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C.I.C. Replacements

In March this year you published my article on "C.I.C. Replacements" in which I gave details and illustrations of two QUYON cancels, dated 1880 and 1895, and commented on this wide time-gap.

This article produced an immediate reaction which, I feel sure, will interest your readers. Mr. Woods of Toronto sent a tracing (see Fig. 1 below) of a new cancel, the letters of QUYON being intaglio 21 mm. across on an oval background. Simultaneously, Sir George Williamson of Aberdeen (Scotland) sent a 2c registration stamp with a not quite complete cancel somewhat resembling Fig. 3a of my article, but different in two respects, i.e. the letters QUYON are smaller, 23 mm. across instead of 26 mm., and the top bar has a large bulge (see Fig. 2 below). The bottom bar is incomplete. These

differences indicate two more "replacements" of the original cancel, but being undated, the order of use cannot be fixed.

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Can your readers produce any more?

E. A. Smythies (BNAPS 1440)

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This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 3 April and of the package of BNA TOPICS (January to June 1960) which arrived in good condition recently. I wish to thank you for taking care of this matter so promptly.

May I take this opportunity to congratulate you on the splendid job you have done as editor of TOPICS over the past now 11 years. Having my entire volumes bound required that I go over each issue and seeing them all in a short space of time created a profound impression. Yours is certainly a labor of love. Let the idle tongue-wagger flip through your 11 years work before he begin to complain and criticize. And you may quote me.

Again let me thank you and wish you many more years of editorship, if not collecting.

John J. McCusker, Jr. (BNAPS 1799)

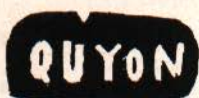


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● I have no way of knowing how much material is submitted to you for publication, so perhaps TOPICS is not to blame for my next comment. It appears to me that only a few people do any writing and these people apparently monopolise the entire issues with their own specialties. Some of these people also are dealers in their specialty—albeit part-time—to me a not too proper procedure.

To be more selfish I would like to see:

1. A question and answer column;
2. More reviews of out-of-print catalogues (Boggs, etc.);
3. Some humor, or humorous quips about collectors or collections.

● I am a general B.N.A. collector, and I find something of interest in nearly every issue, although I do not myself indulge in specialties. As a collector interested in all facets of B.N.A., but specialized in none, I feel your balance is good.

● BNA TOPICS is the finest publication in philately, principally because of the excellence of its contents—its breadth and scope. If you change it in any material respect, in my opinion, you will be taking a big step in the wrong direction. It could possibly mean the end for BNAPS.

I am shocked and very concerned to learn that some members think a change is in order. I do not think they should continue their membership.

● I prefer articles on postal history and on what might be called specialties of detection—varieties other than accidental errors.

I recognize that the absence of certain sorts of articles is not a matter of policy, but of having contributors. I presume that the editor will be happy to receive any articles that have substantial information.

● It is difficult to tell an editor what to print because one cannot help but to include one's own interests—and after all, each of us is but a cog in the wheel of B.N.A. philately.

I think you do a difficult job very well.

The only comment I would make—and it is probably your policy anyway—would be to run the various subjects [on the questionnaire] in the form of a rota, but perhaps keeping them shorter. Those not interested in any particular subject will pass them by, and those who are will probably contact the writer direct.

● I would like more articles on cancellations, both 19th and 20th century. Articles on fancy (19th century) cancels and their approximate value would help in bidding at auction sales.

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THE TAX TICKETS OF CANADA

Part One:

THE AMUSTMENT TAX TICKETS

THE USE OF SPECIAL TICKETS for the purpose of collecting the tax on admissions to various places of amusement, including dances, theatre and sports events, apparently began in 1915 or 1916, and continued through 1921. They pre-date the combination admission tickets which cover both the price of admission and the tax.

These tax tickets are true, non-adhesive revenues, and as such have the same relationship to a collection of Canadian revenues as do the Cheque Stamps of 1915-53, Match Tax Impressions, and the Tobacco Tax Stamps of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island—all of which have long had catalogue recognition. Holmes has long mentioned these in the Federal Revenue section, and we quote: "For the specialist an interesting collection can be made of amusement tax . . . tickets." A few are illustrated therein.

These amusement tax tickets had to be turned in with the admission ticket with which it was sold.

In the checklist and descriptive catalogue that follows, we first turn our attention to the "Federal" issues, and then to the provinces in alphabetical order. City issues are treated under the provinces concerned. The letters "AT" are used throughout the listing to designate "Amusement Tax." This is followed by consecutive numbering according to each type. The "AT" is preceded with additional letters to designate the issuing body.

A list of these prefixes follows, together with a summary of the numbers presently known to exist.

	No. Varieties		No. Varieties
F—"Federal"	5	Prince Edward Island	0
AL—Alberta	25	QU—Quebec (Province)	19
BC—British Columbia	6	QC—Quebec (City Issues)	8
MA—Manitoba	2	SMJ—Moose Jaw, Sask.	1
NB—New Brunswick	2	Yukon and N.W.T.	0
Nova Scotia	0		—
ON—Ontario	28	Total Varieties	96

Note that Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Yukon and the North West Territories are not known to have used amusement tax tickets.

SOME MONTHS AGO, in the Revenue Group News column, we mentioned a few of these interesting non-adhesive revenues—the Amusement Tax Tickets, and Miscellaneous Tax Receipt Tickets of Canada.

With the assistance of Carl C. Sonne (BNAPS 1616) and Charles Armstrong (BNAPS 120), we present a check list of the known varieties. Parts One and Two will cover the Amusement Tax Tickets on card paper; Part Three will cover the thin paper Tax Receipt Tickets.

In preparing the section on Amusement Tax Tickets we were fortunate in having the notes kept by Mr. Armstrong. However, since his collection has since been dispersed, and since we have not had the opportunity of examining these, we have indicated such varieties when listed with (NC)—meaning "Needs Confirmation."

We invite other BNAPSers to confirm those so indicated (NC), and to add to this listing.

We also invite BNAPSers to write regarding the Tax Receipt Tickets which we wish to make as complete as possible, and which will not appear for some months.—Ed Richardson.

Federal Issues

We have designated the following as "Federal" issues because they bear the legend "Dominion of Canada," and give no other reference to any province. However, we have been told that it is likely that these were only used in the province of Ontario. More information is needed.

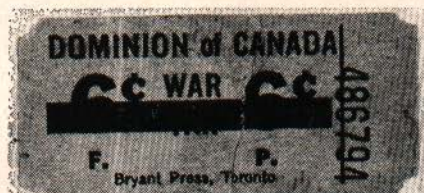


Type AL-A (reverse)

Type AL-A (Printed by the Southam Press, Limited)

ALAT-1A 1c Orange on pink

-2A 2½c Red on buff



Type F-A

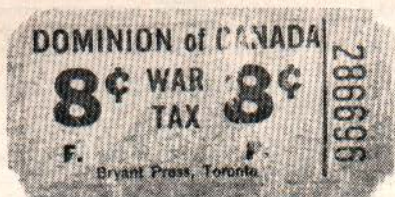
No frame line. Horizontal bar of color.



