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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### A Scott BNA Catalog

Dear Sir:

The letter from Mr. W. T. White in the March issue of "TOPICS" interested me very much but I did not want to offer any comment until some further evidence of feeling on the part of the membership was presented. Judging from the remarks at various places in the April issue, it would seem that this is something that the members might be definitely interested in.

Before going any further we may as well face the facts and recognize that the only specialized catalog that will have a good chance of being accepted as a yardstick of values will be one published by the Scott Co. I realize that this may be sticking my neck out because there are a great many members of BNAPS who will maintain that their personal knowledge or perhaps their listings of Canada will surpass by a wide margin anything the Scott Co. can produce. I don't argue with anyone on this point but irrespective of what they have done in the past, the fact remains that the Scott name on a specialized catalog of Canada will do more to guarantee its acceptance than anything else, even a top notch job in preparing and presenting the compilation.

At one of our recent meetings of the New York Group we had the opportunity of learning at first hand the views of the Scott organization from Mr. Gordon Harmer. Speaking for myself, I gathered the impression that a Specialized Canada was under consideration in reflection of the widespread and growing interest in Canada. I also concluded that its publication would not be undertaken for at least another year or two, assuming that it will appear, and most important of all that it would be up to a club such as the B. N. A. P. S. to do a lot of sifting of recommended listings and to originate ideas.

There is no reason why we cannot proceed through our membership and "TOPICS" to gather data for the benefit of all BNAPSers and, when the time comes, make this available to the Scott organization. Of course I um not unalterably opposed to BNAPS

publishing their own specialized Canadian (and provinces) catalog but I do feel that we might gain more in the long run through working with Scotts eventually.

I heartily agree with Mr. White in his suggestion that a group be set up to compile listings of all known varieties and publish them in our magazine. As regards varieties, I should like to suggest that insofar as is practicable they be limited to plate rather than printing varieties. Of course any major variety should be recognized but chasing fly specks can be carried to an extreme.

During the past few years I have read some rather definite statements regarding Canada, in TOPICS too, which are completely incorrect and I can only conclude that the writer of such articles did not have the material at hand to permit him to know the true picture. I have only mentioned the foregoing because I want to justify a suggestion. My suggestion is that no listing be made, irrespective of WHO reports the item, unless the item itself, or a photo if that would be practicable depending upon what the item happens to be, is submitted to the group.

In closing I should like to say that I think this is perhaps the most constructive activity the Society could undertake and I would be glad to cooperate to the limit of my ability.

H. W. Lussey River Edge Manor, N. J.

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# SKETCHES **BNAPSers**

By V. G. Greene



Major-General Robert Rennie. C.B.; C.M.G.; D.S.O.

Probably the oldest BNAPSer is Major-General Robert Rennie who was born on Dec. 15, 1862 in York County, Ontario. He started collecting stamps in his youth and as long ago as 1877 published a philatelic magazine, "The Canada Beaver" which ran for five issues. (See p. 102 for indexing of "The Canada Beaver"). Copies of this magazine are now exceedingly rare, one of the few sets known being owned by our librarian, Mr. R. J. Duncan.

Throughout the years General Rennie never lost interest in the hobby, specializing in several countries, particularly Great Britain and Canada. One of his favourite stamps was the Canada 6d perforated, Scott's No. 13; he used to buy these stamps at auction in London around the turn of the century for £2 each and at one time had twenty-six copies. On his return from

the first Great War he sold the major portion of his B. N. A. collection, including two superb 12d blacks (now in the Lichtenstein collection). As a director of the Rennie Seed Co. of Toronto with a large mail-order business from coast to coast he had an unrivaled opportunity of obtaining covers with interesting illustrated cornercards and cancellations and built up a large collection which the writer acquired some years ago. He was also partial to covers emanating from the North-West Territories of Canada before the Provinces of Alberta and Saskatcheman were formed in 1905. These covers are scarce, particularly those used in the 19th century.

General Rennie went overseas as Commanding Officer of the 3rd Canadian Infantry Battalion in 1914 and was in the battle of Ypres April 1915. He was promoted to the rank of Brigadier-General in November of that year and given command of the 4th Cdn. Infantry Brigade. In 1917 he was in the battle of Vimy Ridge and in 1918 the battle of Amiens, returning to Canada in 1919 with the rank of Major-General.

Although in his 87th year, the General still plays a good game of golf and in his early years was a famous rifleman, representing Canada on the Bisley team on three occasions, receiving several medals and prizes for his markmanship. Until recently he was in the best of health and all BNAPSers will wish him a speedy recovery from his present illness.



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## Pre-Adhesive Postal History and Postal Markings of Newfoundland

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#### CONCEPTION BAY PACKETS and COURIERS 1840-1851 (cont.)

A Thomas Scanlan also seems to have been in the employ of Her Majesty's Government for the transmission of mail as his voucher submitted in 1850 reads, "For Postages round the Bay for the Sheriff's Office, Harbor Grace, for Quarter ending the 30th June" (Fig. 35).



Fig. 35

There was evidentally at least one other courier whose name is hard to decipher, but it appears to be Thomas Rirnez, who submitted a voucher to Her Majesty's Government for mail and parcels that he carried on Feb. 28, and Mar. 6, 1945 (Fig. 36).



Fig. 36

Several efforts were made to establish an inland overland mail during this period. In January 1839, William Caldwell, of Harbor Grace, advertised in the "Royal Gazette" that he would travel around Conception Bay carrying letters at the rate of 1/ each single and 2/ each double. In 1845, James Doyle, Carbonear, owner of the packet "Nora Creina" announced to the communities of St. John's, Harbor Grace and Carbonear that he had engaged a confidential man to travel around the Bay during the winter months when the boat was necessarily laid up. Mr. Doyle is said to have marked all letters he carried with a small seal bearing the Packet's name. In 1847, James Hodge announced he would run a four-sail boat between Kelligrews, Brigus and Port de Grave and that in the winter a man in his employ would travel the same route overland. His rates were 1/ for single letters and 2/ for double.

#### BONAVISTA and TRINITY BAY PACKETS 1840-1851

By this time a sizeable correspondence had sprung up between the Bonavista Bay and Trinity Bay settlements and Harbor Grace, the seat of the Northern District. At least one packet was employed to carry this correspondence. As early as Feb. 9, 1848, we have a letter written at Trinity and addressed Harbor Grace with the marking "per packet" (Fig. 37).



