levine of New York, Secretary. Elected to the Board of Governors were Messrs N. S. Bond of Roanoke, Va., Mr. A. K. Grimmer of Temeskaming, Quebec, Mr. D. C. Meyerson of New York, Major I. C. Morgan of Montreal, Canada, Mr. F. H. Odell of New York, Mr. H. R. Meyers of New York, Mr. F. W. Pollock of Teaneck, N. J.

Mr. Hoffman appointed Mr. Harold R. Meyers as Editor of the Society publication and Volume I, No. 1 of BNA TOPICS appeared for March, 1944. In this first issue, under the heading "Report of the Secretary," members 1 to 40 were listed and 8 applications for membership. Under the same heading in the September 1948 issue of BNA TOPICS (Vol. 5, No. 7, Whole No. 51) "New Members" #515 to 519 are reported.

The Sales Department was started November 1944 with Mr. Arthur B. Moll of New York as Sales Manager. The latest report from the present Sales Manager shows that 441 books have been entered into the Circuit since the inauguration of the small size book system (originally large sheets were used) and 242 retired. Sales during the first half of 1948 totaled \$481.89.

A Report from the Board of Governors, dated September 1945, noted their recommendations that the Society publish an annual YEARBOOK which should contain a list of all members, a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws, Rules governing the Conduct of the Sales Department and any other Departments subsequently established. In accordance with their recommendation, the first Society YEARBOOK appeared for 1946.

Another recommendation of the Board of Governors, under the same date-line, was the establishment of a Society Library. In November 1945, Mr. Robert J. Duncan of Armstrong, B. C. was appointed Librarian for the Society. A review of the material available in the Society Library (listed on p. 145 of this issue) must convince anybody that our Library ranks with the finest.

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The Edwardian Issue, 1903-1912

By M. W. Cryderman

Queen Victoria passed away on January 29, 1901. Canada did not bring out a new issue of stamps for almost 2½ years. The reason for this apparently dilatory and inconsiderate policy was that the contract for printing the stamps, held by the American Bank Note Co., did not expire until 1903. Therefore the Numeral Issue of stamps continued in use until the expiration of that contract and the drawing up of a new contract which took into account the designing and engraving of a new set of stamps.

The design shows a portrait of King Edward VII in robes of state in the central vignette. The portrait is from a photograph by Downey of London. The upper corners are filled with facsimiles of the Tudor Crown, and the lower corners contain the numerals of value. The design was prepared by the Prince of Wales, afterwards King George V, and Mr. J. A. Tilleard of the Royal Philatelic Society. The original design was engraved by J. A. C. Harrison of Perkins, Bacon & Co., London, England. This shows the figure "1" as a large colourless numeral of value against a background of color. The American Bank Note Co. prepared a plate from this die so that plate proofs exist, though rare, to show what the original design was like. However it was found necessary to engrave a new master die, redrawing the leaves in the lower corners on a smaller scale. Five secondary dies were made from the master die and the slim coloured numerals on a white background, as we know them, were added to these for each denomination. The American Bank Note Co. die was engraved by Charles Skinner.

The first plates were of unhardened steel but about 1905 the practice of hardening the plate was adopted. They were 200 subjects with the exception of some of the 1c and 2c, which were of 400 subjects. Early plate numbers were engraved but later ones were punched before the steel was hardened. The first ones were slim and serified, the later ones thick and curved. The stamps were recessed printed as usual, on white wove paper, with the exception of the 5c, which was on blue paper, and were perforated 12.

The first values issued were the 1c green, the 2c carmine, the 5c blue, the 7c bistre and the 10c brown violet. They were released on July 1, 1903. On September 27, 1904, the 20c olive green denomination was issued and on November 19, 1908, the 50c violet. No ½c value was issued although a ½c rate was required for transient newspapers until May 19, 1909, when a 1c rate was established. The ½c Numeral continued to be issued until the ½c Tercentenary came out in 1908. Figures of quantities issued were:

1c	1,470,000,000
2c	2,160,100,000
5c	66,210,000
7c	25,305,000
10c	15,080,000
20c	3,150,000
50c	600,000

Both the 1c and 2c are found with hairlines and both also show re-entries. The 5c is found with the background of CANADA POSTAGE in the oval surrounding the vignette showing horizontal lines of shading instead of solid colour. This is probably due to wear occasioned by the deleterious effect of the blue on the steel of the plate. The 10c brown violet shows a re-entry and a worn plate effect.

One sheet of each of the values issued in 1903 was prepared in imperforate condition and found their way to the public through several irregular channels. No imperforate 20c or 50c have yet reached the market. The 2c imperforate, of course, was regularly issued to the number of 100,000 in addition to the above. It differed slightly in shade and paper from the 1903 imperforate.

About 1906, A. N. Lemieux of Chicago (not to be confused with the Hon. Rudolphe Lemieux, then Postmaster General of Canada) while visiting Ottawa, found a part sheet of stamps within the railing surrounding the American Bank

Note Co. It was raining and the sheet was wet and crumpled, evidently printers' waste which had blown out the window. Lemieux disposed of them and the Post Office Department endeavored to get possession of them to prevent a corner on this irregularity. The holders naturally refused to let go of what was considered a priceless item. The Post Office Department, in order to prevent further capitalization on this lucky find, then issued 100,000 of the 2c in imperforate condition. The plate numbers of these imperforates were 13 and 14, the same as found on the original part sheet discovered by Mr. Lemieux. Since the American Bank Note Co. must have reached the neighborhood of plate 60 by 1909, and since it took some months after the announcement for the stamps to make their appearance, and since plates 13 and 14 would not have been discarded until worn out, we may conclude that new plates were made and given the numbers 13 and 14.

This story has been labelled fantastic and it has been suggested that the imperforate stamps were prepared to accommodate various automatic vending machine companies which were experimenting with the idea of selling Canadian stamps from their machines. It is further pointed out that the Canadian Post Office authorities were aware of other irregularities which they made no effort to checkmate, and that these imperforate sheets could have been drawn from reserve stock rather than that new plates were made for them.

In April 1909, it was announced: "In view of the representations which have been made to the Department, it has been decided to permit the sale of the 2c denomination of the Canadian postage stamps of the current issue, in sheets of 100, without the usual perforation." In view of the fact that there is no record to the contrary, the above representations would more naturally be the work of philatelists than automatic vending machine companies, since they would not only desire to possess the stamps but would also desire to prevent a monopoly of the irregularity. The fact that the Post Office Department has never done anything about the other imperforates that leaked out to the public means nothing. The other imperforates were all prepared with the knowledge of the Department and presented to Post Office officials or political friends. They would have no reason to destroy the value of such irregularities but on the contrary would be interested in enhancing their value. On the other hand the 2c imperforate was an irregular "irregularity," to be circumvented if possible. The theory that the sheets were drawn from reserve stock is refuted by the announcement that "The Department intends to make a separate printing of these stamps to supply whatever demand may occur." Furthermore sheets drawn from reserve stock would be already perforated.

