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Views and Reviews By the Editor

CAPEX RETROSPECT—It was a wonderful treat to meet personally all the wonderful, friendly members of our society during the week of CAPEX. Although the editor missed seeing a few members whom he would have liked to meet (due to the pressure of work in the daytime we were only able to be present at the lounge during the evening for the most part) the friendly spirit which makes BNAPS just that much better than any other stamp group with which the writer has been connected, was very much in evidence throughout the entire show, and especially during our own convention. It is a wonderful society and we are certainly going to make every effort to renew a lot of friendships at Ithaca, N. Y., in 1952. . . . The editor, unfortunately, was unable to be present at the annual meeting of the society, but members say it was directed with a smooth hand by President Bury C. Binks. Reports showed the society to be in a particularly healthy position, as recorded in another section of this issue of TOPICS. . . . Did you notice the exhibit of Red River covers at CAPEX prepared by BNAPSers Dr. Murray H. Campbell and Tom Miller of Winnipeg. These are some of the covers which formed the basis of the article by Dr. Murray which appeared in TOPICS last year and which won the "Greene Award" for the most popular article of the year. . . . Reports of CAPEX and the BNAPS Convention will be found in the back section of this issue devoted to official business of the Society.

NEW COLUMN BORN—We are proud to welcome another columnist to TOPICS with the "birth" in this issue of Dr. J. C. Goodwin's column on pre-adhesive and stampless covers. The doctor is an authority on this phase of B. N. A. philately and his writings will make a decided contribution to TOPICS' complete coverage of B. N. A. material.

AUCTION CORNER—Recent prices reported by Robson Lowe: Canada 1851 imperf. laid paper 6d slate violet with target cancellation, £21. Nova Scotia 1851-53 3d bright blue, diagonal bisect tied to a whole 6d yellow-green on piece, £21; 1849 entire letter from St. Pierre (et Miquelon) to Granville, France, showing the very rare "Sydney C. B./Ship Letter", type (SC) of transit, with "Sydney, C. B." circular date stamp and Halifax oval framed "H/(date)/1849/N. S.", backstamped for arrival 13 days after leaving Halifax, £14-10; Newfoundland, written-up, mounted, collection of postal stationery, reply cards, etc., from 1873 issue onwards, 59 unused and 71 used items with many interesting cancellations, £18.

Catalogues received during the past month: Harmer, Rooke & Co. Inc., Dr. Lewis L. Reford Sale of B. N. A., part five (Oct. 16, 17, 18); U. S. and British Empire Sale (containing B. N. A.) (Oct. 23, 24). Robson Lowe Ltd., Greece (Oct. 17); Egypt, Gambia and Ceylon (Oct. 24); Ionian Islands (Oct. 31); Part three of the J. B. Seymour Great Britain (Nov. 7). J. N. Sissons, B. N. A. (Nov. 7-8). We realize these are listed too late to be of much use to readers, but they are entered here as a matter of record.

NEW SCOTT CATALOGUE—Vol. I of the 1952 Scott Catalogue reveals increases in early Canada, as follows: #1 used from \$27.50 to \$30; #2 used from \$60 to \$65; #3 used from \$1,850 to 2,000; #4 mint from \$45 to 50; #4 used from \$10 to \$12; #5 used from \$60 to 70; #8 used from \$27.50 to 30; #9 used from \$100 to \$120. Canada's ultra-rare 1862 2c green on laid paper (#32), which carried no price in the 1951 catalogue, has been listed at \$5,000. This stamp was sold to K. Bileski of Winnipeg for \$3,800 at one of the Reford auctions, and was exhibited at CAPEX.

BOGUS MATERIAL IN THE WEST—Information on some fake material shown by the Winnipeg Philatelic Society was sent to us some time ago, but pressure on our available space has kept mention from being made before. BNAPS'er James Stokes describes the following as being displayed by the above society a few months ago:

1. A mint pair, no gum, imperf., of the 20¢ 1912 Admirals.
2. A mint block, no gum, tete-beche, of the 5¢ violet Admiral issue.
3. A first day cover of the 1948 Princess stamp mailed at Ottawa. The cover is apparently genuine, but the imperf. block of Princess stamps is not. The cancellation appears to tie the block to the cover.
4. A cover, dated 1926, mailed at Winnipeg, the machine cancellation tying on a pair of the 1926 one-line surcharge, imperf., one stamp with surcharge and one without.

Mr. Stokes reports that it was impossible to see anything wrong with the stamps except with a powerful glass, when an odd place showed up where the design at the edge was very slightly higher than the margin of the stamp. This bogus material apparently emanated from the West Coast.

REVIEW: "THE CODRINGTON CORRESPONDENCE 1743-1851."—There are many collectors who include the British West Indies in the designation "British North America" and for these here is a book of absorbing interest, especially to those who seek information on postal history of Antigua. This reviewer does not collect the stamps of the Indies, but we were
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CANADA THREE PENCE Multiples of Four and Over

By J. F. BURKE (#367)

The following compilation is comprehensive but, as evidenced by current auction catalogs, is not complete. Many of the multiples appearing in these catalogs will be found in the list that follows, though additional items appear especially in the strip-of-4 category. I am grateful to Dan Meyerson and George Wegg for assistance in this investigation. I shall appreciate any information communicated to me by others who may read this article. (Address: 169 East 74th St., New York 21, N. Y.)

BLOCKS OF 9.

Unused

1. At Royal Jubilee Exhibition, May 6-11, 1935, London, was shown a block of 9 unused, medium hard wove paper, brown red, Nos. 76-77-78-86-87-88 96-97-98, Pane A. Bottom margin, no imprint. No. 88 short transfer at right. Illustrated P. 2. 1. 5. (Set of photographic plates illustrating the catalog of the exhibition.)

BLOCKS OF 8.

Unused

1. In Pack 1st sale, Harmer, Rooke & Co., Inc., Dec. 6, 1944, lot 34 was a vertical block of 8 unused, illustrated. Described as Scott 4a, brown red, margins all around, bottom right stamp thin and two stamps creased. Brought \$600. Illustrated in Boggs, p. 142. (The Postage Stamps and Postal History of Canada. 1926.)

Used

2. In Reford 2nd sale, Harmer, Rooke & Co. Inc., Oct. 3, 1950, lot 137 was a top sheet margin vertical block of 8 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4, smudge cancel, few tears and creases. Brought \$480. Illustrated in Jarrett, p. 26. (Standard British North America Catalogue. 1929.)

BLOCKS OF 6.

Unused

1. In Pack 1st sale lot 33 was a vertical block of 6 unused, illustrated. Described as Scott 4a, brown red, machine paper 1858 printing, very large



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margins all around, thin at top, slight crease and pinhole. Brought \$450. Illustrated in Boggs, p. 142.

H. R. Harmer Ltd. résumé of business 1947-48 illustrated this block and reported it sold July 19 (which of two years not clear) at £400 with exchange rate \$4.03.

2. In Pack 2nd sale, April 10, 1945, lot 72 was a vertical block of 6 unused, illustrated. Described as Scott 4a, brown red, top right stamp tiny thin and third stamp with tear at left. Brought \$97.50.

Used

3. In Reford 1st sale, February 28, 1950, lot 183 was a horizontal block of 6 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4c, ribbed, torn through second and fourth stamps and rejoined, slightly soiled. Brought \$115. Illustrated in Jarrett, p. 23.

BLOCKS OF 4.

Unused

1. At Royal Jubilee Exhibition, May 6-11, 1935, London, was shown a block of 4 unused, laid paper, slightly soiled but with full gum. Illustrated P. 2. 1. 1.

2. At Royal Jubilee Exhibition, May 6-11, 1935, London, was shown a block of 4 unused, thin wove paper, vermilion, left sheet margin. Illustrated P. 2. 1. 2.

3. At Royal Jubilee Exhibition, May 6-11, 1935, London, was shown a block of 4 unused, thick paper, red. Illustrated P. 2. 1. 3.

4. The "Wm. H. Crocker" Collection of Rare Stamps of the Whole World, by Fred J. Melville. On p. 19 is illustrated a block of 4 unused on thin wove. Sale of Harmer Rooks & Co. Ltd., London, May 4-5-6, 1938.

In H. R. Harmer Ltd., London, sale June 11, 1951, this block was listed as lot 122, illustrated. Described as Stanley Gibbons 6, red, thin wove paper, part o.g. with large margins and fine color, a little creased in places and one stamp minute thin spot. Brought £130.0.0.

5. In Pack 2nd Sale lot 69 was a block of 4 unused, illustrated. Described as Scott 4, red, cut into at right and bottom, creased between stamps and several tears, large part o.g. Brought \$45.

In Harmer, Rooke & Co. Inc. sale June 11, 1946, this block was listed as lot 519, illustrated. Brought \$100.

6. In Harmer, Rooke & Co. Inc. sale June 12, 1947 lot 861 was a block of 4 unused, illustrated. Described as Scott 4, red, margins all around, top stamps horizontally creased, right bottom stamp slightly thin and small tear at right. Brought \$77.50.

7. In Reford 3rd sale, February 27, 1951 lot 210 was a block of 4 unused, illustrated. Described as Scott 4, left sheet margin with imprint, practically full o.g. but creased, tear and other faults. Brought \$105.

Used

8. At Royal Jubilee Exhibition, May 6-11, 1935, London, was shown a block of 4 used, wove paper, second stamp the re-entry variety No. 53, Pane B. Not illustrated.

9. In Pack 1st sale lot 56 was a block of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4d, indian red, very deep color, thin paper, margins all around except at bottom left, insignificant faults. Brought \$170.