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Fig. 37

Fig. 38

On March 31, 1849, from Bonavista addressed to Harbor Grace, we have a letter with the manuscript notation "per Coleman" (Fig. 38). To confirm the operation of a packet and the presence of Mr. Coleman, we submit the following excerpt from a letter written at Bonavista on May 27, 1850, and addressed to Harbor Grace, "I received your letter by Murphy of the 17th inst. and the enclosed accounts and according to your Directions I have signed them and now send them on by Coleman's Packet" (Fig. 39).

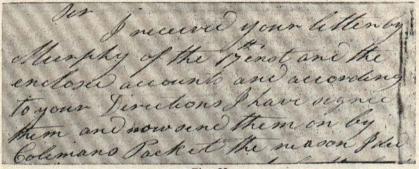


Fig. 39

Not having any further information regarding Mr. Murphy or his duties, we presume he was a private individual who carried the letter as a favor to the addressee. Still further we illustrate a portion of a letter between Charles Granger and G. C. Gaden which was sent from Trinity to Harbor Grace on Nov. 14, 1850 and says, "Enclosed you will find an account which John Coleman has furnished me with for postage." This same letter mentions still another packet either owned or commanded by Stoneman (Fig. 40).

gue decount which John beteman has francished no mill for postage you will see by the your will be the your will be time enough for the Stanemans defect with whome

Fig. 40

However no other information has turned up on this subject. As the final link to prove Coleman was in the employ of Her Majesty's Government, we illustrate herewith his voucher requesting payment for postage, quarter ending Sept. 30, 1848 (Fig. 41).

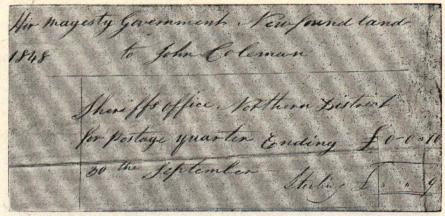


Fig. 41

There were evidently private individuals used to carry mail across Trinity Pay as we illustrate a letter written at Hearts Content on Sept. 20, 1849, addressed to Trinity and marked "p. Mr. Hart" (Fig. 42). The aforementioned Mr. Murphy may well fit into this category, too.



Fig. 42

#### CONCEPTION BAY PACKET and COURIER RATES 1840-1851

As for the postal rates in effect on Conception Bay during this period, they seem to have followed the same pattern as that which was in vogue in the 1830's, namely 6d. per single letter and 1/ per double letter during the months when the packet made the voyage, and twice those rates during the months when the packet did not make the crossing because there was ice and travelling was conciderably more hazardous and difficult. We refer you to the voucher from the "Express" (vide Fig. 26) in which it will be noted that for the period between Feb. 14 and Mar. 14, 1844, double postage rates were charged, whereas for the halance of the first half of 1844, single rates were charged. The rates charged

by Phelan's packet "Victoria" were evidently the same, as per itemized voucher submitted for the period from May 15 to Dec. 16, 1848 (Fig. 43).

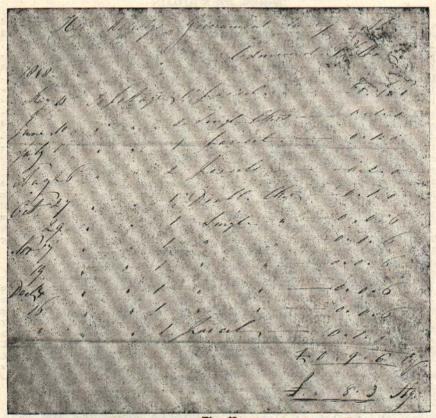


Fig. 43

No information is available as to the rates charged on Coleman's packet which plied Trinity Bay.

#### PLACENTIA BAY PACKETS and COURIERS 1840-1851

According to the Rev. Kirby, Placentia Bay and the more important ports along the south coast had their own packet service during this period. A Placentia Historian, Mr. H. W. LeMessieur, is the authority for the statement that in 1840 a mail courier service was established between Placentia and St. John's. This service is presumed to have been financed by the large business houses around the Bay. The courier employed to make this trip was Thomas Kelly who later became a Government Postal Courier under the Inland Postal System. R. Falle & Co. of Burin, in 1848, at their own expense ran a packet boat across Placentia Bay to connect its West Coast with Courier Kelly. In 1849, Mr. Sweetman ran his boat between Placentia and Burin and in 1850 a contract was let to John Collins for the regular carriage of mails from Placentia to Burin with intermediate stops at Paradise and Oderin.

(to be continued)

ED.—All the reproductions of portions of manuscripts illustrated in this series are from the original and complete letter sheets in the collection of the authors unless otherwise stated.

# Bringing News About People & Stamps

By REV. JOHN S. BAIN

One of the great days in philatelic history has come and gone-April 1st, 1949, when Newfoundland became a part of the Dominion of Canada. must confess I felt sadness in my heart, philatelically speaking. Those beautiful issues of Newfoundland will be no more. Even in her dying moments and new creation Newfoundland made a bid for philatelic glory. Last day covers will adorn albums to tell of the end. The Canadian Commemorative will tell of the Confederation. A cover showing a Newfoundland stamp, a Canadian stamp, and the new commemorative will tell of the past, present, and future. Then along comes the Weekly Post Office Bulletin of March 25th, 1949, authorizing the use of Newfoundland stamps anywhere in Canada for the prepayment of Canada postage) effective April 1st, 1949. Such use outside of Newfoundland, on April 1st, will be far more rare than the first day covers of the new stamps. Newfoundland lives on!!

ED.—Regular TOPICS readers will remember Rev. Bain's article on "Philatelic End for Newfoundland" in the Jan. 1946 issue of BNA TOPICS!! I must reprint Rev. Bain's closing paragraph, "One bright spot remains, however, Canada may issue a stamp in honor of Newfoundland entering the Confederation!" Bringing News About Stamps 3½ years before it happens!

#### BNAPS

Many thanks to BNAPSers E. G. Lloyd, C. Armstrong and K. C. Vizzard for 1st day covers. Each one brought back philatelic memories of sharing the hobby through the years.

#### BNAPS

News comes that the Stamp Collectors Exchange Club Magazine, Toronto, Canada, edited and published by J. K. Macrory, has been offered for sale. This magazine has been a champion of BNA and has had fourteen years of continuous publication.

