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Fancy Cancellations

I wish to thank you and the writers for the fine articles on Canadian fancy cancellations. There has been need of such stories and I hope that the future will show a handbook on the subject.



We illustrate a Eugenia postmark that seems to be unlisted. We have it on a postcard dated May 28, 1883. The later date, as illustrated, is on a letter written by the postmaster and signed: R. McLean Purdy, J.P. & P.M.-E. The "1883", perhaps made of wood, may not have lasted to the end

of year. The illustration shows a break down in the year marking.

You have a grand magazine, Gordon, I like the publication as it is.

N. PELLETIER (BHAPS 1268)

Re: "Day of the Week"

I read with interest Roland Greenhill's article in "The Editor's Mailbag" in the last issue of *Topics*.

His knowledge "of another method" for determining the day of the week is a duplication of the one I expounded in the April 1958 issue of *Topics*.

I fully agree with Mr. Greenhill that the Factors Method is more practical and can easily be carried in one's wallet.

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A Connell Forgery

SOME YEARS AGO, I got interested in the Connell story as apparently all the collectors of the Maritime Provinces seem to do — sooner or later. In one of Jim Sissons' sales, a Connell forgery was listed and I went all-out for it. This proved to be a blessing in disguise as it led to a long and a pleasant friendship with Nicholas Argenti. He was the underbidder and I knew he was collecting material for a book on New Brunswick and Nova Scotia; therefore, it was natural to write to him asking if he would want the story and a photostatic copy which led to more correspondence, etc. But back to the "forgery".

With the forgery is a letter which best describes the story of its origin:

About 1887 — when I was an apprentice in my brothers company, The Alexander and Cable Lithographing Company of Toronto, I recall the circumstances of the engraving of a fac-simile of the famous 'Connolly' stamp of New Brunswick.

My brother John, the engraver, had no knowledge of it's scarcity or value, when he undertook to engrave on copper, a replica of the original, for a stamp dealer also a tenant of the building where the company's plant was also located. They represented, it was merely for advertising purposes, as it bore on an outside border the firms name and "fac simile" below, but stipulated that a space of one-eighth inch "or so" be left around the stamp.

The plate was finished and a thousand copies were printed, when it occurred to my brother to ascertain if the copying of this old stamp was an infraction of the law, and in reply, the Attorney General at Ottawa hinted that it might be an offence



under the criminal code. Of course the stamps printed were never delivered to the customer, although he insisted on being a witness at their incineration in the furnace of the Mail Building where the plant was located.

The plate was also defaced with two grave cuts across the head, and afterwards, boy-like, I pulled a proof of the counterfeit showing the gashes of distinction; the only copy to my knowledge ever made, as this plate was scrapped. The angry attitude of the customer was suspicious evidence that they were likely going to sell the specimens as genuine to the unsuspecting public.

Five years afterwards, when a fire occurred in the plant of A. and C. with considerable damage, a letter came from Chicago, in which the former Philatelic faker, gleesomely gloated over the company's misfortune inferring "I told you I'd get even. etc."

W. W. ALEXANDER
TORONTO MARCH 24/36

A rather interesting and colorful letter: the implication that a dangerous forgery might be perpetrated is well founded upon examination of the copy. The copy pulled is rather a pale shade in comparison with the genuine stamp—but with proper ink, an excellent job could be done. To this date, I have found no other copy—and perhaps it is for the best! ★

Trail of the Caribou

By DAN MEYERSON (BNAPS L3)



THE WAY OF THE philatelic writer must be a devious one when necessary as the writer never knows the source from which he will be able to cull information of interest to other philatelists. Back in the January 1959 issue of TOPICS we published the first installment of our specialized listing of Newfoundland and we covered the issues from Scott Nos. 183-199. In the course of the preparation of this article we made copious use of notes previously recorded through the medium of such fine Newfoundland collectors as Dr. A. Wilkinson, BNAPS 935, Old Perlican, Newfoundland, and Mr. S. A. Wood, BNAPS 221, Auckland, New Zealand. Imagine our surprise then in receiving a letter from Stan recently in which he advised that Dr. Allan Wilkinson had just sent him some items for his examination and among the lot were the following that must be added to our listing because they are all previously unrecorded examples of the reversed watermark. Under Scott No. 185 we must list the classification "J" Watermark Reversed, comb perforate 13.2x13.2, and the same must be added to the listing on the 3c, Scott No. 187 as well as to the 4c, Scott No. 188. And so it goes. Had Dr. Wilkinson known that we needed these for our listing we are certain that he would have advised us accordingly.

Back in July '59, we recorded the existence of a fancy FORTUNE cancellation similar to the La Poile strike previously recorded. We are now in receipt of a sending from Dr. A. A. Wilkinson, BNAPS 935, Old Perlican, Newfoundland, that contains an example of the 2c card, Bond NCB1 with the FORTUNE fancy that is dated Aug. 5, 1882. Dr. Wilkinson also sent along a cover franked with the 3c, Scott No. 34, that has a late August 1874 fancy LA POILE on the reverse. This to date is the earliest

recorded on cover. In the same lot is a cover franked with a bottom horizontal half of the 2c, Scott No. 164, and cancelled with the square POST OFFICE—HEART'S CONTENT on Dec. 22, 1931. The bisect prepays the 1c rate on an open letter, probably a Christmas card, and while not authorized to our knowledge it certainly seems to be a legitimate use. The cover incidentally is addressed to New Perlican.