10. In Pack 3rd sale, November 19, 1945, lot 33 was a block of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4a, brown red, cut into at top, other faults. Brought \$66.

11. In Yuile sale, H. R. Harmer Inc., New York, May 6, 1945, lot 78 was a block of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4d, indian red, margins at left and right, some margin at top and bottom but cut into at places. Brought \$33.

12 and 13. In Boggs p. 141 are illustrated two blocks of four, one ribbed and one wove, on the same piece.

14. In Reford 1st sale lot 197 was a block of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4d, red, four large margins, showing parts of stamps at top and bottom, positions 57, 58, 67, 68, Pane B, light target cancel, microscopic thin between two left stamps. Brought \$360. Illustrated in Jarrett, p. 107.

15. In Reford 2nd sale lot 375 was a block of 4 used perforated plus a horizontal pair used perforated, on cover, illustrated. Described as Scott 12, positions, block, 61, 62, 71, part of imprint at left and, pair, 81, 82, extremely well centered for this stamp, on defective cover to Oakwood. Brought \$825.

16. In Reford 3rd sale lot 296 was a block of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4d, cut into at top and close at right, slight crease and thin. Brought \$155.

In J. N. Sissons' sale June 19, 1951, Toronto, this block was listed as lot 95, orange red, brilliant color.

17. In J. N. Sissons' sale September 26, 1951, lot 43 was a block of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4a, brown red deep color, with large margins, several defects.

STRIPS OF 7.

Unused

1. In Jarrett p. 25 is listed unused strip of 7 in collection of British Museum. Pane ?, nos. 94 to 100.

STRIPS OF 6.

Used

1. In Jarrett p. 25 is listed used strip of 6 in collection of James H. Hoffman, Hammondsport, N. Y.

STRIPS OF 5.

Unused

1. In Jarrett p. 25 is listed unused strip of 5 in collection of Fred Jarrett. (I do not know whether this may be the following item.)

2. In Reford 1st sale lot 199 was a horizontal top left corner sheet margin strip of 5 unused, illustrated. Described as Scott 4d, indian red, thin oily paper, margins all around, one stamp close at bottom, left stamp small tear at bottom, vertical crease between second and third stamps. Brought \$250.

Used

3. In Boggs p. 170 is illustrated vertical strip of 5 perforated. Central portion of bottom imprint. Pen cancelled.

4. In Reford 3rd sale lot 297 was a horizontal strip of 5 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4d, margins all around except cut close at bottom right corner, design clear, left stamp vertically creased. Brought \$170.

In J. N. Sissons' sale June 19, 1951, Toronto, this strip was listed as lot 118, deep red.

5. In Reford 3rd sale lot 298 was a horizontal strip of 5 used, tied by "Coburg Au. 3, 1855" cancel to cover to Toronto. Described as Scott 4d, slightly cut into at places, cover slight faults. Brought \$170. Not illustrated.

STRIPS OF 4.

Unused

1. In Pack 2nd sale lot 81 was a vertical strip of 4 unused, illustrated, with central portion of top imprint. Described as Scott 4c, ribbed, red, repaired. Brought \$42.50.

In Sissons and Wegg's sale May 16, 1946 this strip was listed as lot 61, illustrated. Brought \$112.50.

Used

2. At Royal Jubilee Exhibition, May 6-11, 1935, London, was shown a strip of 4 used, wavy-lined laid paper. Not illustrated.

3. At Royal Jubilee Exhibition, May 6-11, 1935, London, was shown a strip of 4 used, wove paper, second stamp short transfer No. 88, Pane A. Not illustrated.

4. In Harmer, Rooke & Co., Inc., sale January 13, 1944, lot 575 was a horizontal strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4d, margins all around. Brought \$175.

5. In Pack 1st sale lot 5 was a vertical strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 1, red, margins all around. Brought \$230. Illustrated in Boggs p. 122.

6. In Pack 1st sale lot 40 was a horizontal strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4a, brown red, machine paper, right stamp cut into. Brought \$130.

7. In Pack 1st sale lot 57 was a horizontal strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4d, orange red, hand made thin paper 1852 printing, margins all around, crease between stamps. Brought \$160.

8. In Pack 1st sale lot 58 was a vertical strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4d, deep orange red, hand made thin paper, positions 46, 56, 66, 76, Pane A, margins all around, few slight faults. Brought \$140.

9. In Pack 2nd sale lot 54 was a horizontal strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 1, red, few insignificant creases, fourth stamp nick at top right corner, second and third stamps cut into slightly at bottom. Brought \$30.

10. In Pack 2nd sale lot 77 was a horizontal strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4a, brown (red?), blue numeral "5" four ring cancel, left stamp cut into. Brought \$66.

11. In Pack 2nd sale lot 78 was a vertical strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4a, brown red, margins all around, very light cancel, top stamp tiny tear at left and slightly creased. Brought \$110.

12. In Pack 3rd sale lot 32 was a vertical strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4a, brown red, touched at bottom otherwise margins all around. Brought \$63.

In J. N. Sissons' sale September 26, 1951, this strip was listed as lot 42, illustrated.

13. Robson Lowe Ltd., London, "A Review 1945-1946" illustrated a horizontal strip of 4 and a single on cover, used. Described as red, thin wove. Reported sold Feb. 13 at £75.0.0.

14. In Robson Lowe Ltd., London, sale June 5, 1946, lot 13 was a horizontal strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as thin wove, lightly cancelled, with large margins top and bottom and well clear of the frame both sides.

15. In Sissons and Wegg, Toronto, sale May 16, 1946, lot 75 was a horizontal strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4d, thin paper, good margins except at bottom center. Brought \$62.50.

16. In Sissons and Wegg, Toronto, sale Sept. 13, 1946, lot 1443 was a horizontal strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4d, deep red, thin paper. Brought \$47.50.

In Sissons and Wegg, Toronto, sale March 29, 1947, this strip was listed as lot 1393, illustrated. Brought \$43.

17. In Sissons and Wegg, Toronto, sale January 31, 1947, lot 1756 was a vertical strip of 4, with central portion of top imprint, and a vertical strip of 3, together forming irregular separated used block of 7 on piece, illustrated. Described as Scott 4c, ribbed, six of the stamps damaged or creased. Brought \$35.

18. In Robson Lowe Inc., Philadelphia, sale April 2, 1948, lot 247 was a horizontal strip of 4 used, on cover, illustrated. Described as Scott 1, laid paper, red, to Buffalo, with U. S. arc type exchange mark, Montreal date stamp of "Ap. 25, 1851", cover fold runs through third stamp from left, fourth stamp has re-entry, touched at right, otherwise big margins all around.

19. In Reford 1st sale lot 85 was a horizontal strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 1, positions 36 to 39, Pane B, margins almost all around but frameline cut at left, touched at one spot at top. Brought \$135. Illustrated in Jarrett p. 107.

20. In Reford 1st sale lot 145 was a vertical strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4, orange red, margins all around, positions 4, 14, 24, 34 re-entry, Pane A. Brought \$90.

21. In Reford 1st sale lot 198 was a vertical strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4d, brown red, oily print, margins all around, one stamp close at right, light cancel. Brought \$82.50. My examination of this strip disclosed a very smeared inking which can be observed in the illustration to some extent, especially along the beaver's back.

22. In Reford 2nd sale lot 202 was a horizontal strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4d, positions 61 to 64, Pane B, margins all around, light cancel. Brought \$380. Illustrated in Jarrett p. 31.

23. In Reford 3rd sale lot 223 was a vertical strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4a, margins all around, small at top, top left corner rounded. Brought \$31.

24. In Reford 3rd sale lot 294 was a horizontal strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4d, margins all around except second and third stamps cut into at top, two tiny tears. Brought \$65.

25. In Reford 3rd sale lot 295 was a horizontal strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 4d, 3½ margins. Brought \$112.50.

26. In J. N. Sissons' sale November 30, 1950, lot 296 was a horizontal strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 1, orange vermilion, large margins all around, brilliant color, target and red cancel, minute marginal tear.

27. In H. R. Harmer Ltd., London, sale April 24, 1951, lot 353 was a horizontal strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as medium hard wove paper, red, lightly postmarked, good to large margins all around and fine color. Brought £80.0.0.

28. In J. N. Sissons' sale September 26, 1951, lot 12 was a horizontal strip of 4 used, illustrated. Described as Scott 1, margins clear almost all around, dark blue target cancellation.

GROUP NEWS

PHILADELPHIA GROUP—The only activity of this group during the past summer months was the picnic given by Mr. and Mrs. T. Culhane at their summer cottage. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Levine of Brooklyn, N. Y., were guests of the group at this affair. One of the features of the afternoon was a demonstration of fishing by George B. Llewellyn, who by using a home-made fishing line he had used as a boy, proved that you do not have to have an expensive outfit to catch fish. Many other members of the party also had "bites" using this tackle. A new member was signed up in the person of Mr. James Stockton, who has done wonderful work in the Philadelphia area as director of "Stamps for the Wounded."

Regular group meetings have been resumed, and at the gathering held on October 4th, 14 were present including two visitors, Mr. Joseph Mc-Shaffrey and Mr. George Dodson Jr. Both men were greatly impressed with the group members of BNAPS. Mr. Dodson exhibited a Canada collection, the secret date marks on the stamps of Canada, and a complete collection of the Peace stamps. There were a large number of circuit books on hand to interest buyers.—C. McDonough.

TWIN CITY GROUP—This group has changed its meeting place and now meets at Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minn., second Tuesday of each month.