Type AL-B

Single-line border. Imprint below control reads

"Southam Press, Limited"



Type F-B

Frame line. Diagonal "machined" bar of color

Both types are printed in black. Therefore the first color given is that of the bar, and the second is that of the card stock. Both bear the imprint of "Bryant Press, Toronto." Both have plain backs.

Type F-A

FAT-1A 3c Red on buff manilla

-2A 6c Violet on blue

Type F-B

FAT-1B 5c Gray on red

-2B 7c Green on greenish-gray

-3B 8c Gray on orange

(NOTE: We are quite certain that other values exist in both issues)



Type AL-C

Double-line border. Imprint below control reads

"Southam Press"

Type AL-B (Plain Back)

ALAT-1B 2½c Red on gray

Type AL-C (Plain Back)

ALAT-1C 2c Red on blue

-2C 3c Red on pink

(NOTE: Both types AL-B and C have "Alberta" in large, serifed letters. "Alberta" measures 25 mm. Type AL-D, which follows, also has this style and size)

Alberta

The figures of value and the borders are printed in the same color, shades of orange or red. The balance of the printing, including that found on the reverse side of some issues, is always printed in black. The control numbers are always in black. Therefore the colors given in the listing below are first—the color of the value and border, and second—the color of the card.



Type AL-A (front)

Small sans-serif "Alberta"
"Theatre Tax"



Type AL-D

No imprint. Plain back. Diagonal corners are slightly concave. "Alberta" 25 mm.

Type AL-D

ALAT-1D 2c Red on greenish-gray

-2D 5c Red on buff manilla



Type AL-E (front)
Small "Alberta" 12 mm. Diagonal corners



Type AL-E (reverse)
Seal reads "The Bryant Press, Toronto"
(This same style is also used in Type AL-F)

Type AL-E

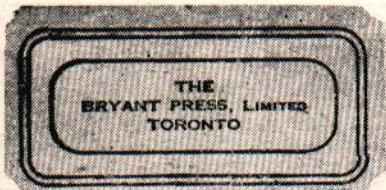
- ALAT—1E 10c Red on blue-green
—2E 25c Red on yellowish-buff



Type AL-F
Similar to Type AL-E except that corners are now rounded
(Type AL-G appears the same as AL-F on the front)

Type AL-F (Same on reverse as illustration with Type AL-E)

- ALAT—1F 12½c Mauve on red



Type AL-G (reverse)

Type AL-G (Same front as illustration with Type AL-F)

- ALAT—1G 25c Red on buff



Type AL-H
"Alberta" 18 mm., in serified letters
Diagonal corners

Type AL-H (Reverse is similar to Type AL-G except the imprint is in two lines)
ALAT—1H 2½c Red on blue-gray



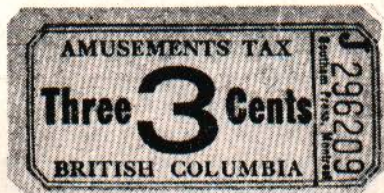
Type AL-J
Similar to Type AL-H except that corners are now rounded

Type AL-J (Plain Backs)

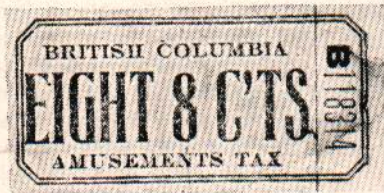
- ALAT—1J 1c Red on pink
—2J 1c Orange on pink
—3J 2½c Red on blue
—4J 2½c Red on green-gray
—5J 5c Pink on buff-manilla
—6J 5c Orange on buff-manilla
—7J 7½c Orange on Orange
—8J 7½c Scarlet on orange
—9J 8c Red on red-orange
—10J 10c Pink on green-gray
—11J 15c Red on pink
—12J 20c Red on red-violet
—13J 25c Orange on buff-manilla

British Columbia

All lettering and controls in black. All tickets have a double-lined border with diagonal corners, in shades of red.



Type BC-A
"British Columbia" at bottom; "Amusement Tax" at top. Imprint below control reads "Southam Press, Montreal"



Type BC-B
"British Columbia" at top; "Amusement Tax" at bottom. No imprint. Reverse side varies in layout

AMUSEMENTS TAX

One of these tickets required with every **ADMISSION** to any place of Amusement in British Columbia. This ticket must not be used more than **ONCE**.

[Signature]
MINISTER OF FINANCE

Reverse side of Type BC-A

(Type BC-B varies slightly in layout)

Type BC-A

- BCAT—1A 2c "Two 2 Cents" on straw
—2A 2½c "2½ Cents" on pale violet
—3A 3c "Three 3 Cents" on gray
—4A 3½c "3½ Cents" on buff
—5A 4c "Four 4 Cents" on purple

(NOTE: The fractional values do not have the value spelled out)

Type BC-B

- BCAT—1B 8c "EIGHT 8 C'TS" on pale cream

Manitoba

At least one issue is supposed to have been used by this province, issued in 1920. We have seen a photo of the 1c. Arranged in vertical format. **Black** design which is repeated on the reverse. Other details unknown.

Type MA-A

- MAAT—1A 1c on white (NC)
—2A 2c on gray (NC)

New Brunswick

At least one issue is supposed to have been used by this province. **Black** lettering, on a **red** network background. Value is also printed on back. Other details unknown.

Type NB-A

- NBAT—1A 1c on green (NC)
—2A 10c on purple (NC)

Nova Scotia

No Amusement Tax Tickets have been reported for this province. ★

(To be continued)

Trail of the Caribou

By DAN MEYERSON (BNAPS L3)



MORE AND MORE, as the years pass, do we realize that April 1, 1949, was a sad day for us because on that day Newfoundland became the tenth province of Canada and collectors like Ed Richardson, who never collected Newfoundland material before, became interested. This time Ed has come up with a used example of the Newfoundland U.P.U. card with Paid Reply (Holmes 1675). It was used in Feb. '99, and addressed to Quebec. If Newfoundland hadn't joined Canada, Ed would still have been out of competition and maybe we would have gotten that card. It's a nice item!

Eighteen months ago, in the November 1959 issue of TOPICS, we discussed the Newfoundland duplex with 13 bars that had

been recorded from AVONDALE, CORNER BROOK and HODGES COVE, and now, all of a sudden, we have two new towns to report, both used in the early 1900s. The first is from CAMPBELLTON and it is used on Oct. 17, 1906, and the second from TIZZARDS HARBOUR, used in January 1911. We are still on the lookout for the one Dr. Willan (BNAPS 568), Lancashire, England, reported that ends in BAY. Oh well, hope springs eternal . . .

While on the subject of new cancels, we wish to report the existence of a second Newfoundland straight line. The first was recorded from Hopedale, Labrador, in the January 1959 issue of TOPICS, and this one is struck in violet on a 2c, Scott No. 88A.

The cancel was used at Come By Chance on Mar. 14, 1911, and is a two-line affair. The top line is 51 mm. by 4½ mm. and the date is 44 mm. by 6 mm. Certainly a show piece, and used from Come By Chance to Pouch Cove.