Sometime ago we wrote to Dr. Wilkinson that we were trying to get up a list of all of the Newfoundland towns that used the Postal Telegraph oval handstamp to cancel letters that went through their hands and at that time we told him that we had examples from ARGENTIA, COME-BY-CHANCE, COME-BY-CHANCE CROSSING, JERSEY HARBOUR, HARBOUR BUFFETT, ODERIN, ST. JACQUES and SANDY POINT. In this latest sending, Dr. Wilkinson sends along two new towns, BEAUMONT and LAMALINE, though neither are very clear. Do any of our readers have any additional varieties to add to this growing list?

Dr. Wilkinson is positively uncanny; before we had the chance to get the above report into print, he was in with another letter elaborating on our list of Newfoundland duplex cancels. We first published the three known ones of Avondale, Corner Brook and Hodges Cove in the November 1959 issue of Trail. Then in the June 1961 issue we recorded the existence of a Campbellton and a Tizzard's Harbour. In his latest sending Dr. Wilkinson sends down a Norris Arm used Aug. 23, 1901 and another cover with an indistinct Loon Bay strike used July 15, 1908. This last may be the answer

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NUMERAL CANCELS ON CANADA'S LARGE QUEENS

PART TWO

(Part One appeared in the July-August Issue)

The One, Three and Four-Ring Types

IN THE PRECEDING ARTICLE, we dealt, all too briefly perhaps, with the Two Ring Numeral group of cancels which are normally associated with the Large Head Queen series.

The advantage of this series, and our main reason for selecting it as a basis for study, is because during its life all the other groups of Ringed Numerals and most of the fancy types are known to have been currently in use. Accordingly it is possible to form a fairly complete collection of these fascinating and often colorful obliterations on the one series of stamps.

In the case of the Four Ring Numerals, it is true to say that these are more often collected on the pre-Dominion series. This group of cancels had been in constant use since 1855 and even by 1868 it is apparent that very few of the devices had been withdrawn or destroyed. No less than 41 of the possible 51 numbers in the No. 1-51 range have been noted by us on Large Queen stamps. Both the special types, No. 516 and 627, are also found. However, by 1870, the position had changed. A goodly number of these obliterations had either been called in or were destroyed, since only a comparatively few were found on the Small Queens series. This is an important aspect for students of postal history to note, because it ties the years 1868-1870 as being the period during which they are most likely to discover Numeral cancels of outstanding interest. During these two years, not only is the four-ring group to be found but also an enormous range of

fancy Numeral types, a great many of which had disappeared by early 1870.

Both the one-ring and four-ring groups would make a fascinating study in themselves. Very few examples turn up other than on the Large Queens, with two exceptions. One-ring No. 13 and three-ring No. 23 are later devices which predominate on the Small Queens.

To the collector who has made a careful study of these ringed numeral groups, there should be little difficulty in identifying the particular group to which any strike belongs. However, the authors have noted that in several specialized collections, numeral types have been incorrectly described. A typical error occurs when the very rare two-ring No. 17 and No. 19 gaps in the collection are filled by the scarce but not as rare, one-ring No. 17 and No. 19.

Heavily-inked strikes tend to blur the rings around the numeral and this

is particularly so with the four-rings which are usually very thin. Accordingly collectors may be confused when the four rings merge into one or two thicker rings through over-inking. *The secret of correct identification lies not in the rings at all, but in the shape and size of the numeral figures.*

It is useful to remember that the figures in the two-ring group have a constant size and shape throughout the No. 1-60 range. The figures all have a height of 6.5 mm. and any distortion through over-inking usually only affects the height very slightly whereas it may have disastrous effects upon the outer rings.

In the Four Ring group, the numerals vary in size between 7.5-10 mm, being larger and much fuller and rounder than in the Two Ring group.

It must be noted however, in case an avalanche of protesting letters descend upon us, that the rules set out above, like all rules, are proved by their exceptions. The exceptions in the case of the Four Rings are No. 516 and No. 627 special types, both of which have figures even slightly smaller than the Two Ring figures. In the case of the Two Rings group, a few very rare freak size figures are known to exist. Nevertheless, as a general guide, the principles set out above will, we hope, be of some assistance to those who find difficulty in distinguishing between these numeral types.

Unfortunately it is not nearly so easy to distinguish and separate the One, Three, and Four Ring groups by the size of the figures which approximate sometimes very closely to one another. However, the figure shapes help to identify these when the rings are blurred.

Rarity Factors.

After some hesitation, we have decided against giving an R.F. Table for these three groups, as we did in the case of the Two Rings. This for two main reasons. Firstly, in very many cases there have been insuffi-

cient number of copies reported to us to arrive at even a reasonably accurate Table. Secondly, in the case of the Four Rings, the Rarity Factors would be particularly misleading, since they are much more readily found on the 1859 series. We are, however, including a list of the number of copies of each strike reported to us on Large Queens, and readers who wish may draw their own conclusions as to relative scarcity.

The Four-Ring Numerals

Introduced in 1855, these were allotted to post offices in alphabetical order all of which have been amply recorded and are shown in earlier handbooks, notably Jarrett, Boggs and Holmes. No. 9 was not allocated because of No. 6. These cancellations are often found in color with bright blue predominating after black, but we have also noted green, orange, yellow and red. In the case of No. 15, there are two completely different types. Type (1) has large upright figures (10 mm. high) and is struck in black. Type (2) has figures 7.5 mm. high, sloping to the right, and is usually struck in blue. (We have not seen Type (2) except on a Large Queen.)