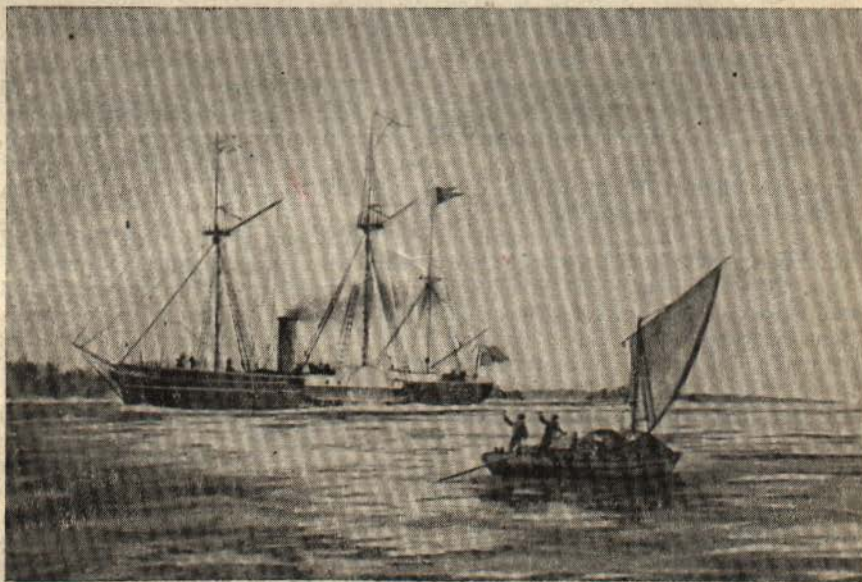
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The B. N. A. Pre-adhesive and Stampless Column

BY JAMES C. GOODWIN, M.D. (No. 171)

Another column is born—and it seems natural that the writer being an obstetrician should have a hand in its delivery. Anyway Postal Historical obstetricians are hard to come by; and this one has had an absorbing interest in Pre-adhesive and Stampless covers in their relation to Canadian history for many years. With your kind permission he proposes to present to you a monthly column in which will be illustrated, described and historically associated, one interesting pre-adhesive cover for each issue of BNA TOPICS. The column will be conducted largely within the BNA pre-adhesive sphere and the writer will be pleased to answer questions on this subject. He does not pose as an ultimate authority—God forbid—but does claim to know enough experts in this field that between the lot of us we MAY come up with the right answer.

The study of Pre-adhesive and Stampless covers may rightly be classified



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Montreal

This S. Bt. FRONTENAC Cover was exhibited at CIPEX:1947 and CAPEX:1951, as a unique item. Since then two others have been found (Lussey and Meroni).

as the philately of the future, and in this writer's opinion, is rapidly coming to the fore—witness the formation at CAPEX on Wednesday, September 26, 1951, of the Postal History Society of the Americas; and the well attended luncheon of the already well established Postal History Society of Great Britain. The writer by the way, will be pleased to receive applications for membership in the new P.H.S. of the Americas (which embraces all countries within the Western Hemisphere, no less).

We all should learn something in the B.N.A. postal historical field if all who are interested will send in their pre-adhesive and stampless cover problems. The saddle bag will be kept open for your letters. Your columnist will do his best to sound the post horn intelligently with the answer to your questions. Please be as brief as possible in stating your problems. Do not send covers for inspection unless requested, and remember that matters of interest to all will be included in this column.

Our first item as illustrated is a cover carried by the first steamboat on Lake Ontario, the S. S. Frontenac. The cover shows a black straight line marking S. Bt. Frontenac (42½x5 mm. serifed capitals, and 3 mm. height of small letters). It is rated 1N2 in red ms. by the contemporary G.P.O. rate for 376 miles from York (later Toronto) to Montreal. The S. L. Kingston: 22nd October 1818 and the S. L. Sbt. Frontenac on this cover appear as way markings en route to Montreal, and the latter may have been applied at Kingston, U. C., though the writer has covers with "Per Frontenac" and the rate marking both in ms. of the same color of ink; suggesting their application at the port of departure, i.e. York. In the U. S. A. steamboat markings were applied at the port of arrival. The remainder of the trip conveying this letter to Montreal was made by postal rider.

The S. S. Frontenac was a three masted schooner-rigged vessel with one funnel 170 ft. long and 32 ft. deck; 700 tons; two paddle wheels of 40 ft. circumference; drawing 8 ft. when loaded; the indicated horse power was 50. She was built at Ernest-town (near Kingston) on the Bay of Quinte. Cost when complete £20,000. Keel was laid in October 1815, but on account of delays in securing her engine, etc., she was not launched until September 7, 1816. She was placed under the command of Capt. James McKenzie, R.N. (one of Sir James Yeo's officers in the Naval Service on Lake Ontario in the war of 1812-14). Capt. McKenzie was in command for many years. After a number of changes of ownership, and over 10 years of service dating from the spring of 1817, she was destroyed by fire off the port of Niagara in August 1827.

In 1817 the Frontenac was advertised in a Kingston newspaper as follows: "The Steamboat Frontenac, James McKenzie master, will sail from Kingston for Niagara, calling at York on the 1st and 15th days of each month—with as much punctuality as the nature of Lake navigation will admit of." One therefore assumes that this letter as illustrated, written on Tuesday October 6 missed the steamboat at York on her 1st of the month trip. It was however included in the mail which was picked up on her mid-month trip when the steamboat reached York on or about Oct. 17 en route to Niagara and Queenston; returning to York about the 20th, and reaching Kingston on Thursday, October 22nd, 1818.

Later in 1819, as noted in the Kingston Chronicle of April 30th, her schedule was amended as follows: "The Steamboat Frontenac, will in future leave"—Kingston for York—on the 1st, 11th and 21st days of each month. "—York for Queenston—on the 3rd, 13th and 23rd days of each month. "—Niagara via York for Kingston—on the 5th, 15th and 25th day of month, etc."

Later the service was extended to touch at Burlington and Prescott and Oswego. The first (quoted) rates for the trip from Kingston to Niagara were £3; and from York to Niagara £1; later being reduced to £2 for the Kingston to Niagara run, with the York to Niagara rates remaining at £1. No rate to Prescott (which port of call was added at a later date) can be located at present; though the rate to Burlington (another added port of call) surprisingly enough was £3/15. All these rates included berths. Deck passenger rates were proportionately less.

Only three covers so far have been reported with the handstruck S.L. "S. Bt. Frontenac" marking. In addition to the above cover in the writer's collection, (which was first exhibited at CIPEX in 1947 and later at CAPEX in 1951), two more have been located this year: one in the collection of Harry Lussey, Esq., of New Milford, N. J., and the other in that of Charles Meroni, Esq., of Chicago. The writer will be pleased to know of the existence of any others, and with your cooperation will keep a list of all such rare covers for reference and further study as to dates, markings, etc.

Facts and Figures

BNAPEX 1951

Attendance:

170 members signed the Register. Very likely some overlooked signing.

Applications:

34 applications for membership were received.

Awards:

GRAND AWARD: Gerald E. Wellburn

GOLD MEDAL: R. W. T. Lees-Jones

SILVER MEDAL: Fred Jarrett

BRONZE MEDAL: William E. Lea

HONORABLE MENTION: J. C. Goodwin, T. F. Morris, G. R. Harris.

PRESIDENT'S AWARD: R. J. Duncan

V. G. GREENE AWARD: Murray Campbell

Luncheon

106 sat down to overflow the room.

Bringing News About People and Stamps

By Rev. John S. Bain

BNAPS members sweep **CAPEX**! That's the philatelic headline—37 out of 44 awards for B.N.A. were won by **BNAPS**ers. Five out of the remaining seven were outside of the continent as follows, three in England, one in Ireland, and one in South Africa. **CAPEX** had the greatest showing of B.N.A. ever put under one roof. There was so much to see that it was impossible to assimilate it all. Frame after frame had the choicest and outstanding material in its class. 12d blacks were there in profusion. A block of 12 on cover of the Canada 6d wove, and believe it or not a part of a cover with a block of 49 of the Canada 17¢ 1859 issue! That's not all! Every article written in the official **CAPEX** catalogue was written by a **BNAPS**er.

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Our heartiest congratulations to **BNAPS**er Gerald E. Wellburn on winning the **CAPEX** Grand Award and also the **BNAPEX** Grand Award.

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BNAPSer Jack R. Cooke, president of the Stamp Collectors' Exchange Club, who had a booth at **CAPEX** and gave away free as a souvenir a facsimile of "The Stamp Collector's Record," Montreal, February 15, 1864, the first philatelic paper to be published in Canada, advises that if any **BNAPS**ers who were not at **CAPEX** would like a copy gratis, just write to him at Box 2A, Hickson, Ontario, Canada, enclosing postage and your copy will be mailed.

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A series of alleged proofs in negative of the Canada 1912, George V, Admiral issue of postage stamps have been offered on the market. I had an opportunity to examine some offered in auction at a dealer's booth at **CAPEX**. Also I mentioned them to Mr. J. K. MacRory, well known to the stamp trade, and he showed me cop-

ies together with a letter from the Canada Post Office Department after they had examined the copies he submitted. The letter reads in part: "The proofs have been examined and we can declare, without hesitation, that they are counterfeit. The impressions were probably printed by photo lithography. A comparison of the alleged proofs with the engraving of the original stamp will show that there are distinct differences in lines in the background behind the portrait head. The counterfeit impression has straight lines while the original engraving has a series of dots and dashes with considerable cross ruling. The same difference in ruling appears under the ear of the portrait and also across the forehead." I took this letter to the dealer and showed it to him. His story then was that these alleged proofs came from Germany. The Canadian government was toying with the idea of producing stamps in this manner. These plates were made to show what the machines would do. Does anyone know anything further about these alleged proofs?

