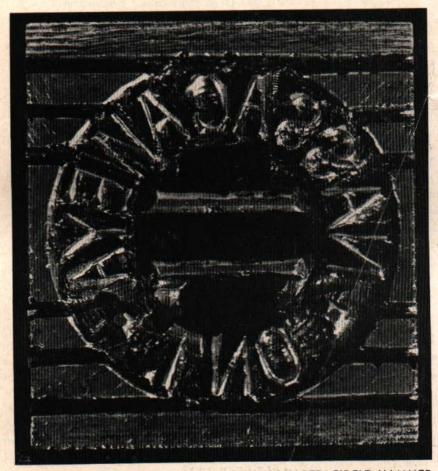
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THE Editor's MAILBAG

An Oddity

I have an interesting oddity to report. It is a cover, addressed to the National Employment Office, Sherbrooke, P.Q., and it bears the current 5c Q.E. overprinted "G". The only cancellation is a wavy-lined machine cancel; the c.d.s. part reads NORTH ANSON, SEP 26, 5-P.M., 1958, MAINE.

My atlas tells me that North Anson is a town of 875 population, approximately 50 miles from the

Quebec border.

I guess this could rank as a "Canada — Used Abroad" in a sideline collection, or could it?

Has anyone anything similar to report?

Alex McMillan (BNAPS 1738)

Canadian Usage of U.S. Revenue

In addition to B.N.A., I collect handstamp cancellations on U.S. first issue revenue stamps. I recently acquired a cancellation which I think is of some interest to readers of TOPICS—a typical strike in black on a 3c perforated Proprietary.

LAMPLOUG — CAMPBELL / MONT-REAL appears within the outer ring of a double circle. (The dashes indicate missing letters.) In the middle of the centre circle is a design:



The stamp was probably used sometime between 1863 and 1869.

This is the first Canadian usage of a U.S. Civil War revenue stamp I have seen. Can someone tell us what business was conducted? The fact that the cancellation appears on a Proprietary stamp is not controlling. The different classes of stamps were used indiscriminately. It might have been used by a steamship company — or by a customs house agent. If we can discover what enterprise was engaged in, then we will have a major clue to a determination of why the stamp was used by a Canadian based business.

G. M. Tuttle (BNAPS 1565)

Calling Coin Collectors

If we have any coin collectors—not dealers—among our members, I would like to hear from some of them concerning a one-sided Lincoln cent. One side has Lincoln; In God We Trust, and the date, 1945; the other side is a complete blank—nothing but a shiny piece of copper with a tendency to bulge outward. Is it a collector's item?

Hannah B. Butler (BNAPS 1262)

Is Topics Too Specialized? (Cont'd)

I have just received my March issue of BNA TOPICS and read with great interest once more the letters concerning the controversy as to whether TOPICS is too specialized. Also I noted in this issue that the results of the questionnaire pertaining to the controversy will be published next month, so

I thought I had better get this letter to you before those results are out.

As you and your readers no doubt have realized by this time, many numbers of your readership have been stimulated to write to you either being in favor or against the matter of too much specialization. I never imagined that my letter raising the point, which you published last summer, would lead to such interest. The letters you have received, many published in TOPICS, concerning the controversy certainly point out the stimulation your readers received by my letter, and the ones following, and also show that many readers are not apathetic "per se" but need a little prod to induce them to take pen in hand and write a few lines to you. The issues of the past few months all contained letters congratulating you and staff in one way or another for a job well done in turning out TOPICS. This points out once again that people are often much appreciated, but never are sure that they are because they are not told about it, except in a "crisis."

So now . . . I want to go on record as saying that I feel personally that you and your staff are doing a great job with the publication; I would continue reading it whether any changes are forthcoming or not; I do not plan to resign from BNAPS; I am elated at the interest engendered by my letter of last summer.

My knowledge of philately is not so great that I feel your readers would benefit by any articles I could submit for publication, but I hope I may feel that I have contributed a little something by raising the "specialization" controversy.

Edward S. Mercantini, M.D. (BNAPS 1636)

* We are sorry that Dr. Mercantini's letter was received too late to publish before the results of the questionnaire appeared. We certainly think that the publication of Dr. Mercantini's original letter raised a question that has been a good thing for the Society, in that it created a great deal of interest and filled the Mailbag for some months past, Full discussions of this type are, we feel, good for the soul! This being the case we believe members would be interested in reading some of the comments which accompanied the questionnaires on the above topic; we publish a selection below. Names have been omitted, as some members may not have in-tended to write for publication. A further selection of comments will be published at a later date.—EDITOR.