In most cases the Four Ring figures do *not* touch the inner ring. In the No. 1-No. 52 group the average height of the figures is 9 mm. or very nearly half as big again as in the Two Rings. The following numbers are the only ones which have not been recorded on Large Queens, and it is probable that these were already out of use by 1868: Nos 5, 6, 12, 16, 17, 18, 28, 32, 33, 43.

The total quantity of Four Ring numerals reported to us on Large Queens is 275, with the commonest strike being No. 627 (Ottawa Senate) having 38 copies noted. In the No. 1-No. 52 group No. 27 (Ottawa) with 22 copies is the one most frequently found. We have noted only a single example of Nos. 3, 8, 14, 30, 31, 37 and 38.

The One-Ring Numerals

Only five different numerals are known in this group, being Nos. 4, 13, 17, 19 and 42. The first four of these have been identified and it is interesting to note that they all emanate from the same towns as the corresponding numerals in the four ring group. It is therefore reasonable to assume that No. 42 One-Ring also originates from Sherbrooke, L.C.; for, of this rarity, only one off-cover copy is known to exist.

No. 4 (Bowmanville) hitherto unrecorded is known on 1869 entire and is photographed by Boggs (p. 627) on a 5c Beaver. It presumably had a fairly long life and could not have been a replacement for Four Ring No. 4 which, though extremely rare, is to be found on Large Queens.

No. 13 (Galt) is a much later obliterator, being found much more often on the Small Queens, for only two examples have been noted on the Large Heads.

None of these cancels can be termed common, but both No. 17 and No. 19 have turned up more frequently than the others and each has its own mysterious and unsolved peculiarity. No. 17 for some reason is more often found on the 3c rare Laid paper. In the case of No. 19, the strike nearly always occurs on the 1c Red-Brown of both thin and thick papers. It can hardly be possible that this obliterator should have been reserved for mail using this particular value stamp, but the authors are at a

complete loss as to hazarding a guess at any other reason why this should be.

Identification

One very thick solid ring surrounding a large squat numeral. No. 17 and No. 19 figures touch the ring. The figure heights fall within a close 8-9 mm. range. No. 4 variety is known with an elongated and slightly thinner figure, so there were at least two devices used of this type.

The total number of One Ring Numerals reported to us on Large Queens is 45, with No. 19 being more than half of this total with 24 copies.

The Three-Ring Numerals

We have only seen two different Three Ring Numerals, being No. 15 and No. 23, although Jarrett also lists No. 21 and No. 45. An unusual feature of both is that the outer ring often appears as partly broken away or partly missing. This would normally have led to the belief that the strikes were simply late worn states of the Four Ring Types. However, in the case of No. 15, a very careful comparison between the Four Ring Type, described above, and the Three Ring type shows slight differences, so that this is apparently not the same obliterator in a worn state.

No. 23 is a late device, being found much more frequently on the Small Queens. The total number of Three Ring Numerals reported to us on Large Queens only amounts to 11, with all but one being No. 15.

LARGE QUEENS — THE FOUR-RING TABLE

4 Ring	Town	Copies Reported	4 Ring	Town	Copies Reported
1	Barrie	4	12	Dundas	0
2	Belleville	8	13	Galt	5
3	Berlin	1	14	Goderich	1
4	Bowmanville	2	15	Guelph	8
5	Brantford	0	16	Hamilton	0
6	Brighton	0	17	Ingersoll	0
7	Collingwood	11	18	Kingston	0
8	Chatham	1	19	London	4
9	(Not allocated)		20	Melbourne	6
10	Cobourg	3	21	Montreal	3
11	Cornwall	2	22	Napanee	4

4 Ring	Town	Copies Reported	4 Ring	Town	Copies Reported
23	Niagara	2	39	St. Hyacinthe	8
24	Oakville	9	40	St. Thomas	8
25	Oshawa	2	41	Sandwich	2
26	Owen Sound	11	42	Sherbrooke	6
27	Ottawa	22	43	Simcoe	0
28	Paris	0	44	Smith Falls	7
29	Perth	9	45	Stanstead	9
30	Peterborough	1	46	Stratford	2
31	Picton	1	47	Three Rivers	13
32	Port Dover	0	48	Thorold	2
33	Port Hope	0	49	Whitby	6
34	Port Sarnia	8	50	Windsor	8
35	Prescott	3	51	Brockville	5
36	Preston	3	52	Clifton	20
37	Quebec	1	516	Montreal	7
38	St. Catharines	1	627	Ottawa Senate	38

THE ONE-RING TABLE

1 Ring	Town	Copies Reported	1 Ring	Town	Copies Reported
4	Bowmanville	7	19	London	24
13	Galt	2	42	Not known	1
17	Ingersoll	11			

THE THREE-RING TABLE

3 Ring	Town	Copies Reported	3 Ring	Town	Copies Reported
15	Guelph	10	23	Niagara	1

(To be continued)



REVENUE GROUP

News

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SNUFF DIE PROOFS. Four different of these tax paid of the Series of 1883 are known in die proof form. These are all hand cut, pasted together, then each is individually pasted on a sheet of thin cream wove paper. The ink of these proofs is sharp and the paper is a brilliant white, as is normal.

CRS No. 23—5 lb. blue, three piece die proof, "Not More Than 40% Moisture".

CRS No. 65—5 lb. black, three piece die proof, "Over 40% Moisture".

CRS No. 70—10 lb. black, four piece die proof, "Over 40% Moisture".