A booklet of 2c stamps was issued in July, 1903. There were two panes of six stamps each; three across and two deep. They were printed in sheets of 120, 20x6, consisting of two vertical rows of ten booklet panes arranged tete-beche horizontally. Although 11,500,000 booklets were prepared, they are very scarce, moreso than the Victoria booklet, of which only 1,200,000 were prepared. This is due to the fact that the Victoria booklet, since it was the first of its kind, was preserved as a souvenir in greater quantities than the Edwardian booklet. The fine network of vertical hairlines found on some panes is probably due to press packing. Blocks of 12 stamps, that is 2 unsevered panes, with one pane of six in an inverted position with respect to the other pane of six, were not regularly issued but were found in the effects of a former Postmaster General. Attempts have been made to fake panes from sheets of the 2c imperforate. Since the booklet panes were printed from a special plate on which the subjects were spaced further apart, the genuine panes will have wider spaces between the stamps than the fakes. In addition, the shade of the imperforate varies slightly from that of the booklet pane.

Reports of 1c booklet panes are fictitious. The Postmaster General's Report shows that the first 1c booklet was issued in 1913, early King George V design.

In 1913 the Quebec postmaster had some ordinary 1c and 2c stamps on hand which had been superseded by the new King George V issue. These were torn into strips, pasted together, cancelled with the Ottawa I obliterator, and used for experimental purposes in a stamp vending machine. These are type A. The American Bank Note Co. conducted another experiment about 1910. They

used 2c stamps torn into strips and pasted together. Some were precancelled with three thick lines, one wavy between two straight ones, and some were cancelled with the Ottawa parcel roller. These are Type B and C. A specially prepared experimental coil in three types exists and is a source of much controversy and puzzlement. The probable explanation of these experimental coils is the following. The United States Auto-Vending Co. experimented with Canadian as well as U. S. stamps in perfecting their automatic vending machines. Types D and E were the result of these experiments. Type D was imperforate vertically with two large notches on either side of the strip in the space between the stamps. A slit of limited length was made between the notches in order that the stamps might be torn apart easily. Type E resembled Type D except that the coils were made to feed sideways. Thus they would be imperforate horizontally with a vertical roulette and the same notches. The U. S. Auto-Vending Co. turned over their rights on one of their machines to two men by the names of Heiman & Zorke. Since they did not turn over their patent on Type E separation, the type required for their machines, Heiman & Zorke devised a method of their own, Type F, for separating the stamps. They used the notches of the U. S. Auto-Vending Machine Co. separation, since it was required in the machines, with the addition of seven perforations, gauge $8\frac{1}{2}$. Both the U. S. Auto-Vending Machine Co. and Heiman & Zorke, for a small fee, would apply their method of separation to any sheet of imperforate stamps presented to them so that the status of Types D, E and F is somewhat indefinite. The best classification we can give them is that of experimental coils.

King Edward VII died on May 6, 1910, and the following year the King Edward Issue, after a currency of eight years, was superseded by a new issue bearing the likeness of the new monarch, King George V.

Check List of King Edward Stamps

1. 1c green shades
 - a. imperforate
 - b. experimental coil, Type A
2. 2c rose carmine shades
 - a. imperforate, plates 1 and 2
 - b. imperforate, plates 13 and 14
 - c. booklet pane of 6
 - d. experimental coil, Type A
 - e. experimental coil, Type B
 - f. experimental coil, Type C
 - g. experimental coil, Type D
 - h. experimental coil, Type E
 - i. experimental coil, Type F
3. 5c blue shades on blue paper
 - a. imperforate
4. 7c yellow bistre shades
 - a. imperforate
5. 10c brown violet shades
 - a. imperforate
6. 20c olive green shades
7. 50c violet

For much of the above information, the writer is indebted to the Canadian Post Office Department, Boggs, Jarrett, Holmes, and many others.

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From the "Post Office Weekly Bulletin," August 21st, 1948:

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by Frank W. Campbell



Assinibola was a territory that legally existed between 1882 and 1905, with considerable shifting around of boundaries and for a while it was divided into Assinibola East and Assinibola West—later these sections being added to the provinces abutting the east and west border—Alberta and Saskatchewan.

One postmark exists with ASSA. WEST in its designation, and I would like to hear of others which collectors have with this WEST (or EAST) designation.

TIREE, illustrated above, probably started as a post office in 1896 because no sign of it appears in my 1895 Postal Guide, so the lender of this stamp postmarked thus no doubt has a first year cancel.

GRENFELL was established May 1, 1883, and the illustration above is probably its first townmark. In 1895 it got one of the large square heavy bar obliterators that so successfully ruins many of the Jubilee issue. In 1895 it had 350 people, with three churches and one store, so it was well provided for spiritually.

MOOSOMIN office was established Nov. 1, 1882 and soon had a townmark with N. W. T. as the locality designation. These N. W. T. items are scarce for any of the 50 or so places that had them. In 1895 it had 1000 people, two newspapers, and the only machine shop in the territory.

FORT SASKATCHEWAN was established early as dates go in the Northwest, being opened in May 1877. There is some question about this actual office being named Edmonton for a few months before above date.

Fort Edmonton was opened nearby in 1878.

In 1880 Fort Edmonton is listed with \$104.16 gross income and Fort Saskatchewan had \$68 income for the same year. Some chicanery existed here as the Fort Edmonton postmaster got about 1/10 income as salary while the Fort Saskatchewan postmaster got twice his income as salary. Population of Edmonton was 2000 in 1895. Plenty of scope here for investigators to get a better line on early local postal history up there. Both of these Forts had townmarks with N. W. T. ordered but I have not seen them.

JOEVILLE, Sask. mark is included as an illustration of how names get attached to an office. A railroad was under construction and a camp of laborers was at that spot, so postoffice facilities were furnished. Most of the laborers were called "Joe" for short, and Joes town, or the office name of Joeville, was adopted. Later it was changed to Lisieux, Sask. The Joeville name existed for a few weeks only and this marking is scarce.

Information Wanted



The above photo illustrates the latest usage I have ever seen of a pre-confederation cancellation used after confederation. The date on the cancellation identifies its use for "Waterloo, U. C., Au 23, 1878"—more than nine years after confederation! Does any reader have a later use of such a cancellation? An interesting "touch" is that Waterloo, ONT." is used in the printed matter on the reverse side.