● No suggestions, but I can't resist commenting. BNAPS is a specialized group so why should not the magazine be specialized? If it becomes a news magazine then, I feel, it will lose its purpose. How in the world can some members expect TOPICS, or any other magazine, to contain articles, all of which are of interest to each individual reader. One hundred per cent reader interest is an impossibility. I amprimarily interested in Newfoundland, consequently there are articles which do not appeal to me. Even so, I read some of them, for it never hurt anyone to acquire knowledge outside his own field. Those I do not read do not irritate me for I know that they are of interest to some other member.

- Be specialized, yes but be specialized about Canada more than the esoteric stuff that is brought before you by some eager, egocentric individual whose interests are not representative of the majority of the Society. . . . I believe that we need more articles and less columns. When you have a regular monthly column, that has to be filled, it is often going to be filled with more or less trivial items, while some good feature article that you have waiting goes begging for lack of space.
- Since in 95 per cent of cases TOPICS represents all that the Society offers a new member, it is proper to examine it with your questionnaire at this

Can TOPICS capture the interest of the freshman or is it entirely and irrevocably for the use of the graduate student only? Is there room to regularly feature items on varieties, the mechanics of stamp making, and throw a lot more emphasis and space toward the actual postal issues of Canada.

The questinnaire asks if TOPICS is too specialized. If it is, then well and good, and you are to be congratulated, Mr. Editor, on having it properly

serve the function of a Journal.

These items should be treated in a specialist manner but if there is a fault, is in overloading in some directions of diversification, having in mind the less generally followed specialties?

 I don't think rank-and-filers such as myself should be too critical of TOPICS, but I would like to say this:

Some of the issues of the past year seem to have been pretty well taken up with, perhaps, a long article on the postal history of some province or other, or ditto on revenues, or some other item that would not be of any interest to STAMP COL-LECTORS.

Such articles as "New Findings About Nova Scotia Pence and Cents," running to three parts, may be of absorbing interest to a few-but only to a few, since most of us do not have enough N.S. pence-value stamps to stick in your eye.

On the other hand, articles like "The Five Cent Edward" in February 1960 TOPICS makes wonderful reading for a lot of us-we all have a good lot of spare 5c Edwards put away, so we rush to get them out and see what we can find as a result of that very informative article.

The current series by Reiche on the Small Queens will also be eagerly read by a great many members -including me! But don't think I'm a hog-the revenuers and squared circlers must have their fun too!

- I believe this is a very well balanced journal at present something of interest to everyone. Without specialized features it would be like soup without salt or seasoning. Personally I believe the chef ranks at the top of the gourmet's list!
- · Generally speaking I believe the younger members have more interest in 20th century material, mainy because of quantities available and, of course, cost.
- Actually I feel that TOPICS has been fairly well rounded in its coverage of the material contained,

I also feel that it does NOT meet the needs of the normal collector of Canada. Since I collect many phases of Canada I am interested (sometimes casually only) in most of the topics covered, but primarily MOST collectors (I think) collect first the stamps of Canada generally,

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In my humble opinion the magazine could well contain material concerning new issues and new material—for example, postal cards have appeared without any information in the press and this has resulted in missing some such items. I would like to know a little more about the background of issues as they come out.

The so-called classics are wonderful — but after all very few of us ever have the means of getting many of them. Actually what I am trying to say is that I would like TOPICS to assist me in keeping my Canadian collection current, as well as giving me sideline information and classical information.

Actually the TOPICS files make wonderful references files — EXCEPT for the lack of current topics.

• I always enjoy reading articles such as "Constant Plate Varieties of the Canada Small Queens" and Pelletier's articles on air mail postal history.

There is too much emphasis on cancellations. Sometimes I have the feeling that cancellations are the important thing—stamps are secondary, something to be cancelled. Would like to see a short description with perhaps photo of well known collectors with biographical data. Generally speaking, paper is extremely specialized; noticed complete lack of humor and friendliness between fellow collectors.

● The magazine has come a long way in the last several years. Actually, there must be recognition through its contents that there are collectors who "specialize in" B.N.A., and collectors who are specialists in B.N.A. The members of the first group are specialists only in the sense that their philatelic interests are limited to B.N.A., though they are not experts in the field. The members of the second group are the real specialists—the experts. Within each general group, of course, there are subdivisions.

Only the editorial masters of TOPICS' contents can judge which group preponderates among the Society's members, and determine to what extent each group is entitled to material within the scope of its collecting abilities.

• I think it would be a very good idea to run serially, monthly or from time to time, half to one page articles on items of modern interest. In other words, start some new columns. Some psychology could be used here, inasmuch as it is normal to pass by a long article on an unknown subject, whereas one will often read a short article.

If finances permit, I would like to see TOPICS in a larger number of pages. If some new columns are started, perhaps a few could be given a page every alternate month, or less than that every month. This way, TOPICS would cater to a wider range of interests.