CRS No. 76—10 lb. black, three piece die proof, "Over 40% Moisture".

CIGAR DIE PROOFS. Two different Cigar Tax Paid of the Series of 1883 are known in die proof form. The method of preparation was the same as for the Snuff die proofs.

CRS No. 1-079A—100 cigars, black, three piece die proof, ends of design pointed.

CRS No. 1-083C—50 cigars, black, two

piece die proof, ends of design rounded. CRS 1-083C exists as a single, and also as four singles on one piece of backing paper.

It is believed these die proofs appear in two or more sections because the transfer roll is thought to have been not large enough to cover the whole stamp.

Strip type CIGAR CUSTOMS STAMP, CRS No. 1-903, is fully gummed and date in watermark is 1867, not 1868 as listed.

Strip type CIGAR CUSTOMS STAMP, CRS No. 1-910B, also exists with entire design impression having penetrated paper of stamp, and is not an offset.

Strip type CIGARETTE STAMP, CRS No. 2-002, Hamilton Issue of 1880, also exists as a *horizontal pair, imperforate between*. In this variety, the entire design impression of this pair of plate proofs has penetrated paper, and is not an offset, although an offset is also there.

LARGE MANUFACTURED TOBACCO STAMPS. CRS No. 3-064A, the ¼ lb. black of 1880, measuring 65 mm x 45 mm, exists *used*, and is dated 3/70 at Guelph, whereas the CRS lists the issue as of 1880!

There are at least three of the larger stamps of this issue, measuring 115 mm x 45 mm, known on *thin pelure paper*, as well as on the regular paper. These are the 5 lb. black, CRS. No. 3-079A; the 5 lb. brown in red brown, CRS No. 3-114A; the 10 lb. brown in red brown, CRS No. 3-119A.

There would appear to be an error in listing one of the Customs Stamps of this series. CRS No. 3-902 is known in both pale blue and dark blue, both copies having a central inscription of six lines, instead of five lines listed. The *third* line reads "Description", which is not mentioned in CRS Listing.

A rare *used* Customs Stamp of this series exists in a previously unknown type. It is perf. 12 on unwatermarked, wove paper and measures 36½ mm x 51 mm, the format being vertical. The design consists of a fancy border similar to outer portion of border on CRS No. 3-902. Inside border

is a five line inscription and a scene. From top down, XXXI VICT. CAP. VIII. in arc — CANADA in arc — CUSTOMS — red control numbers almost 4 mm high — scene of beaver in brushwood — TOBACCO. The color of the stamp is light blue, and all letters and figures except the controls are shaded. The scene is the same as on CRS No. 3-902, except that scene has no border.

BONDED REMOVAL PERMIT STAMPS. The *Provisional Issue* of the Large Manufactured Tobacco Stamps Bonded Removal Permits exists *used* with several overprints other than those listed by the CRS.

CRS No. 3-954A, Hamilton, used 7/78, exists with CANCELLED in Roman Capitals approximately 8 mm high, hand-stamped in blue.

CRS No. 3-954A, Hamilton, used 10/78, exists with *three different* handstamps in blue; *Removal* in Roman Capitals and lower case letters approximately 11 mm and 8 mm high; CANCELLED in Roman Capitals approximately 8 mm high; DUTY PAID in Roman Capitals approximately 8 mm high. All these appear on the same stamp, not on separate copies.

CRS No. 3-955B, Montreal, used 5/78, exists with REMOVAL / CANCELLED stencilled in two lines in 9 mm Gothic Capitals, in violet in read up position.

CRS No. 3-955B, Montreal, used 12/77 exists with REMOVAL / CANCELLED stencilled in two lines in 10 mm Gothic Capitals, in blue in read down position.

In both copies of CRS No. 3-955B, "Montreal" does not appear in large upright Roman Capitals as listed by CRS, but in same type form as does "Hamilton" in CRS No. 3-954A, viz, small slanting Roman Capitals.

MANUFACTURED TOBACCO STRIP STAMPS: CRS No. 6-130A, the ½ lb. red watermarked issue of 1880, exists *double* perf. 12 on both sides.

There are three good varieties on the *Customs Stamps* of this series, all the stamps being blue in colour, and of the 1880 issue.

CRS No. 6-1023A, the 1/16 lb., exists with *unlisted red control numbers*, is *used*,

and is rubber stamped with the date 10 88.

CRS No. 6-1023A, the 1/16 lb., exists with *manuscript surcharge in red ink "1/8"*. Centre inscription is filled in properly for a used copy; (18) 83 / *F P Jost / For Customs* in three lines. Note *For Customs* written over *Coll. Inland Rev.*. After No. under lb. are the figures 117 81.

CRS No. 6-1026C, the 1/5 lb., exists as a vertical pair of plate proofs *imperf. between, but perforate on outer sides.*

MANITOBA LAW STAMP VARIETY. Holmes No. ML78 "JF" handstamped in "up" position, has now been seen in *upside down* position, and should definitely be listed in the next issue of Holmes Catalogue as a new variety. This would now become No. ML78A and the purple handstamp had previously been known only on the 25c value.

IMPERFORATE B. C. LAW STAMP. Holmes No. BCI6, the 30c pale red, has been seen with enormous *imperf* margins at top, bottom and left, and has adequate margins at right. The stamp is not from the imperfurate corner of the sheet, and it is not a proof. It is printed on the paper of issue, used, and merits being regarded as a true *imperf* variety of this issue.

Both these above described varieties were reported by Phil Little, BNAPS No. 1224.

