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SUMMER

At one time it was assumed that with the coming of the warm weather the stamp business would automatically roll over and die until Labour Day.

Along with the five cent cigar, those days are gone. Although summer activities do undoubtedly change the pattern of some collectors' hobby time, there now seems to be an ever-increasing number of people who keep up their collecting through twelve months in the year.

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RESIGNATION, July 1, 1969	1	
DECEASED, July 1, 1969	6	
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TOTAL MEMBERSHIP, July 1, 1969		1054

OFFICIAL NOTICE

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BNAPEX — '69

Write to your Chairman **WILLIAM E. TOPPING**
7430 Angus Drive, Vancouver 14, B.C., Canada

Message from the President

DR. ROBERT V. C. CARR, 117 Robin Hood Way, Youngstown, Ohio 44511

Time again to send greetings to all BNAPSers and let you know how things are going with the society. First of all, we lost our old friend, Lloyd Sharpe. We also hear that our No. 2 member, Fay Odell is now in a rest home and is not doing well.

The good news comes from the Treasurer that all is fine and his financial report was most encouraging, thanks to Jim Lehr and his Sales Circuit and our income from Bob Woolley's book sales and our Holmes' catalogue royalties.

More good news from our co-editors that we are now developing a backlog of articles for Topics — it is not large and need additions from YOU who might do your bit for BNAPS.

Grace and I had a pleasant weekend with the Hutts, Cooks, and Barbara Hassan in Ithaca. What gracious hosts — even gave us a real thrill in seeing hundreds of wild Canadian geese along the east side of Lake Cayuga both in flight and feeding in the corn fields. Would some of the members in the rather far away places let our Circulation Manager, Russ McNeil of Hamilton, know just how long it takes your issue of Topics to get to you. We are studying the 3rd class mailing and so far, it has been quite good. If this remains so, we just might make the grade and keep our dues as is.

Just home from a grand convention of the Royal Philatelic Society and am happy to report that BNAPSers did the Society proud in the exhibition with our own Bob Pratt receiving the Grand Award and yours

truly with a gold and a silver. My junior assistant won a silver and father was most proud as she is only 11 years old and her first major showing. There is such a splendid spirit of cooperation existing between our two Societies which has been one of my aims during my term of office.

The Vancouver show is progressing nicely according to Chairman Topping. A nice group is being organized for the train tour leaving Toronto September 28th. Many are planning a western trip to end up in Vancouver while most are going by plane. If you have not registered as yet, please do so at once — and this goes for the exhibition as well. Even if you cannot attend, an exhibit from YOU will aid in enhancing your Society's annual affair.

The Editors of Topics are building up a small backlog of material but more is needed so we ask that you who can write to please do so. Topics is no better than the material in it and it is YOU who can assist in bettering YOUR publication.

Word has just been received that a recently retired member has passed away — Leslie G. Tomlinson of England. He was the foremost authority on the stamps and anything else connected with Prince Edward Island and his collection was the finest. I had corresponded with him for some time and he was as fine a gentleman as he was a philatelist — he was of such great help to me in so many ways. He will be missed, too.

—Dr. Robert V. C. Carr

ARTICLE VI MEETINGS

Section 1. ANNUAL MEETING: The Annual Meeting of the Society shall be held at such time and at such place as the preceding annual meeting shall determine, but in any event, at some time within the next calendar year. Notice hereof shall be published in BNA TOPICS no later than the issue preceding the date for such annual meeting, together with the Order of Business and Agenda for that annual meeting.

The Order of Business at each Annual Meeting shall proceed as follows:

1. Call to Order
2. Reading and approval of the Minutes of the preceding Annual Meeting
3. Communications
4. President's Address
5. Reports of Officers
6. Reports of Appointed Officers and Permanent Committees
7. Unfinished Business
8. New Business
9. Report of Committee on Elections
10. Introduction of New Officers
11. Adjournment

The 21st Annual Meeting and Convention (BNAPEX '69) shall be held Oct. 1-4th, 1969, at the Bayshore Inn, Vancouver, B.C.

From the Treasurer . . .

James T. Culhane, 119 Montgomery Ave., Norristown, Pa.

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Funds on Deposit	\$ 3,575.90	Accounts Receivable	
In custody of sales manager ..	2,429.87	Topics advertising	340.72
In custody of handbook agent	232.33	Yearbook advertising	448.50
In custody of librarian	146.77		789.22
Dr. C. M. Jephcott Memorial Library Fund			\$ 10,622.46
Securities, at cost	2,466.15		
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Perfin handbook	286.33	Dues in advance, 1969	\$ 99.50
Squared Circle handbook	446.70	Dues in advance, 1970	10.00
Postal stationery catalogue ..	14.60	Life membership fund	428.00
Registration stamp handbook	14.99	Accounts payable	
Precancel catalogue	29.39	Topics	469.58
Gillam's R.P.O. history	22.10	Yearbook	1,165.42
Holmes Canadian catalogue ..	78.11		1,635.00
Richardson monographs	90.00	Surplus 12-31-67	4,615.70
		Donated surplus 1968	2,500.00
		Surplus for 1968	1,334.26
			10,622.46

Our books were audited by James H. Degnan, C.P.A. who stated: "In my opinion, the accompanying Treasurer's Report presents fairly the financial position of the British North America Philatelic Society at December 31, 1968 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."