• I think it would be a good idea to write up, with illustrations, some of the fine collections that are in existence. Could cover weak and strong sections, particularly nice copies and new discoveries.

A listing of people interested in certain specialties would be helpful. Who collects 5c Beaver; numeral cancels, etc., on Large and Small Queens? Believe an article on philatelic photography would be very welcome. I would like to write a few articles but don't know how to illustrate them, etc.

● To all who criticize the magazine, send a polite note asking them to write anything they wish and if deemed of interest it will be published. I have never seen a club paper yet that could not use more contributions. I specially like personal experiences of thrilling finds. ★

ED RICHARDSON (BNAPS 168)

A Sequel to . . .

U.S. COVERS WITH PATRIOTIC DESIGNS— USED IN CANADA*

COUR YEARS have passed since my original article on these interesting covers appeared in BNA TOPICS. In keeping with their scarcity, we are able to report only three new ones making their appearance since then! The original article reported exactly five known covers, counting the embossed Lincoln campaign cover. These three bring the total to eight.

Since writing the original article four years ago I have come to the conclusion that the real reason for the scarcity of these covers used in and from Canada lies in the probability that they were very unpopular with the Canadians.



-Ray Peters Collection

A very rare usage! A U.S. Civil War patriotic used from Nova Scotia in September 1862. Backstamped Truro and Amherst. Addressed to Hartford, Conn.

While there was much sympathy towards the North's flight against slavery, yet there was a number of incidents that threatened the peace along the border. Mainly this was due to certain elements in the North that claimed it was the "Manifest Destiny" of the U.S. to controll the entire continent! To better understand Canadian feelings toward the North during the U.S. Civil War period, I recommend reading Chapter XXV of George Brown's "Building the Canadian Nation." I have come to believe that this is the true explanation of the scarcity of these covers.

The Civil War patriotic used from Nova Scotia before Confederation, in Ray Peter's collection (BNAPSer No. 1202), is the most unusual of the three new ones to be turned

^{*} BNA TOPICS, February 1957.



"REMEMBER ELLSWORTH" patriotic, used from Hamilton, C.W. to New York City. June 27, 1862.

up. The design is quite similar to the one in the earlier article—the only one whose present location is still unknown.

The "Remember Ellsworth" cover shown here and now in the author's collection, is the same cover that was illustrated in the "22nd American Philatelic Congress" book, in an article entitled "Ellsworth Patriotic Covers" by Eugene Connett III, the former owner. This cover really should have been listed in the original article since Mr. Connett's article appeared in 1956. However, we were unaware of this until ours had appeared in print.

The third new cover, franked with a 5c Beaver, we especially like. It is addressed to Madame L. J. Papineau at Monte Bello, Canada East. Mrs. Papineau was the wife of Louis Joseph Papineau, the famous leader of the Rebellion of 1837. Collecting Papineau material has long been a sideline of ours, and therefore we had a double reason for being delighted when we found this cover in a dealer's stock in Baltimore, Maryland, a couple of years ago.

We should also report that the cover illustrated in the original article and noted "Fred Jarrett Collection" was sold during the series of Sissons' sales, and is now in the author's collection.

Can anyone report one or more additional examples of U.S. Civil War patriotic or campaign covers—used from or in Canada? ★



U.S. Civil War patriotic used from Montreal, June 12, '61. Addressed to Madame L. J. Papineau, Monte Bello, C.E.

Constant Plate Varieties of the

CANADA SMALL QUEENS

PART SEVEN (Conclusion)
(Part Six appeared in the April issue)

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A NOTHER major re-entry, identified as No. 7 from the original Montreal plate, can be seen in Fig. 77. The stamp was printed in Ottawa and is in the chocolate brown shade. Jarrett mentions this stamp and in Ref. 4 it is referred to as a major re-entry from the extensively re-entered Montreal plate of 1892. The position is given as No. 7 right pane. A reference in Stamp Collecting mentions that a pair is known with this re-entry and that the other stamp shows an additional re-entry. No further identification is given of the second re-entry.

A plate crack in conjunction with a re-entry can be seen in Fig. 78. The shade of the stamp is the same as the previous one and this indicates that the stamp came from the same plate. Of interest are the two faint dots below the letter 'C' in CENTS in the margin.







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- BNA Topics, December 1958. Two strand of hair identified by P. J. Hurst.

Extensive doubling exists in the right portion of the stamp. The crack appears on the Oueen's head.

Here a re-entry is shown (Fig. 79) which is in the left side of the stamp and in the top right design. One copy which has been seen is cancelled in London 11 May 1897. The shade of this stamp is again the chocolate brown. A block of six has been reported in which the variety occurs in the top left stamp of the first row of three. No other position can be given.