SECOND ISSUE B. C. LAW STAMP WATERMARKS. Revenue Group News for July-August 1961 listed the various positions on which watermarks were known on the different values. Since writing that column, the writer has added to his collection the watermark inverted on the 40c, and the watermark inverted-reversed on the 50c value.

B. C. LAW STAMP, Holmes No. BCL30 in dark red brown shade, is known in two types. Type 1 is the same design as the other shades of this value. In Type 2, there is a thin colored line up the left side of panel border in white line space. Only one copy has been shown to the writer. Can other revenue collectors confirm this scarce variety? ★

SARPHEX VIII INTERNATIONAL

THE EIGHT ANNUAL Exhibition, bourse and banquet of the Sarnia, Ont., and Port Huron, Mich., Stamp Clubs, was held in the Auditorium of the Paterson Memorial Presbyterian Church, Sarnia, on Saturday May 27th. In the Canada Section the Gold Award went to W. Logan Millman (BNAPS 1161) for his exhibit of The First Cents Issue, the Silver Award to J. Grant Showers (BNAPS 1331) for Small Queens, and the Bronze Award to C. Arthur Ayre (BNAPS 712) for "Used in Saskatchewan and N.W.T."—Postage and Revenues. The A. D. McMurtrie Memorial Trophy for "Best in the Show" was also taken by W. Logan Millman. ★

Two million mark again passed by H. R. Harmer Organization

THE \$2,000,000 MARK was again passed by the H. R. Harmer Organization for the Season's operations. H. R. Harmer Ltd. of London closed their Season's activities on July 19 with a total of £428,267 representing \$1,199,147. Added to the H. R. Harmer, Inc. figure of \$1,218,272, a grand total of \$2,417,419 was reached, compared with \$2,101,621 for the 1959-60 Season.

Activities of the H. R. Harmer Sydney (Australia) House are excluded from the above figure due to a different seasonal calendar. ★

TRAIL OF THE CARIBOU

(Continued from page 198)

to the stamp that Dr. Willan has with a duplex that only shows the word "Bay". Incidentally this last cover has the Campbellton duplex back strike recorded for the same date. Just as frosting on the cake Dr. Wilkinson sends along another Corner Brook strike used July 21, 1899 and it has a St. John's forerunner of the next date as a backstamp. I hope we get this column to press before Dr. Wilkinson comes up with some more "goodies". ★

**YEARBOOK AD DEADLINE
EXTENDED TO OCT. 10**

Right Airplane . . . Wrong Registration

EVERY SO OFTEN a "goof" on a stamp is discovered by accident. This happened to me recently as a result of reading a question and answer column in one of our more popular weekly stamp journals.

The question requested the identity of the airplane shown on Canada's first air mail special-delivery stamp, Scott No. CE-1 (Fig. 1).

Being a Lockheed employee for over 20 years, and having helped prepare a check-list of "Lockheed Aircraft on Stamps" for the philatelic group sponsored by the Lockheed Employees Recreation Club, I of course immediately recognized the airplane as a product of our company.

The airplane shown is a Lockheed Model 18, or Lodestar (Fig. 2) and predecessor to the famous Hudson bomber of World War II. This airplane was employed by many of the world's airlines including Trans-Canada.

My curiosity got the better of me and I decided to look further into the subject and this is where the "goof" comes in. I wanted to find out when the first Lodestar was delivered to TCA so I contacted the Lockheed Historian, Marvin Cone, and indicated my problem including the registration number, "CF-BAF", on the airplane shown on the stamp.

Imagine my surprise on learning that "CF-BAF" was never assigned to a Lodestar but was assigned to a Lockheed Model 10A, the original Electra, (Fig. 3) a smaller and earlier airplane than the Lodestar.

The Model 10A which carried this registration was originally delivered to TCA in August 1936, was later sold to Canadian Airways Ltd., (an old friend from the semi-official air

stamps) and still later to the RCAF. The illustration pictures this airplane as modified with skis for CAL. At the time this airplane was delivered to the RCAF the registration number was cancelled and never re-assigned. This has been confirmed by Mr. R. W. Goodwin, Director of Civil Aviation



FIGURE 1—Scott No. CE-1 (Lockheed Lodestar)
Photo by Elmer Steiner



FIGURE 2—Lockheed Model 18 (Lodestar)
Courtesy Lockheed Aircraft Corp.



FIGURE 3—Lockheed Model 10A (Electra)
Courtesy Lockheed Aircraft Corp.

for the Canadian Department of Transport. The first Lodestar was not delivered to TCA until January of 1941.

I also contacted the Canadian Post Office Department and was informed by G. A. Boyle, Deputy Postmaster General, that the artist designing the stamp used a number of photographs and apparently used the registration markings from a photograph of a Model 10A.

The airplane shown on this stamp is a Lockheed Model 18, Lodestar, and is easily identifiable by the window arrangement, flap tracks, etc. However this airplane carries registration markings assigned to an earlier sister airplane.