Dick Gordon, Equitable Stamp Co., New York, showed us a nice Newfoundland collection the other day and among the items that we had never seen before were die proofs of the 2c Coronation, Scott No. 105, in red brown, green and black with a die sinkage 40 mm. by 42 mm., and it also contained a die proof in black on thin card of the 10c, Scott No. 111. Then there was a copy of the 8c, Scott No. 236, line perf. 13.7, imperforate between the stamp and the top margin. The last item is one that must be added to our specialized listing of Scott Nos. 183-199 as published in the January 1959 issue of TOPICS. It should be listing "N" under the 2c, Die 2, Scott No. 186, a clear example of an offset on the gummed side, on the comb perforate 13.2 x 13.2.

This must be airmail month in the column as we have the results of two fine airmail sales to report. The first was conducted by the London firm of H. R. Harmer and among the significant realizations were the following: An inverted Halifax, Scott C3, with wide spacing between AIR and MAIL and no period after '1921', sold for \$278. Perforated blocks of four of the 1923 Vickers-Vimy essay in dark brown and dark blue and in brown and blue brought \$53.20 and \$47.60 respectively. A mint de Pinedo, Scott C4, sold for \$2380, and two o.g. copies of the Columbia, Scott C5, brought \$448 each. An o.g. imperforate block of four of the 15c, Scott C10, went for \$98, while another horizontal pair but this one imperf. vertically, fetched \$51.80. A vertical o.g. pair of the \$1, Scott C11, imperforate horizontally, sold for \$128.80. An inverted Do-X, Scott C12, went reasonably at \$476. Finally, an item that is seldom seen and is really not an airmail item, a copy of the 15c surcharge, Scott 211, with surcharge reading up, changed hands at \$182. Mint imperforate horizontal pairs of the Labrador airmails, Scott C13-17, were sold at \$292.20.

At Fred Kessler's sale of the Oriol collection, the 1c Martinsyde with the printed overprint, went for \$185. A sheet of the Alcock-Brown brought \$340, and that of the Halifax, \$260. Three copies of the Halifax invert brought \$210, \$270 and \$265 respectively, while a mint copy of the De Pinedo realized \$2150. An o.g. copy of the Columbia sold for \$450, and an o.g. block of the same stamp, one of three known, went very reasonably at \$2300. A vertical pair of the 5c Labrador, imperf. between, went at \$510. Vertical imperf. margin pairs of the Labrador issue sold for \$320. ★



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THE ABOVE was the correct wording of the Newfoundland large postmark illustrated and inquired about in March 1961 TOPICS, page 80. Several owners of covers with it sent in the same "F.S." answer. It evidently means "Foreign Service," as all covers bearing it were to foreign countries.

George H. Davis, Ridgefield, Conn., surprised me with a fine cover of a small circle, gothic type, identical in wording, the cover being to British Guiana. Some English helpers also mentioned this smaller one.

The above two were used in illustrating an unfinished page of scarce Newfoundland

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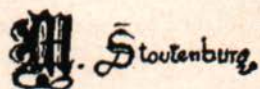
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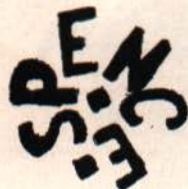
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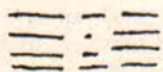
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PLATE I

MORE CANADIAN LETTER CANCELS

THIS ARTICLE, like Caesar's Gaul, is divided in three parts.

PART ONE: POSTMASTERS' INITIALS

In articles already published in BNA TOPICS, a number of cancellations, showing the initials of the local postmaster, have already been described and illustrated, which I will briefly recapitulate for ready reference.

INITIALS	DATE	POST OFFICE	POSTMASTER	REF. TOPICS ARTICLE
Fancy 'A' (3 or 4 types)	1877-88	Ashdown, ONT.	James Ashdown	April '60 Pl. II, 1, 2, 3 April '60: II, 9'
Intaglio 'B'	1878	Napanee, ONT.	G. Bogart	
'B.H.J.' (2 types)	1875-76	Port Carling, ONT.	B. H. Johnson	
Intaglio 'DJ'	1876	Combermere, ONT.	Daniel Johnson	April '60: II, 4
Intaglio 'EM'	1880	West Arichat, N.S.	Emile Mouchet	Jarrett 1018
'EP'	1882-90	Grenville, QUE.	Edwin Pridham	Jan. '60: II, 4
Large 'H'	1882	Weymouth Bridge, N.S.	George J. Hoyt	Jan. '60: II, 8
Small 'H' (5 types)	1882-94	Hagersville, ONT.	Charles Hagen	
Tall intaglio 'H'	? 1880	Como, QUE.	John Hodgson	April '60: I, 4

To these can now be added some more recent discoveries, thanks to Mr. W. M. C. Willcock of Montreal, and his complete set of Canadian Almanacs.

H. D. B. (Plate I. No. 1 a and b). Intaglio letters on a black circle. This cancel was illustrated by Jarrett (1032) and located by him as ANDOVER, N.B. (1881). The postmaster at that time was H. D. Beveridge. In Jarrett's illustration the letters are tall, measuring about 14 mm. I have a clear strike of this cancel in which the letters are distinctly shorter, measuring about 10 mm. As such a difference could not be due to wear of the cork, this indicates there were two types. Jarrett's illustration shows cracks developing, so possibly this cork disintegrated and was replaced by a second cork, of which my copy (which shows no cracks) is an example. Both types are illustrated.

H. (Plate I. No. 2) An intaglio 'H' in a circle 16 mm. diameter. A cover in the Laird-Woods collection with this cancel shows a partial date stamp DALHOUSIE . . . , probably ROAD. If so, as the postmaster of Dalhousie Road was Edmond Hiltz, this cancel would rank as a postmaster's initial.

M. STOUTENBURG. (Plate I. No. 3) This intriguing cancel was illustrated by Jarrett (329X) but not located by him. A cover in the Day collection fixes it as from RAVENNA, ONT., dated 1875. A reference to Mr. Willcock brought the following interesting note: "Ravenna is a small village seven miles from Collingwood, Ont. According to the Canadian Almanac, the post office there was opened in 1865 with William Reid as postmaster (1865 to 1874). In 1875 and 1876, M. Stoutenburg is shown as postmaster."

This is a most interesting cancel! It is the only

case I know where the full name of the postmaster is given instead of merely the initials. Both the name and the old Gothic type of lettering suggest a German origin, and if the difficulty I experienced in making an accurate tracing is any criterion, it must have been very difficult to cut! That a complete cover (so far as I know, unique), showing the location of this rare cancel, used for a very limited time at an obscure village 85 years ago, should have survived, is certainly a stroke of luck, and Doc Day is to be congratulated on its possession!

'W' (Plate I. No. 4 a and b). A large 'W' between two rows of dots. A cover in the Lussey collection fixes the post office or origin as ALMONTE, Ont., 1878, and the postmaster at that time was J. R. Wylie (Jr.). Another strike, in the Cohen collection, showing the same general motif, i.e. a 'W' between dots but different in detail, has not been located but might possibly come from the same source. This also is illustrated (No. 4b).

Fancy 'W' (Plate I. No. 5 a and b). I do not know whether these elaborate cancels are postmasters' initials or not; but I include them, as there is something of a mystery connected with them which I hope some reader of this article may be able to clear up.