The re-entry in Fig. 80 consists of doubling of all the left outside lines of the stamp and the shade is the same as that above. One pair shows the re-entry on the right stamp. This pair is dated June 1897 and two other single stamps are dated 29 June 1897 and 10 June 1897. Both mint and used copies exist.

A re-entry from the same period has been reported by Jarrett (Fig. 81). Copies seen are dated 19 May 1897, Dec 1897 and May 1898.







A very similar re-entry exists but here the doubling is on the right side and in addition there are three guide dots in the left corner. The shade of this stamp is red brown and not as deep in shade as the previous stamps (Fig. 82).

One more re-entry can be recorded from the Montreal-Ottawa printings. It consists of a doubling below the right numeral and slight re-entry at top right and bottom left. Two guide dots are in the left corner. The shade is yellow brown and Stamp Collecting has mentioned this variety (Fig. 83).

In the red brown shade from the Ottawa printings a dated copy is known (20 November 1897) with an entry in the top lettering and in the top right ornament. This stamp has two guide dots (Fig. 84).

A very odd type of re-entry can be seen in Fig. 85. It appears as a number of dots and short lines. The chocolate brown shaded stamp is dated 30 June 1897, Port Hope. Jarrett mentions a re-entry which might fit this description.

A minor re-entry in the red brown shade is illustrated here in Fig. 86. No date can be given but the cancel is from Toronto.

There are a number of other re-entries which have been reported by various writers. Ref. 11 shows a re-entry in the yellow brown 1870 plate where the top right corner lines are doubled. Another re-entry listed by Jarrett is in the left corner and below the numeral, and in the letters CANADA. No further details are given and identification is not possible. Ref. 4 mentions a re-entry of the right base line only. A dated copy (4 Feb 1875) with two guide dots exists. Another copy shows doubling in the lower right corner with three guide dots, and this stamp is perforated 11½ x 12. Stamp Collecting classifies a re-entry as their No. 1 with doubling showing under and around the letters CANADA and the left numeral.







No further details are given. Boggs shows an illustration of a re-entry (our Fig. 77). A similar one is mentioned in his book but this is No. 81 and the re-entry is not as strong. The last re-entry noted is listed as "demi-major re-entry" by Ref. 51. The bottom line is completely doubled and a guide dot is in the left corner. The use of the word "demi" is not clear, but apparently it refers to a re-entry which is not a major one but too strong to be called a minor.

One more variety must be mentioned here. This one is not a re-entry but a plate flaw (Fig. 87), and is recorded by Jarrett. The stamp is from the Montreal-Ottawa printings in the yellow brown shade. A guide dot appears at the left bottom.

A sales list by Stanley Gibbons mentions a constant plate flaw: "the neck flaw." We have seen this but it is not recorded anywhere.

THE 50 CENTS

A re-entry is mentioned by Jarrett which has been noted in two collections. This is on stamp No. 5 and is a doubling of the outer oval, the right top design above POSTAGE and the base and inner oval below the word. The inscription of the British American Bank Note Co. Ottawa appears above the stamp, and a guide line passes through the stamp from left to right, through letters 'C' in CANADA and 'E' in POSTAGE. *



CORRECTION

THROUGH an oversight, the complete illustration was not printed in connection with Fig. 53 which appeared with Part Five of the article on Constant Plate Varieties of the Canada Small Queens (March issue, BNA TOPICS, page 69). This illustration should have consisted of two stamps as at left. The text was correct, as follows:

"A plate damage which has not been reported by anyone so far covers two stamps. Fig. 53 indicates seven dots which appear in the margin of the two stamps. The stamps come from a late Ottawa printing (1896). A dot in the 'C' of CENTS has also been reported but so far no constancy can be claimed."

Trail of the Caribou By DAN MEYERSON (BNAPS L3)

THAT was a singular Newfoundland booklet lot that Jim Sissons sold in his sale of January 26 and it offered incontrovertible proof that the unique plates of the three booklet panes shown by Al Cook (BNAPS 320) of Ithaca, N.Y., at BNAPEX '58 in the Laurentians and written up in the April 1957 issue of TOPICS, had been broken up into at least four blocks of nine and two blocks of 12. In this manner a showpiece that can only be in one collection can now grace at least six and all of them tell the same story. The three blocks of nine, one of each value, brought \$330. At the same time die proofs in issued colors complete with die number, of Scott's No. 245-248 sold at the very reasonable price of \$50, or about \$12.50 per die proof. Die essays of the head and frames only for Scott Nos. 245-247 went for \$70.

At the February 15 sale held by the Equitable Stamp Co., in New York, a complete set of the Cabot plate proofs in issued color sold at \$82.50, and in the same sale a set of die proofs of C6-C8, complete with die number but with the \$1 proof with a small thin, changed hands at \$100.