JAMES T. CULHANE, Treasurer

THE *Editor's* MAILBAG

Dear Editor:

Since I intend to attend the C.P.S. of G.B. convention in Harrogate, which unfortunately occurs the same time as the Vancouver convention of BNAPS, perhaps you could find space soon to make an announcement about the Harrogate convention. Perhaps some BNAPS'ers would be taking a fall trip to Britain, and would like to fit the C.P.S. of G.B. convention into their plans. As both you and I know, overseas members are given a real royal welcome.

As C.P.S. of G.B. Contact Member for the U.S., I would appreciate any "publicity"

you can give the Society and its convention.

Dr. Ian W. Taylor

Dear sir:

I noticed in my letter in the mailbag, May, page 118, that you have a B variety in E of McCrae.

It should have been a b variety, so will you correct this in the next Topics. Thank you.

Yours truly,
Don Nystrom

J. RONALD McMURRICH, No. 780

With deepest regret we announce the passing of another of our prominent members, Ron. McMurrich of Gananoque.

Born in Ann Arbor, Michigan he attended Upper Canada College and University of Toronto, graduating as a metallurgical engineer. He served overseas 1917-18 with the R.C.A.S.C.

His many interests included the Masonic Order, the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, Canadian National Exhibition, the local District School Board, Victorian Order of Nurses and the Progressive Conservative Association to all of which he gave both service and leadership.

In philately his collection of Toronto postal history was outstanding. He and his wife, Rose, were regular attendants at B.N.A.P.S. conventions and will be missed by us all.

Our deepest sympathies are extended to his family.

CANADIAN FORCES IN THE FAR EAST

The Royal Rifles of Canada, one brigade headquarters from Winnipeg Grenadiers and two battalions were sent to Hong Kong to support two Indian and two United Kingdom battalions for the defense of the British Colony, in the Autumn of 1941. They disembarked on November 16, 1941.

An Army Post Office was not attached to serve the force, according to Canadian Army Post Office records. Mails were made up and dispatched by the Army Base Post Office in bags labeled "Force 'C' Canadian Army Overseas Hong Kong" enclosed in outer bags labeled simply "Hong Kong".

The name of the office of origin was shown as "Base Post Office Canada". The outer bags were marked for dispatch via Vancouver and San Francisco. However, these mails were subject to some delay, owing to infrequent sailings from the West Coast.

The mail was transferred to the local postal authorities who removed the outer bags and in turn delivered it either through or direct to the British Army Postal Service

This month we are able to publish the index for 1968 Topics for which we have had several enquiries. Our thanks are due to T. P. Campbell, Jr., No. 2171, for an excellent job.

The Dale-Lichtenstein sale of May 26th is considered by your editorial board to be of such importance to be included and to be in Topics as a permanent record for reference by present and future members of B.N.A.P.S.

By including these two items we again

to a Canadian Postal Corps NCO for distribution to the addressees, upon arrival at Hong Kong.

The form of address used was as follows: Regimental Number, Rank and Name; Name and Details of Unit; Name of Branch or Regiment of Service; Force 'C'; Canadian Army Overseas.

The first dispatch of mail to the force was forwarded to Vancouver from the Base Post Office on November 2, 1941.

Envelopes from the unit at Hong Kong can be identified by the sender's address from November 16 to December 25, 1941 bearing British Field Post Office postage stamps or cancellations of local and Hong Kong postmarks.

Hong Kong fell to the Japanese on Christmas Day 1941 and mail for the interned troops was addressed similar to the above, the only difference being: Prisoner at Hong Kong, c/o Force "C", c/o G.P.O., Ottawa.

Covers would be rather difficult to locate in the tons of mail from World War II, since the contingent in Hong Kong was very small and because it was only active a short time before capture.

have to exclude some very fine articles which must perforce remain in our backlog file. Our apologies to writers who have burned the midnight oil for the information and pleasure of fellow members with a promise to use their material as space is available.

Our Librarian writes that he is in the process of changing employment and has had to delay sending his usual reports which will re-appear as soon as time permits.

R. J. WOOLLEY,

Canadian Revenue Study Group News

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Corrections—In the column appearing in the February issue of Topics it was stated in the BNAPEX '68 notes that there were 7 frames of Revenues exhibited. This number should have been 27 which is a considerable difference, and should point out the interest shown in this group.