John S. Siverts

Reviews & Reports

Ed. Whiting

Lots of water has passed under the bridge or over the dam since I last pecked out something for TOPICS. Those who scan the "daily locals" probably are aware that ere long Newfoundland may not be a stamp issuing entity but may and probably will be superceded by the issues of Canada. In fact, a note from BNAPS'er Bill Scott of Toronto quotes from a letter from L. J. Mills, Director of Financial Services of the Post Office Department at Ottawa, dated September 16th, which says:

"The entry of Newfoundland into Canadian Confederation is considered an event of historical importance. It is anticipated, therefore, that a postage stamp will be issued to commemorate the occasion...."

Well you boys and girls who specialize in Newfoundland will have to start looking for even smaller flaws while we Canadian collectors continue to labor over current issues.

Which reminds me to mention the new 5c postage due stamp from Canada. I have not tracked down first day of issue and maybe some one will come up with that information soon. It is of the same design as the current issue of postage dues.

From the Post Office Bulletin, September 11th—"BACK STAMPING OF FIRST CLASS MAIL—Effective immediately, backstamping of all letters received in incoming—previously required at all offices having an annual revenue of less than \$10,000—will only need be carried out at offices which have an annual revenue of less than \$3,000." File this information away for future reference.

By the time you read this, most of you will have obtained your first day covers and copies of the new Canada 4c commemorating the 100th anniversary of the "Achievement of Responsible Government in Canada." I believe that this is the first time since Canada started using the bilingual "POSTES" and "POSTAGE" on its stamps that this practice is not observed. I gather this from the advance design and these words may yet appear on the finished product.

I have on hand a copy of "Canada Op Postzegels" by M. J. Van Heerdtkolff. I would appreciate an offer from some member to translate and review this booklet for publication in BNA TOPICS.

BNAPS'er David Lidman is my candidate for an "orchid." Mr. Lidman is Editor of the "Gimbel's Stamp News" and in its latest issue a very nice mention was made about BNAPS. So nice in fact that several requests for information about BNAPS have been received.

BNAPS'er T. H. Nixon of St. Thomas, Ont., issues a very interesting "Investment Bulletin." I reprint some of the information in one of the issues:

STATISTICS ON CANADIAN STAMPS

Postal Union	1933	Cat. #202	5,100,000		
Regina Conf.	1933	Cat. #203	5,561,100		
Royal William	1933	Cat. #204	5,900,000		
Cartier	1934	Cat. #208	12,370,000	1c	#211 30,500,000
U. E. Loyalist	1934	Cat. #209	3,000,000	2c	212 31,000,000
New Brunswick	1934	Cat. #210	5,050,000	3c	213 60,425,000
1938 S. D.		E8	300,000	5c	214 3,050,000
4c War Issue		#253	8,000,000	10c	215 3,125,000
17c S. D. Air (error)			300,000	13c	216 1,100,000
1939 S. D.		E9	200,000		
13c War Issue		#258	4,000,000		
4c Bell			25,000,000		

Dan and Bill Meyerson did a swell job of representing the New York Group by winning first prize at a showing by various Societies at the Collectors Club of N. Y. with their exhibit and discussion of their collection of Newfoundland Provisionals from 1897-1946. A Certificate of Award from the Collectors Club is evidence of their winning over collections from 5 other Societies represented.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

NEW MEMBERS

- 520 Allison, Russell, 712-17th Street, Niagara Falls, N. Y.
 521 Waldie, Gordon, 1 Cluny Avenue, Toronto 5, Ont., Canada
 522 Warren, H. L., 182 Bagot Street, Coburg, Ont., Canada

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

- Bertram, H. G., 32 Cross St., Dundas, Ont., Canada (C) CAN, NFD—19th & 20th cent. mint postage & blocks. Mint booklet panes, airmails. 2 & 4 ring numerals. Proposed by J. Levine, No. 1.
 Fowler, Henry Ades, Route 1, Box 96, Hartford, Michigan (C) Proposed by R. J. Duncan, No. 37. Seconded by J. Levine, No. 1.
 Ivry, Sid, 5235 Cote St. Luc Road, Montreal, Que., Canada (C) B. N. A. Proposed by Chas. deVolpl, No. 266.
 Maxwell, Richard N., Forest St., Middleton, Mass. (CX) CAN, NFD, PRE—19th & 20th mint & used postage and blocks. Booklets, mint & used. Coils, Airmails & semi-officials. Literature. Proposed by R. P. Hedley, No. 164.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

- Bothwell, E. D., 3404 Harper St., Oakland 1, Calif.
 Goodale, Ed., 63 Homewood Ave., Hamilton, Ont., Canada
 Macnab, R. S., P. O. Box 67, Brandon, Man., Canada (from Winnipeg, Man.)
 Roub, Frank, N. U. School of Music, Evanston, Ill.
 Vooys, Daniel W., P. O. Box 300, Canajoharie, N. Y. (from Mohawk, N. Y.)
 Weyrauch, Paul H., 341 East Liberty, Ann Arbor, Mich.

REPLACED ON THE ROLL

- 311 Hadley, Raymond F., 443 Lombardy Rd., Drexel Hills, Pa.
 343 Miller, Ernest W., 2301 McKinley Ave., Lakewood 7, Ohio.
 14 Simon, Jose, Falgueras 202, Cerro, Havana, Cuba.

The above members were inadvertently listed in the September BNA TOPICS as dropped for non-payment. They are all members in good standing. We regret the error.

OFFICIAL NOTICE

NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS

Article IV, Section 3. The elective officers of the Society shall be so elected by ballot in the odd numbered years, during January.

Nominations may be filed with the Secretary by any five (5) members in good standing not later than 90 days prior to the date of election. At least 90 days prior to the election date, the President of the Society shall select and appoint three (3) members of the Society to serve and function as a Nominating Committee whose prime purpose shall be to prepare and present a slate of nominees for each elective office to be voted. Each nomination made shall be published in BNA TOPICS not less than 60 days prior to the election date.

An official ballot shall be prepared by the Secretary containing all nominations, spaces for marking against each name, and space for the signature and number of the member casting the ballot. No ballots other than the Official Ballot shall be valid. Ballots shall be returned to the Committee on Elections which shall be appointed by the President at a time prior to the election. The Committee on Elections shall canvass the vote and report the results at the election meeting and refer a similar report to the Secretary for filing and notice in BNA TOPICS. A plurality of all votes cast shall be required for the election of a candidate. If no one candidate shall receive a plurality of the votes cast for such office, the Committee on Elections shall cause to be issued new ballots for the election to this office.

I wish to announce the completion of the Committee for Nominations. This includes L. D. Shoemaker, Chairman; Henry Gates, W. S. Meyerson and Charles Armstrong.

—E. A. Richardson, Pres.

NOMINATIONS

The following names have been placed in nomination for the designated office. THIS IS NOT A FINAL LIST. Further nominations may be entered with the Secretary not later than October 15, 1948. Any additional nominations will be published in the November issue of BNA TOPICS. The Secretary, receiving no word to the contrary from a nominee, will cause these names and similarly any subsequently received to be entered on the Official Ballot for the Election of Officers, 1949-1951.