BNAPS

Another Canadian stamp has been featured in the press of Canada. This time it is the new four-cent Royal Tour postage stamp for Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh. (See our cover.) One paper stated that "both pictures look like the work of a vacationing teen-ager with a two dollar camera." The National Film Board (Canada) says it furnished good pictures to the post office. The Canadian Bank Note Company, which is printing the stamp, says simply: "We're only the contractors; the post office has to meet any criticism." At Ottawa, the Post Office is not saying anything for publication, but it's no secret that they're not very happy about the new issue. All are agreed that the shade of royal purple is right to commemorate a royal visit!

CANADIAN ENVELOPES

Extract from "The Stamp Collector's Magazine" for August 1865

A controversy has long existed between the adherents and the opponents of the Canadian envelopes embossed on yellow paper, and, as commonly in all contentions, some hard words have been exchanged. One is almost tempted to refrain from stating an opinion, lest a charge of partizanship should be alleged: but as facts are stubborn things, and we are here to deal with facts, the readers of "The Stamp Collector's Magazine" are entitled to the benefit, valeat quantum, of our judgement.

And we will at once explicitly state that we are convinced of the real, genuine character of the envelopes on yellow paper.

One favourite ground for scepticism has been the allegation that no entire envelope on yellow paper has made its appearance; the simple fact that four such lie at the moment before our eyes meets this objection.

The engraving of the die and the beauty and finish of the impression alike testify to the truth of our conclusion.

A supposed point of differentiation ("difference" hardly expresses the refinement of these acute objectors) takes refuge in the jewelled ornaments projecting above the crown, which in some instances show a point of colour behind. On closely examining these specimens they appear all struck with over much colour on the die which has run towards this point; but even admitting the die has been retouched and resharpened in these places, how do the incredulous get over the wondrous identity in the defects and peculiarities in the surrounding lettering?

The more close and accurate the comparison, the more will the truth of our conclusion be manifest. These yellow-paper envelopes are from the genuine dies, and authentic. These envelopes of Canada are printed by the same printers as print the American (U. S.) envelopes. And beyond giving credence to these yellow-paper envelopes, as being struck from the

official dies, we must not be understood as committing ourselves.

The recent reprints in orange, blue, green, red, and all the colours of the rainbow, from the dies in the control of these printers, have done more to destroy confidence and disturb the faith of the philatelic community than all the invading hosts of the Milan "essays" and continental rubbish; and we are glad, whilst accrediting these envelopes, to be able to base our faith on surer grounds than those which Dr. Latham adopts as the canon of English, viz, "Whatever is, is right."

No authenticated specimen on yellow paper post marked has been seen by us. To return to our immediate subject. The envelopes are of two values, 5 and 10 cents. Of the former value there are

On white paper

On yellow paper

Both printed in vermilion.

On white laid paper

On blue laid paper

Both printed also in vermilion of a more carmine hue.

Proofs of the die, printed in green and blue on white wove paper, blue lined on the reverse side, also exist; these appear of recent manufacture.

We have also an envelope, 5 cents on yellow paper, with the stamp struck twice, so as to be of the nominal value of 10 cents. The paper of this specimen bears the watermark, P.O.D., U.S.—Post-office Department United States—clearly referring to its origin.

It has inside the three black lines, showing through the front, on which to write the address; and bears the printed date of the patent, Nov. 20 1855, as do a series of the United States envelopes.

The ordinary envelopes on white paper are watermarked CA. P.O.D.—Canada Post-office Department.

This watermark is also found on the 10 cent envelopes on white paper. There is now before us an impression of a 5 cent die on yellow paper, laid,

like that of the ordinary type. The inscription is the same, and the head of the Queen of a similar design; but much coarser in engraving, and rougher in the execution. The chief points of difference between the two heads are in the chignon at the back of the head, which with its pendant curl, are much larger and freer than in the adopted design. The projecting jewel above at the extreme left of the crown is wanting, and the details of the profile, especially in the nose, are strikingly different. The lettering also is entirely different.

We are inclined to class this as an essay. It is evidently a design emanating from the same source as the adopted die.

It is exceedingly rare; and the only other specimen we know has been for upwards of four years in the hands of its possessor. The one we describe from has been nearly that time within our immediate knowledge. No copy of it has come over in the recent wholesale importations of essays and reprints from the other side of the Atlantic.

Of the 10 cents envelope there are

On laid white paper, struck in deep chocolate brown.

On laid yellow paper, struck in purple brown.

The watermarks have previously been mentioned. Proofs also exist in blue and green, in every respect corresponding to those of the 5 cents previously mentioned.

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Extract from an advertisement in the same magazine:

CANADIAN STAMPS—Unused, old issue, halfpenny, threepenny red, sixpenny purple, sevenpenny-halfpenny green, tenpenny blue, and twelvepenny black, the full set for 20/-; envelopes on buff paper 5 and 10 cents 1/3 each; on white, 5 cents 6d, 10 cents 9d.

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Editor's Note—The above extract from "The Stamp Collector's Magazine" of August 1865 was submitted to TOPICS by R. Wilson, "Oaklands," Cresswell Road, West Hartlepool, England, through J. N. Sissons, Toronto.

To the Editor

The 2¢ King Edward Booklets—
1903-12

The Editor:

May I contribute a mite to the very informative article by our redoubtable member, Mr. Ed. Richardson, in the issue of TOPICS just received? (September 1951).

Mr. Richardson quotes no dated booklets between the first (of July 1, 1903) and, what he describes as "Type 2" dated 7 July, 1908, nor does he mention, as Boggs' book does, that "Other dates possibly occur" (cf. p. 443).

I have complete cover with fly leaves—but alas! containing one single stamp only—of one dated "1st Nov. 1907". I have compared this, as to the text of the fly leaves, with that printed on p. 444 of Boggs' book; this, you will remember, is from the 1908 issue. The texts are identical except for the following which is an addition to the later booklet:

"(Canadian publications only can go to the United Kingdom and British Colonies at this rate)."

This comes at the end of sub-para. "(a)" under the heading "Newspapers and Periodicals".

There are also the following differences:

The words in parentheses in the first paragraph "(where no Letter Carrier Delivery exists)" do not appear in the earlier booklet. The words in parentheses under the same general heading, (viz., "Letters and Post Cards."), at the end of the 4th paragraph, viz. "(See Postal Guide, p. xliii, sec. 16)." replace: "(See Oct. Suppl. to Postal Guide.)" which appear in the earlier booklet. Under the main heading: "Money Orders—Commissions," Bermuda is added to the list of countries mentioned; this is also in the later booklet. Otherwise with the exception of one or two minor details of punctuation the two booklets appear to be identical as to textual matter.

EVAN R. GILL (No. 208)

"235" NUMERAL OBLITERATOR USED ON NEWFOUNDLAND STAMPS

By KEN MINUSE (#67)

From time to time there have been questions in TOPICS and other philatelic publications regarding the use of this obliterator, but I have never seen a satisfactory answer to these inquiries.

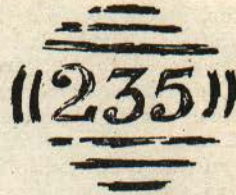
Originally this obliterator was issued to the post office at Staindrop (Dvr.), England, in the 1844-1857 list issued by the Post Office Recording Dept. at London, England, but apparently was withdrawn about 1860, at which time this post office either ceased to cancel stamps, was closed or was among the numeral obliterator withdrawn from all post offices that were not money order offices.

At this point the trouble tracing the use of this numeral starts. From all I can find, the records of the Post Office Recording Dept. were incorrectly kept around this time, or have been mislaid, as no further official record of this obliterator seems available.

The next time it shows up is at St. John's, Newfoundland, where it apparently was re-allotted by the English Post Office. The main difficulty is determining the exact dates of use at St. John's. This is caused by the dearth of early covers from this colony. While I have examined plenty of Newfoundland stamps cancelled with this numeral, I have seen only four covers with it on.

The earliest stamp that I have seen with it on is the 6d rose, (1862-1863 issue), and the latest was the 3¢ blue, (1896 issue). As neither of these stamps were on cover, there is no way of telling from them, when the obliterator was first put in use or when it was withdrawn.

Of the covers examined, all four originated or passed through St. John's, (the earliest dated June 11, 1873, and the latest July 3, 1886). These were addressed to England, various cities in the U. S. A., and to Harbor Grace, Nfld., and all were franked with the correct single rate



for postage then in effect. These covers dispel any idea that the "235" was a registry marking; also I have never seen any evidence that it was used as a Ship or Naval cancellation.

From all the above evidence, the conclusion must be drawn that this obliterator was assigned to the post office at St. John's, Newfoundland, by the English Post Office and was used there in the regular course of business. Of course it might have been assigned at St. John's to one or more particular clerks, as was the custom in some U. S. post offices around this period; hence the other types of cancellations we see used at St. John's during the same period.

In passing may I point out to anyone who might be interested in this particular obliterator, not to let the No. 235 assigned to Ireland confuse them. While most of the numerals assigned to Ireland were diamond in shape, there were a few oval shaped ones sent there. These can be easily distinguished as in the first place they were double obliterations, (that is the number and the postmark were part of one die and very close together), and in the second place there are three curved bars at each end of the numeral, instead of two on those issued to England, Wales, etc.