Watermark on B.C. Telephone Franks

Jim Lehr has reported the following watermark on British Columbia Telephone Franks. Since Jim had the opportunity to look at a number of booklet panes of Franks it was possible to identify almost in entirety.

It is as follows: the words SUPERFINE Letters are open double line. NEN-RECORD—10 mm. high and 8 mm. wide. RAG CANADA—solid single line letters 5 mm. high and 4 mm. wide.

There is also a double lined shield design about 50 mm. tall and 40-45 mm. wide at the top. Inside the shield appear to be three emblems across top that may be fleur-de-lis. A smaller shield appears in the center with what looks like a reversed letter S. There may also be an inverted three point crown at the bottom of the large shield.

The lettering appears to come three ways. (1) left to right on face, (2) left to right on back, and (3) upside down on back, right to left. Jim has supplied photos of this mark and we hope that it will reproduce, if not the above description should be enough for you to look for on these issues.

Jim has seen this watermark on panes of the 5c 1940, 5c and 25c 1942, \$1 1943, 5c 1946, 5c 1947, \$1 1947, 5c 1950 and 25c 1956. Your column editor has single stamps with what appear to be portions of this watermark showing and they are as follows: the \$1 issue of 1933, 34, 38, and 39, 5c and \$1 1946, 5c 1947, \$1 1948, 5c 1949, 5c and \$1 1950 and 51, 5c-25c and \$1 1952, 53, 5c 1957 and 5c and \$1 1959.

This would seem to indicate that this watermark is quite widespread. Could it be that all B.C. Telephone Franks of this design exist in watermarked varieties? So come on, you holders of B.C. Telephone Franks, how about checking and see what

more comes to light regarding this watermark.

Editor's Note: Illustration too poor for reproduction.

British Columbia Laws

Jack St. Laurent reports that after many years of thinking that it didn't exist, he has found a copy of Holmes' 21A. This is the 50c brown with double perforation on one side.

In removing some copies from a partial document Jack found two adjacent copies with the double vertical perforation between. A real nice find, Jack.

Saskatchewan

Jack St. Laurent also reports three probable sample proofs of the Saskatchewan Electrical Inspections (Sissons' Nos. R-65, 66 and 67), with full gum minus control numbers and in the color of issue. They are punch cancelled "VOID" in letters 11 mm. in height. It may be that these have been known, but we don't recall having seen them mentioned before. Can anyone else report having copies such as these or otherwise verify their existence?

Tax Paid

How many of you cigarette smokers have noticed a difference in the stamp appearing on your box or pack recently? This column is being written April 14th so I don't know how much earlier the change occurred.

Thanks to Mike Dicketts I have a copy of the 20 CIGARETTES with the Series C missing and in its place a scroll. Mike says the same appears on the 25 CIGARETTES. The surcharge is in Red which I believe is for Quebec and has a capital letter B at top and bottom with 6-13-D in between across the 20 in the center panel.

Can some of you from the other Provinces report this change? It would be interesting to see if the new design is being used in all the Provinces at this time. Also we would appreciate any information as to why and when the design was changed.

Our thanks again to those who help with the writing of this column. Without your reporting of finds, new varieties, etc., we would be hard put to keep going, so let's hear from you with interesting Revenue information.

Canadian Patriotics

by Clarence A. Westhaver, No. 1442

Queens PARK BAZAAR
Zybach & CO., Props.
Niagara Falls, Ont., Canada.

When at Niagara Falls don't fail to descend by elevator to Table Rock and go behind the great Horseshoe Falls, Canadian side. Elevator, Dress and Guide, 50 c.

NUMBER 9 — NIAGARA FALLS SERIES

More Sketches of BNAPSers

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No. 130

LEWIS M. LUDLOW

L-1465

Again we cross the ocean but, for the second time, it's the Pacific and again to Japan where we find an American working as the managing director of Gamlen Chemical Ltd. — Lewis M. Ludlow, Jr.

Born in West Virginia, Lewis received his B.S. in Chemistry at Virginia Military Institute, his Masters at Miami (Ohio), and his Doctorate at Wayne University. There was a six year interruption due to World War II. He commanded a combat team in the Philippines which later joined the occupation forces in Japan.

Following his education, Lewis spent 12 years with Wyandotte Chemicals and then he joined his present organization and returned to Japan after an absence of sixteen years. A merger of the company in 1967 brought on additional chores — managing the whole Far East which means trips to India, Australia, Hong Kong, etc.