#### BNAPS

BNAPS Librarian R. J. Duncan sends me this inquiry from one of his correspondents. "Can you tell me anything about the 'Cassiar Express." I have an 1880 envelope addressed to Glenora Landing, Stikeen river, with

this in a long, narrow, double lined box (obviously a rubber stamp) and part of a similar mark reading '.... LEOT,' the remaining portion evidently being on an adhesive which has come off. There is also a circular postmark of which only 'DEXTER' is legible. Back marks are 'Victoria B. C.—Canada—(circ.) dated My 3, 80. Rectangular marks are in purple ink and the Dexter has part of a date—'Apr', therefore put on before the letter arrived at Victoria.'

#### BNAPS

Can anyone give any light on the rumour that the offering of certain late issues of Newfoundland airmall stamps came from the ruins of the printing plant of Perkins, Bacon & company, when it was bombed during the war?

#### BNAPS

BNAPSer Charlie Armstrong of Toronto reports a new Canadian revenue surcharge of 2/5 on 3/16 red excise for matches. This is a short issue. He also would like to hear from any BNAPSer who has seen a liquor stamp for Manitoba or Prince Edward Island.

While on the subject of revenues, the information comes that the Marks Stamp Co. of Toronto, Canada, is putting out a new revenue catalog.

#### BNAPS

BNAPEX 1949—Buffalo, Sept. 16-17-18. How wonderful that looks in print. What fond memories it returns of CIPEX—what future pleasures it portends. I do hope and trust I'll see many of you there. It seems so far off to me who can't wait to get there but I'm sure it isn't that long to go to the committees who are working to "put it over." Give them all your help and co-operation and don't delay it for later. I'm sure they feel it's almost here already so relieve their anxiety.

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# The Late Use of Pre-Confederation Date Stamps

By C. M. Jephcott

In October 1948 issue of BNA TOPICS, Mr. John Siverts raised the interesting subject of the late use of pre-confederation date stamps. He illustrated a cancellation reading "Waterloo U. C. Au 23 1878" and commented on the use of the letters U. C. so long after confederation. In subsequent issues of BNA TOPICS, Dr. Alfred Whitehead and Mr. Harry Lussey reported that date stamps with C. E. or C. W. were in use in the early 1880's. Further information from Mr. A. V. Richardson showed that some small villages in Quebec used the date stamp with C. E. in the middle and late 1890's.

It is seldom that official information can be obtained on such a subject but the Annual Statement of the Printing and Supply Branch of the Post Office Department included in the Report of the Postmaster General for the year ending June 30, 1891 contains some pertinent information. It read as follows:

"The attention of the Department having been arrested by the defective postmarking of letters, etc., very largely prevailing in the Post Offices, a general circular was issued to Postmasters requiring them to furnish impressions of their office stamps, and to state whether new ones were required, in order to the end that by the supply, where necessary, of new stamps or stamping material, the legible and efficient postmarking of all mail matter might for the future be insured. This resulted in demands being received for new office stamps from all parts of the Dominion, which in all needful cases were promptly complied with. It is worthy of note here that what are believed to be the last of the old "U C" and "C W" (Upper Canada and Canada West) and "L C" and "C E" (Lower Canada and Canada East) office stamps were sent into the Branch as a result of the circular above alluded to."

From this statement it would appear that many towns used pre-confederation date stamps up to 1891 and from then on their use was quite rare.

The Report of the Postmaster General for the year ending June 30, 1890 also mentions the subject of office date stamps. Although this reference does not deal directly with the matter under discussion, it will possibly be of interest to some readers of BNA TOPICS. It is quoted verbatim.

"In conformity with the practice obtaining in England and elsewhere, the issue of a special stamp for obliterating postage stamps was discontinued and the office date stamp made to serve the purpose of postmarking and dating the letters and at the same time of defacing the stamps, resulting in a saving of time and in the cancelling of postage stamps, without involving the cost to the Department as heretofore of the supply of obliterating stamp."

### REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

I wish to thank Mr. J. R. Barraclough of Montreal and Mr. H. A. MacMaster of Vancouver for their contributions of various magazines to our Library. I also wish to thank Capt. G. Leonard Hearn of Herts, England for his donation of the new Gibbons Catalogs to the Library.

I am very happy and pleased to be able to report that 75 loans were made from the Society Library during the first quarter of 1949. That figure represents as many loans made during the first quarter of 1949 as were made during the first half of the previous year. Quite an encouraging and gratifying response.

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#### NEW GRANADA.

A new set has come out for the country as follows. 5 ceutavos violet (Eagle) 10 cent. brown. (Liberty) 30 cent. blue, (Liberty.) 50 cent. green, (Arms.) 1 peso red. 5 pesc, black on green. 10 peso black on red.

#### NEW ZEALAND.

A new set is announced for this country as well as others.

#### ICELAND.

A new set has been seen for this country. They have also official, as follows. 5 aur blue. 6 aur gray. 10 aur carmine. 16 aur brown. 20 aur lilac. 40 aur yellow. Officials. 10 aur blue, 16 carmine. 20 aur yellow.

#### PHILIPINE ISLANDS.

The lowest value stamp that this country has ever issued is the 2 cent de peseta stamp now in use.

#### FRANCE.

We hear that this country is to have a new set as follows. It must be remembered that the only one now in use is the 12 centimes, as the old stock is not yet exhausted 1, 2, 8, 4, 5, centimes, olive.

20 centimes, red-brown.

25 " blue. 80 " brown.

40 " orange. 75 " carmine.

1 franc, bronze-green, 5 francs, lilac

#### Hungary.

A 25 kr stamp has been seen, issued by this country The color is violet-black.

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By R. J. DUNCAN

#### CANADA BEAVER

Nine numbers in one volume. Published by R. Rennie in Toronto, Ont. Nos. 1 to 4, 6 x 8% inches. Nos. 5 to 9, 11½ x 15½ inches. No. 9 is incorrectly numbered 10.

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Mostly short notes including a list of new issues and a continued article in the early numbers on "Philatelic Pursuits."

No. 5 reports the meeting of the Canadian Stamp Association held at the office of the "Amateur Times" in Toronto on Oct. 21st, 1876. Officers elected were W. H. Williams, Tronoto, President; Mr. John Kelly, Toronto, Vice-President and Mr. R. Richardson, Toronto, Secretary and Treasurer, "Canada Beaver," official organ.

#### Review:

HOLMES' CATALOGUE OF CANADA AND BRITISH NORTH AMERICA— Edited and published by L. Seale Holmes, M. D., London, Canada, 266 pages.