Fig. 5a. A very elaborate and decorative 'W' was illustrated by Jarrett (1087) and described by him as "violet from rubber stamp 1890." He did not, however, locate it. Now there is a cover in the Lussey collection with this identical cancel in purple,

not used as a postmark to cancel the stamp, but as a private monogram or seal on the back flap of the envelope, which also shows the receiving date-stamp Halifax, N.S. and date 1902. The front of the cover shows a postal stationery 3 cents over-printed 2c (Jarrett's S.3+S.7) cancelled with a common **Montreal** straight line plus c.d.s. machine cancel dated April 12, '02. This cover suggests that Jarrett's 1087 is not a postmark at all! (It is probably someone's initials, but I guess not the postmaster's). There is thus a discrepancy both in the date and in the manner of use compared to Jarrett's description.

Fig. 5b is a faint strike, also in purple, on a cover in the Day collection. The centre part (which was too faint to trace accurately) apparently shows an elaborate 'W' somewhat similar to 5a, but the marginal decorations (which were comparatively clear) are obviously quite different. This was used to cancel a Small Queen 3 cent stamp in the usual way, and the date stamp shows CEDAR SPRINGS dated 1890. Thus the date and the manner of use correspond with Jarrett's description, and yet the marginal decorations show it is different! It is all rather confusing, and I hope some reader may be able to throw more light on it.

PART TWO: FULL NAMES CANCELLATIONS

Some postmasters, not satisfied with mere initials, made cancelling instruments showing the full name of the post office. Two examples of this have already been recorded and illustrated in TOPICS, i.e., BLYTH (three or possibly five different types) and QUYON (four types). Jarrett, in his 1929 book, recorded a number of these, which automatically locate themselves—except for the intriguing M. Stoutenburg which has been fully dealt with above. However, as all my readers are not privileged to have a copy of Jarrett's great work, I propose to illustrate one or two that Jarrett did record, as well as some new ones which have not been recorded before.

SPENCE, ONT. (Plate I. No. 6). The postmaster of Spence ingeniously made an effective cancel by cutting the name of his home town in thick letters in a circle! This is, I think, the only example known of a circular name. There are covers in the Day, Lussey and Westhaver collections which prove it was in use from 1874 to 1876 and perhaps longer. It was a very efficient obliterator! (Jarrett 227X).

STEWART, ONT. (Plate I. No. 7). An attractive and handsome full name straight line cancel, which I believe has never been recorded before, is STEWART in increasing and decreasing lettering as illustrated, which is taken from an item in the Day collection, and which, so far as I know, is at present the only example recorded.

KING, ONT. (Plate I. No. 8). Another straight line cancel with thick lettering between bars. A fine cover in the Laird-Woods collection fixes its use in 1887. This was illustrated by Jarrett (334X).

'K' (Plate I. No. 9). I may record another letter cancel from KING, ONT., which is in striking contrast to the cancel described above. In place of the thick blunt obliterator with coarse lines, the local postmaster swung to the other extreme (or it may have been the other way around—I don't know

which came first), and created a very delicate intaglio 'K' by judicious breaks in four thin horizontal lines as illustrated. This is another rare item in the Day collection, which I believe has not been recorded before.

I conclude this Part Two with three "possibles." They are not known on covers, and so have not been definitely located. It is only their designs which suggest they may indicate names of post offices. Perhaps some reader of this article may be able to give further information?

AYR (Plate I. No. 10)

(KA) (Plate I. No. 11)

Doc Day, in whose collection these two cancels occur, asks: "Could they be AYR, ONT. and OKA, ONT.?"

(AK) (Plate I. No. 12). If No. 11 represents OKA, this cancel (in my collection) might perhaps represent OAK, but which of the 20 or more post offices in Canada beginning with OAK it is impossible to say. On the other hand, of course, it may not be O—AK at all.

PART THREE: LETTERS NOT YET LOCATED

So far in this article—indeed, in this long series of letter articles—I have dealt with letters and initials, most of which have already been located. But there is a vast number (over 400) known of these cancels which have not yet been located and I propose to confine this Part Three to illustrating some of these unknowns, most of which I have selected, rather selfishly perhaps, from strikes in my own collection, in the hope that some of them at least may be located by readers of this article, who will be good enough to communicate with me. I have further limited the choice to cancels with two or more initials, some of which may, I hope, prove to be postmasters' initials. (To recognize these, the first essential is obviously to fix the post office.)

¹See page 140.



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PLATE II

The following 16 are illustrated on **Plate II**, with comments on some of them.

No. 1. A monogram, intaglio 'BS' (or 'SB') on a black background. Like most monograms, it is difficult to say which letter comes first.

No. 2. Another monogram, 'DH' (or 'HD') in outline. This is an item in the Day collection, on piece which shows also a part of the cds reading KI MAN, '96. Mr. Willcock tells me there were a number of post offices in 1896 in Manitoba commencing with KI including Killarney, Kimbrac, Kingsley, Kinosa, etc. How nice it would be if it proves to be the first of these, called after Ireland's most famous beauty centre, situated a few miles from where I am writing.

No. 3. Intaglio 'EW', the same as Jarrett 1019 dated 1875.

No. 4, 5, 6. 'HNH', 'LUL' and 'NHB'. No comment.

No. 7 and 8. The letters 'NNM' between bars. This is clearly Jarrett 1053, but his illustration is only a part strike, missing the first 'N'. There appear

to be two types of this cancel, No. 7 measuring 18 mm. and a narrow 'M', and No. 8 measuring 23 mm. and a broad 'M'. I have strikes of both, and there are also strikes in the Day and Woods collections confirming the first 'N'.

No. 9, 10, 11. Intaglio 'PA', 'PM', 'PM'
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No comment.

No. 12 and 13. 'SP' in a circle. This is evidently the same as Jarrett's 1076, although his illustration shows 'D' instead of 'P'. Here again there are two types, No. 13 being an item in the Day collection.

No. 14 and 15. 'TD'. Here, once more, we have two distinct types, No. 14 in my collection, and No. 15 in the Day collection, and no clue in either case as to where they came from.

No. 16. 'WU' in part-circle. As Jarrett says (1086), "Black, about 1876, complete circle seldom showing." His illustration shows part of the left side of the circle, my strike shows part of the right; the illustration shows both.

Much of the information recorded in Parts One and Two of this article has been obtained from photographs of covers made by the Nineteenth Century Canadian Fancy Cancellations Group. Anyone who has read this article so far will have realized that there is still a tremendous amount to be learned about these letter cancels, and I close with an appeal to readers of TOPICS, that anyone who can add to our knowledge will contact me and send details of such knowledge. ★

VARIETIES OF POSTAGE STAMP PANES

MANUFACTURED SINCE PLATE BLOCKS WERE
DISCONTINUED AT POST OFFICES IN 1958

PLATE BLOCKS have not been obtainable at post office stamp wickets since May 1958, a move designed to increase efficiency in the handling of stamps to the general public. This policy was established without notice, at least insofar as stamp collectors were concerned, and the sudden disappearance of plate blocks at stamp wickets, and the substitution of corner blocks with narrow selvedge, brought loud protests from the many who had been devotees of this branch of B.N.A. philately.

After a short period, the Post Office Department yielded to the many protests, and plate blocks were again available—but only from the Philatelic Section in Ottawa. Local post offices still sold only the corner blocks with the plate blocks cut off.