Another childhood collector, Lewis had a father who was a serious U.S. collector. After the war, a set of Canada's Jubilees from his father sent him on his BNA way. The Small Queens were followed by the Squared Circles, followed by his co-authoring (with Dr. Whitehead) of the second edition of BNAPS Squared Circle Handbook. R.P.O.s and the Pence Issue have been his main interest for the last six to seven years and he plans to show the Pence Issues at Vancouver next fall. His work on the R.P.O.s permit him to commence a regular column in TOPICS on this subject.

A side hobby of the American Swimming Council of Japan helped him to meet



Dr. Ichida (Sketch No. 126) and the two of them worked on several Japanese stamp books — one won them the Crawford Medal for Literature of the Royal Philatelic Society of London. Other hobbies include the Japanese style of mah-jong.

Besides being a life member of BNAPS, he is a life member of the C.P.S. of G.B., and a member of the R.P.S.C., the R.P.S. of London, and the Philatelic Foundation.

Lewis plans to meet with us in Vancouver and will try to bring Dr. Ichida along. We look forward to this meeting and hope that many, many BNAPSers will join us.

Description:

The background of the card is cream color with scattered maple leaves around the various shields of the Provinces. In upper left hand corner the arms of Canada. All are various views of Niagara Falls.

Earliest known use: July 15, 1907.

Publisher: Zyback & Co., Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada.

Market price: \$3.50 to \$5.00.

Prospect Point	200
American Falls from Goat Island	201
American Falls from Below Niagara Falls	202
General View Niagara Falls	203
Horseshoe Falls from Below	204
Horseshoe Falls from Goat Island	205

*There are six cards in this set.

Perfin Study Group

A guest column by G. Drew-Smith, No. 1921



INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER CO. OF CANADA

There are three types of insignia used by International Harvester Company of Canada.

Type I in which the orienting dot (O in the handbook) is aligned with the center dot of the H and the lower end dot of the C.

The I.H.C. Branches using Type I were:

C 12	.....	Brockville, Ontario
C 12A	.....	North Battleford, Saskatchewan
C 12C	.....	Estevan, Saskatchewan
C 12D	.....	Brandon, Saskatchewan
C 12E	.....	Lethbridge, Alberta
C 12F	.....	Calgary, Alberta
C 12H	.....	Edmonton, Alberta
C 12J	.....	Hamilton, Ontario
C 12L	.....	London, Ontario
C 12M	.....	Montreal, Quebec
C 12N	.....	Ottawa, Ontario
C 12O	.....	Regina, Saskatchewan
C 12P	.....	St. John, New Brunswick

C 12Q	.....	Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
C 12S	.....	Winnipeg, Manitoba

Type III. In 1928 following the lead of the handbook) is aligned with the center dot of the H and passes midway between the 2nd and end bottom dot of the C.

The IHC branches using Type II were:

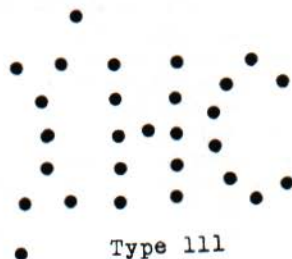
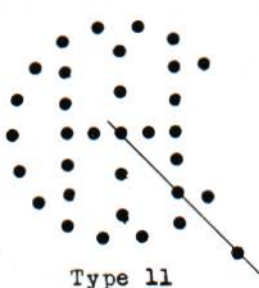
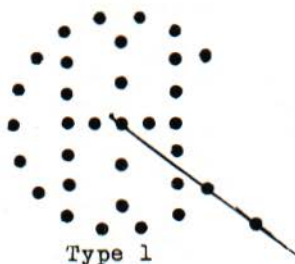
C 12B	.....	Yorkton, Saskatchewan
C 12I	.....	Quebec, Quebec
C 12K	.....	Weyburn, Saskatchewan
C 12T	.....	Vancouver, British Columbia

Type III in 1928 following the lead of the American company a new design was introduced to Canada to correspond with their new advertising symbol:

The only IHC branch using this Type III was:

I 3	Toronto, Ontario
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It would seem that it was the company's intention to change all of their branches to this, but the depression of the early thirties and the improvement in postage meters, changed all this, so nothing further was done.



Code Dots—In Types I and II are located in a circle approximately half way between the end bottom dot of the C and the orienting dot.

The upper end dot of the C is No. 1 and each dot in the C is a full number to the bottom end dot No. 15.

A dot located half way between two full dots is the smaller number + 1/2. (e.g. 1 1/2, 2 1/2).

In Type III the coding dots located at each end of the I, are of no great importance, although they follow the U.S. pattern for this symbol, as only one Canadian branch has so far used this type.

The machine used by International Harvester of Canada at all branches was made by B. F. Cummins Co. of Chicago and New York. It is their No. 52, the most popular model, which sold, I understand, for \$25.00 up to the early 1920's. It perforated 5 stamps in a row, and could handle 3-4 sheets or thicknesses of paper at one time usually folded vertically for regular sized stamps, and with 2 on one side and 3 on the other for the commemoratives.