FOR PRESIDENT	Richard P. Hedley
FOR VICE PRESIDENT	Capt. B. C. Binks
FOR TREASURER	William C. Peterman
FOR SECRETARY	Jack Levine
FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS	J. Reginald Barraclough
	Henry Gates
	Vincent G. Greene
	Fred Jarrett
	Harold R. Meyers
	Daniel C. Meyerson
	Larry Shoemaker

Respectfully submitted by 5 members in good standing of the N. Y. Group.

FOR PRESIDENT	Richard P. Hedley
FOR VICE-PRESIDENT	Major Ian C. Morgan
FOR TREASURER	William C. Peterman
FOR SECRETARY	Jack Levine
FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS	Capt. B. C. Binks
	Robert J. Duncan
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Respectfully submitted: Messrs Allison, Gale, Noye, Macaulay, Walton.

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List of Publications in B. N. A. P. S. Library

R. J. Duncan, Librarian
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GENERAL:

- C. A. Howes—Canada, Its Postage Stamps & Postal Stationery
Wm. Smith—History of the Post Office in British North America
R. P. S. L.—Postage Stamps, Envelopes, Wrappers & Post Cards of the North American Colonies of Great Britain
Fred Jarrett—Standard British North America Catalog, 1923, 1927, 1929
Fred Jarrett—Canada & B. N. A., 1933, 1934, 1935
D. B. Armstrong—Edwardian Stamps of the British Empire, Part I.
Sen. J. A. Calder—Some Phases of the Canada '59 Issue
Geo. A. Lowe & Son—Standard Catalog of the Stamps of British North America
W. S. Boggs—The Postage Stamps & Postal History of Canada
B. W. H. Poole—Postage Stamps of Canada.
T. P. G. Shaw—Catalog of Canadian Railroad Cancellations
L. S. Holmes—Handbook & Catalog of Canada & B. N. A.
Patrick Hamilton—Canadian Stamps
A. L. McCready—Canadian Flag Cancellations
R. A. Bond—Canadian Silver Jubilees
Konwiser & Campbell—Canada & Newfoundland Stampless Cover Catalog
Robson Lowe—Handstruck Postage Stamps of the Empire, 3 editions
Wilfred Sprung—Three Penny Beaver
E. E. Goodchild—Postage Stamps of Canada
W. M. Sprung—An Introduction to Canadian Postage Stamps & the Penny Beaver 1851
Capitol Stamp Co.—Georgian Postage Stamps of Canada
Poole & Huber—Newfoundland
W. S. Boggs—Postage Stamps & Postal History of Newfoundland
Vincent—B. N. A. Catalogs, 8 editions 1935 on.
Holmes—Catalog of Canada & B. N. A., 1935, 1937, 1939, 1940
A. Stanley Deaville—"Canadian Geography & Stamps" Canadian Geographical Journal
Ketcheson—Standard Catalog of Canada Stamps, 5 editions
H. L. Lindquist—Stamp Specialist, Red, Brown, Gray, Maroon, Black
Rev. E. A. Butler—Catalog of Newfoundland 1927, '28, '30, '31, '33, '38, '40, '42
Essay-Proof Journal Quarterly
Canadian Philatelic Ass'n Yearbook 1922 (W. R. Patton)
Canadian Philatelic Society Yearbook 1925, 1928
Canadian Philatelic Yearbook 1925 (Wm. Butler)
North American Philatelic Yearbook 1927 (Wm. Butler) 1928
Handbook & Catalog of 3rd Canadian Philatelic Exhibition, Montreal 1925

BRITISH COLUMBIA:

- A. Stanley Deaville—Colonial Postal System & Postage Stamps of Vancouver Island & British Columbia
B. W. H. Poole—The Postage Stamps of British Columbia & Vancouver Island

NOVA SCOTIA:

- B. W. H. Poole—Nova Scotia

NEW BRUNSWICK:

- B. W. H. Poole—New Brunswick

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND:

- B. W. H. Poole—Prince Edward Island
R. E. R. Dalwick—Prince Edward Island

REVENUES:

- W. K. Hall—Standard Catalog of the Revenue Stamps of Canada
Marks Stamp Co.—Catalog of Revenue Stamps of B. N. A., 1st edition 1932

- Marks Stamp Co.—Canada Revenue Catalog, Federal Issues Only, 1942
 Marks Stamp Co.—Standard Canadian Revenue Catalog, 1943, 1945
 Canadian Revenue Society—Catalog of the Revenue Stamps of Canada
 K. Bileski—1st Issue Alberta Law Stamps
 R. A. Odell—Retail Cigars, Cigarette & Tobacco Stamps of Canada
 E. W. & S. N. Oughtred—Standard Catalog of the Revenue Stamps of Canada
 McLean—Standard Catalog of the Revenue Stamps of Canada, 1921
 Fred Jarrett—Canada Bill Stamps

AIR MAIL:

- D. E. Dickason—Standard Air Post Catalog
 Smith, Crouch & Jarrett—Air Mail Catalog of Canada & Newfoundland
 Ian C. Morgan—Specialized Catalog of Canadian Air Mails

PRECANCELS:

- B. G. Bushnell—Canadian Precancel Catalog
 Rotnem Stamp Co.—Standard Precancel Stamp Catalog, Canadian Section
 Hoover Bros.—Official Catalog of Canadian Precancels

PHILATELIC MAGAZINES:

- Canadian Philatelic Magazine 1893-1901, 46 nos.
 Canadian Philatelic Weekly (L. M. Staebler) 1894, 8 nos.
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 Toronto Philatelic Journal 1885-88, 25 nos.
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 Notes on the Two Cent Numeral of 1899 (Whitehead)
 Canada—1898-1902 Issue (Argus)
 Canada 1898-1900 Issue (Aretz)
 Newfoundland (Perlin)
 Canada, N. S., N. B., P. E. I., etc. (King)
 Three Cent Small Queen (Shoemaker)
 Meter Slogans for Canada's War Effort (Pollock)
 Watermarks on Canadian Stamps (Richardson)
 College Stamps of Canada (Pollock)
 10 Cent Retouches—1859 Issue (Calder)
 2c & 4c Provisionals of Newfoundland (Sloane)
 Samuel Allan Taylor (Jamieson)
 Canadian Part Perforates of 1923 (Richardson)
 Imprint Positions on Nova Scotia Cents (Richardson)
 Canadian Stamps that Might Have Been (Deville)
 Canada 1932 Medallion Scott's No. 195 (Kirkpatrick)
 Canadian Soldier's Letter—2 cent Rate (Morgan)
 Bahamas 5d Special Delivery 1916 (Pierce)
 Postage Meter Impressions of Canada (Simon)
 Inland Postal History of Newfoundland (Kirby)
 Northwest Territory Cancellations (Pollock)
 Canadian War Markings
 Canadian Patriotic Slogans (Harvey)
 Canadian Railway Pictorial Postcards (Bond & Pollock)