We have just heard from London that at the sale held on December 14, 1960, by H. R. Harmer, a block of four of the 3c, Scott No. 246, from the right of the sheet, variety imperf between stamp and margin, sold for \$35. We've never seen this item before, though there should be at least 10 pairs.

It started innocently enough. Late in January we received a Newfoundland price list from Bill Lea, BNAPS 687, London, England, and one of the items listed was

described as the 5d brown purple, Scott No. 5, with re-entry (No. 34). We immediately wrote to Bill for a look-see, and back came the word that the stamp in question had been sold but that Bill had been able to borrow it back from the purchaser so that we could have a look at it. In our collection we have a full sheet of 40 (8x5) of the 5d reddish brown, Scott No. 19, and sure enough when we checked position No. 34 there was the re-entry as described by Bill, and in a subsequent letter he advised that he had looked at a full sheet of the 5d chocolate brown, Scott No. 12a, and the re-entry was present there as well, in position No. 34. By this time we had come to the conclusion that it was not a re-entry in the true sense, but rather a fresh entry, as it appears on the plate before the plate went to press. For proof positive of this contention the same variety would have to be found on the plate proof. Who has it? The variety, faint traces of the old impression that was rocked-in in the wrong position and particularly evident in the white space around the crown and emblem, showing that the original misplaced impression was not completely burnished out. Thanks, Bill, for coming up with this new variety.

John A. Fox, the New York auctioneer, had three nice Newfoundland lots in his February 20 sale, and evidently those bidders in attendance thought so too, as a superb copy of the 5d Scott No. 5 sold for \$70 against a catalogue valuation of \$55; a superb 4d orange, Scott No. 12, sold at \$175—full catalogue—and an extremely fine copy of the 1 shilling orange, Scott No.

(Continued on page 124)

Determining the Day on Cancellations

N SOME recent issues of TOPICS it has been pointed out that collectors of postal markings often would like to determine the day of the week corresponding to the date that appears on a cancellation. A method of doing this was reported by J. J. Charron in the April 1958 issue of TOPICS. However, this method is somewhat troublesome to use, and it would appear to be desirable to have a somewhat simpler method readily available.

Recently, while thumbing through a copy of the World Almanac for 1937, my attention was drawn to a Ready Reference Calendar that enables one to determine the day of the week very simply. The editor of the World Almanac has very kindly given permission to have this republished, and so I am submitting this note to TOPICS to make this Ready Reference Calendar more widely known to the members of the Society.

The method of use of this calendar is as follows: To determine the day of the week, first look in the table for the year required, and then note the number that appears to the right under the month. This number refers to one of the columns that appears below which then gives the day of the week corresponding to any date in that month for that particular year. For example, July 4, 1918fell on a Thursday. *

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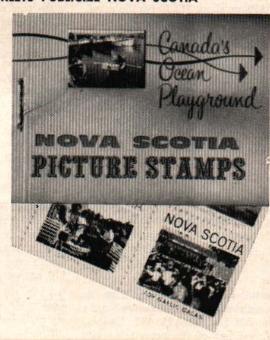
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STAMP BOOKLETS PUBLICIZE NOVA SCOTIA

watch-pocket sized stamp album of Nova Scotia is the latest and most unusual piece of travel literature being distributed by the Nova Scotia Travel Bureau of the Department of Trade and Industry.

miniature picturestamp booklet, shown actual size at right, contains 16 stamps, each with a scenic color picture and caption of life and scenery in "Canada's Ocean Playground."

These stamps and other literature may be obtained from the department, Halifax, Nova Scotia, or the editor of this magazine has a small supply of stamp booklets to give out to any reader interested. *



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TRAIL OF THE CARIBOU

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15, did better than twice catalogue when it was finally knocked down at \$1,350 against at \$650 catalogue. Nice prices for nice stamps!

We had meant to report this previously but somehow or other it slipped our mind so that we are trying to make amends at this late date. In the October 5, 1960 sale held by Robson Lowe in London, probably the scarcest Newfoundland 20th century variety was offered for sale-the 14c Long Coronation, Scott No. 238, in the scarce 13.2 perforation. We wondered if this was a new discovery but a check through our file of photos proved that it was the same stamp offered for sale by the Rigby Stamp Company some years ago. At any rate, if our memory serves us right the stamp brought £110. Reason enough for all of us to examine the copies in our collections most carefully. *

Moving? Notify the Secretary

If you have moved or plan to move, or change your residence or mailing address, please notify the Secretary. Many members overlook this very important data for the records, and for the mailing of BNA TOPICS. Always include postal zone number, and also your BNAPS membership number. Many leters and copies of the magazine are returned because an old or improper address has been used. Your co-operation is solicited.