While these notes probably are in no way complete and final, they have been written in the hope that those who might have additional information, will come forward and the complete story will become available to all those who are interested in the fascinating study of numeral obliterations.

fascinated by the contents of this book, filled as it is with the history of this stirring period—records of wars, sea and land engagements, pirates, colonization, abolition of slavery in the islands, etc. The correspondence named in the title of this book was found in 1948 in the famous Codrington house at Dodington, England. The Codrington name was a famous one in the West Indies, the family moving to Barbadoes in 1649. Twenty-five years later, an elder son moved to Antigua and started the first sugar plantation on the island. For services rendered to the crown he was granted the island of Barbuda, which the family held infeudal fief for over two centuries!

The latest letter in this group of correspondence is dated 1851, so it should provide a fertile field to the postal historian, and Robson Lowe has written an account here that should be on the library shelves of all West Indian specialists, and others interested in history. The book is profusely illustrated with many plates showing ships of the period, scenes in the islands, naval engagements, postmarks and handstruck stamps, etc. Published by Robson Lowe Ltd., 50 Pall Mall, London S. W. 1, England. \$3.50 postpaid.

BNAPS MEMBERS TAKE 35 AWARDS OUT OF POSSIBLE 44 AT CAPEX

Of the 44 awards made by the judges in the B.N.A. section at CAPEX, 35 went to members of BNAPS, the report of the international jury shows. BNAPSer Gerald E. Wellburn, Duncan, D. C., won the Grand Prize with his outstanding British Columbia exhibit, and he also won the Grand Award presented by BNAPS. The list of prize winners in the B.N.A. section of the show is as follows:

GRAND PRIX—Gerald E. Wellburn, British Columbia.

BEST B.N.A. ENTRY FROM NON-CANADIAN EXHIBITOR—L. Gerald Firth, Canada.

GOLD AWARD—R. W. T. Lees-Jones, Canada.

SILVER GILT AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES FOR SILVER GILT—Dr. J. C. Goodwin, Canada; Thomas F. Morris, Canada; Hervey W. Jones; Nova Scotia; E. Harold Pattinson, Newfoundland; Alan J. Stott, Newfoundland; Fred Jarrett, Canada; W. E. Lea, Canada; Gerald E. Wellburn, Canada; Goodwin R. Harris, Canada.

SILVER AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES FOR SILVER—C. F. Meroni, Canada; George C. Marler, Canada; D. W. Partridge, B.N.A.; Gerald E. Wellburn, B.N.A.; A. G. Fairbanks, B.N.A.; Walter W. Chadbourne, B.N.A.; Alex T. Galt, B.N.A.; D. C. and W. S. Meyerson, Newfoundland; H. A. MacMaster, Newfoundland; William O. Lea, Canada; Leslie W. Brewster, Canada; Maj. G. A. E. Chapman, Canada; J. Reg. Barraclough, Canada; Fred Jarrett, Canada; E. Richardson, Canada.

BRONZE AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES FOR BRONZE—P. C. Band, Canada; Mrs. S. Barratt, Newfoundland; Fred Jarrett, B.N.A.; L. G. Tomlinson, B.N.A.; C. G. Kemp, Canada; A. G. Fairbanks, Canada; D. W. Partridge, Canada; J. E. Asheton-Smith, Canada; B. C. Binks, Canada; R. T. Bowman, Canada; Bertrand T. Dennis, Canada; A. K. Grimmer, Canada; Chas. A. Porter, Canada; L. D. Shoemaker, Canada; Fred Jarrett, Canada; J. Alex Park, Canada; Dr. A. Whitehead, Canada; Walter H. Woods, Canada; Colin MacR. Makepeace, Newfoundland; E. Richardson, Canada; Fred Jarrett, Canada; Dr. L. Seale Holmes, Canada Air Mails; Rev. F. A. Ramsey, Canada; Henry Gates, Canada.

Sketches of BNAPSers by V. G. Greene

Colonel Lloyd W. Sharpe was born and educated in Hamilton, Ontario, and graduated from Osgoode Hall, Toronto, in 1920. His law studies were interrupted by the First Great War in which he enlisted as a private, got his commission and after service in France transferred to the Air Force. During the Second Great War he was District Recruiting Officer for the Toronto Military District and several BNAPSers were on his staff, including the writer. In 1943 the Colonel went overseas as legal officer on the staff of the 2nd British Army and served with the occupation forces in Germany, France, Belgium and Holland.

In the period between the two Great Wars, Lloyd became interested in his earlier collection of stamps formed when he was a boy, and, in conjunction with his brother the late Charles F. Sharpe, made a study of the re-entries and plate flaws of the early 20th Century Canadian stamps, notably the 5¢ Edward. He now collects Canada on and off cover, Belgium, Holland, Scandinavia, war covers of all countries and Canadian "flag" cancellations. About twenty years ago he made a famous "find" of stamps and if any readers have a cover addressed to Wm. Laidlaw, Milton, it came from this find. Lloyd still keeps his eye open for likely-looking spots where stamps might be hiding but says finds are few and far between these days!

Although Colonel Sharpe is busy practicing law in association with W. K. Warrender, senior member of the Hamilton Board of Control, he still finds time for stamps and, as chairman for the BNAPS "CAPEX" Committee, did a fine job for the Society at the recent Exhibition in Toronto. Lloyd is an enthusiastic supporter of the British North America Philatelic Society and believes that after our membership reaches a thousand it should stay at that figure as it is



LLOYD W. SHARPE

quality of membership, not quantity, that should be our goal.

ARE YOU PROUD

of your membership in BNAPS?

If you are, why not tell your friends and correspondents about the advantages and benefits they will receive by belonging to the British North American Philatelic Society?

The Society now has a new brochure giving all of the advantages and facts of the organization.

Every member should be interested in building the membership—won't you take a minute and write, asking for a supply of these new Publicity Pamphlets, A card or letter to Secretary Levine or Vice-Pres. L. D. Shoemaker, 1612 Blossom Park, Lakewood, Ohio, U.S.A.

BE PROUD OF THAT NEW MEMBER YOU GET FOR BNAPS

Trail of the Caribou

By Freres Meyerson



Well CAPEX is a thing of the past, and all members of BNAPS have reason to be proud. There were 44 prizes awarded for the B.N.A. Group and of these our members garnered 35, truly a remarkable exhibition. Most of those in attendance with experience at former International shows admitted unequivocally that it was the finest exhibition of B.N.A. material ever gathered under one roof. At the BNAPS luncheon Sir John Wilson, curator of the Royal Collection, stated that he had never seen such an awesome display of superb material. Unfortunately we regret to say that the Newfoundland exhibits did not measure up to the standards set by the other B.N.A. material. Don't think for one minute though that the Newfoundland exhibits were below standard; it was merely that the other exhibits were so far above what is usually seen. We saw some very interesting items that we think should be reported to the members. One of the frames had a copy of the 1d. brown violet Scott #1, with the mail boat cancellation "A92" as illustrated by Boggs on page 42 of his book on Newfoundland. Previously it had only been recorded on the 8d. scarlet, Scott #8. The same frame had a copy of the 2¢ Codfish, Scott #24, overprinted "SPECIMEN" in black serifed letters as illustrated in the November 1949 issue of TOPICS on page 219. We saw magnificent copies of the 5¢ brown seal, Scott #25, and the 12¢ pale red brown on white paper, Scott #28a, with the very attractive circular "LA POILE" cancellation. We saw three complete examples of the American Bank Note Trade Sample sheet described by Boggs on page 55. Among the items that really made our mouth water was an example of a circular red "HAR-

BOR GRACE PAID" dated Oct. 9, 1860—this is an unrecorded strike. Another frame contained two outstanding pieces of Newfoundland pre-stamp material, a black straight line "St. JOHNS" used in 1821 and a magnificent circular red "HARBOR BRITAIN PAID" with a red 3d. in the circle in manuscript form used Sept. 1, 1853. This same cover had a very fine example of the circular black "HARBOR BRITAIN" postmark. It is our belief that the straight line "St. JOHNS" is the only record of this particular strike. Amongst the proofs we saw a previously unrecorded piece that was mistakenly identified as an Essay when in reality the piece which consisted of two die proofs, one of King George and the other of Queen Mary were in reality the die proofs used in the preparation of two postcards, Holmes #1678 and #1681. In addition there were die proofs in black of the 1c, 2c, 5c, 6c, 8c, 9c, 10c, 12c, and 15c values of the Guy Issue. Three other interesting items were colored trial proofs of three of the values of the 1911 Coronation set. Those seen were the 6c value in rose orange, the 8c value in brown and the 9c value in green. In addition to these items noted there were at least two frames of Newfoundland material in the Court of Honor and we won't even try to describe the magnificent scarlet and orange vermilion stamps on display.

We had the good fortune to meet W. E. Lea of Manchester and we checked with him on the matter of the re-entries described in the October "TRAIL." Sure enough he showed us the re-entry in the 6c, Scott #36, and it was rather clearly there, a doubling of the lower portion of the stamp, particularly evident in the lower left corner. Our apologies.

From the President

Dear Fellow Members:

CAPEX is now past history. We are all home again—with our memories. And what grand memories they are! I feel sure I voice the opinions and feelings of all who attended when I say how much everyone appreciated the fine arrangements made by Lloyd Sharpe and his hard working committee in charge of the Convention. Their efforts were quite naturally rewarded by the complete success of everything they undertook to do for our enjoyment. Many thanks, Lloyd!

Without question, and I am confident that the officials of CAPEX will concur, our BNAPS members contributed a great deal to the success of the "Big Show." During the course of the Exhibition there were some 200 registrations at our Lounge. It was one of the most popular meeting places. The best of good fellowship prevailed, just as was predicted, and as is always the case with our members at their annual gatherings. Please remember this when the call goes out for the next Annual Convention at Ithaca, N. Y., next year.