To those members of BNAPS, and other collectors of B. N. A., who have long asked for a specialized catalogue of their favorite countries—here is your answer! There has been great improvement in this catalogue each time it has appeared, and the latest (7th) edition has been overhauled and revised to the extent that it is the best publication of this type devoted to British North America to come to the writer's attention. It is strictly a catalogue and not a handbook, descriptive matter being limited to denoting the reason for each issue, designs, name of printers, etc.

The Canada section opens with a complete listing of essays and proofs. The various stamps themselves have been grouped according to design, and under this and the face value are found all stamps that were issued from that particular design, according to paper, perforation, color, etc. The date of issue is roted after each variety, as is also the number according to Scott's Standard Catalogue where the variety in question is listed in that publication.

Stamps are priced on cover (first day and later), in pairs, blocks and strips, re-entries, imprint and plate blocks, both used and unused. All prices listed are net and have been arrived at by consultation with collectors, dealers and stamp auctioneers throughout the world. An inovation is the pricing of the early issues according to condition—superb, very fine, fine and good. A welcome feature is the cataloguing of the imperforates of the 20th Century, and a note is added as to how they came about.

Cancellations have not been forgotten, and the relative scarcity of the early post office numeral cancellations is indicated. Other subjects covered thoroughly are postal stationery and revenues, the latter having been completely revised; in the Canadian air mail section are listed the pioneer air stamps and first flight covers for all flights to take place in this country.

Listings for British Columbia, Vancouver Island, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland follow the same style as for Canada and are very complete.

It is our opinion that the new Holmes' Catalogue is a "must" for all collectors of the stamps of any part of British North America.

-Gordon P. Lewis

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The many favorable comments I have and am receiving from the Officers and many members of our Society regarding our first annual convention and exhibition—BNAPEX 1949—are very gratifying. I don't think there is a possible doubt that it will be a huge success. Most everyone I have talked to is making plans now to attend. It is not too early! September will be here before we realize! Let's make it a 100% turnout of all members within a 1000 mile radius of Buffalo.

I am very sorry to have to announce that in discussing plans with Henry Gates he felt that in order for us all to do a better job, the offices of the convention committee should be in the locality of the convention site. I reluctantly agreed, and all the members of the Niagara Frontier Group are now working full tilt to give you a bang-up 3-day affair. In the future, when Detroit is Host to the Society, I know Henry will do the kind of job of which he is capable.

With this issue you will receive the official prospectus of the BNAPEX 1949 exhibit. All pertinent information is contained therein, but if any questions arise, feel free to call on me with any inquiries that cannot be directed to the various committee chairmen. Also included is the official entry blank for the exhibit. Please note that your entry and remittance must be in the hands of the committee before August 1st.

Further regarding the prospectus, I would like to call your attention to two things which require your support. First is the 1949 Society Yearbook. This will be combined with the BNAPEX catalog giving full details about the convention and exhibition in addition to the regular features of the yearly edition of the Yearbook. Please forward your order for advertising space as soon as convenient to Mr. Gordon P. Lewis, 20 Ellen St., Brampton, Ont., Canada. The second point is the labels that are available for use on your correspondence. Mr. Russell Allison, 712-17th St., Niagara Falls, N. Y., will be glad to have your order for these. They will help immensely to publicize BNAPEX 1949.

#### **BNAPEX YEAR BOOK FOR 1949**

It is the intention of BNAPS to issue the 1949 Yearbook early in September, just prior to our first convention. A special section of the Year Book will deal with the BNAPEX program and other information regarding the convention. The edition will also contain all pertinent date about the Society—complete listing of members corrected to date of issue, Constitution and By-Laws of the Society, Rules of the Sales Department and Library, and a complete listing of all books and articles in the Library. As well, it is hoped we will be able to publish a selection of special articles by the writers whose work makes BNA TOPICS so interesting and informative each month.

As 1949—Convention Year—is a momentous one in the short history of BNAPS, it is our wish to make this Year Book an outstanding one, and to this end we solicit the support of all in the matter of advertising. The book is financed by member and dealer advertisements, and the more income realized from this source the larger the size of the Year Book. We urge members to reserve some size space to convey greetings to fellow BNAPSers, and to persuade their friends and favorite dealers to do likewise. This is a venture well deserving of the support of all members, so let's all get behind it and present a Year Book of which we can all be proud and which will be a handy reference volume of the activities of our Society for the year.

Date of Issue: September 1st. Deadline for Copy: August 1st. Schedule of Advertising Rates: Full page \$17.50; Half page \$10.00; Quarter page \$6.00; Eighth page \$3.50; Column inch \$2.00.

Space in the BNAPEX 1949 Year Book should be reserved as early as possible. Address requests for advertising space and all other information to Year Book Editor, Gordon P. Lewis, 20 Ellen St., Brampton, Ont., Canada.

## REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

#### NEW MEMBERS

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557 Weeks, William A., Montrose, N. Y.

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Fairbanks, Gordon H., 204 Delaware Ave., Ithaca, N. Y. (CX) CAN-19th & 20th century mint & used postage and mint blocks. Mint & used booklet, panes. Coils. O.H.M.S. Precancels. Mint & used airmails. Proposed by E. A. Richardson, No. 168.

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Halliday, William E. D., 420 Lisgar Rd., Rockcliffe Park, Ottawa, Ont., Canada (C) CAN, NFD, N.S., N.B., P.E.I., B.C.-19th century pre-stamp & stampless covers. Locals. Postal history material, maps, engravings. Proposed by R. P. Hedley, No. 164. Seconded by F. W. Campbell, No. 143.

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Campbell, No. 143.

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- McKee, C. S., 1200 West 15th Avenue, Vancouver, B. C., Canada 435
- Roub, Frank J., N. U. School of Music, Evanston, Ill. 394
- 272 Roy, Thomas, 48 McGawran, Richmond, Que., Canada
- 355 Thiessen, Robert, 114 Western Ave., Oshkosh, Wisc.

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# PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND. Early Town Cancellations

By L. S. Crosby

A few days ago our most efficient and co-operative Librarian, Mr. R. J. Duncan, sent me, along with several other items of Philatelic Literature dealing with the stamps and postal history of my native Province, a very complete list of the early Post Offices operating at the time Prince Edward Island was 'ssuing its own stamps. There is no indication by whom the list was prepared, when or where, but it appears that it was taken from some early Government record.

No doubt several of our members have had this list on loan from Mr. Duncan, and with a view to filling in some of the "missing links" I would like to make the following observations, after a study of the Official Postal Guides for the years 1872, 1876, 1895 and 1927. True it may be that the last three publications were printed after the Province entered Confederation, they are however helpful in arriving at the following findings.