BNAPSers EXHIBIT AT ARIZONA STATE SHOW

Exhibitors at ARIPEX-61, the annual stamp exhibition of the Arizona State Philatelic Exhibition, included five members of the British North America Philatelic Society. The show was staged by sponsorship of the Phoenix Philatelic Association in conjunction with the spring meeting of the American Philatelic Society, in Phoenix, March 17-19.

It drew a showing in the 15 divisions by 89 exhibitors with a total of 416 frames. Being in the Copper State, the awards to all first prize winners took the form of solid copper in the shape of gold miner's pans. To all winners went ribbons and certificates.

Ten frames of Canada Victorian issues were shown by Bart H. Bartlett of Louisville, Kentucky, to win third prize in a field of 10 British Commonwealth entries, where other BNAPS entrants included Emerson A. Clark of Burbank, Calif., with five frames of squared circle cancellations of Canada, and Peter Kreischer of Phoenix with two frames of Australian issues of the British Commonwealth Occupation Forces in Japan. Mr. Kreischer also exhibited four frames of Czechoslovakia souvenir sheets to win third prize in the Europe and Colonies class. Robert D. Corless of Phoenix showed the Olympic postmarks, Australia, 1956, among the range of exhibits in the world-wide covers. The lone exhibitor in the precancels class was Mrs. Ethel McCoy of New York, who showed four frames of early classics of a quality that won a first.

Mr. Corless was general chairman of the show and Mr. Kreischer handled entries. *

Harmers Issue Resume

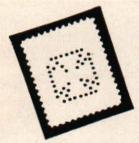
For 35 years philatelists and leading collectors throughout the world have welcomed the H. R. Harmer Annual Resume, and once again this 36-page booklet will interest all who take their stamps seriously or who wish to know more of the finance of philately.

An article on stamp exhibitions of the future and suggestions for publicizing philately in the years to come should prove to be of considerable interest to home and overseas readers.

Sales held in London, New York and Sydney,

Australia, are reported, with selected individual realizations. The combined turnover for the three houses, including private treaty transactions, was over \$2.500.000.

One of the most interesting commission during the season was the monumental task of making a valuation of the remarkable philatelic archives of Thos. De La Rue and Company Ltd., which was completed despite the heavy pressure of work occasioned by the London International Stamp Exhibition in July.



PERFIN Study Group

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PRECANCELLED PERFINS

NE OF THE PLEASURES of editing a column for BNA TOPICS is to have the occasional visit from another of the members who is keenly interested in the subject on which it is the responsibility of the writer to provide material for his column. Such a visit from M. Decarrie (BNAPS 1216) of Montreal, although it took place some months ago, has provided a few items for future notes.

The most important items discovered in a survey of his collection of perfins were four new listings of perforated precancels and an entirely new design for inclusion in the handbook. The perforated precancels follow:

City	Issue	Stamp	Hoover Type	Perfin Cat.	Initials
North Battleford	1931	1c green	1.151	C12a	CHI(mOn)
Ottawa	1922	4c ol. bistre	3.110	N3	ND
	1933	1c green	3.171	N3	ND
Quebec	1912	2c red	1.86	C12i	CHI(mon)

We understand that it will be a few months yet before the CPS of G.B. will be able to go to press with their proposed handbook of Canadian Precancels, so there should still be time for our members who have not already done so, to check their holdings of these stamps and report anything which has not already been listed in April 1959 or January 1960 issues of TOPICS. Please write the secretary as noted above.

NEW DESIGNS

It is a rare occurrence now to be able to report a new design. However, our visit from Mr. Decarie produced the item illustrated below.



The design is on a 2c carmine Admiral (Scott 106). It has a roller cancellation of which we can only read "NO" which may possibly be the sub-post office of Notre Dame in Montreal. It will be added to our catalogue of perfins as:

O11 OTC H 5-9-5 1912

The other item illustrated comes from Dr. C. M. Jephcott and deserves mention mainly because it is on Canada No. 41, the 3c Small Queen. So far as we are able to decipher the design it would appear to be the tops of the letters of a PAID canceller within a fancy curved frame. Any better ideas from readers who may have a more complete strike would be appreciated. We do not intend at present to give it catalogue status, as we have so far not listed cancellers in the handbook.



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The Nassagaweya hammer showing the file marks on the top and bottom bars

NASSAGAWEYA JOINS ALMA AND WINGHAM

R ECENTLY fellow BNAPSer Bob Thomson located the old Nassagaweya squared circle hammer and upon seeing a proof cancellation, I immediately noticed the thin lines as in the second states of Alma and Wingham (see Fig. 1). A little later Bob sent Dr. Whitehead another proof showing Nassagaweya in its original state (see Fig. 2), which has been obtained from the same canceller by rocking the hammer back and forth, together with a theory that possibly the Sub-type 5 didn't really exist. This brought up several questions. Had the outside bars bent slightly through usage, thereby creating the thin lines? Also, if the hammer had been cut down, as we previously believed, why had not the postmaster removed the entire top and bottom bars?