I want to say how delightful it was to once more greet so many of my old friends from all parts of Canada and the United States and still others from the Old Land across the sea. It was also a great pleasure to meet so many new friends, who, up to CAPEX time, have been just so many names in the Year Book. A rough check of the List discloses that I have now met very nearly half of the entire membership, including one in New Zealand and most of those who live in the United Kingdom. To those who were unable to be in Toronto I send best wishes from all. Rest assured you were not forgotten. There were frequent enquiries for this one and that one. Maybe it will be YOUR turn, and YOUR privilege and pleasure to participate in some future gathering of the kind. Indeed, I surely hope so.

There will be interesting reports from others on the various phases of the proceedings. I would like, however, to refer briefly to the awards, both CAPEX and BNAPEX and on your behalf to tender to Gerald E. Wellburn heartiest congratulations on his outstanding success in winning both CAPEX and BNAPEX Grand Awards, and also our felicitations on his election to the Roll of Distinguished Philatelists. We are also very proud of those others who won awards in the B.N.A. Sections. Their names will appear in another place. It is notable that some 75% of the winners in these sections are members of our Society.

In closing may I acknowledge with many thanks the kind letter received from the Canadian Philatelic Society of Great Britain. Our two Societies, through the Study Groups, are working closely together in our mutual interests and endeavours, and those participating are thoroughly enjoying their associations, one with the other. I extend BNAPS congratulations to our Regional Director, J. C. Cartwright, on his election as President of the C.P.S. of G.B.

With kindest regards to you all.

Yours sincerely,

BURY C. BINKS, President.

CAPEX NOTES

By FRANK W. CAMPBELL (#143)

The Roll of Very Distinguished Collectors in the booth of BNAPS was started by H. E. Canham of Regina, as he initialed the registry of those present, followed soon by extremes of location in Wm. O. Lea of Seattle,

and J. E. Lea of Manchester, England.

My first impression of the show was "What a lot of room is available." Local newspapers estimated \$11,000,000 worth of material was on display. A few days later my pen pal of many years whom I had never met, H. M. Konwiser, showed me the routine of getting this material safely out of the vault window to the many helpers who mounted the frames, 1300 of them. Then it had to be reversed 10 days later. . . . A rental of \$10,000 for the building was one expense item.

Vincent Greene gave three very old publications to our librarian, Robt. Duncan of Armstrong, B. C., and soon Dan Meyerson spotted in the illustrations of an 1896 catalog what he thought was the identical pair of Canada 12d mint on display at the Show. Inspection proved he was right. The pair were sold as lot 265, by W. Eliot Woodward Co., 36 Bromfield Street, Boston, on March 11-13, 1896. Has anyone the price realized for them at this sale? Incidentally, I'll were so pleased to meet Mr. Duncan.

The color trial proofs of recent Canada issues on display by the post office department caused envious thoughts in many minds. . . . Non-collector friends I brought to the Show seemed more interested in the Mulready letter sheets and its successors rather than some adhesive of great scarcity, such as British Guiana's great rarity.

Helpers on the making ready of the covers mailed in for the special cancellation on first day told me unnecessarily complicated requests for special favors were common, many of which just could not be complied with. . . . I forgot to ask how many days it took to get the covers ready, but in Detroit this summer, when the Cadillac first day covers were sent, it took 45 people most of five days each to do the job. . . . And—when the stamps were put on sale at 10:30 Monday, (Sept. 24) and four long lines assembled at the post office windows inside the Show room, the bundles of envelopes were stamped at over 500 chairs available in booths or in a library like corner of the room

—every one was a'lickin' 'em! The stamped envelopes were handed to a clerk, and I thought I noticed that many of the bundles were passed through the cancelling machine that had the "5 cents extra" first day wording die. Sure enough, the bundle I had handed in turned up with this "first day" cancel rather than the rectangle with the International Stamp Show wording, which was supposed to be the correct cancel on those put through the wicket without the 5 cent fee on each. . . . Among the cars parked about a third were out of country autos, indicating the number of American visitors there.

BNAPEX Donations

The thanks of the Society are due the following members who donated so generously to the convention fund for BNAPEX-51, which enabled all expenses to be met without a charge on the treasury.

Mrs. Ethel B. McCoy	25.00
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IMPRESSIONS

Of my Trip to Toronto, Ottawa, the CAPEX International Philatelic Exhibition, in Conjunction With the BNAPS Convention.

By GULLIVER RUNABOUT

Left Philadelphia on Thursday evening, Sept. 20, from the Reading Terminal, 8:20 p.m.; arrived at Bethlehem, Pa., on time and changed trains to "The Maple Leaf" of the Lehigh Valley Railroad which arrived on time at Union Station, Toronto.

Met my Canadian friend, Mr. Thomas H. Graham, and his charming wife, with whom I had an engagement to go bass fishing over the weekend, along with a friend of Mr. Graham. We had a delightful time fishing and my fine friend Mr. Graham really overwhelmed us with his hospitality. Arrived back in Toronto and spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Graham.

Spent Monday at CAPEX Stamp Exhibition, meeting members of BNAPS at their lounge, which I think was one of the most popular at the exhibition. Looked the exhibition over and without a doubt it was the finest collection of B.N.A. material ever assembled under one roof.

Left Toronto Monday night for Ottawa, the Capital. I had never been to Ottawa and decided that while in Canada that would be on my list and I was not disappointed. Went through the Parliament Buildings, took a motorboat trip through the historic Rideau Canal, which passes through most places of interest; also thought the Hotel Chateau Laurier beautiful. Took a motor bus trip to Hull, Quebec, which is located across the Ottawa River from Ottawa, Ontario. Left Ottawa Wednesday morning for my trip, back to Toronto and was much impressed by the size of the Province of Ontario. Arrived in Toronto about 5:25 p.m. and registered at the King Edward Hotel, where the Phila. Group, BNAPS members were all registered: Mr. and Mrs. James T. Culhane, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kessler, Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer C. Rockett, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Whiting, Mr. George B. Llewellyn. After this group were all together things really

began to hum. At a party given by Mr. Harry Lussy of New Milford, N. J., and Mr. Wm. O. Lea of Seattle, Washington, every one present had a wonderful time. Thursday we did some shopping in Simpsons, Eatons, Birks, etc.—all very fine stores. That evening we all had a delightful dinner at the French restaurant, La Chaumaire, with Mr. Thomas H. Graham. At night our party was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Cleo H. Fee, who were very charming.

The BNAPS luncheon, at 12:30 p.m. Friday, was very nice and well arranged when you consider plans were made for about 75, and at least 125 attended. Very fine speeches were made by Chairman Mr. Lloyd Sharpe, Sir John Wilson, Mr. Vincent Greene. The business meeting was well conducted by President Binks.

Left Toronto Saturday morning by car with Mr. Llewellyn, with stops at Niagara Falls, the Finger Lakes district, with a trip through Watkins Glen, N. Y., the scenic Susquehanna trail beautiful in the autumn foliage; through the picturesque Pocono mountains to Stroudsburg, Pa., and then following Route 611 to Philadelphia.

I am sure every one present had a wonderful time, with thanks to Mr. Lloyd Sharpe, chairman, and his efficient committee. In conclusion, here is hoping everyone can be present at our next convention and exhibition to be held at Ithaca, N. Y. I am sure Mr. Edward Richardson, by the way he spoke, has some wonderful times planned for all those who attend our next convention.

The only fault I find with BNAPS conventions is they do not come often enough. So far I have attended all three conventions, and must say that in all my years of stamp collecting I have never met a more sociable friendly group of men and women. I believe, without a doubt, BNAPS will take its place with the leading philatelic societies in the U.S. and Canada.

Report of the Secretary

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NEW MEMBERS

- 786 Balassa, Dr. Joseph J., 4155 Wilke Way, Palo Alto, Calif.
787 Clark, S. H., Drawer 698, Prince George, B. C., Canada
788 Dickenson, James, 2165 McAra St., Regina, Sask., Canada
789 Dodds, Dr. Gordon A., 3910 - 48 Place N. E., Seattle 5, Wash.
790 Gifford, W. Marston, 811 Duplex Ave., Apt. B, Toronto 12, Ont., Canada
791 Hanselman, Mae M., 207 Dalhousie St., Brantford, Ont., Canada
792 Harmia, Vincent G., 412 S. Diamond St., Centralia, Wash.
793 Johnson, John J., 4443 N. Winchester, Chicago 40, Ill.
794 Knight, Alvin M., 11865 Depatie, Cartierville, Montreal, Que., Canada
795 McDonald, F. Beattie, 240 Graham St., Woodstock, Ont., Canada
796 McKee, Richard L., 163 Hemenway St., Boston 15, Mass.
797 Nemmers, Dr. C. J., Anamosa, Iowa
798 Patterson, A. H., 15 Glenwood Ave., Dayton 5, Ohio
799 Robinson, Arthur G., 1606 - 34 Ave. S. W., Calgary, Alta., Canada
800 Starcher, G. P., 11254 - 75th Avenue, Edmonton, Alta., Canada
801 Stockton, James E., 343 Unruh St., Philadelphia 11, Pa.
802 Welland, Henry, 99 Balmoral Ave. S., Hamilton, Ont., Canada
803 Zirinsky, Henry, 383 Pearl St., Brooklyn 1, N. Y.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