Before going further I would like to advance the opinion that some collectors of P. E. Island covers, have taken it for granted that all the postmarks found were those used on the Island unless they are distinctly identified as those of some other Province, or State, and this may have been the case when the list referred to was compiled. I will just cite one example "Big Brook." This Office is listed in the Guide for 1872 as being in Nova Scotia. It is situated 11 miles from River Dennis. I can find no record of there ever having been a P. O. by this name in P. E. Island.

An interesting side-light on the number of Post Offices listed for P. E. I. in the several Postal Guides I have studied, shows: 204 in 1876; 361 in 1895 but only 122 in 1927. The drop is no doubt due to the establishing of Rural Delivery Routes.

Now to come back to the list of Post Offices, we find:

Post	Office	Official	Guides	Show
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Anderson's Road Not listed in any of the aforenamed Guides.

Anderson's Sound Not listed in any of the aforenamed Guides.

Big Brook Shown in 1872 Guide under Nova Scotia.

Cascumpec Not listed in any of the aforenamed Guides (think there

is a bay by this name).

De Sable

Head Gr

River

Not listed, but there's a village by this name near Bonshaw.

Not listed, but may be connected with Grand River N. S. or Grand River N. B. Both are listed as Post Offices in Guide for 1876.

Kildare Bridge Not listed in any of the aforenamed Guides.

Launchbing Place Should read LAUNCHING PLACE and is in King's County not Queens.

Little Creek Not listed in any of the aforenamed Guides.

Lot 7 Not listed in any of the aforenamed Guides. This Lot is situated in Prince County.

Lot 46 This Lot is situated in King's County.

Lot 47 Not listed as a P. O., but is in King's County.
Lot 49 Not listed as a P. O., but is in King's County.
Lot 64 Not listed as a P. O., but is in King's County.

Mount Pleasant Is in Prince County 3½ miles from R. R. Station. Mail carried twice per week by F. Callaghan for which he received

\$40.56 for year '94-'95.

Lot 12 Is in Prince County 2 miles from Station. Mail carried by W. Hayes two trips per week but he received \$112.64 for year '94-'95. One wonders why the difference in pay.

Murray Harbour

Not listed in 1876. It is in King's County not Queens. It appears in the Official Guide for 1927, when Murray Harbour North and Murray Harbour South have disappeared from the list—both of these were previously shown.

See Big Brook, N. S., referred to above. Pig Brook

Not listed for any year. Quagmire

Is in Queen's County. Not listed in latter years. Rona Rose Valley Is in Queen's County, Not listed in latter years.

St. Peter's Is in King's County, 18 miles from Souris East, Only one special trip made with mail by A. Paquet in year 1895. There is a St. Peter's in N. B. for the year 1872 and one in

N. S. shown in all the Guides.

Is in King's County but is not shown in any of the above St. Peter's Bay

listed Gazettes except the one for 1927. Not listed as such, but Souris East and Souris West are Souris

both shown.

Tryon is in Lot 28, Prince County-this might be intended Tryon Reeve for Tryon River, of which there is one, but can find no

record as P. O.

Is in Lot 13 Prince County. Type Valley

Western Road Is in Prince County.

Is in King's County but can find no record as a P. O. prior White Sands to 1895 when revenue was \$17.00 and Salary \$12.00 for

that year.

The writer finds the following additional Post Offices listed in the Dominion of Canada Official Postal Guide dated October 1876, and designated as Vol. II, No. 1. In all probability most of these would be in operation before Confederation between this Province and the Dominion (1873), and might be found on covers franked by the Island's own stamps.

Post Office	County	Lot No.	Postmaster
Armadale	King's	42	Neil F. McPhee
Bear River	King's	43	D. Costello
Grenfanning	King's	53	Alex. McGilvray
MacDougal	Prince	14	James McDougal
Maddock	Prince	8	James Mattix
Northam	Prince	13	John Colwill
Peterville	Prince	1	John Brenan
Sea Cow Pond	Prince	1	J. C. McCarthy
Bayview	Queen's	22	J. A. McKie
Covehead Road	Queen's	34	John Whelan
Oyster Bed Bridge	Queen's	24	(not given)

If the foregoing has been of any assistance to fellow-philatelists interested in the Postal History of that part of Canada which a few of us fondly call "THE ISLAND," the author will feel amply repaid for this small effort.

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# Looking Here . . . Looking There . . .

## with Russell Allison

One of the pleasures of being a columnist for BNA TOPICS is the opportunity to read some twenty different philatelic magazines from all parts of the world. Any articles referred to in this column are thereafter available to our members from our Library. In addition to the many U. S. and Canadian publications that cross my desk each month, there are several foreign magazines—"The London Philatelist," journal of the Royal Philatelic Society, London, with contributions by some of the outstanding authorities of our times; "The Philatelic Adviser" and "Stamp Fair," both of London; "The Guldborg Gazette" from Copenhagen, Denmark; and "Philately," journal of the British Philatelic Association.

"Stamp News" reports that the Canadian Philatelic Society of Great Britain held their convention in Edinburg, Scotland, from April 20th to 23rd. Many frames were exhibited, among them the "Chalon Heads." It was reported that BNAPSer Capt. B. C. Binks of Vancouver, B. C., was present.

A new addition this month was the "Transit Postmark," a journal edited by Hershel Rankin, 927 N. Highland St., Memphis 12, Tenn. This copy contains an illustrated map of the railroads of U. S. and part of Canada. Also featured a current list of Travelling Post Offices of Newfoundland with a schedule of trips.

New Post Offices:

Frater, Ont. — re-opened Feb. 21st Iranistan, Sask. — March 8th Kormak, Ont. — March 11th Linden, Alta. — March 1st

You've heard it many times before and I'll bet you'll hear it many times again—superb stamps will bring from full catalogue to two or three times catalogue value. Read the prices realized at auctions and compare them with the catalogue. They certainly prove the point that if you must have superb stamps you have to pay good prices but you'll have items to be proud of.