These questions prompted me to look further into the matter, and after seeing the old Nassagaweya hammer the answers were quite simple. Instead of the hammer being

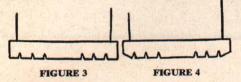




FIGURE 1

FIGURE 2

cut down, the postmaster had only taken a metal file, and filed the outside bars from the original state (see Fig. 3) leaving only a small part of the bars, which created the thin lines (see Fig. 4). As the hammer has been altered, even though only slightly,



Sub-type 5 most certainly exists. It is quite understandable how these hammers would be altered as the corners were very sharp, and awkward to manage. In the picture of the hammer (at left and on this month's cover) notice the file marks on the top and bottom bars, which can be seen quite clearly.

These little pieces of information which turn up from time to time continue to make squared circle collecting a most fascinating study, and our thanks go to Bob Thomson for his assistance.

D. A. Crawford (BNAPS 1646)

The interest in indicia increases by leaps and bounds; several new students are showing great keenness in this aspect of squared circle collecting. It is a far cry from the time of issue of the first handbook, which merely claimed that "matched groups have a certain interest." We are now discovering by means of these matched groups details of post office procedure, the idiosyncracies of the clerks themselves, the changing customs, and other fascinating things, all of which are of some philatelic bearing and delight those collectors who like to uncover the human side in postal history. I invite correspondence on the indicia of Ottawa, Halifax, Belleville, Paris, Peterborough and Winnipeg, especially the 'blanks above the date,' a subject I am busily investigating. Certain other towns, St. John, N.B., Charlottetown, Kingston, Lindsay, London, Toronto and Victoria, are being studied and their devotees are enthusiastic.

I shall have something to add to the story of Halifax squared circles very soon as I have added Clarence Westhaver's big lot to mine, making rather more than 7,000 strikes. Several interesting things new to me have come to light.

A very interesting but puzzling piece has just come to me. It is a block of eight 1c Numerals, with two strikes of a squared circle which lacks all the usual lettering (town name, province) around the rim of the circle. The date, however, is there: Mr 19, 98. After inspection and comparison (not an easy matter, for both the strikes are rather blurred) I feel it probably is the YORK STREET — TORONTO marking. Why was the lettering removed—for repairs, to indicate special postage use, or is the piece related to the so-called 'nude' markings, regarded in some quarters as precancels? Comments, please!

SQUARED CIRCLE MAILBAG

I am tempted to suggest a solution for your problem about the '4' above Halifax dates. [See also April issue of TOPICS—Ed.] I suggest that it may have been reserved for mail which reached the post office after the last evening dispatch and that such mail was cancelled with the date stamp of the following day, the '4' serving as a clue to the postal authorities in the event of questions being asked as to delay in despatch. You may be able, from old almanacs or other sources, to trace the hours when the mails were sent out.

I am basing my idea on the long series of Edinburgh cancellations in which the c.d.s. on letters arriving late for despatch contained the words "Posted since 7 (or other hour) last night." Unfortunately the hour of arrival appears in code and I cannot check it with certainty. These "Posted Since" concellations were much earlier in date—1856-83.

J. J. Bonar (BNAPS 892) *

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NEW NOTES ON

CANADIAN FLAG CANCELLATIONS

PART ELEVEN
(Part Ten appeared in the March issue)

The EARLY Machine Cancellations 1896 - 1917

IKE THE FLAG METER MARKINGS, we do not consider these early Canadian Machine Cancellations as a sub-division of the Flag Cancel classification. However, unlike the meter markings, these early machine cancels are definitely related to, are contemporary with, and assist in the study of Canadian Flag Cancels.

This section has been enlarged since the second edition of McCready's handbook. A number of new items have been added, and considerable more information is made available to collectors of these interesting items. However we realize that even now our coverage merely scratches the surface. In making the notes made available here, we have had the opportunity of looking over several thousands of covers, cards and postal stationery of this period. Yet what we have here is merely a base from which we hope some collector will take off, and eventually provide Canadian philatelists with a truly worthwhile study.

Such a study might very well include information as to the manufacturers of the various machines used—fuller information relating to the use of the indicia numerals and letters—and their meaning; and more complete listing of the many post offices which used them. In addition a great deal more can be done relative to early and late dates of usage.



Type M1

This early bar type machine cancel was probably the first put into use in Canada. The first machine being installed at Montreal in March 1896, this cancel and flag cancel Type 1—#1 were contemporaneous.

This type apparently was in very short use, being replaced with Type M2. In M1 the left ends of the lines do not form a straight vertical edge as they do in M2. Also the letters in CANADA appear slightly shorter.