- Pre-Confederation Reminders (Pollock)
 Canadian Issues 1912-1928 (Pollock, Campbell, Sonne)
 The Three Cent Small Queen Issue of Canada (Shoemaker)
 The National Cash Register Postage Machines of Canada (Simon)
 Some Early Canadian Cancellations (Hibbs)
 Pantographed Newfoundland Issue—Caribou (Rang)
 Canadian Air Rarities
 Canada—Scratched Plate, etc. (Rang)
 Canada—Early Issues (Phillips)
 Canada 1898-1902 Issue (Argus & Aretz)
 Reciprocal Cachets of U. S. & Canada (Bernstein)
 Canada—Port Hood Bisect (Miller)
 Bisects of Dominion of Canada (Miller)
 Canadian Imperforate between Coil Stamps of 1926 (Shoemaker)
 Stamps of New Brunswick (King)
 Reprints of New Brunswick (Bartels)
 Stamps of Prince Edward Island (King)
 Stamps of British Columbia & Vancouver Island (King)
 The Stamps of Canada (King)
 Random Notes on Prince Edward Island (Crosby)
 Stamps of Nova Scotia (King)
 Canadian Locals—Labrador Co. of U. S. A. (Hale)
 Background of Newfoundland Stamps (Fox)
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 Royal William Trans-Atlantic Voyage (Ravenscroft)
 Design of Six Pence Prince Albert, etc. (Wellburn)
 Post Office Reports Canada 1851-1852 (Campbell)
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 Prince Edward Island Lot Number Cancellations (Grimmer) 4 pages
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 Investigation into the supposed Die II of the One Cent yellow 1922 (Rothwell)
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Freres Meyerson



A previously unrecorded Newfoundland Essay has recently come into our possession. It is evidently one of the designs submitted for the 1928 Newfoundland Pictorial Issue, Scott's #'s 145-159. Boggs in his book on Newfoundland states, "In the Report of the Minister of Posts & Telegraphs for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1927, reference is made to the proposed issue of stamps to replace the ones then in use (Scott's 131-144) and which were nearly exhausted." The Essay is dated May 6, 1927 and was undoubtedly one of those considered for inclusion in the set. It shows the "S. S. Sylvia" which sailed between St. John's, Halifax and New York and follows the general design of the 2c stamp, Scott's #146 which pictures the "S. S. Caribou," the steamer owned by the Newfoundland Government Railway and sailing between Port Aux Basque and Sydney, N. S.



Many of our fellow Newfoundland collectors may have been surprised during the past war to see the illustrated "POSTAGE PAID G. P. O." triangular postmark on covers that they knew originated in Newfoundland. The

explanation is simple; during the war when the Naval Forces were stationed at St. John's, all postage was collected by the Fleet Mail Office and passed over to the G. P. O. No stamps were used, but each cover was cancelled as per illustration.

Various & Sundry

GEO. E. FOSTER

23 exhibitors from Great Britain have entered the competitive lists at the Imaba, Basle. Two only are showing B. N. A. and both are exhibits of Newfoundland. L. T. Vowles, #403, who walked away from CIPEX with an award, and H. B. S. Thompson are the exhibitors. The Canadian Government has an exhibit in the Court of Honor.

BNAPS'er Jim Sissons, Toronto dealer, announces he will shortly publish a specialized catalogue of British North America.

In a June sale in London by Robson Lowe, a Nova Scotia cover to London, of 1855, franked by a 6d yellow-green and a diagonally bisected 3d blue, brought £30. A feature of this cover was that, owing to its being redirected, a 1d red, Great Britain, was affixed over both the Nova Scotia adhesives. In another Lowe sale a week later, a New Brunswick 6d pence olive-yellow bisect used on cover, realized £56 10/.

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By REV. JOHN S. BAIN

Since this is my first column after my return from Europe, I will relate some of my philatelic wanderings in the various countries. The more one travels it becomes increasingly evident how international our hobby really is, and how contacts can be made through stamp collecting.

BNAPS

I always had a dream to buy stamps right in Newfoundland and this wish was realized when we stopped at Gander. After making my purchases of stamps, I discussed with the postal clerk the coming confederation with Canada. There are decidedly mixed feelings about it, but when it sifts down, there is the admission that Canada is not such a bad partner. When I reminded them that they would soon be selling Canadian stamps, they all laughed!

BNAPS

One of the disappointments of the trip was my failure to reach Basle, Switzerland, and attend the IMABA stamp exhibition. I had hoped to bring the members a report. Only a few hours by train separated me from Basle but I couldn't make it. Too bad.

BNAPS

I visited many stamp stores in Amsterdam, Holland, but the stock of BNA material was very meagre. Only one dealer had any early Canada and this was of a poor grade. I did however pick up a copy of Canada, Scott #13, 6d, with forged perforations for my forgery collection. This dealer was a tough nut, as no amount of talking and evidence would convince him it was a forgery. We made a deal and so its cost was minor to me. Also in Amsterdam is an open air bourse held on Saturday afternoons where collectors (?) meet and trade stamps.

BNAPS

I had high hopes of finding material in Glasgow, Scotland, a former stamping ground of mine. But, when I started to enquire for BNA, I was always informed, "We don't have any" and "When we do, we have places for it." I found out that the specialist over there pick up everything. The only worthwhile item I obtained was a

block of 16 of the Newfoundland, Scott #3, forgery.

BNAPS

The next stop was dear old London, and to my amazement, I found that many of the dealers and little to offer in B. N. A. I was of course offered some early Canada at prices which would make one dizzy. While in London, I dropped into the offices of Harmer, Rooke & Co., and talked with Mr. Harmer on some phases of Canadian forgeries. Then we made our way over to the offices of Robson Lowe. While waiting to see some material, I picked up a magazine from the desk, opened it, and there I saw a picture of BNAPS'er Henry Gates. Sort of made me feel at home. While I did not get any BNA material, Robson Lowe's place proved best of all. I picked up forgeries of the Mulready letter sheets and essays entered in the postal competition before the issuance of the 1d black, and book on the 1d black centenary.

BNAPS

With the scarcity of BNA material and the way prices are, our field looks brighter than ever from some standpoints. I believe there are many Canadian items at the present time much underpriced and time will reveal an upswing in these items. After searching through Europe, I return and walk into Tony Russo's office in Chicago and he hands me a Canadian cover I want!! No place like home!!!

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CONSTITUTION and BY-LAWS

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British North America Philatelic Society

ADOPTED NOVEMBER 24, 1943

ARTICLE I—NAME

This organization shall be known as the British North America Philatelic Society, and shall hereinafter in this Constitution and By-Laws be referred to and called the "Society."