Robson Lowe at Philadelphia, March 19th. Lot # 791 3p Beaver, major re-entry ....... 31.00 792 798 3p Beaver, #4, dot in border ...... 10.50 805 6p lt. blue cancel, 4 large margins (est. \$30.) ...... 51.00 808 823 5c slate green hor, strip of 8, also 5c beaver block of 4 on soiled cover, a single WAY cancel-1 Newfoundland cover (est. \$14.00) ..... 48.00 829 Harmer, Rooke, Inc., March 24th and 25th. 3p Beaver #1, margins all around showing stamp at rt. ....... \$35.00 591 6p grayish purple—large even margins ...... 67.50 601 12p black, mint, large margins, slight crease ....... 2000.00 3p mint #4, margins all around, part of next stamp ...... 42.50 603 6p greenish gray, margins all around, lt. cancel ...... 75.00 115 625 10p blue thin paper, lt. cancel, nice margins ...... 97.50 650 10p blue, thick paper. Brilliant copy with fine margins all around and full original gum. Superb and as fresh as issued (Cat. \$450.00) 800.00

H. R. Harmer, Inc., 32 East 57th St., N. Y., recently announced their auction

schedule for May and June of auctions that contain B. N. A. stamps: May 16-17 (London) The Adam Brown collection of the British Empire. May 23-24 (London) British Empire, strong in Newfoundland May 23-4-5 (N. Y.) A. D. Jenny collection of the British Empire. June 20-1-2 (N. Y.) British Empire including the Coleman collection. These auction catalogues are available for the asking.

The long awaited Holmes BNA Catalogue is out. It's jammed-packed with 266 pages of prices and listings. Definitely the answer to the collector's prayer. Some of the prices noted quite surprised me but after reading some of the prices realized at the noted auctions, my amazement abated. While the catalogue fills its purpose, a number of collectors and dealers feel that the book would have been even better if the handbook section with revisions had been included even though the price would naturally have been more. Some recent correspondence with Dr. Holmes discloses that he is hard at work gathering material for his next edition to appear a few years hence. Happy hunting, Dr. Holmes!

C'mon fellows, where are those reports on your meetings? Our Niagara Frontier Group is confining its activities to the BNAPEX 1949. We're determined to give you BNAPSers a wonderful show—one that will be tough for other Groups to beat. Of course, we'll do everything we can but plenty depends on everyone's co-operation. I'm sure we can count on you.

The April 21st meeting of the N. Y. Group was devoted to a showing of Newfoundland by the Freres Meyerson from their prize winning collection. The main attraction of the exhibit was a most complete representation of all provisionals since 1897 featuring some eye-opening rarities and varieties. I do hope I and the others will be seeing this collection at our BNAPEX 1949.

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# \* PUBLIC SALE BY AUCTION \* Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, May 23, 24, 25 The "A. D. JENNY" Collection of British Empire by order of Anamaria Inchauspe Condessa de Westerholt of Caracas, Venezuela. An important \$25,000 auction, particularly strong in 20th Century issues including blocks of four. British North America is strongly represented. Rush your request for the catalogue of this exceptional auction \*\*H. R. Harmer Inc.\*\* THE ROOSEVELT AUCTIONEERS New York 22, N. Y.

# AN INITIAL LISTING of the PRESENTATION BOOKLETS OF CANADA

by Reg. Barraclough
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In 1878 the Dominion of Canada became a member of the Universal Postal Union, an organization formed four years earlier by twenty-two states, comprising the leading nations of Europe, the United States of America and Egypt, for the purpose of establishing standard practices and regulating postal rates among members of the Union.

At an early and as yet undeterminable date, it became the custom of the members of this Union to present to brother delegates sample stamps of current issues. Some nations proffered these souvenirs on plain mounting-cards or in packets, while others went to the greater pains and expense of preparing special souvenir booklets to house the stamps so disposed.

Precisely when the Dominion of Canada began offering these colorful presentation booklets is not known. Our earliest records of such an item is the date of 23 December, 1924, and the author would appreciate hearing from anyone who can offer information as to prior releases. Such information has not been forthcoming from the Post Office Branch, which takes the attitude that the reasons for the preparation of these presentation booklets and the method of their disposal are not matters of general public concern.

Despite which, certain facts concerning these issues have been learned, and on the basis of these facts the following data are offered as an initial listing of the presentation booklets of Canada.

The Presentation Booklets of Canada were prepared for a variety of reasons. In general it might be stated that the "standard" issues were released for the purpose outlined in the preceding paragraphs. In addition to these, there were issued a number of special limited issues proffered variously to such individuals and groups as His Majesty, the King; members of the Royal Family; groups of special personages; diplomats; ministers and ambassadors; etc. Information on these purposes will be found, where known, in the listing that follows.

It follows quite reasonably that there have been some presentation booklets released in such limited quantity as to make their acquisition completely impossible to the collector. For that reason, in our listing we separate these booklets into two classifications, viz:

General issues: Those released in quantities sufficiently great to make their acquisition by collectors a possibility. In this group we list all booklets issued in quantities of more than 25 copies.

Limited Issues: Those released in strictly limited quantity for special reasons and/or for selected personages or groups. In this group we list all booklets issued in quantities of less than 25 copies.

#### GENERAL ISSUES of PRESENTATION BOOKLETS of CANADA

Cat. No.

No. 1 — Date of Issue
Occasion of Release
Recipients
Number Issued
Description of Cover

December 23, 1924

500

Bound in dark navy blue leather. Cover has a view of a Railroad train with POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT above and CANADA below, the whole surrounded by a shield. Two maple leaves

Description of Interior

Description of Contents

No. 2 — Date of Issue
Occasion of Release
Recipients
Number Issued
Description of Cover

Description of Interior

Description of Contents

No. 3 — Date of Issue
Occasion of Release
Recipients
Number Issued
Description of Cover

Description of Interior

Description of Contents

No. 4 — Date of Issue
Occasion of Release
Recipients
Number Issued
Description of Cover

Description of Interior

Description of Contents

No. 4a— Date of Issue Occasion of Release Recipients appear, one on each side of the shield. The whole design is in gold.

Stamps are placed in linen pockets on two pages, both of which have printed at top CANADA POSTAGE STAMPS 1924.

Stamps (one each); 105, 107, 109, 110, 112, 113, 117, 119, 120a, 122, 135, E2, J1, J2, J4.

April 11, 1925

125

Bound in bright red leather. Cover has Canadian Coat of Arms in the center and CANADA in the lower right hand corner. Whole design is in gold.

Stamps are placed in linen pockets on two pages both of which have printed at the top CANADA POSTAGE STAMPS.

Stamps (one each); 105, 107, 109, 110, 112, 114, 117, 119, 120, 122, E2, J1, J2, J4 August 9, 1926

500

Bound in dull red leather. Cover has Canadian Coat of Arms in the center and CANADA in the lower right hand corner. The whole design is in gold. Stamps are placed in linen pockets on two pages both of which have printed at the top CANADA POSTAGE STAMPS.