This policy of the Post Office Department has resulted in three distinct types of panes, as follows:

"A"—Indicates plates with corner block inscriptions in the old position, close to the printed stamps, and with two wide outside margins, and with two narrow inside margins.

"B"—Indicates plates **without** corner block inscriptions. Panes from these plates were trimmed to three narrow margins and a wide margin on the top or bottom of the pane, depending on its location in the sheet of 200 or 400 stamps.

"C"—Indicates plates with corner block inscriptions in the new position, widely separated from the printed stamp. Panes sold by the Philatelic Section have two wide outside margins and those for post office sales were trimmed to narrow margins on three sides and a wide margin on the top or bottom of the pane, depending on its location in the sheet.



Type "A" Pane

Since two printing plates are used on the press at one time, various sizes of trimmed panes result from the different combinations of plates used at the same time, i.e.: A—A; A—B; A—C; B—B; B—C; C—C.

Queen Elizabeth 1954 Design

1c Plates 1 to 8 inclusive; 400 on; plate numbers old position "A".

Plate 8 in addition to above, used on press with Plate No. 9 and issued to post offices trimmed to narrow margins "C".

Plate 9, 400 on; plate numbers new position "C".

Plate 10, 400 on; plate numbers new position "C"; not put on press, and no stamps printed from this plate.

Plates 11, 12 and subsequent plates; 600 on; plate numbers new position "C".

2c Plates 1 to 9 inclusive, 400 on; plate numbers new position "C".

Plates 7, 8 and 9, in addition to above, used on press with plate style "B" and trimmed to narrow margins.

Plate 10, 400 on; no plate number inscriptions on plate, style "B".

Plate 11 and subsequent plates, 600 on; plate numbers in new positions for philatelic sales and trimmed to narrow margins for post office sales. "C".

3c Plates 1 and 2, 400 on; plate numbers old position "A".

Plate 3, 400 on; plate numbers new position "C". Not used on press. (Subsequent plates will probably be style "C" with 600 on.)

4c Plates 1 to 12, 400 on; plate numbers in old position "A".

Plates 10 and 12, 400 on, in addition to above, used on press with plates Nos. 13 and 14, style "B", and issued to post offices trimmed to narrow margins.

Plates 13 and 14, 400 on; no plate number inscriptions on plate, style "B".

Plates 15, 16 and 17, and subsequent plates, 600 on; plate numbers new position "C".

5c Plates 1 to 13 inclusive, 400 on; plate numbers old position "A".

Plate 14, 400 on; no plate number inscriptions on plate, style "B".

Plate 15 and subsequent plates, 600 on; plate numbers new position "C".



Type "B" Pane



Type "C" Pane

6c, 7c, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 50c and \$1 denominations: Plates 1 and 2 of all these higher denominations, and 3 and 4 of the 10c only, plate numbers old position "A".

15c Plates 1 and 2, in addition to above, used on press with plate No. 3 and issued to post offices trimmed to narrow margins, style "C".

Plate 3, plate numbers in new position "C".

20c Plate 2, in addition to above, used on press with plate No. 3 and issued to post offices trimmed to narrow margins style "C".

Plate 3, plate numbers in new position "C".

Subsequent plates, not mentioned above, will have plate numbers in the new position ("C").

**Quantities of Panes of Stamps With
Plate Number Inscriptions Taken into
Philatelic Stock since May 1958:**

Queen Elizabeth 1954 Design

(100 stamps in each pane)

- 1c** Plate 9—15,000 panes.
Plate 10—not used on press.
Plates 11 and 12—16,000 panes from each plate.
- 2c** Plates 11 to 15 inclusive—16,000 panes from each plate.
- 4c** Plates 15 and 16—12,000 panes from each plate.
Plate 17—16,000 panes.
- 5c** Plates 15, 16 and 17 — 16,000 panes from each plate.
- 15c** Gannet, Plate 3—12,000 panes.

Special Issues

	No. of Panes
5c British Columbia	40,000
5c La Verendrye	40,000
5c National Health	40,000
5c 350th Anniversary of Quebec	20,000
5c Oil Centennial	45,000
5c Elected Assembly	50,000
5c Jubilee of Flight	70,000
5c NATO	50,000
5c Country Women	50,000
5c Royal Visit 1959	60,000
(of each of 2 plates)	
5c St. Lawrence Seaway	60,000
5c Plains of Abraham	60,000
5c Girl Guides	50,000
5c Dollard des Ormeaux ¹	50,000

¹ Figures are not available for issues released since the last-named above.

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postmarks on page 128 of the Newfoundland pages advertised in October 1959 TOPICS. The final page as now filled will be replaced to those who ordered a set from the older advertisement. Some fine additions furnished by Frank Wills, the long-time student of Newfoundland stamps, are a nice final touch to this page.

Incidentally, one remarkable thing about Newfoundland postmarks, was recognized when Dan Meyerson, two years ago, sent an almost complete list of all Newfoundland postmarks ordered between 1880 and 1898. The remarkable fact was that so many places had two townstamps ordered, a year or so apart, generally 20-to-22 mm. across, in one broken circle style. Why a duplicate order, not all confined to one year, was decided on is quite a mystery.

Another observation in postmarking is that probably every British Columbia or Prairie Province postmark instrument was type-dated—all being after 1870, of course, when Manitoba started the list. A few have been seen manuscript dated, but this was likely because the type was lost, as the same item is often seen type-dated.

I am still hunting postmarks after 1904 and before about 1912, of Lesser Slave Lake,

Fort Vermillion and Spirit River, to see if they have in the designation of locality either NWT, ATHA or ALTA.—Frank W. Campbell (BNAPS 143). ★



LOON VARIETY—In the September 1960 issue of TOPICS, Most Rev. W. H. Daw (BNAPS 1126) made mention of a variety on the Loon stamp. This is illustrated here, courtesy of Canada Stamp Co., Toronto. There is a flaw on the third ring or ripple (arrow), which it is impossible to reproduce here.

NEW NOTES ON

CANADIAN FLAG CANCELLATIONS

PART TWELVE

(Part Eleven appeared in the May issue)

THE EARLY MACHINE CANCELLATIONS 1896-1917 (Continued)

BEGINNING IN 1902, rapid machine cancelling devices came into quite general use. The first machine type cancel to get wide distribution was M8. We have so far recorded its use in 32 different cities. We have reason to believe that it may also have been used in as many as 23 additional post offices.



Type M8
(In General Use)

This cancel was also commonly used in the United States at this same period, and was known as the "International." It differs from Type M9 only in the fact that it carries indicia letters and numerals, or spaces for same. It differs considerably from Type M11 in this same manner, but also M11 has the wavy bars wider spaced, has only one complete "wave" in the lines instead of two, and the dater hub has for the first time the province abbreviation at the base instead of the date. All types M1-M10 have the date at the base.

Numerous varieties of wording in the dater hubs exist. We have listed these as sub-types, in chronological order. We also indicate the indicia letters and numerals which we have seen. The dates of usage will be incomplete, but are those which we have observed.

Sub-numbers are assigned where there are dater-hub varieties.