ARTICLE II—PURPOSE

It shall be the purpose of the Society to encourage and to aid the collecting and the study of the Postage Stamps and Postal History of the Dominion of Canada and Newfoundland and of the Pre-Confederation Colonies of British Columbia and Vancouver Island, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island; and to disseminate information on the subject within its purview for the benefit of its members and of the hobby of Philately in general. Further, to bring into closer contact, by the encouragement of direct and personal correspondence, those who by their membership, evince their common interest in the stamps of British North America.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP

Section 1.

QUALIFICATION: Any person, male or female, of good character, 21 years of age or over, who by their application bear witness to their serious interest in the fields to which this Society is devoted, may become a member of the British North America Philatelic Society, subject to the provisions and conditions of this article.

Section 2.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP: Application for admission to membership in the Society shall be made in writing to the Secretary, in such, and upon such form as the Board of Governors shall prescribe.

Section 2a.

TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP: There shall be three (3) Types of membership in the Society open to all approved applicants for membership, and classed by the membership fee hereinafter stated in Section 4. No type of membership carries with it special privileges of franchise or authority, and the selection of the type of membership desired shall be that of the applicant.

Members shall hereafter be designated as (a) Members; (b) Contributing Members; (c) Life Members.

It shall further be the privilege of the incumbent Board of Governors to confer Honorary Life Membership by unanimous approval of the Board.

Section 3.

ADMISSION TO MEMBERSHIP: Upon receipt of an application for admission to membership, notice thereof shall be published in the BNA TOPICS for a period of not less than 30 days and in such form and detail as the Board of Governors shall prescribe. The question of admission to membership in the Society shall be determined by the Membership Committee not less than 15 days from the published notice of application, and after such investigation as shall satisfy the Membership Committee of the advisability of applicant's admission to membership. The decision of the Committee shall be final and conclusive except upon presentation of additional information whereby they may deem it advisable to reconsider their decision.

Section 4.

FEES AND DUES: **Regular Membership.** The membership fee shall be

\$1. The annual dues shall be \$3, payable in advance, and the membership year shall commence the first day of January. An application for membership must be accompanied by the membership fee and by such portion of the annual dues as scheduled for the month in which application is made. If application is not accepted, the amount of fee and dues accompanying the application shall be forthwith returned to the applicant.

Contributing Membership. The membership fee shall be \$1. The annual dues shall be \$10, payable in advance, and any other stipulations are as for Regular Membership.

Life Membership. The membership fee shall be \$1. The Life Membership fee shall be \$50, payable at time of application for Life Membership, and any other stipulations as for Regular Membership.

Honorary Life Membership. The membership fee may be waived if the recipient of the honor is not a member of the Society. There shall be no Honorary Life Membership fee, the honor being a free agent of the Society awarded by unanimous vote of the incumbent Board of Governors.

Section 5.

GOOD STANDING: A member in good standing, within the meaning of that term as used in this Constitution and By-Laws, is one who is not in default in the payment of dues or other indebtedness due the Society and against whom no charges are pending.

Section 6.

NON-PAYMENT OF DUES OR OTHER INDEBTEDNESS: A member in arrears for dues or other indebtedness to the Society for a period of 60 days shall be referred to the Membership Committee, by either the treasurer in the instance of dues, or by the official in charge of the department where the indebtedness was incurred. Thirty days after such notice of arrearage or indebtedness shall have been referred to the Committee, they shall, after due notice to the member, order such a delinquent member dropped from the membership, and rights, privileges and interests in the Society thereupon shall cease. If fact of arrearage is disputed by the member, he may enter written appeal to the Board of Governors against the order. Such appeal shall be determined by the Board without unnecessary delay and its decision shall then be final.

Section 7.

RESIGNATION: A member shall submit a written resignation to the Secretary who shall cause notice thereof to be published in the BNA TOPICS for a period of 30 days. After such publication, with the acceptance by the Board of Governors, it shall become effective, providing such member is then in good standing or at such a future date as the member shall be in good standing.

Section 8.

REINSTATEMENT: A member may become reinstated only after making application for admission to membership in the manner as set forth for new applicants (Article III, Section 2, 3) providing all indebtedness, if any, to the Society has been satisfactorily paid.

Section 9.

EXPULSION: Any member found guilty of fraud, dishonesty, or any improper conduct unbecoming a member, may be suspended for a definite period without any rights or privileges in the Society or be expelled, as herein provided. Definite and specific charges of misconduct must be in writing and notice, including a copy of the charges, shall be served upon the member so charged, not less than 10 days prior to the date set by the Board of Governors for the hearing thereof. After due hearing and investigation, the findings of the Board and the penalty, if the charges are sustained, shall be entered upon the Journal of the Board of Governors and notice thereof be immediately forwarded to the Secretary to be entered upon the minutes of the Society and published in the BNA TOPICS. All data pertaining thereto shall be permanently preserved. The right of the Society to enforce payment of any indebtedness of the member is in no way impaired by the expulsion of such a member.

ARTICLE IV—OFFICERS

Section 1.

ELIGIBILITY: Any member in good-standing shall be eligible to the elective offices of the Society. Any member delinquent in dues, or in the payment of any indebtedness to the Society, or against whom charges are pending shall be ineligible to any office of the Society.

Section 2.

ELECTIVE OFFICES: The elective offices of the Society shall be a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary and Board of Governors of 7 members, none of whom shall hold any other elective office.

Section 3.

ELECTION: The elective officers of the Society shall be so elected by ballot, in the odd numbered years, during January.

Nominations may be filed with the Secretary by Groups or by any 5 members in good standing not later than 90 days prior to the date of elections. At least 90 days prior to the election date, the President of the Society shall select and appoint 3 members of the Society to serve and function as a Nominating Committee whose prime purpose shall be to prepare and present a slate of nominees for each elective office to be voted. Each nomination made shall be published in BNA TOPICS not less than 60 days prior to the election date.

An official ballot shall be prepared by the Secretary, containing all nominations, spaces for marking against each name, and space for the signature and number of the member casting the ballot. No ballot other than the official form shall be valid. Ballots shall be returned to the Committee on Elections, which shall be appointed by the President at a time prior to the election. The Committee on Elections shall canvass the vote and report the results at the election meeting and refer a similar report to the Secretary for filing and notice in the BNA TOPICS. A plurality of all votes cast shall be required for the election of a candidate. If no one candidate shall receive a plurality of the votes cast for such office, the Committee on Elections shall issue new ballots for the election to this office.

Section 4.

VACANCIES: In the case of vacancy in the office of President, succession thereto shall be by the Vice-President. In any other elective office, succession thereto shall be by appointment of the Board of Governors. In any appointed office, succession thereto shall be by appointment of the President.

Section 5.