Stamps (one each); 105, 107, 109, 110, 112, 114, 115, 118, 119, 120, 122, 139, 140, E2, J1, J2, J4.

May 31, 1927 Anniversary of Confederation

500

Bound in bright red fine grained leather. Cover has Canadian Coat of Arms in the center with 1897—CONFEDER-ATION—1927 in one line immediately below the coat of arms and CANADA in the lower right hand corner. The whole design is in gold.

Stamps are placed in linen pockets on one page with SPECIAL ISSUE OF CANADIAN POSTAGE STAMPS 1927 printed at the top of the page and EMISSION SPECIALE DE TIMBRES POSTE DU CANADA 1927 printed at the bottom.

Stamps (one each); 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, E3.

May 31, 1927 Anniversary of Confederation Diplomatic Corps in OTTAWA Number Issued Description of Cover

Description of Interior Description of Contents No. 5 - Date of Issue Occasion of Release

> Recipients Number Issued Description of Cover

Description of Interior

Description of Contents

No. 5a- Date of Issue Occasion of Release

> Recipients Number Issued Description of Cover

Description of Interior Description of Contents No. 6 - Date of Issue

Recipients Number Issued Description of Cover

Occasion of Release

Description of Interior

Description of Contents

No. 6a- Date of Issue Occasion of Release

Recipients Recipients Number Issued Description of Cover

> Description of Interior Description of Contents

(about) 50

Bound in dull red coarse grained leather. Design is same in every detail to No. 4.

Same as No. 4 Same as No. 4

October 30, 1928

Last Issue by Canadian Bank Note Co. as Government Contractor.

Members of Parliament

about 500

Bound in dark fine grained leather. Cover has Canadian Coat of Arms in the center, and CANADA immediately below the coat of arms. The whole design is in gold.

Stamps are placed in linen pockets on one page with CANADA POSTAGE STAMPS 1928 printed at the top and TIMBRES POSTE DU CANADA 1928 at the bottom.

Stamps (one each); 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 149, C1.

October 30, 1928

Additional printing for P. M. G. by Canadian Bank Note Co.

Friends of the Post Master General

Same as No. 5 with COMPLIMENTS OF P. J. VENIOT in lower right hand corner.

Same as No. 5 Same as No. 5

January 12, 1931

First Issue of British American Bank Note Co.-New Government Contractor Members of Parliament

Bound in light navy blue morocco. Cover has Canadian Coat of Arms in the center with CANADA-TIMBRES-POSTE-1930 printed in three lines below the coat of arms and POSTAGE STAMPS printed above. The whole design is in gold.

Stamps are placed in linen pockets on two pages without any printing.

Stamps (one each); 162, 163, 164, 165, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176 177, C2, E4, J6, J7, J8.

July 1st. 1931

Dominion Day presentation to Privy Councillors.

Privy Councillors and friends

Bound in dull navy blue coarse grained leather. Cover design is identical to No. 6.

Same as No. 6 Same as No. 6 stinued)

(to be continued)

# Trail of the Caribou

Freres Meyerson

Stan Wood, BNAPS #221, of Auckland, N. Z., has just written us a very interesting letter concerning some Newfoundland items he just acquired. The first is a cover addressed to J. A. Cochrane, Civil Re-Establishment, St. John's, Newfoundland. It was posted at Flowers Cove, Nov. 26, 1945, and is rubber-stamped "Salvaged Mail from M. V. Clarenville." Does anyone know the story behind this cover?

The second item Stan writes about is the 20c, Scott's #264. Stan is in possession of a plate block of this stamp with an inverted watermark. Has anyone seen any additional values of the perf. 12½ set with inverted watermark? A reply to us will be forwarded to Stan.

Confederation on April 1, 1949, evidently wasn't too warmly received by some Newfoundlanders as we are in receipt of a cover posted at St. John's on April 1, 1949, franked with a copy of Scott's #257 with a black mourning band around the edges of the envelope. Speaking of covers brings to mind that Newfoundland stamps are now valid for postage in Canada as we have seen covers posted in Quebec that bear Newfoundland stamps and covers with a combination of Newfoundland and Canadian stamps. We also are in receipt of a 1st Day Cover from St. John's franked with the new commemorative and Scott's #255.

We've just about given up trying to get Newfoundland Postage Dues genuinely used on cover. We recently contacted a friend in Newfoundland and asked him to post to us two letters without any stamps on them. One came through with 10c postage due in U. S. stamps, the correct proceedure, the second was delivered without any stamps on the envelope and without any postage being collected from us. We also asked this friend to post several letters to himself without any postage on them. He has just regretfully advised that all the letters so posted were delivered to him without any postage due stamps being affixed. and without any postage being collected from him, the addressee. We would

like to hear from anyone who has any postage due stamps genuinely used on cover.

The Newfoundland Post Office Circular for Mar. 24, 1949, advises, "Effective 1st. April, unused Newfoundland postage stamps and other stamped postal supplies of all denominations will be acceptable anywhere in Canada as equivalent to Canadian postage and are to be accepted in the same manner as Canadian stamped postal items for the prepayment of Canada postage to the full extent of their face value. Stocks of Newfoundland Postage Stamps on hand should continue to be sold until exhausted. There will be no further supplies of Newfoundland stamps."

On and after Apr. 1, 1949 the following postage rates will apply to Newfoundland.

Local delivery, 3c for 1st oz.—1c each oz. after.

Canada, 4c for 1st oz.—2c each oz. after.

Postcards—Canada and other countries 3c each

Airmail—Canada (in excess of 1 oz.), 7c 1st oz.—5c each oz. after

United States, Hawaii, 7c 1st oz.— 5c each oz. after

United Kingdom-Ireland, Europe, 15c per quarter oz.

Bermuda, West Indies, Latin America, 10c per quarter oz.

Australia, New Zealand, Guam, Philippines, Oceania, Asia and Africa, 25c per quarter oz.

In addition to the regular air mail services, a further service is provided through the use of Canada Air Letters (obtainable at Post Offices) which may be sent to the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland and to Eire, and all places to which the regular 10c per quarter ounce rate applies, at 10c each. To all other countries where air service extends the rate is 15c each. Canada Air Letters may not be registered.

An advertisement in the Apr. 2nd issue of Stamp Collecting (the English Publication) lists a new minor variety. The variety in question is a block of four of the 50c Air mail stamp, Scott's #C10, watermarked sideways. Does anyone have any record of any other values in the same set watermarked in the same manner?