- Aiken, Major Wm., Ancaster P. O., Ont., Canada (C) CAN, NFD—Proposed by E. Goodale, No. 115. Seconded by L. W. Sharpe, No. 395
Arrowsmith, W. S., 8 Argyle Court, Regina, Sask., Canada (C) CAN, NFD—20th century mint and used postage and mint blocks. O.H.M.S. Mint booklet panes. Mint Airmails. Proposed by H. E. Canham, No. 77. Seconded by J. Levine, No. 1.
Bainbridge, G. P., Sherman P. O., B. C., Canada (C) Proposed by B. C. Binks, No. 74. Seconded by D. C. Meyerson, No. 3.
Bamford, Clayton F. Jr., Dore St., Center Ossipee, N. H. (CX) CAN, NFD, PROV—19th and 20th century mint and used postage. 1st Flight covers. Coils. Complete booklets. Mint and used airmails. Literature. Proposed by J. Levine, No. 1.
Barracough, Patricia A., 454 Mt. Stephen Ave., Westmount, Que., Canada (C) CAN—Mint postage. Proposed by C. P. deVolpi, No. 266. Seconded by B. C. Binks, No. 74.
Blanchard, Julian, 1 Sheridan Square, New York 14, N. Y. (CX). Proposed by E. Richardson, No. 168. Seconded by D. C. Meyerson, No. 3.
Bradley, Owen F. H., 146 Sherbrooke St., Winnipeg, Man., Canada (CX) CAN—19th century mint and used postage and blocks. Federal revenues. Proofs and Essays. Proposed by D. C. Meyerson, No. 3. Seconded by B. C. Binks, No. 74.
Brisley, Charles L., Box 118, Bloomingdale, Mich. (CC) CAN—Mint and used postage and blocks. Proposed by R. J. Duncan, No. 37. Seconded by L. N. Littlefield, No. 561.
Buck, Fred T., 32 East 57th St., New York 22, N. Y. (D) Proposed by D. C. Meyerson, No. 3.
Butt, T. John, 115 Grand Ave., London, Ont., Canada (CX) CAN—19th and 20th century mint postage and blocks. Plate Blocks. Coils. Mint panes and complete booklets. Proposed by R. C. Hunter, No. 44. Seconded by K. C. Vizzard, No. 274.
Christianson, William D. Jr., Clarkson P. O., Ont., Canada (CX) CAN, NFD—Used postage. 1st Day covers. Plate Blocks. Coils. O.H.M.S. Used panes and complete booklets. Precancels. Federal revenues. Used airmails. Postal stationery entires. Proposed by Wm. A. Beatty, No. 365.
Clark, William T., 575 Grosvenor St., London, Ont., Canada (CX) CAN, NFD—Mint postage and blocks. O.H.M.S. Mint booklet panes. Mint airmails. Proposed by R. J. Duncan, No. 37. Seconded by F. T. James, No. 682.
Clougher, Nugent M., 26 Craven St., London W. C. 2, England (C) CAN, NFD,

- PROV—19th century. Pre-stamp and stampless covers. Literature. Proofs and Essays. R. R. cancellations. SPECIALTY—Small Queens. Proposed by B. C. Binks, No. 74. Seconded by G. B. Harper, No. 570.
- Compton, Richard A., 229 Ridgedale Rd., Ithaca, N. Y. (C) CAN, NFD—19th and 20th century mint and used postage and mint blocks. Mint booklet panes. Mint and used airmails. Proposed by E. Richardson, No. 168. Seconded by G. Fairbanks, No. 558.
- Fraser, John A., 22 Shade St., Galt, Ont., Canada (C) Proposed by C. Armstrong, No. 120. Seconded by L. W. Sharpe, No. 395.
- Galt, Alex T., 131 Rumsey Rd., Leaside, Toronto 17, Ont., Canada (CX) Proposed by J. Law, No. 516. Seconded by D. C. Meyerson, No. 3.
- Garfield, Elmer, 593 Church St., Toronto, Ont., Canada (CX) CAN, PROV—Used postage and blocks. Proposed by R. J. Duncan, No. 37. Seconded by B. C. Binks, No. 74.
- Good, N. F., Carrollton, Texas (CX) CAN, NFD—19th and 20th century mint and used postage and blocks. Plate blocks. O.H.M.S. Precancels. Literature. Proposed by J. Levine, No. 1
- Kenny, James H. F., 7 Wadawaska Drive, Ottawa, Ont., Canada (C) CAN, NFD—19th and 20th century mint and used postage and blocks. Plate blocks. Coils. Mint and used airmails. Proofs and Essays. Proposed by H. A. MacMaster, No. 484. Seconded by A. H. Kessler, No. 334.
- Lacey, Peter M., 1108 Glenlake Ave., Chicago 40, Ill. (CX) CAN, NFD, PROV—19th and 20th century mint and used postage and blocks. Pre-stamp, stampless and 1st Day covers. Plate blocks. Coils. O.H.M.S. Mint booklet panes. Federal revenues. Mint and used airmails. Stationery entires. Literature. Proofs and Essays. R.R., territorial, flag, 2 and 4-ring cancellations. Proposed by G. P. Lewis, No. 506.
- Lichtig, Allen D., 140 Glynn Court, Detroit 2, Mich. (C) Proposed by L. W. Sharpe, No. 395.
- Lovegren, David M., 2718 Queen Anne Ave., Seattle 9, Wash. (CX) CAN, NFD, PROV—19th and 20th century mint and used postage and mint blocks. Coils. Mint booklet panes. Mint airmails. Literature. Proposed by B. C. Binks, No. 74. Seconded by E. C. Trace, No. 257.
- Loveys, Newton, 35 Keele St., Toronto 9, Ont., Canada (C) Proposed by J. Law, No. 516. Seconded by D. C. Meyerson, No. 3.
- Macklin, Walter, 1405 Peel St. Rm. 215, Montreal 2, Que., Canada (C) CAN, NFD—19th and 20th century mint postage and blocks. Plate blocks. Proposed by C. G. Kemp, No. 85.
- MacRory, J. K., 94 Indian Road, Toronto 3, Ont., Canada (D) CAN, NFD, PROV—19th and 20th century mint and used postage and blocks. Coils. O.H.M.S. Proposed by G. P. Lewis, No. 506.
- Moore, John A., 40 Hazelton Ave., 7A, Toronto 5, Ont., Canada (C) CAN—Mint and used postage. Plate blocks. O.H.M.S. Proposed by L. N. Littlefield, No. 561. Seconded by C. K. Liggett, No. 154.
- Nadon, E., Box 226, Temiskaming, Que., Canada (CX) CAN—Mint and used postage. Plate blocks. O.H.M.S. Federal revenues and tax-paids. Proposed by C. Armstrong, No. 120. Seconded by L. W. Sharpe, No. 395.
- Noxon, R. C., 585 O'Connor St., Ottawa, Ont., Canada (C) CAN—19th and 20th century mint and used postage. Coils. O.H.M.S. Mint and used booklet panes. Proposed by L. W. Sharpe, No. 395
- Parker, Razelmond B., 3345 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak, Mich. (C) CAN, NFD—19th and 20th century mint and used postage and mint blocks. Pre-stamp, stampless and 1st flight covers. Plate blocks. Federal and Provincial revenues. Mint and semi-official airmails and on cover. Stationery entires. Territorial, flag and slogan cancellations. Proposed by S. B. Gaylord, No. 579. Seconded by D. C. Meyerson, No. 3.
- Pennell, Roy M., 364 Brock Ave., Toronto, Ont., Canada (CX) CAN, NFD, PROV—20th century mint and used postage. Proposed by R. J. Duncan, No. 37. Seconded by B. L. Baulch, No. 93.
- Pollock, W. W., Bridge St., Carleton Place, Ont., Canada (CX) CAN—Plate blocks. SPECIALTY—Small Queens & "Admiral" Issue. Proposed by R. J. Duncan, No. 37. Seconded by R. A. Jamieson, No. 72.
- Rogers, Sherman E., 511 Fifth Ave., New York 17, N. Y. (D) Proposed by D. C. Meyerson, No. 3.

- Rumpel, George H., Aldershot, Ont., Canada (C) Proposed by L. W. Sharpe, No. 395.
- Schreiber, Anne, 2 Hopeton St., Galt, Ont., Canada (C) Proposed by C. Armstrong, No. 120. Seconded by B. C. Binks, No. 74.
- Smith, A. Daniel, 3 Maple Ave., S. Sudbury 51, Mass. (C) CAN, PEI, NS, NB—Mint and used postage and used blocks. Coils. Used booklet panes. Proposed by R. P. Hedley, No. 164.
- Statkus, John A., 8028 Whitethorn Ave., Cleveland 3, Ohio (C) CAN, NFD—20th century mint and used postage and blocks. Pre-stamp, stampless, 1st day and 1st flight covers. Coils. O.H.M.S. Mint booklet panes. Federal revenues. Mint and used airmails. Proposed by D. C. Meyerson, No. 3.
- Stephen, R. A., 68 Victoria St., London, Ont., Canada (CX) Proposed by L. S. Holmes, No. 177.
- Taylor, Elmore D., 293 Nelson St., Brantford, Ont., Canada (C) Proposed by C. F. Foster, No. 184. Seconded by L. W. Sharpe, No. 395.
- Tutton, William E., 11D Ozmun Place, Ithaca, N. Y. (C) CAN—19th and 20th century used postage. Coils. O.H.M.S. Used booklet panes. Precancels. Proposed by E. Richardson, No. 168. Seconded by G. Fairbanks, No. 558.
- Watkins, Herbert G., 510 Portage Ave., Winnipeg, Man., Canada (CD) NFD—Proposed by W. S. Meyerson, No. 11. Seconded by C. P. deVolpi, No. 266.
- White, Marcus W., 15 Sherburne Ave., Worcester 5, Mass. (C) CAN, NFD—Mint postage. Stationery entires and Proofs and Essays of same. R.R., territorial, flag, slogan 2 and 4-ring cancellations. SPECIALTY—Postal stationery. Proposed by L. N. Littlefield, No. 561.
- Workman, G. Ross, 22 Helena Ave., Toronto, Ont., Canada (C) Proposed by E. Richardson, No. 168.
- Young, James M., c/o Hamilton Cotton Co., Ltd., Hamilton, Ont., Canada (C) CAN, NFD, PROV—19th and 20th century mint postage and blocks. Plate blocks. Coils. O.H.M.S. Mint booklet panes. Seals. Mint airmails. Stationery entires. Proposed by G. P. Lewis, No. 506. Seconded by D. C. Meyerson, No. 3 (N.B.—any applicant not in receipt of the 1951 Yearbook please communicate with the Secretary and copy will be forwarded.)