X—City and CANADA

A—City and province name, for example ONTARIO

B—City, province abbreviation plus CAN; for example: ONT. CAN.

C—City, provincial initials plus CAN, for example: P.Q., CAN.

D—City and CAN.

Db—City and "CAN. Rec'd"

Db—City and "CAN. Sta. B"

E—City and provincial abbreviation, for example: ONT.

Ea—City and "QUE. Rec'd"

Eb—City and "QUE. Sta. B"

F—City, provincial initials, for example: P.Q.

Indicia
Nos. Letters

Period of Use

		Indicia Nos. Letters	Period of Use
M8—1F	Amherst, N.S.	1—C, D	June 1915—Aug. 1916
M8—2E	Belleville, Ont.	1—D	1913
M8—3B	Berlin, Ont. Can.	1—D	1907
—3E	Berlin, Ont.	1—D	1908
M8—4E	Brandon, Man.	1—D	1910
M8—5D	Brantford, Can.	1—D	1907
—5E	Brantford, Ont.	1—D	1910

		Indicia		
		Nos.	Letters	
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M8—6E	Brockville, Ont.	1—	R	Sept. 1908—Dec. 1909
M8—7E	Calgary, Alta.	1—	C	June 1909—June 1910
M8—8F	Fredericton, N.B.	—1	C	April 1908—June 1911
M8—9A	Galt, Ontario	1—	D	1911—1916
M8—10B	Guelph, Ont., Can.	1—	D	1907
—10A	Guelph, Ontario	1—	D	1908
M8—11C	Halifax, N.S., Can.	1—	C, D	June 1903—1907
—11F	Halifax, N.S.	1—	C, D, R, T	Jan. 1908—1918
M8—12X	Hamilton, Canada	1—	C, D, R	July 1903—Sept. 1907
—12E	Hamilton, Ont.	1—	D, R	June 1908—1917
M8—13B	Ingersoll, Ont., Can.	1—	D	July 1907—Oct. 1907
—13E	Ingersoll, Ont.	1—	D, T	Jan. 1908—1917
M8—14B	London, Ont., Can.	1—	C, D, R, T	Oct. 1, 1902—Dec. 1907
—14A	London, Ontario	1—	C, D, R	April 1908—1918
M8—15F	Moncton, N.B.	1—	R	1908
M8—16X	Montreal, Canada	1, 2—	C, D, T	Feb. 1904—Oct. 1906
—16D	Montreal, Can.	1—	C, D	Oct. 1906—Oct. 1907
—16Da	Montreal, Can., Rec'd.			
—16E	Montreal, Que.	1, 2, 3—	C, D	Jan. 1908—Oct. 1911
—16Ea	Montreal, Que., Rec'd			
—16Eb	Montreal, Que., Sta. B			
—16F	Montreal, P.Q.	1, 3—	C, D	Feb. 1914—1918
M8—17E	Orillia, Ont.	1—	D	1908
M8—18X	Ottawa, Canada	1—	R, T	Feb. 1903—Aug. 1906
—18E	Ottawa, Ont.	2—	D, R	1909—1910
M8—19X	Peterboro, Canada	1—	D	1905
—19E	Peterboro, Ont.	1—	D	1908—1911
M8—20E	Quebec, Que.	1—	C	1909
M8—21E	Sarnia, Ont.	1—	blank	1909—1911
M2—22E	Sherbrooke, Que.	1—	D	1908
M8—23E	Stratford, Ont.	1—	C, D	1909—12
M8—24E	St. Catharines, Ont.	1—	D	1909—1916
M8—25C	St. John, N.B., Can.	1—	C, R	Aug. 1903—Dec. 1907
—25F	St. John, N.B.	1—	T	Aug. 1908—1910
M8—26E	St. Thomas, Ont.	1—	C, D, R	1908—1914
M8—27X	Toronto, Canada	1, 2—	C, R	April 5, 1902—July 1906
—27D	Toronto, Can.	1, 3—	C, R	April 1907—Dec. 1907
—27Db	Toronto, Can., Sta. B			
—27E	Toronto, Ont.	1, 2, 3—	C, R, T	Jan. 1908—1919
M8—28F	Vancouver, B.C.	1—	D, R, T	1910—1916
M8—29C	Victoria, B.C., Can.	1—	D	1907
—29F	Victoria, B.C.	1—	D	1910—1916
M8—30E	Windsor, Ont.	1—	D	1910—1914
M8—31X	Winnipeg, Canada	1—	D, R	Mar. 1903—Sept. 1905
—31D	Winnipeg, Can.	1—	R	1907
—31E	Winnipeg, Man.	1, 2—	D, R	Aug. 1908—1917
M8—32E	Woodstock, Ont.	1—	blank	1910—1912

(No attempt has been made to place a value on the above)

Type M9

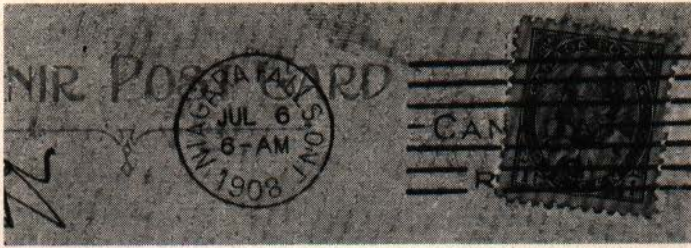
Same as M8 but without any indicia letters, numerals or spaces

Price Range

M9—1 Kingston, Ont.

Sept. 20, '09 (R)

.50—1.25



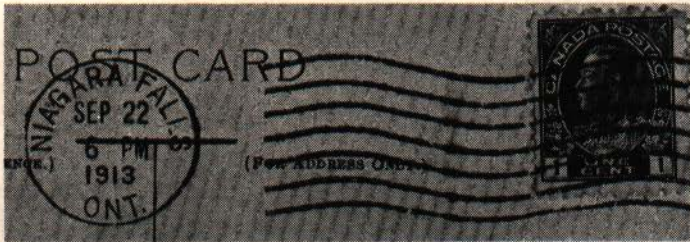
Type M10

This unusual cancel was in use at Niagara Falls, and I have not seen it used from any other city. It is quite attractive, and is reminiscent of the earlier types M4, 5 and 6. It should be quite common.

M10—1 Niagara Falls, Ont.

July 6, '08 (R)

Mar. 6, '1125— .50



Type M11

With M11 we come to the beginning of modern machine cancels, bearing the provincial designation at the base of the dater hub. Note, too, that the bars form only one long sweeping wave, rather than two complete ones in Types M8 and M9. This and similar types of machine cancels continue in use to date. It was, however, the last new type introduced before 1918.

M11—1 Niagara Falls, Ont.

Sept. 22, 1913 (R)

..... .10— .25

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We are certain that a number of other cities were equipped with rapid cancelling machines prior to 1918. A study of those cities which produced slogan cancels and flag cancels during this period reveals the following cities which probably also used some type of machine cancel—most likely either Types M8 or M9, and in some instances perhaps Type M11. A search of the common postcards of this period should enable collectors to contribute much additional data to this study.