# The Early Georgian Stamps

By M. W. CRYDERMAN (concluded from p. 80)

#### CHECK LIST

#### 1911-1921 Issues

	1911-1921	Issues	
	near three sense males at the resting on the	Date	Quantity
1.	1c green shades, Die I	Dec. 22, 1911	3,218,400,000
	1c green Die I, thin paper	1915 (?)	
	1c green shades, Die I, p. 12 x imp	Sept. 1915	18,050,000
	1c green shades, Die I, p. 8 x imp.	Sept. 1912	3,330,000
e in	1c green shades, Die I, imp. x p. 8	1912	180,005,000
	1c green, Die I, 2-hole perf.	July 1918	about 8,000
2.	2c carmine, Die Ia	Dec. 22, 1911	3,218,400,000
	2c carm. shades, Die Ia, 12 x imp.	Sept. 1915	14,290,000
	2c carm. shades, Die Ia, 8 x imp.	1912	4,005,000
	2c carmine shades, Die Ia, imp x 8	1912	171,742,500
A Park	2c carmine, 12 x 12, prov. coil	May 11, 1915	18,000
3.	3c brown shades, Die I	Aug. 6, 1918	2,044,000,300
	3c brown shades, Die I, 12 x imp.	Jan. 1921	500,000
	3c brown shades, Die I, imp. x 8	Nov. 1918	126,300,000
4.	5c blue shades	Jan. 17, 1912	198,000,000
5.	7c olive bistre, Type A	Dec. 27, 1911)	
	7c recut, Type B	)	103,200,000
6.	10c plum shades	Jan. 12, 1912	148,700,000
7.	20c olive green shades, Die A	Jan. 23, 1921)	
	2c olive green shades, Die B	)	91,966,000
	20c olive green imperforate		
8.		Jan. 26, 1912)	
	50c sepia	) 100	3,420,000
	50c imperforate -		
	1922-1928	Issues	
9.	1c yellow shades, Die I	June 7, 1922)	1,278,760,000
	1c yellow shades, Die II	Oct. 1924 )	
	1c yellow shades, Die I, imp. x 8	1923)	25,700,000
	1c yellow shades, Die II, imp. x 8	1924)	
	1c yellow, Die I, part perforated	1923	2,200
	1c yellow, Die II, part perforated	1926	100,000
	1c yellow, Die I, imperforate	Oct. 7, 1924	50,000
10.	2c green shades, Die Ia	June 6, 1922)	
	2c green shades, Die Ib	1924)	2,228,975,000
	2c green, Die Ia, thin paper	1922)	
	2c green shades, Die Ia, imp. x 8	Aug 1922 )	158,197,500
	2c green shades, Die Ib, imp. x 8	1924 )	
	2c green shades, Die Ia, 12 x imp.	Sept. 1924	250,000
	2c green, Die Ia, partly perforated	1923	2,200
	2c green, Die Ib, partly perforated	1926	100,000
	2c green, Die Ia, imperforated	Oct. 7, 1924	50,300
11.	3c carmine shades, Die I	Dec. 14, 1923	1,091,797,300
	3c carmine shades, Die II	Oct. 1924	
	3c carmine shades, Die I, imp. x 8	Dec. 1924 )	47,585,000
	3c carmine shades, Die II, imp. x 8	1924 )	,
	3c carmine, Die I, part perforated	1923	2,200
	3c carmine, Die I, imperforate	Oct. 7, 1924	100,000
	3c carmine, Die II, 12 x 8	June 24, 1931	
12.	4c olive	July 3, 1922	75,900,000
	4c olive imperforate		100
13.	5c violet	Feb. 22, 1922	184,650,000
	5c violet, thin paper	Oct. 19, 1924	MARKET DE CONTRACTOR DE CONTRA
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	5c violet, imperforate		100
15.	8c blue	Sept. 1, 1925	23,350,000
	8c blue, imperforate		100
16.	10c blue	Feb. 20, 1922	128,328,000
17.	10c bistre brown	Aug. 1, 1925	89,713,000
	10c bistre brown, imperforate		100
18.	\$1.00 orange	Jul. 2, 1925	
19.	2 CENTS on 3c carmine, Die I	Oct. 16, 1926	49,800
	2 CENTS on 3c carmine, Die II	Oct. 16, 1926	200
20.	2 CENTS in 2 lines on 3c carmine	Oct. 26, 1926	103,600
21.	1c green WAR TAX	Apr. 15, 1915	667,500,000
22.	2c carmine WAR TAX	Mar. 19, 1915	118,400,000
23.	2c 1c carmine, Die I	Jan. 1, 1916)	177,100,000
	2c 1c carmine, Die II	Sept. 1916 )	
	2c 1c carmine, Die I, 12 x 8		4,800,000
	2c 1c carmine, Die I, imp. x 8	Aug. 2, 1916	15,300,000
24.	2c 1c brown, Die I	Sep. 16, 1916)	514,500,000
	2c 1c brown, Die II	Aug. 28, 1916)	
	2c 1c brown, Die I, imp. x 8	Dec. 19, 1916)	35,185,000
	2c 1c brown, Die II, imp. x 8	)	
	2c 1c brown, Die II, imp. x 8	),	

#### Postally used revenues

25.	5c blue overprinted WAR TAX	Feb.	12,	1915
26.	20c deep olive green o'printed WAR TAX	Feb.	12,	1915
27.	50c black overprinted WAR TAX	Feb.	12,	1915
28.	5c blue INLAND REVENUE WAR TAX			1915
29.	20c deep olive green INLAND REVENUE WAR	TAX		1915
30.	50c black INLAND REVENUE WAR TAX			1915

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- 1. a. 1c blue green, pane of 6, 1913
  - b. 1c deep green, pane of 6
  - c. 1c yellow green, pane of 6
  - d. 1c green shades, no position dots, pane of 6
  - e. 1c green shades, position dots
- 2. a. 2c dull faded carmine, pane of 6, 1912
  - b. 2c carmine shades, no position dots, pane of 6
- c. 2c carmine shades, position dots, pane of 6
- 3. a. 3c dull grayish brown, pane of 4
- b. 3c rich dark brown, pane of 4
- 4. a. 1c yellow orange, pane of 4
  - b. 1c chrome yellow, pane of 4
- . a. 1c chrome yellow, wet printing, pane of 6
- b. 1c chrome yellow, dry printing, pane of 6
- 3. a. 2c dull green, pane of 4
  - b. 2c yellow green, pane of 4
- 7. a. 2c dull green, wet printing, pane of 6
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