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

- Allison, 2nd Lt. Russell, 116 Co., 2nd Bn., 2nd St. Regt., Ft. Benning, Ga.
- Jackson, F., 54a Hewett Rd., North End, Portsmouth, Hants, England.
- Metcalf, 1st Lt. Robert E., 2730 Humboldt So., Minneapolis 8, Minn.
- Murphy, John J., 88 Royal St., Randolph, Mass.

DECEASED

- 391 Nettleton, John J., 1098 Davenport Rd., Toronto, Ont., Canada.

CORRECTION

- 264 should read Trieschmann, C. C.
Omitted from Geographical Listing in Yearbook: England—Suffolk—E. Shipton.

NOTICE

Mr. L. D. Shoemaker, Vice-President, announces the appointment as Regional Directors of:

- W. F. B. Martin, 249 Argyle Ave., Ottawa, Ont., Canada
Leopold Baresh, 82 Baker St., Weybridge, Surrey, England

NOTICE

Will any member knowing the correct address of the following members, listed in our records at the addresses below, please communicate with the Editor:

- 338 Bernstine, Dr. Melvin, 310 East 44th St., New York 17, N. Y.
422 Milroy, Andrew B., 305 Charlotte St., St. John, N. B., Canada.
543 Watson, Maj. Robert M., 4451 Western Ave., Westmount, Que., Canada.

Copies of BNA TOPICS addressed to the above members have been returned, unclaimed. If members intend changing their addresses, it would help to keep our mailing list in order if notice was sent to the Editor at least one month previous to change.

OFFICIAL NOTICE NOMINATIONS

The following members' names have been placed in nomination for the office of Board of Governor for the term 1952-1955. The Secretary, receiving no word to the contrary, will cause these names to be entered on the Official Ballot for the Election of Board of Governors for 1952-55.

Wilmer C. Rockett, Glenside, Pa.

Signed: Messrs. Armstrong, Hedley, Sharpe, A. C. Johnson, Richardson.

Harris A. MacMaster, Vancouver, B. C.

Signed: Messrs. D. C. Meyerson, Hedley, W. S. Meyerson, Levine, Shoemaker.

Lloyd W. Sharpe, Hamilton, Ont.

Signed: Messrs. D. C. Meyerson, Hedley, Shoemaker, MacMaster, Levine.

James T. Culhane, Philadelphia, Pa.

Signed: Messrs. D. C. Meyerson, W. S. Meyerson, Levine, Shoemaker, Richardson

Charles McDonough, Philadelphia, Pa.

Lloyd W. Sharpe, Hamilton, Ont.

Harris A. MacMaster, Vancouver, B. C.

Signed: Philadelphia Group, James T. Culhane, President.

Nelson S. Bond, Roanoke, Va.

Signed: Messrs. Armstrong, W. S. Meyerson, Sharpe, A. C. Johnson, C. F. Foster.

MINUTES OF THE THIRD ANNUAL CONVENTION

Held on Friday, Sept. 28th, 1951, at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, Canada

The chair was taken by the President, Mr. Bury C. Binks, and with a quorum being present, the meeting was officially declared opened for the consideration of such business as might come before it.

The Chair recognized a motion by Mr. Moll, seconded by Mr. Culhane, that the meeting dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the preceding Annual Meeting, as published in the November 1950 issue of BNA TOPICS, and that they be "taken as read." The motion was affirmed.

Mr. Binks reported to the meeting that the Society, in all its undertakings, is having excellent success and he expressed his appreciation to the officers and members for their fine co-operation.

Mr. Shoemaker, Vice-President, advised the meeting that the Regional Directors are effecting fine results in their efforts to recruit new members and emphasized the role the entire membership can and should play in this campaign. He strongly endorsed and advocated the use by the Society of advertising in other philatelic publications so that the collecting interests may be familiarized with the many advantages and services offered by the Society to its membership. The report of Mr. Shoemaker was very well received and Mr. D. C. Meyerson recommended that an expression of recognition and appreciation be placed on the records for the fine work being

done by Mr. Shoemaker.

The Treasurer, Mr. Peterman, expressed his pleasure in again being able to report to the meeting that we would again have a small surplus this year, and not a deficit as budgeted. A detailed report and statement is published in the October 1951 issue of BNA TOPICS and a summary indicates that we shall likely show a surplus of about \$100 instead of a budgeted \$15 deficit. It was moved by Mr. Peterman, seconded by Mr. Kessler, that the report be accepted as read. The motion was so affirmed.

The Secretary, Mr. Levine, offered the following Membership Summary from September 15, 1950, to September 15, 1951:

Total Membership Sept. 15, 1950 ..	505
New Members	121
Replaced on rolls	4 125
Total	630
Resignations	24
Dropped from rolls	17
Deceased	11
Expelled	1 53

Total Membership Sept. 15, 1951 .. 577

ANALYSIS

	1951	1950
Total enrolled	125	96
Resignations	24	24
Deceased	11	5
Dropped from Rolls	18	10
Total increase of membership	72	57

PRESIDENT'S AWARD

For purposes of determining the

winner of the PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR 1950 for the enrollment of most new members during 1950, herewith an analysis of accredited enrollments for that period:

R. J. Duncan (27); H. A. MacMaster (18); R. P. Hedley (3); TWO EACH: C. G. Kemp, E. Goodale, T. B. Higginson, G. P. Lewis, A. H. Kessler. ONE EACH: H. G. Saxton, J. N. Sissons, W. W. Chadbourne, I. C. Morgan, J. S. Bain, H. G. Bertram, J. S. Siverts, J. Law, B. C. Binks, R. L. Powe, W. C. Beckman, V. G. Greene, R. W. T. Lees-Jones, J. F. Burke, L. D. Shoemaker.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Consideration for applications from under the required age applicants.
2. Consideration of incorporation of the Society.

After due deliberation and discussion, it was moved by Mr. Sharpe, seconded by Mr. Whiting, that the consideration of under age applications be referred to the Vice-President for study. The motion was accepted and so ordered. It was moved by Mr. Ed. Richardson, seconded by Rev. Bain that the matter of consideration of articles of incorporation for the Society be referred to the Board of Governors for action. So ordered. On a motion by Mr. Levine, seconded by Mr. Moll, the report of the Secretary was accepted.

Mr. Levine read a report from the Sales Manager, Mr. Meyers, which showed a total amount of sales since January 1, 1951, of \$510.38 from 55 Circuits. On hand in the Circuit is a total of 108 books. The Insurance Fund totals \$248, and on hand in undistributed sales is \$290. Mr. Meyers in his report advised that the circuits now contain a well-rounded selection of B.N.A. for every member. The report was accepted on a motion by Mr. Llewellyn, seconded by Mr. Sharpe.

The Librarian, Mr. Duncan, was pleased to advise the meeting that the membership is taking good advantage of the Library service with almost 300 loans already made this year; a big increase over the same period last year. It was moved by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Hedley, that the report be accepted as read and so ordered.

Mr. Kessler reported to the meeting that the Publicity Committee has been making excellent strides in covering BNAPS activities in the philatelic press. Arrangement are under way to publicize BNAPEX 1952 at Ithaca and

a greater effort will be made to advance BNAPS overseas. Mr. Kessler respectfully asked the co-operation of the membership with any suggestions they might wish to offer. It was moved by Mr. Meyerson, seconded by Mr. Moll, that the meeting approve the report of Mr. Kessler. So ordered.

Mr. Ed. Richardson advised the meeting that he was already preparing for BNAPEX 1952 at Ithaca, N. Y., and he assured the meeting that it too, like all other conventions, would provide an excellent time for those who were able to attend. He advised the meeting that the date for the Ithaca affair would have to be a week before the Labor Day week-end since any time after that would not allow the comfort and conveniences the earlier date would.

Mr. Kemp formally entered a request whereby the 1953 convention of the Society be held in Montreal. The meeting recognized and honored the request of Mr. Kemp on a motion by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Meyerson and therewith Montreal, Canada, was formally and officially designated as the locale for the 1953 Annual Convention and Exhibition of the Society.

A rising vote of thanks was given the BNAPEX 1951 Committee for the wonderful convention they had arranged and Mr. Sharpe, Chairman of the Committee, expressed his appreciation and took occasion to cite the tireless efforts of his committee-men.

Mr. L. Baresh, of Surrey, England, expressed his profound appreciation of the wonderful hospitality and warm reception he continuously received during his visit and Mr. Lea, of Manchester, England, associated himself with Mr. Baresh's expressions and was very proud and pleased to be able to cite BNAPS for the fine Society it was.

There being no further business for consideration of the meeting, it was forthwith voted adjourned on a motion by Mr. Wellburn, seconded by Mr. de-Volpl.

Respectfully submitted:
J. Levine, Secretary

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