In the next article I will give in detail as much information as I have been able to find about each branch and the location and condition of the machine they used.

Fifth Dale-Lichtenstein Auction

At the conclusion of the five-day auction that comprised Part Two of the British North American portion of the Louise Boyd Dale and Alfred F. Lichtenstein Collections, one leading British dealer observed that prices were generally considerably higher than in the sale of Part One in November of 1968.

This would appear to be borne out by the fact that the auctioneers, H. R. Harmer, Inc. of 6 West 48th Street, New York, who had the earlier realizations as a guide were still too low in their thinking. Compared with their lot-by-lot estimate of \$455,000 the auction realized \$505,774. This brought the total for the first five sales to the exceptional figure of \$2,019,993.

Five more will be held by December 1970.

Newfoundland

Newfoundland was offered in the evening of Monday, May 19 and the afternoon of Tuesday, May 20, the rarer material being selected for the evening session. From the beginning it became obvious that the demand for quality was strong as ever and the demand for entires appeared greater than at any previous time. A strip of four of the 1857 1 penny on cover to Boston sold at \$1,700 to Robert Pratt, a used 2p scarlet vermilion (cataloguing \$1,100) at \$2,100 to George Wegg of Toronto, a creased pair on cover to Baltimore \$3,600 to William Lea of London, an unused 4p [\$1,600] \$2,100 to Stanley Gibbons Ltd. of London, a 4p and 3p on letter to Baltimore \$3,300 to Filatelica Classica of Switzerland, an o.g. 6p [\$1,750] \$3,600 to Gibbons, a used pair [one stamp creased] \$2,800 to Renato Mondolfo of Rome. A lovely cover with a single and pair of the 6p scarlet vermilion addressed to Rome and marred only by part of the address being crossed through was bid up from \$3,000 to \$11,000 before Gibbons were the victors. An 8p bisected with a 3p green on cover to Vermont cost Mercury Stamp Company \$3,700 and a pair of the rare 1sh used with negligible faults and varying margins seemed reasonable at \$6,500 [Gibbons], being unique.

The extremely rare 1860 laid paper 1sh

oranges were offered with both the horizontally laid and vertically laid paper, the former making \$12,500 [Gibbons], the latter \$13,500 [Louis K. Robbins].

In 1861 six copies each of various of the orange issue were overprinted CANCELLED. Two copies of the 4p—originally a pair—brought \$2,500, a single 1sh \$2,000, both to Gibbons.

The 1p reddish brown of 1861-62 in unused condition sold privately at \$1,200. A very interesting cover with a 4p rose bisected, an 1857 1p bisected and a 4p rose [creased], making a 6½p rate went to Mercury at \$3,200. The rarity of the "roses" on entires was reflected when Gibbons had to pay \$2,500 for a 6p on cover. The stamp catalogues \$15 used! A diagonal bisect of the 1sh, underpaying a cover to France made \$4,250.

Later issues sold well, particularly errors of the provisionals of 1897 and 1920. An o.g. block of six of the 1897 1c on 3c surcharged in red and black, all type a, reached \$1,600.

Newfoundland Air Post

One group that did show some easing of prices was the Newfoundland Air Post issues, where a surfeit of rare items had come on the market in the last year or so. Despite this a marginal mint "Hawker" 3c brought \$5,750 and two covers \$3,600 and \$3,400. The "Manuscript Martinsyde 3c sold at \$6,750 used on a cover front—this defect causing several thousands of dollars difference. The "Halifax" inverted overprint of 1921 was offered as a single [\$875], and two blocks of four, one with the centered overprint [\$2,900, Penny Black Stamp Co.] and one with the off centered overprint [\$1,950, Miner Stamp Co.]. Miner also bought the Pinedo in lightly hinged condition with a negligible corner bend for a reasonable \$8,000. A copy on cover went to Italy at \$3,300. A flown cover with the normal 60c stamp also went to Italy at \$1,000.

The very rare 1932 "DO-X" \$1.50 on 1 with inverted surcharge created much attention before selling to Robbins at \$1,800.

On the Tuesday, the more reasonable portion of Newfoundland was sold, the two sessions totalling \$193,623.

Canada

A selection of 200 lots of the "Pence" issues of Canada, sold on Wednesday to a very active floor of bidders from the United States, Canada, England, Italy and Switzerland. Covers with United States issues used from Canada attracted particular attention. A short paid 5c on a Kennedy cover to New York made \$1,100, two 5c [one creased] also on a Kennedy cover \$1,450 and a pancelled 10c Kennedy cover \$2,300.