**Possible Additional Towns Using Machine Cancels,
and Probable Period of Use**

Charlottetown, P.E.I.	1914-17	Gananoque, Ont.	1917	Medicine Hat, Alta.	1917
Cobourg, Ont.	1913-17	Kitchener, Ont.	1917	Moose Jaw, Sask.	1916-17
Edmonton, Alta.	1912-17	Lethbridge, Alta.	1912-17	Nelson, B.C.	1913-17
Fort William, Ont.	1914-17	Lindsay, Ont.	1912-16	New Westminster, B.C.	1912-17

North Bay, Ont.	1917	Regina, Sask.	1912-17	Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.	1914-17
Owen Sound, Ont.	1915-16	Renfrew, Ont.	1917	Sydney, N.S.	1913-16
Port Arthur, Ont.	1914-17	St. Hyacinthe, P.Q.	1917	Trois Rivières, P.Q.	1912-17
Prince Rupert, B.C.	1914-17	Saskatoon, Sask.	1914-17		

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The field of Slogan Cancels is much too broad to include in this handbook. However a study of the early types is essential to an understanding of the Flag and Machine cancels of this same period. We suggest that collectors obtain copies of Maple Leaves, the magazine of the Canadian Philatelic Society of Great Britain, which has been running an excellent series on these. ★

TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE COLOMBO PLAN

Canada's contribution to the Colombo Plan for co-operative economic development and technical assistance among countries in South and Southeast Asia, is demonstrated by the subject of this postage stamp to be issued to mark the tenth anniversary of the plan.

The countries of South and Southeast Asia participating in this vast international development project, conceived at a meeting of Commonwealth Foreign Ministers, are Burma, Cambodia, Ceylon, Federation of Malaya, India, Indonesia, Laos, Nepal, North Borneo, Pakistan, Philippines, Sarawak, Singapore, Thailand and Viet-Nam.

Canada, in recognition of its obligation to the broad community of mankind, has contributed technical skills as well as funds to the extent of \$275 million since the plan has been in operation. Through the plan, Canada has helped less fortunate countries by providing trained manpower and resources, and in reciprocation, it has gained an extensive experience in working with other nations, both in furtherance of peace among nations and acceleration of economic development. A major area of the Canadian contribution has been in the development of hydro-electric power, transportation and communication facilities.

Looking back on the short history of the Colombo Plan, we can see the farmer of Pakistan who used a plough not unlike those of 2,000 years ago. He now sees tractors in his fields more frequently and modern aircraft dusting his crops with insecticides and fertilizers. Other examples are the dusty roads of Ceylon now being replaced with



modern railroads, equipped with the latest in diesel equipment, leading to the vast resources uncovered by aerial and ground surveys. Pakistan and India can look forward to the benefits derived from the use of the hydro-electric programs, such as Warsak, Kundah, Mayurakshi and Umtru River. Outstanding among the achievements in India is the building of an atomic reactor near Bombay.

Canada is proud and happy to be associated with the operations of the Colombo Plan since its inauguration. It is with this spirit of co-operation that particular significance it attached to this stamp which commemorates an organization which embodies the concept of the interdependence of nations and which has done so much to promote the acceptance of this concept throughout the world.

Stamp Statistics

Date of Issue: June 28, 1961.
 Designed by: Bernard J. Reddie, Ottawa.
 Colors: Brown and blue
 Size: 1½ x 1" (approximately).
 Plate Nos.: 1.
 Panes of: 50 stamps.
 Quantity of Stamps Ordered: 30,000,000.
 First Day Covers: To be forwarded to the Postmaster, Ottawa 2, Ont., to arrive not later than June 26. A cover service fee of 5 cents for each cover applies to this issue and must be included in the remittance.

The Last Word

... *From The Editor*

Why Not Put Plate Blocks Back in the Post Offices, Mr. Hamilton?

THE FACT that plate block collectors have been unable to secure their blocks over the counter at stamp wickets in local post offices for over two years now doesn't seem to have seriously harmed this branch of B.N.A. collecting, although it has been a nuisance to have to send orders for this material to the Postage Stamp Division in Ottawa. True dealers have handled recent plate blocks, but some that we know of just don't bother to do so now, feeling that the action of the Post Office Department in stopping sales at local post offices has stopped many from keeping up their collections of these blocks.

We believe that when the plate blocks were first withdrawn there was a slowing-down in plate block activity, but from information reaching us we feel that there has been a resurgence of interest, so that this sideline may again reach the heights of popularity it once enjoyed. In some minds there is still a stigma attached to the blocks sold by the Philatelic Section in Ottawa because in effect they are specially manufactured for collectors — in other words, they are not available to the general public through regular post office channels. Some collectors are collecting the plate blocks from Ottawa as well as the corner blocks sold at post offices which have the plate numbers cut off. This is perfectly legitimate, of course, but it doubles the cost to the collector of purchasing the necessary stamps from each new plate issued.

We believe that this double cost for those who collect both types of corners, and the inconvenience caused to those who have to send to Ottawa for their plate blocks, is entirely unnecessary. The stopping of sale of plate blocks at post office stamp wickets was supposed to have improved service there, and to have increased efficiency generally. We do not know whether efficiency has increased in the post office internally, hidden from public view, but we do know that service is no better at the various stamp wickets. On the other hand, it may be no worse, but the elimination of requests from collectors for plate blocks directed at "harassed" stamp clerks was supposed to have improved service immeasurably!

We think the time has come for the Postmaster General to reverse his previous decision to have plate numbers cut off before delivering the sheets of stamps to post offices, and allow them to be sold in the regular way to collectors, rather than having them write away to Ottawa for a special "made-to-order" set of plate blocks. The goodwill of stamp collectors should be of prime importance to any post office department, because philatelists are a good source of revenue for which the post office has to supply no service. Surely any small inconvenience caused to stamp clerks by requests for special positions in corner blocks was more than compensated for by the goodwill which existed in the minds of the many thousands of collectors who are interested in Canadian stamps.

More Attractive Publicity Folder Needed for New Issues

The Canada Post Office has recently been issuing a special folder with each new issue of stamps, explaining the reason for the issue, and giving particulars of the life of the subject of the stamp, and details as to the designer, number of plates, number printed, and other interesting information. This is a splendid idea — but couldn't we have these folders more attractively printed? The printing is of the cheapest kind, they are poorly laid-out, and certainly wouldn't win any prizes for design. The Netherlands has long been our favorite country when it comes to publicizing its various stamp issues. Folders describing new issues are

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OFFICIAL SECTION

BRITISH NORTH AMERICA PHILATELIC SOCIETY

MONTHLY REPORT . . .

From the Secretary . . .

JACK LEVINE, 209 PINE TREE ROAD, OXFORD, N.C.