REMOVAL FROM OFFICE: Any elective officer may be removed from office or suspended for a definite period by a majority vote of the Board of Governors, upon being found guilty of misconduct in office, or neglect of official duty. Any appointed official may for like cause be removed or suspended for a definite period by the President. Charges may be preferred by the Board or President upon their own initiative, or in writing by any 5 members in good standing. When such charges are preferred by members, the Board or President, as the case may be, shall cause written notice of charges to be served upon the official not less than 10 days prior to the date fixed by them for the hearing thereof.

ARTICLE V—DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1.

GENERAL PROVISIONS: In addition to the authorities and duties conferred and imposed in this article upon the different officials, such officials shall exercise the authorities and perform the duties designated for them in other portions of this Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 2.

PRESIDENT: The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society. He shall be ex-officio a member of all Committees.

He shall appoint, with the approval of the Board of Governors, the various Permanent Committees and such Administrative officials as he may deem necessary.

He shall sign all warrants or vouchers drawn on the treasurer for the payment of bills or claims properly incurred by or on behalf of the Society.

He shall execute on behalf of or in the name of the Society, when so authorized by the Board of Governors, all legal documents.

He shall have general supervision over all officials and committees to the end that there shall be complete performance of duties by each of said officials and committees.

Section 3.

VICE-PRESIDENT: The Vice-President, in the absence, disability or impeachment of the President, shall serve as President and assume the duties and be invested with the rights and privileges provided for the President.

He shall have charge of all recruiting and shall appoint the necessary Regional Directors to facilitate the purpose and activities of the Society.

Section 4.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS: The Board shall be the general administrative body of the Society, except as otherwise specifically provided, but shall be subject to such definite orders and instructions as shall be given by annual or special meetings of the Society.

It shall elect one of its members as its Chairman.

It shall designate 3 members to serve and function as the Membership Committee, to review and control all applications for membership to the Society. To expedite and facilitate the proper execution of their duties, such appointees to the Membership Committee must reside within a radius not exceeding 50 miles of each other.

It shall have the authority, as otherwise herein provided, to fine, suspend and expel members for improper conduct, or conduct unbecoming a member, and it shall in such instance have the authority to define, and determine the meaning of the terms, "Improper Conduct" and "Conduct unbecoming a member."

It shall have the authority and privilege to confer Honorary Life Membership by unanimous vote of the Board.

It shall prescribe the amounts of bonds to be executed for officials as required.

It shall audit the books, accounts and records of the Treasurer, Sales Manager, and any other Society department receiving or expending monies and effect from same audit, that any monies of such department accounts not immediately needed, be deposited to the account of the Society in a bank or banks so designated by them.

It shall be convened in session at least once every month, and in order to expedite the transaction of its business, may take votes on an issue by mail.

It shall keep accurate, complete and permanent records of all its proceedings.

Section 5.

SECRETARY: The Secretary shall keep an accurate and permanent record of all the proceedings of the Society and Board of Governors, conduct all correspondence of the Society and Board of Governors, have custody of the seal of the Society, keep a complete record of membership in the matter of application, admission, death, resignation, suspension, expulsion and reinstatement, issue membership cards and receipts, and countersign, register and attest all documents signed by the President.

He shall edit the official matter to be published in the BNA TOPICS.

He shall receive all applications for admission to membership, forward a copy thereof to the Membership Committee and send the list of applicants to the BNA TOPICS for listing therein.

He shall furnish each member in good standing with a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws and a list of members.

He shall transfer all funds collected by him from any source to the Treasurer each month.

He shall keep the members informed of all the vital occurrences and is to publish in the BNA TOPICS reports of current proceedings of the Society and the Board.

He shall at all times be subject to the direction of the President and of the Board of Governors, in the matter of the performance of his duties.

Section 6.

TREASURER: The Treasurer shall receive and have custody of all funds and securities of the Society.

He shall collect and keep an accurate record of all monies in books belonging to the Society and provided for that purpose: and shall issue quarterly reports to the Board of Governors of all receipts and disbursements and balances of cash on hand.

He shall pay out no money except on warrants regularly drawn on him by the President together with the Secretary, or by the Board of Governors.

He shall keep an account of the receipts and expenses of the BNA TOPICS.

He shall present at the annual meeting a complete financial statement for the membership year together with a report of the official audit.

He shall deposit all money in a bank or banks designated by the Board of Governors, and to the account of the Society.

He shall at all times be subject to the direction of the President and of the Board of Governors in the matter of the performance of his duties.

Section 7.

REGIONAL DIRECTORS: It shall be the duty of the Regional Directors, under the direction and supervision of the Board of Governors, to further the interests of the Society and to advance its welfare in the various regions for which they are appointed.

ARTICLE VI—MEETINGS

Section 1.

ANNUAL MEETING: The Annual Meeting or Convention of the Society shall be held at such date during the second week of January as the preceding Annual Meeting shall determine. Sixty days prior to such Annual Meeting, notice thereof shall be published in the BNA TOPICS.

The Order of Business at each Annual Meeting shall be as follows:

1. Call to Order
2. Reading of Official Call of Meeting
3. Reading and Approval of Minutes of the Preceding Annual Meeting
4. Communications
5. President's Address
6. Appointment of Standing and Permanent Committees
7. Reports of Officers
8. Reports of Permanent Committees
9. Unfinished Business
10. New Business
11. Elections
12. Adjournment

Section 2.

SPECIAL MEETINGS: Special Meetings of the Society may be called by the Board of Governors or by written request of at least 10 members to the President. Thirty days prior to the date set for such special meeting, notice shall be published in the BNA TOPICS, specifying the purpose or specific matters for the consideration and action of the meeting. A separate notice of the meeting shall be mailed to each member not less than 10 days prior to the date set for the meeting and no other business shall be transacted at such a meeting.

Section 3.

REGIONAL MEETINGS: Regional meetings may be held by members of

a locality and their actions and conduct shall be such as provided and required of members of the Society.

ARTICLE VII—PERMANENT COMMITTEES

Section 1.

APPOINTMENT: Subject to approval of the Board of Governors, the President shall appoint the following Permanent Committees, membership to each as required:

1. Program Committee
2. Publicity Committee
3. Philatelic Literature Committee
4. Recruiting Committee
5. Expertizing Committee
6. Editor
7. Sales Manager
8. Nominating Committee

Such Committees and Appointees shall serve for the terms for which the Officers of the Society are elected and until their successors are appointed, but any member may be removed by the President at any time.

Section 2.

DUTIES: The Permanent Committees shall perform such duties as the Board of Governors shall prescribe for them, except as otherwise provided herein.

ARTICLE VIII—DEPARTMENTS

Section 1.

THE SALES DEPARTMENT: The Sales Department shall be conducted by the Sales Manager in accordance with rules prescribed by the Board of Governors, which rules shall be printed in each sales book of the Department. Each member in good standing shall be entitled to participate in the Department, subject to strict compliance with all the rules of the Department.