Plate proofs on India of the different Pence values were offered, generally in blocks of 25, and prices ran from \$20 to \$65 a stamp, except for the 12 pence. A block of 50 of the 12p black on India mounted on card with red vertical SPECIMEN went to Canada at \$5,750. The Good-all scarred die proofs on India sold at \$575 each and the composite die proof with the 10c in purple \$1,050.

Issued Stamps

With the issued stamps, surprises came early. In the 1851 laid paper issue an unused 3p with a small corner crease exceeded catalogue value at \$2,300. A lovely corner copy used, cataloguing \$135, went to a Canadian collector at \$1,200, the same buyer getting on orange vermilion shade at \$725.

A 6p slate violet unused returned home at \$2,600 [cat. \$2,000], and used copies ran from \$675 down to \$42.50.

A 12 pence from bottom of sheet with large margins was reduced from a possible \$12,500 stamp to \$2,500 due to a heavy thin. Again typical of the importance of quality the largest known block of the 1851-55 wove paper 3p—an unused marginal block of nine—sold at only \$2,500 due to small margins and faults. On the other side of the quality fence was a strip of two-and-a-half 3p on cover, paying 7½p rate to England, in lovely condition and believed to be unique. It took \$11,000 to send it back to Canada. A beautiful 6p slate gray [\$165] went to England at \$1,150, while greenish gray copies made \$1,000 and \$1,050, also cataloguing \$165.

Two fine thick hard paper 6p on a slightly shortened buff envelope sold to Japan at \$2,100. In the 1856 thin paper 10p blue issue a copy on envelope to England cost Bruce Daniels of Massachusetts \$1,800.

A thick paper 10p on a Legislative Assembly envelope addressed to Scotland

went to a private Canadian collector at \$2,500, the same buyer paying \$7,500 for a matching 7½p envelope to the same addressee.

The ½p rose of 1857 sold from \$270 to \$150 in varying unused condition; a used marginal copy with stitch watermark reached \$250, a pair on Newspaper \$600 and a strip of six on envelope \$1,400. A part o.g. horizontally ribbed pair with a tiny thin and "of somewhat dull appearance" cost Jim Sissons of Toronto \$1,300. An interesting Registered letter with two ½p and a 3p—all ribbed sold to Ezra Cole of Nyack at \$2,100. A lovely vertically ribbed ½p, lightly postmarked reached double catalogue at \$1,500.

Prices for the 7½p green reflected its popularity; \$1,800 for an o.g. copy, \$2,000 for a used marginal copy, \$7,500 for the cover already reported, \$8,500 for a legal-size letter bearing a marginal pair and two 3p.

A diagonal bisect of the 1857 very thick soft wove paper 6p reddish purple, unlisted, went to Italy at \$5,500. In the perf. "Pence" a 6p brown violet on cover sold at a surprising \$3,000.

Thursday

Canada continued on Thursday with the decimal issues and prices remained exceptional. An unused pair of the imperf. 1c [\$450] reached \$775.

The extreme rarity of the 5c major re-entry in unused condition showed when a part o.g. strip, including this variety, brought \$425. The same price was paid for an o.g. block of four. The 5c imperforate in a part o.g. block of four [thinned] sold for \$4,800, [Filatelica Classica] the 10c in similar condition \$3,800 [same buyer] and the 12½c, cut into but not thinned \$1,700 [Weggl]. An o.g. 10c black brown, centered to left, was knocked down at \$850. Unused shades of the 10c violet brought from \$190 to \$120 [\$100] and a deep violet with green target [cat. \$14] finished at \$140. A damaged bisect on cover [unpriced] sold at \$450.

An o.g. block of the 12½c yellow green was bid to \$525, and a part o.g. block of the blue green fetched \$300. A partly faulty used block of nine of the 17c blue sold for \$600, a very fine slate blue on envelope \$200.

The 1897 Jubilee issue in mint blocks,

offered as 8 lots, brought what is believed to be a new record price of \$8,400.

Port Hood Provisionals

A most interesting facet of Canadian philately is the Port Hood provisionals of 1899, necessitated by a temporary shortage of 1 cent and 2 cent values. The Queen 3c was either cut in one-third and surcharged "1" or into two-thirds and surcharged "2". A copy of the "1" on small piece brought \$2,000 [cat. \$1350] and left and right "2" on two-thirds used on covers made \$2,700 and \$4,200. Canada totalled \$192,148.

New Brunswick

The fifth session commenced with 76 lots of New Brunswick bringing \$57,316. Starting with \$1,800 for an 1856 stampless cover — "Favor's Express" and straight-line "Admiral" — prices were firm throughout. A U. S. 1847 10c on a Kennedy cover from New Brunswick sold at \$4,800. The adhesive had the usual filing crease of this correspondence. Another cover with an 1851 1c type II, 3c and two pairs of the 5c red brown went at \$2,700 and a mixed franking cover with U.S. and New Brunswick adhesives reached \$4,000, all going to Gibbons. A 6p olive yellow on embossed envelope was bid from \$300 to \$1,300 [the stamps catalogues \$165] and other covers sold at \$1,250, \$950 and \$425. A lovely used 6p orange yellow [also cataloguing \$165] brought \$550 and a pair \$1,450. A 6p olive yellow and a bisect on letter went to Mercury at \$2,700.