While not a world shaking revelation this was an interesting bit of research and I think serves to illustrate that a more than passing interest in the stamp and it's subject can be quite revealing at times. ★

ON OUR COVER :

ANOTHER MAJOR CANADIAN ERROR

A post office client stepped up to a stamp wicket in an Ontario post office, pushed over \$3 and asked for 100 3c stamps and was handed a small fortune in return. The stamps on examination turned out to be only partly perforated; all of the vertical perforations were missing. The buyer was not a collector but recalling all the publicity in connection with the Seaway errors, he got in touch with a stamp dealer. One can only surmise as to how such a sensational error occurred, the first of its nature to come out in all the millions of Elizabethan sheets printed. An examination of the error pane shows the three top rows have a slight offset on the back. This would indicate that the presses were stopped for the usual cleaning of impression rollers. The sheet was laid aside in its incomplete perforated form and very likely lost sight of, to wind up amongst the completely perforated sheets. ★

Wanted: Canada Plate Blx (4)
Scott 190, 2-UL and LL.
Scott 190, 3-UL and LL.

W. J. RAMSEY II
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STAMP ADVERTISES NATURAL RESOURCES

DETAILS OF THE RECENTLY announced special postage stamp that illustrates Canada's renewable natural resources were recently revealed by the Postmaster General, Hon. William Hamilton. The stamp will be released on October 12, 1961.

In making the announcement, Mr. Hamilton recalled that the new stamp is part of the Post Office Department's contribution to the Resources for Tomorrow programme being inaugurated at the Federal-Provincial Conference in Montreal this October. He added that the stamp which symbolizes the close link between the wheels of industry and Canada's renewable natural resources will serve as a small billboard to make all who see it, in Canada and abroad, conscious of the economic importance of these resources and the constant need of their careful husbandry.

The new stamp will be hand engraved and will show two hands holding up a five-spoked cogwheel. Seen between the spokes of the wheel are modernistic sketches representing water resources, agriculture, forestry, wildlife and fisheries. Across the top of the stamp, the words "Resources for Tomorrow" and "Richesses renouvelables" appear. The five-cent denomination and the word Canada are placed at the bottom of the stamp under the words "Postage-Postes". The hands and lettering will be printed in brown and the wheel, sketches and background will be light green.

STATISTICS

DATE OF ISSUE—12th October, 1961
DESIGNED BY—A. L. Pollock, Toronto
COLOR—Brown and green
SIZES—1½" x 1" (approximately)
PLATE Nos.—1
PANES OF—50 stamps
QUANTITY OF STAMPS ORDERED—
35,000,000
FIRST DAY COVERS—To be forwarded to the Postmaster, Ottawa 2, On. To arrive not later than the 10th October, 1961.
A cover service fee of 5c for each cover applies to this issue and must be included in the remittance. ★



OFFICIAL SECTION

BRITISH NORTH AMERICA PHILATELIC SOCIETY

MONTHLY REPORT . . .

From the Secretary . . .

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

August 1, 1961

NEW MEMBERS

- 1842 Bastian, Lois M., 678 Jordan Way, Hayward, California
- 1843 Bernstine, Melvin L., M.D., 1543 Marmont Lane, Los Angeles 46, California
- 1844 Carlson, George A., 703 Spruce Street, Manistee, Michigan
- 1845 Earle, W. John, M.D., Ontario Hospital School, Smiths Falls, Ontario
- 1846 Johns, Oliver G., 363 Lakeshore Drive, Cobourg, Ontario
- 1847 Kennedy, Edward R., Orange Grove Road, La Feria, Texas
- 1848 Lorenson, Ernest, 4250 Dieppe Road, Victoria, British Columbia
- 1849 MacKenzie, C.Y., Box 237, Boissevain, Manitoba
- 1850 Rumball, Dr. N.H., 977 Gerrard Street East, Toronto 8, Ontario
- 1851 Spiers, E.J., 14 Stonegate Road, Toronto 18, Ontario
- 1852 Streeter, John W., 1700 Walnut Street, Philadelphia 3, Pennsylvania
- 1853 Burgess, Robert Leonard, 3 Radbourne Road, Balham, London S.W. 12, England
- 1854 Campbell, John A.L., 747 Summer Avenue, Syracuse 10, New York
- 1855 Diggory, P., 7 Kendale Walk, Hillhead, Westerhope, Newcastle upon-Tyne 5, England
- 1856 Lehr, James, 2448 East 24th Street, Tulsa 4, Oklahoma
- 1857 Tuck, Joseph B., Morrisville, Missouri
- 1858 Williams, Arthur L., 1612 Madison Avenue, Utica 3, New York
- 1859 Wilson-Light, E., Wildrose Farm, Peers, Alberta

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

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

- Campbell, A. Craig, M.D., 20 Abercrombie Road, New Glasgow, N.S. (C-CX) CAN, cover. Postal Stationery entires. Literature. R.P.O., Territorial, Flag, Slogan, 2 and PROV—19th century mint and used postage. Covers. Semi-Official Airmails and on 4-ring numerals, Squared-Circle and Duplex cancellations. SPECIALTY—Large and Small Queens, stamps and covers. Proposed by G.P. Lewis, No. L506.
- Downs, Ralph W., 484 Brunswick Ave., Toronto 4, Ont. (C) CAN, NFD, PROV—Mint and used postage. Federal, Provincial and Tax-Paid Revenues. Proofs and Essays. SPECIALTY—Revenues. Proposed by H. W. Walker, No. 1380.
- Grenier, Guy, 603 Besserer, Ottawa, Ont. (C) CAN, NFD—19th and 20th century mint and used postage and blocks. Coils. O.H.M.S.—G. Federal, Provincial and Tax-Paid Revenues. Mint and used Airmails. Cut-squares. "Locals". R.P.O. cancellations. Proposed by H. Reiche, No. 783.
- Happy, John, 141 Hammersmith Ave., Toronto 13, Ont. (C-CX) CAN, NFD, PROV—Coils. O.H.M.S.—G. Seals. Federal, Provincial and Tax-Paid Revenues. Used and Semi-Official Airmails. 2 and 4-ring numeral and Squared-Circle cancellations. SPECIALTY—Ring, numeral, town cancellation. Proposed by N. Pelletier, No. 1268.
- Kearsley, Ken, Box 371, Barrie, Ont. (C-C) CAN—Pre-stamp, stampless and 1st Flight covers. Used and Semi-Official Airmails and on cover. SPECIALTY—Historical letters 1780-1900. Proposed by G. P. Lewis, No. L506.
- Lounsbury, R. H., 215 E. State St., Ithaca, N.Y. (C-CX) CAN—Cross border covers. O.H.M.S.—G. Proposed by A. P. Cook, No. 320. Seconded by A. C. Allen, No. 865.
- Winder, John W., 122 Grant Blvd., Dundas, Ont. (DC) CAN—Plate Blocks. Proposed by R. W. Zinkann, No. 1793. Seconded by R. H. Lamb, No. 1255.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