A fee shall be assessed for the circulation of books in the Department in such sums as the Board of Governors shall determine. Such fees shall constitute a fund to be known as the Insurance fund, for the indemnity against loss or injury to stamps in circulation, under such terms and conditions and to such extent as the Board of Governors shall prescribe.

Section 2.

OTHER DEPARTMENTS: In addition to the Sales Department as herein provided for, the Board of Governors, under their supervision, shall have authority to establish such other Departments as they may deem advisable.

Any Department so established by the Board of Governors, may be discontinued by the Board at any time, by giving notice thereof in the BNA TOPICS.

ARTICLE IX—SOCIETY PUBLICATION

B. N. A. TOPICS shall be the official journal of the Society and shall be published by the Editor under the supervision and direction of the Board of Governors.

All claims accruing to the Society in consequence of the publication of the B. N. A. TOPICS, shall be payable directly to the Treasurer, and duplicates of all bills rendered by the Editor for such claims shall be filed with the Treasurer immediately upon their rendition.

ARTICLE X—FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year for the Society shall commence January 1 in each calendar year.

ARTICLE XI—NOTICES

For all purposes, any notice mailed to the address of the member as listed

on the records of the Society shall be sufficient.

Any notice required from the members to the Society shall be sufficient only if sent by registered mail or actually received by the Society.

ARTICLE XII—AMENDMENTS

This Constitution and By-Laws may be amended as hereinafter provided. Amendment may be proposed by (a) the Annual Meeting (b) by petition duly signed by at least 15 members in good standing.

A proposed amendment must be received by the Secretary who shall cause same to be published in BNA TOPICS. A ballot on the proposed amendment shall be mailed to each member in good standing not less than 30 days nor more than 60 days after the proposed amendment has been published. The ballot shall provide spaces to indicate the vote for or against and may include any arguments pro or con offered by members, upon such conditions as the Board of Governors may prescribe. Ballots shall be tabulated by a committee selected for that purpose by the President and a report of the vote shall be published in BNA TOPICS. A $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of all members casting a ballot shall be necessary for the adoption of the amendment.

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2. The President of the Society with the approval of the Board of Governors, shall appoint a member to serve as a Sales Manager. The Sales Manager shall be responsible to the Board of Governors except as herein otherwise specifically provided.

3. The Sales Manager shall keep accurate accounts and records of all transactions of the Department in books of the Society so provided by it. He shall at specified times provide the Board of Governors with reports of the affairs of the Department, including a full and accurate balance sheet of all book-keeping entries. He shall cause such reports to be similarly published in BNA TOPICS. He shall collect and be custodian of all funds received by and for the Department and shall, at suitable intervals, make any authorized payments from such funds to the owners of material sold by the Department. He shall post a bond to the Society in such an amount as shall be decided by the Board of Governors and premiums thereon shall be paid by the Society.

4. Members entering material for sale shall mount their material on sheets or books as shall be prescribed by the Board of Governors. Sheets or books shall be obtained from the Sales Manager upon request and at such a cost as shall be determined by the Board of Governors. No other form except the prescribed one shall be used. Any damaged stamp, reprint, counterfeit or item of questionable character must be so designated by the affixer.

5. A charge of 2% as an insurance fee shall be made of the net value of the material entered. Monies so collected shall be deposited in an Insurance Fund from which fund claims for loss or damage to material shall be paid. The Board of Governors shall have final jurisdiction in the payment and settlement of claims.

6. A charge of 8% shall be deducted from all sales made through the Department. Monies so collected shall be deposited in the general fund of the Department and all costs of conducting the Department shall be paid from this fund. Both the insurance and commission charges shall be deducted whenever a payment shall be made to an owner.

7. All circuits must be forwarded to the next person shown on the Route Sheet within five (5) days of receipt by Prepaid Express or Registered Mail fully insured to the amount shown on the Route Sheet. Any member not complying with this regulation will be subject to a fine of 25c per day for each book in the circuit. Loss of any material not so forwarded in the prescribed manner shall be the responsibility of the remitter.

8. Members must notify the Sales Manager immediately upon receipt and when forwarding a circuit, showing dates and circuit number. The member upon receiving a circuit shall verify the number of books in the circuit, as evidenced on the Route Sheet the number of pages in each book, as noted on the "fly-leaf" of each book; and that all spaces on each page of a book contain a stamp or a proper indication that the stamp of the space has been sold or is accounted for. If any spaces on a page are not so accounted for, the receiver must immediately notify the Sales Manager and the person from whom he received the circuit. Such discrepancies must be adjusted between those two members.

9. The buyer must sign his name in INK (or use a suitable rubber stamp) in all spaces from which he has removed and retained an item. Each so identified purchase shall be entered on the forms specifically provided for that purpose with each circuit. Remittance for all purchases must be sent in full to the Sales Manager and in U. S. funds. The circuit must then be forwarded to the next person shown on the Route Sheet and in the manner prescribed in rule 7.

10. The Sales Manager may refuse to circulate any material which in his opinion is not saleable and similarly may withdraw any material from circulation at any time for any cause.

11. These rules may be amended or added to at any time.

Rules for the Library

R. J. Duncan, Librarian
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1. This Department shall be maintained and shall function entirely for and in the interest of the membership of the British North America Philatelic Society. Any member of the Society in good standing may borrow material from the Library. Any member may be denied that privilege for infraction of any of the Rules for the Library.

2. The President of the Society shall appoint a member of the Society to act as a Librarian. The President of the Society shall also appoint a committee of three (3) members to serve and function as a Library Committee to govern all funds of the Library and to provide from such funds any moneys required by the Librarian for the purchase of material for the Library.

3. The Librarian shall be responsible to the Library Committee except as herein otherwise specifically provided.

He shall receive and acknowledge all contributions to the Library.

He shall provide regular quarterly reports to the Library Committee of all monies received and disbursed by him.

He shall cause to be published in BNA TOPICS reports of all activities of the Library.

He shall be Custodian of the Catalogue of the Library.

He may purchase, sell or exchange any material for and to the benefit of the Library.

4. A member on written application to the Librarian accompanied by all charges, may have sent not more than two (2) volumes and shall not retain such borrowed material for more than 30 days at which time, or sooner, same borrowed material must be returned in good condition, fully insured and all charges prepaid. The member so borrowing material from the Library shall be responsible and liable to the full value of the material until same shall have been acknowledged as received by the Librarian. A member shall make such adjustment or payment for any damage or loss to material borrowed from the Library in such an amount as shall be deter-

mined and established by the Librarian.

5. There shall be a charge of 25c per week or part thereof for each item borrowed from the Library and held in excess of the 30 days. A rental of 25c or more per week may be charged for any special or rare book when so determined by the Librarian.

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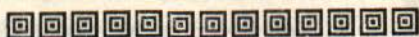
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