The popular 1sh in the bright red violet shade sold used at \$1,050 [Filatelica Classica] and in the dull violet shade unused at \$2,900 [Mondolfo]. A copy on letter with a 3p went to England at \$3,100. A beautiful bisect of the stamp on cover fetched the high price of \$7,500, appropriate for its condition.

In the decimal currency issue of 1860-63, the rarity of certain ratings was reflected by realizations. A 6c rate brought \$400, a 22c rate to Barbados \$250 and a 79c Registered rate to North Carolina \$2,800. Bisected 10c on covers made \$525 and \$240.

Nova Scotia

Seventy lots of Nova Scotia followed, totalling \$47,716. Again a "Favor's Express" stampless cover created excitement, costing a Canadian collector \$1,050.

The 1851-53 1p red brown catalogues \$70

used. Copies sold from \$200 to \$72.50 off cover, a strip at \$440. On cover a pair with a 3p brought \$800 and a pair with a 6p \$900. An o.g. block of 15 of the 3p dark blue sold to Gibbons at \$2,900 and a cover with two pairs cost Mercury \$2,000.

Bisected 3p blues used with additional 6p postage for the 7½p rate to Great Britain were bid to \$2,400, \$1,850 and \$500. A wonderful strip of four of the 6p yellow green on front of a cover fetched an excellent \$4,750, and a single bearing straight-line PICTOU N.S. SHIP LETTER on the letter caused bidding up to \$4,250 before a Canadian collector won the item.

A bisected 6p on a small neat envelope sold to Mercury at \$2,400 [cat. \$500]. Used 1sh reddish violets brought \$1,150, \$1,050, \$525 and \$300 [pen-cancelled]. Dull violets went at \$1,850, \$1,000 and \$2,700 for a pair.

Prince Edward Island

The auction concluded with the complete collection of Prince Edward Island divided into 119 lots, bringing \$14,970. Prices varied and again it was covers which created the greatest interest. In the 1861 issue, a Registered letter with four 2p hit \$525; two 3p made \$450; a 3p and 6p, \$320; a 6p alone [small tear], \$330. In the 1862-65 issue [again on covers], a pair of the 1p brought \$210; three 2p and a 6p, \$525; a 2p and 6p [Registered rating], \$400; a 3p pair and single to Newfoundland, \$950; a 6p and pair of 3p, \$340; a pair of 9p, \$500; a strip of 9p [Registered] \$875; a 4p black and 6p [Registered], \$550. A 4½p brown of the 1870 issue also on letter sold to Mercury at \$525.

Decimal currency on entires was equally appealing. A 1c and two 3c [Registered] sold for \$450; a 1c, pair and single 3c [Registered], \$400; a 4c bisected, \$310 and a 6c bisected \$300.

And so another of the extraordinary sales of the Louise Boyd Dale and Alfred F. Lichtenstein Collections came to a conclusion, the keen competition throughout the 1096-lot auction reflecting, on the part of the buyers, the range and attractiveness of the material offered.

A copy of the catalogue can be obtained from: Harmers at \$1 [refunded to Dale purchasers], the list of prices realized \$1 also. A color brochure detailing all ten of the auctions is free. The address: 6 West 48th Street, New York, N.Y. 10036.

Rounding Up Squared Circles

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The accompanying illustration shows a "mixed-match" pair of time marks on squared circle cancellations of ST. JOHN, N.B.: AM/JU 24/97 and 2/JU/24/97. Abnormal pairs of time marks of this kind appeared at times during the June through October period in 1897. An intensive study of the time marks appearing during this time period has been made by Dr. Edna Walck, who has kindly supplied most of the following information.

Data has been gathered from some half-dozen collectors having an interest in ST. JOHN squared circle postmarks, resulting in a reasonably complete picture of the pattern of use of the time marks AM, PM, 1, and 2 during this period. Some few dates during the period are not completely accounted for with regard to time marks, and I am sure that Dr. Walck would appreciate hearing from collectors who can supply any of the missing data.

The following tabulation shows time marks reported for each day during this period. An X indicates that, for the given day, the time mark at the column heading (AM, PM, 1, or 2) has been reported. For the purpose of establishing the day-of-the-week sequence, Sunday dates are indicated by S in the AM column; this should create no problem because there is good reason to believe that no AM time mark will be found for Sunday dates in this time period (as will be discussed later).