- 1838 Barnes, Hubert L., New Harbour, Trinity Bay, Newfoundland
 1673 Daignault, Aime C., 867 Park Avenue, Woonsocket, Rhode Island
 1613 Duval, Jacques, 268 St. Denis, St. Lambert, Quebec
 1787 Hammell, Mrs. Daphne J., c/o The Highlander, McKellar, Ontario
 1159 Hill, James R., M.D., University Hospital, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
 666 Hodder, Rev. Morley F., 745 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston 15, Massachusetts
 1034 Hodgson, Ashton Rowell, 706 Douglas Street, Kamloops, British Columbia
 1142 Newsam, Guy V., 494 Avenue Road, Apt. 115, Toronto, Ontario (from Quebec, Que.)
 627 Pell, Samuel F. Jr., 1624 Woodard Street, North Las Vegas, Nevada
 965 Scott, Bernard, 71½ Pepperell Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia
 975 Shaw, Alan B., Pan Amer. Petroleum Corp., Research Labor., Tulsa, Oklahoma
 (from Wheatridge, Colo.)
 1773 Stonier, Peter F., M.D., 6170 Carvel, Indianapolis, Indiana (from Euclid Ohio)
 521 Waldie, Gordon, 16 Rosedale Road, Apt. 617, Toronto 5, Ontario
 1495 Wright, G.B., 75 Lakeshore Road, Apt. 407, Toronto 14, Ontario
 1598 Webb, Lt. Col. R.H., 14517 Magdalen Avenue, White Rock, B.C. (from Ottawa, Ont.)

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED

- Manlove, Colin A. McComb, James A. Ursell, Ernest J. Maxwell, Mrs. Louise
 Noxon, R. C.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP, June 1, 1961	1021	
New Members, August 1, 1961	18	
	1039	
Resignations, August 1, 1961	5	
	5	
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP, August 1, 1961		1034

ANNUAL REPORT...

From the Treasurer...

BALANCE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1959

Dues in advance — 1960	\$ 181.15	
Dues in advance — 1961	11.00	
Topics Advertising — Paid in advance	23.75	
1959 Library Fund Balance	7.00	
Life Membership Fund	549.00	
General Funds on Deposit	802.97	
	\$1574.87	
Total Funds on Deposit	\$1574.87	
Topics Petty Cash Fund	73.07	
Funds in Custody of Sales Manager	584.55	
Funds in Custody of Handbook Agent	18.73	
	\$2251.22	
Total Funds 12/31/59	\$2251.22	\$2251.22

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS ACCOUNT

(January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960)

RECEIPTS

Membership Dues — 1961	\$ 131.50	
Membership Dues — Beyond 1961	38.00	\$ 169.50
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Membership Dues — 1959 Paid in 1960	10.00	
Membership Dues — 1960 (Renewal)	3618.36	
Membership Dues — 1960 (New Members)	216.27	
Membership Fees — 1960 (New Members)	72.00	3916.63
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BNA Topics:		
Advertising — 1957	4.25	4.25
Advertising — 1959	140.79	140.79
Advertising — 1961	37.86	37.86
Advertising — 1960	658.44	
Sale of Back Issues and Subscriptions	23.10	
Payment by Revenue Group for cuts used in Topics	20.50	702.04
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Yearbook:		
Advertising — 1959	22.50	22.50
Advertising — 1960	496.10	496.10
Squared Circle Handbook — Sales in 1960	129.47	129.47
Duplex Cancellation Handbook — Sales	63.05	63.05
Perfin Handbook — Sales	9.13	9.13
Balance of Life Membership Fee	25.00	25.00
BNAPEX-60 — Operating Surplus	50.18	50.18
Miscellaneous Income	1.66	1.66
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1959 Balance plus 1960 Receipts		\$8019.38