May 1, 1961

NEW MEMBERS

- 1831 Camilleri, Ivo, 1546 Pine Avenue, Trail, British Columbia
- 1832 Clement, Charles B., 12527 Stoney Plain Road, Ste. A-4, Edmonton, Alberta
- 1833 Cook, Constance E., Coy Glen Road, Ithaca, New York
- 1834 Mark, A. W. (Bill), 817 Burriss Street, South Burnaby, British Columbia
- 1835 Pherrill, E. T., 50 John Street, Thornhill, Ontario
- 1836 Stonehouse, Lloyd Everett, 25 Clarence Street, Amherst, Nova Scotia
- 1837 Woods, Walter H., 18 Glengowan Road, Toronto 12, Ontario

APPLICATIONS PENDING

- Barnes, Hubert L., Nipper's Harbour, Green Bay District, Newfoundland
- Buck, L. Gordon, 4811 Wilson Avenue, N.D.G., Montreal, Quebec
- Davie, Harry, 4090 Nithsdale Street, South Burnaby 1, British Columbia
- Steer, Malcolm D., 86 Hawthorne Place, Montclair, New Jersey

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

(Objections must be filed with the Secretary within 15 days after month of publication)

- Bastian, Lois M., 678 Jordan Way, Hayward, Calif. (C-C) CAN—19th and 20th century mint postage. OHMS—G. Mint airmails. Literature. RPO cancellations. Proposed by E. A. Richardson, No. 168.
- Bernstine, Melvin L., M.D., 1543 Marmont Lane, Los Angeles 46, Calif. (C-X) CAN, BC, VI, PEI, NS—19th and 20th century mint and used postage and blocks. Pre-stamp, stampless and Canada covers to 1943. Coils. OHMS-G. Mint booklet panes and complete booklets. Mint, used and semi-official airmails and on cover. Postal stationery entires. Literature. Proofs and essays. Proposed by D. C. Meyerson, No. L3.
- Carlson, George A., 703 Spruce St., Manistee, Mich. (C-X) CAN—Mint and used postage. Pre-stamp, 1st day covers. Coils. OHMS-G. Mint booklet panes. "Socked-on-the-nose" year date cancellations. Proposed by E. A. Richardson, No. 168.
- Earle, W. John, M.D., Ontario Hospital School, Smiths Falls, Ont. (C-CX) CAN—19th and 20th century (to 1927) mint and used postage. OHMS-G (unpunched). Proposed by L. Spooner, No. 1670; seconded by D. Gibson, M.D., No. 1827.
- Johns, Oliver G., 363 Lakeshore Drive, Cobourg, Ont. (C-C) CAN, NFD, PROV—19th and 20th century mint and used postage and blocks. Pre-stamp, stampless, 1st day and 1st flight covers. Plate blocks. Coils. OHMS-G. Mint booklet panes. Federal revenue. Mint and used airmails. Postal stationery entires. Literature. Flag, 2-ring and 4-ring numerals, squared circle cancellations. Proposed by G. P. Lewis, No. L506.
- Kennedy, Edward R., Orange Grove Road, La Feria, Texas (DC-CX) CAN, NFD—19th and 20th century mint postage and blocks. Plate blocks. Coils. OHMS-G. Precancels. Mint airmails. Locals. Proposed by L. S. Holmes, M.D., No. 177.
- Lorenson, Ernest, 4250 Dieppe Road, R.R. No. 3, Victoria, B.C. (C-CX) CAN, BC, NB, NS, PEI—19th and 20th century mint and used postage and blocks. Pre-stamp, stampless, 1st day, 1st flight and other covers. Precancels. Seals. Federal, provincial and tax-paid revenues. Mint, used and semi-official airmails and on cover. Postal stationery entires. Literature. Proofs and essays. Locals. RPO, flag and territorial cancellations. Proposed by R. J. Duncan, No. 37.
- MacKenzie, C. Y., Box 2337, Boissevain, Man. (C) CAN—19th and 20th century mint and used. Proposed by F. R. Hadley, No. 1274.
- Rumball, Dr. N. H., 997 Gerrard St. E., Toronto 8, Ont. (C-X) CAN, NFD—19th and 20th century mint and used postage and mint blocks. Stampless covers. Plate blocks. Mint airmails. Proofs. 2- and 4-ring numeral cancellations. Proposed by R. A. Chaplin, No. 1710; seconded by J. N. Sissons, No. L17.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP (Continued)

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- Streeter, John W., 1700 Walnut St., Philadelphia 33, Pa. (C-X) NFD, NB, NS—19th and 20th century mint and used postage. Literature. Proofs and essays. Proposed by A. H. Kessler, No. 334.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

(Notice of change must be sent to the Secretary)

- 1447 Gibb, James, S.J., 1018 Harvey Ave., Kelowna, B.C.
1402 Hollands, Hedley John, 245 Eglinton Ave. West, Apt. 6, Toronto, Ont.
1170 Lenny, Allen, Ste. A, 34½ Ninth St., Brandon, Man.
775 MacIver, Richard G. Jr., Lloyd Manor, Apt. 27, 376 West End Ave., Long Branch, N.J.
13331 Showers, J. Grant, 1362 Athena St., Sarnia, Ont.
1824 Smith, J. Floyd Jr., 1633 West Gore Rd., Erie, Penna.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

Howard, J. R.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED

- 617 Ives, Dr. R. E. Stayner, Ont.
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1703 Simpson, Robert Clair, 13217 Vassar Drive, Detroit 25, Mich.
1407 Thompson, B. E., Box 329, Bracebridge, Ont.

DROPPED FROM ROLLS

- 1366 Brown, Robert J., 4019 - 19th St. N.W., Calgary, Alberta

DECEASED

- 206 Argenti, Nicholas, 88 St. James's St., London, S.W.1, England
1252 Cabot, George D., 62 King Ave., Weehawken, N.J.
669 Porter, Chas. A., 10528 Trans-Canada Hgy., North Surrey, B.C.
255 Stokes, James, 254 Conway St., St. James, Winnipeg, Man.

MAIL RETURNED

- 1328 Linton, H., 2714 West 31st Ave., Vancouver 8, B.C.
(Information to present address would be appreciated)

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP, April 1, 1961	1022	
NEW MEMBERS, May 1, 1961	7	
		1029
RESIGNATIONS, May 1, 1961	1	
DROPPED FROM ROLLS, May 1, 1961	1	
DECEASED, May 1, 1961	4	6
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP, May 1, 1961		1023

Call For Nominations

ARTICLE IV, Section 3. ELECTIONS: Three (3) members to the Board of Governors shall be so elected each year for a term of three (3) years. Nominations for the offices to be elected may be filed with the Secretary by any Regional Group of the Society or by any five (5) members in good standing in time, at least, for publication in the issue of BNA TOPICS scheduled for release ninety (90) days before the opening of the Convention and Annual Meeting of such election year. At least one hundred and fifty (150) days before the opening date of such election year Convention and Annual Meeting, the President shall appoint five (5) members of the Society to serve and function as a Nominating Committee whose prime purpose shall be to prepare and present a slate of candidates for the elective offices to be voted, which slate shall be published in the issue of BNA TOPICS scheduled for release one hundred and twenty (120) days before the opening date of the Convention and Annual Meeting of such election year. No member shall be nominated unless he shall have first assented to his nomination to his proponent, and his proponent, in nominating him, shall state such assent has already been received. Each nomination made shall be published in BNA TOPICS at least ninety (90) days prior to the election date.

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THE LAST WORD

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tastefully designed and beautifully printed, often employing two or more colors, and usually having photographs of the subjects as well as reproductions of the stamps. Surely the much-touted, multi-million-dollar Canadian Government Printing Bureau (which presumably does the printing of these folders) could produce something a little more high class than the present effort. The idea is an excellent one — the execution of the idea is poor in the extreme.

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