In addition to the AM, PM, 1, and 2 marks shown in the following table, "blank" has been reported for JY 2/97; notice that AM and 2 have also been reported for that date. The wording of the Handbook suggests that other "blanks" have been reported. I have two ST. JOHN strikes which appear to be "blanks", but close examination through a red filter shows traces of ink in the time-mark area, suggesting that those two strikes, at least, are not genuine "blanks" but merely strikes in which, for one reason or another, the time mark did not register properly. I have a suspicion that the "blank" for JY 2/97 also falls in this category.

What can be said of the above pattern of time-mark use? I believe that errors in reading date (wrong year?) have occurred



for JU 21 and SP 16, and that the correct time marks for JU 21 should be AM, PM and for SP 16 should be 1, 2; but I suppose anything is possible. If these two are errors in reporting, then the combinations which occur for week days in this period are only AM, PM; AM, 2; and 1, 2. The abnormal (or "mixed") combination AM, 2 does not appear randomly throughout the period, but was used in three distinct periods for a number of consecutive days.

At an early stage in the collation of data, only a single Sunday date, 1/JY 4 was reported. This mark seemed questionable since it did not fit the pattern of a considerable run of AM, 2 combination before and after JY 4, and it turned out to be an error in reporting. This left no Sunday dates recorded. I wrote to Dr. Walck regarding the possibility that there were no mail clearances on Sunday. However, by that time she had received from Dr. Langstroth a considerable listing of dates and time marks for this period, including the Sunday dates shown in the above table. Mr. Voor-

Date	JUNE		JULY		AUGUST		SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER						
	AM	PM	1	2	AM	PM	1	2	AM	PM	1	2			
1				X		X	S		X	X		X			
2		X		X		X	X	X		X		X	X		
3		X		X		X	X	X		X		S			
4		X		S		X	X					X			
5	X	X		X		X	X	S		X		X			
6	S					X	X	X				X	X		
7		X		X		X	X	X		X		X	X		
8		X		X		X	S	X		X		X	X		
9	X					X	X			X	X	X	X		
10		X		X		X	X			X	X	S	X		
11	X	X		S		X	X			X	X		X		
12				X		X	X	S		X		X			
13	S			X		X	X			X			X		
14	X	X		X	X		X	X		X	X		X		
15		X		X	X		S			X	X		X		
16	X	X		X	X		X	X	X		X		X		
17	X	X		X	X		X	X		X	X		S		
18	X	X		S		X	X			X		X			
19		X		X	X		X	X	S				X		
20	S			X		X	X			X	X		X		
21	X		X		X	X	X			X	X		X		
22	X			X	X		S	X		X	X		X	X	
23				X	X		X	X		X	X		X	X	
24	X		X		X		X	X		X	X		S		
25	X		X		S		X	X		X		X	X		
26			X		X	X		X	S		X		X		
27	S				X		X	X	X	X		X	X		
28	X		X		X		X	X		X		X	X		
29			X		X	X		S		X	X		X		
30	X		X		X	X		X	X	X		X	X		
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heis Ditmars checked the dates in Dr. Langstroth's collection and verified them. So it turned out that Sunday dates are known, but the few thus far are either PM or 2.

Mr. Ditmars also wrote that the office has been in continuous operation and there have been no recorded fires; presumably, then, the post office records are complete. Evidently, though, no one has ever searched them. He wrote that the bulk of the mail from ST. JOHN went to Montreal by the CPR train leaving at 4:30 p.m. every evening, and by the Montreal-Boston, leaving about 7:30 p.m. Since Sunday dates are known, one or more clerks must have been called in to get that mail on its way on Sundays.

Dr. Walck found that a nurse neighbor who trained at the local hospital about 1930 came from ST. JOHN. She recalls that there were no west-bound trains on Sunday, only one east-bound train to Halifax in the evening, daily including Sunday. In order to return to Dover after a trip home to ST. JOHN, the nurse always had to come back on a Saturday evening on the Montreal-Boston run.

It would thus seem that with only an evening mail train to meet, a single afternoon clearance on Sundays would be probable. And if this is so, then the only Sunday time marks would be PM or 2. I venture the guess that if and when the missing Sunday dates are found, time mark 2 will

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be found on JU 27, JY 4, JY 11, SP 19, and OC 17, and that time mark PM will appear on all the other missing Sunday dates.

The reason for the mixed time marks is not clear to me. Perhaps the PM was mislaid for a while—but this occurred on three separate occasions. Or perhaps the 2 time mark was used by a substitute clerk

from an office which normally used 1, 2 instead of AM, PM. But can it be without significance that while the 2 time mark was used for some 10 days through OC 22, a reversion to AM, PM occurred on OC 23? OC 22 was the last day of use of Hammer II, and OC 23, the first day of use of Hammer III. Certainly the new hammer would not likely be missing the PM time slug.

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