 No.
 Earliest Date
 Latest Date
 Price Range

 M1—1
 Montreal
 March 28, '96 (R)
 May 7, '96 (R)
 .50-1.25



Type M2

The left ends of the lines form a straight vertical edge. Letters in CANADA appear slightly taller.



Type M3

This type appears to have been short-lived. It is different from M4 in the fact that the left end of each bar remains the same distance from dater hub, and forms an arc. Not known with indicia letters.

M3—1 Montreal Feb. 20, '97 (R) — — 1.00-2.50



Type M4

Bars end at left to form straight vertical edge. Differs from Types M5 and M6 in that it bears no indicia letter.

M4-1 Ottawa

Sept. 5, '98 (R)

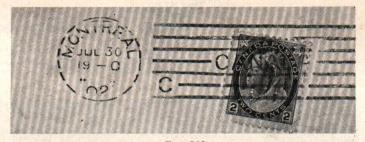


Type M5

With indicia letters. Differs from Type M6 in the fact that M5 has TWO bars below the indicia, instead of the ONE found in Type M6. Note that the use of this die is contemporary with flag cancel Type 8-#7, and may explain the scarcity or non-existence of this flag cancel which is yet unconfirmed although listed in McCready's second edition.

M5-1 Montreal "B"

Dec. 22, '00 (R)



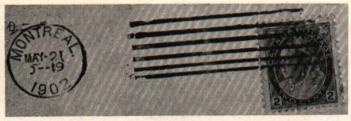
Type M6

Only one line below the indicia letter.

M6-1	Hamilton "A"	Feb. 12, '02 (R)	July 20, '02 (R)	.50-1.25
-2	Hamilton "B"		May 26, '02 (R)	.75-2.00
-3	Montreal "A"		July 27, '02 (R)	.50-1.25
-4	Montreal "B"		July 18, '02 (R)	.50-1.25
-5	Montreal "C" *	July 17, '02 (R)	July 30, '02 (R)	.50-1.25
-6	.Montreal "D"	June 24, '02 (R)		.75-2.00
-7	Montreal "E"	May 14, '02 (R)	July 19, '02 (R)	.50-1.25

^{*} Note: The dater hub of M6-5 has a circle of short dashes, instead of a continuous unbroken line. (See illustration above.)

(McCready mentions this type from Ottawa with "A" and "B", and Montreal with an "F". However these we have not seen and welcome confirmation.)



Type M7

This distinctive machine cancel is apparently quite scarce. We have seen it only from Montreal, although McCready also reported it from Ottawa. The lines are closer together, are thick, sometimes unevenly spaced, and the dater hub is quite small.

M7-1 Montreal

May 21, '02 (R)

1 00-3 50

(To be continued)

'SECRET DATES' OR DATED DIES OF CANADA

No. 10 of a Series





4c COMMEMORATIVE, JULY 1, 1947

Citizen of Canada Issue

The date "1947" appears at the lower right side of the stamp, just above the globe.

—Larkin (No. 958) and Richardson (No. 168)

HAVE FUN . . .

AT BNAPEX - 61!

Five BNAPS Members Win Awards at ESCPEX '61

Five members of BNAPS won awards at ESCPEX '61 exhibition held by the Edmonton (Alberta) Stamp Club on March 18. Louis Lamouroux of Toronto won a Gold Award, and other awards taken by BNAPS members were:

Silver Award, Edmund A. Harris, Edmonton; Silver Award, Frank S. Evans, Sedro-Woolley, Washington, U.S.A.; Bronze Award, S. S. Kenyon, Edmonton; Bronze Award, Willard Rorke, Edmonton.

The BNAPS Group of Edmonton offered a shield for competition for the best exhibit of B.N.A. shown by a junior (under 16 years of age). This was won Allan Ramsay of Edmonton, with his showing of Newfoundland Publicity issue.

The Saxton Memorial Award for best exhibit of Canada was taken by BNAPSer Stewart S. Kenyon for his showing of One Cent 1859. ★

Canada Seaway Invert on Cover Brings Record Price of \$2,800

The record price of \$2,800 was paid for a superb, on-cover, lightly cancelled copy of Canada's 1959 error, the St. Lawrence Seaway 5c with centre inverted, at the Feb. 14-17 auction of Harmer, Rooke & Co. Inc., New York. It is believed that there is only one other cover in existence. This is the first time such a cover has been offered at auction. *

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April 1, 1961.

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McGorman, James W.

DECEASED

. 1473 Sweigart, George E., 12 North 30th St., Camden 5, New Jersey

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Total Membership, March 1, 1961	1019 5 1	
Resignations, April 1, 1961	2	1025
Total Membership, April 1, 1961		1022

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