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Printing of Ten Issues of 1960	\$3073.52	
Cuts	435.10	
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Addressing and Mailing	140.16	
Mailing Envelopes and Other Stationery	102.19	
Miscellaneous	5.65	\$4020.39
Yearbook:		
Printing	530.09	
Postage	26.50	
Addressing and Mailing	23.69	
Prospectus	26.11	606.39
General Expenses:		
Postage	111.59	
Stationery	92.33	
Application Blanks	73.39	
Membership Cards, Print; Address Envelopes	45.73	
Life Membership Cards	23.61	
Auditing of BNAPS Accounts	50.00	
Fidelity Bond Premium	37.50	
Bank Service Charges	41.95	
Grand Award — BNAPEX-60	51.48	
Founders Award — BNAPEX-60	7.80	
Miscellaneous	8.40	543.78
Library (Including Balance from 1959)	67.00	67.00
Sales Circuit — Excess of Disbursements over Receipts	102.05	102.05
Flag Cancellation Handbook — Stock of Books	35.00	
Flag Cancellation Handbook — Rights to Publication	65.00	100.00
"Duplex Cancellations" Handbook — Balance of Cost	3.94	3.94
Prepayment of 1961 Expenses	353.35	
Prepayment of 1962 Expenses	37.50	390.85
Total Disbursements		
		\$5834.40
Funds on Deposit		
		1340.73
Funds on Hand		
		187.75
Funds in Custody of Handbook Agent		
		8.59
Funds in Custody of Sales Manager		
		482.50
Funds in Custody of Editor		
		165.41
Disbursements plus Total Funds 12/31/60		\$8019.38

BALANCE SHEET (as of 12/31/60)

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
Dues in Advance — 1961	\$ 142.50	Funds on Deposit	\$1340.73
Dues in Advance — beyond 1961	38.00	Funds on Hand	187.75
Topics — Advertising Paid in Advance	37.86	Funds, Custody Handbook Agent	8.59
Bills Payable	18.92	Funds, Custody Sales Manager	532.18*
Life Membership Fund	505.00	Other Assets, Custody Sales Manager	159.71*
Surplus:		Funds, Custody of Editor	165.41
As of 12/31/59	\$2296.91*	Prepaid Expenses for 1961	353.35
1960 Surplus	82.69	Prepaid Expenses for 1962	37.50
	\$2379.60	Flag Cancellation Handbook	100.00
	2379.60	Accounts Receivable	
		Topics Advertising, 1957	1.00
		Topics Advertising, 1958	3.00
		Topics Advertising, 1960	218.66
		Yearbook Advertising, 1959	7.50
		Yearbook Advertising, 1960	6.50
	\$3121.88		\$3121.88

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR 1960

INCOME

Membership Dues for 1959 — Paid in 1960	\$ 10.00	
Membership Dues for 1960 — (Renewal)	3799.51	
Membership Dues for 1960 — (New Members)	216.27	
Membership Dues for 1960 — From Life Membership Fund	69.00	
Membership Fees for 1960 — (New Members)	72.00	\$4166.78
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BNA Topics:		
Advertising	682.19	
Payment by Revenue Group for cuts used in Topics	20.50	
Sale of Back Issues and Subscriptions	23.10	725.79
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Yearbook — Advertising	496.10	496.10
“Squared Circle Postmarks” Handbook — Sale of Books	129.47	129.47
“Duplex Cancellations” Handbook — Sale of Books	63.05	63.05
“Perfin” Handbook — Sale of Books	9.13	9.13
BNAPEX-60 Surplus	50.18	50.18
Miscellaneous Income	1.66	1.66
Accounts Receivable:		
BNA Topics — Advertising	218.66	
Yearbook Advertising	6.50	225.16
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Total Income		\$5867.32

EXPENSES

BNA Topics		
As per Receipts and Disbursements Account	\$4020.39	
Postage Prepaid in 1959	22.00	
Mailing Envelopes Prepaid in 1959	67.15	
Cut Prepaid in 1959	74.34	\$4183.88
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Yearbook — As per Receipts and Disbursements Account	606.39	606.39
General Expenses:		
As per Receipts and Disbursements Account	543.78	
Expenses Prepaid in 1959	156.41	700.19
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Sales Circuit — Loss Due to Non-operation	102.05	102.05
Library	60.00	60.00
“Duplex Cancellations” Handbook — Cost of Books Sold	31.54	31.54
“Squared Circle Postmarks” — Cost of Books Sold	81.66	81.66
Bills Payable:		
BNA Topics — Address and Mail December Issue	16.28	
General Expenses	2.64	18.92
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Total Expenses		\$5784.63
Surplus for 1960		82.69
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		\$5867.32

W. C. PETERMAN, Treasurer

The Society's books were audited by Melvin A. Hollander, Certified Public Accountant, who certified that, "In my opinion the accompanying Treasurer's Report (as above) presents fairly the financial position of the British North America Philatelic Society at December 31, 1960 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year".

* Stated Surplus of 12/31/59 and "Funds and Assets" in Custody of Sales Manager increased by \$209.39 to give effect to Operating Surplus and Other Assets in Custody of Sales Manager but not previously included in Reports of the Treasurer.

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WANTED FOR RESEARCH: Halifax Squared Circles. Any with Blank Above the Date. Also De 4, '96; De 19, 20, 21, '96; Ja 21, '97; Mr 30, '97; Sp 27, '98; Oc 18, 19, '98; Fe 10, '99. In the following the complete date and number above the date (given first in each case) most essential: 14-Au 26, '93; 3-No 27, '93; 4-No 27, '93; 1-De 26, '93; 3-De 26, '93; 3-Ja 4, '94; 3-MY 20, '94; 4-MY 20, '94; 4-Ju 3, '95; 1-Jy 21, '97; 3-Jy 21, '97; 1-Au 4, '97; 3-Au 4, '97; 3-Oc 29, '97; 4-Oc 29, '97; 3-Fe 4, '98; 1-Mr 4, '98; 3-Mr 4, '98. Will purchase or give generous exchange. Dr. Alfred Whitehead, 52 Havelock, Amherst, N.S.

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WANTED

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