

POSTAL STATIONERY NOTES

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DUES: This is the final issue of Volume 5 of Postal Stationery Notes. If a red "x" appears in this box ____ your 1987 Study Group fee (CAN\$5.00 or U.S. equivalent) is now due. If sending U.S. funds, please make out the cheque to "Robert Lemire", not to the Postal Stationery Study Group or to PSN. Unless cheques drawn on U.S. banks are made out to me, personally, we incur bank charges of \$2.00 per cheque. There also may be delays in clearing cheques drawn on U.S. banks (a U.S. Post Office money order made out to "Robert Lemire" would be easier to process).

WEBB P18b - A SCARCE CARD (BUT ORDER BOOK FIGURES PROVIDE LITTLE HELP)

More than once, Horace Harrison has mentioned that Webb Pl8b is a scarce card. He had three used copies of this card, but two were damaged in a fire in 1978. At one time it was suspected by several authors that the 75mm heading had been privately added to blank stock. However, comparison of photocopies and copies of six cards in the Harrison, Arons and Lemire collections indicates at least four (and probably five) different users. Thus, it seems possible, indeed probable, the card with the 75mm heading was regularly issued. Used copies of Pl8b are dated:

Jan.	28,	1898	*	(Hamilton)
Feb.	7,	1898	*	(Montreal)
Mar.	3,	1898		(Hamilton)
May	2,	1898		?
July	18,	1898		(Montreal)
Feb.	1,	1899		(Montreal)
Feb.	27.	1899		(Hamilton) @

- * fire damaged
- @ postmark location

All but the copy dated Feb. 27, 1899 (and perhaps the May 2, 1898 copy, reported but not seen) bear printed advertising from a firm in the noted city. None of the copies is part of the Canadian Pacific series of cards. The ERP for P18 is Feb. 24, 1898. It appears P18b may be from an early printing from the American Bank Note Company (ABN).

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Recently Bill Pawluk obtained a copy of record of orders and deliveries of postal stationery printed by ABN. The entries related to the 1¢ red card in the recorded period of usage of P18b (only) are given below. It can be seen that the Jan. 28, 1898 card must come from cards printed against the first order, and the card was postmarked only ten days after the first cards were provided to the Post Office. On the other hand, the ERP for P18 is more than a month after the first deliveries. There is nothing in the order book to suggest different headings were used or requested.

Would all members please report (with photocopies) any copies of P18b in their collections. At the same time please recheck for ERP copies of P18.

ORDER DATE	QUANTITY	DELIVI	ERIES
1-on 1898-01-18	58,000	1898-01-20 -21 -24 -25 -27 -28 -02-01 -03	3,000 3,000 10,000 6,000 15,000 1,000 10,000
1898-02-14 1898-04-21 1898-12-12	50,000 200,000 50,000	1898-02-15 1898-04-26 to 1899-02-17 to	(one shipment) 1899-02-17 (8 shipments) 1899-04-15 (4 ")
8-on 1898-01-18	160,000	1898-01-18 -20 -21 -24 -25	5,000 6,000 15,000 64,000 70,000
1898-02-14 1898-04-21 1898-10-17 1898-12-16 1899-01-23	100,000 200,000 100,000 100,000 100,000	1898-02-15 1898-04-28 to 1898-10-17 to 1898-12-16 to 1898-02-10 to	(one shipment) 1898-09-20 (8 shipments) 1898-12-16 (5 ") 1899-02-10 (6 ")
1898-01-18 1898-02-14 1898-04-13 1898-04-21 1898-07-30	32,000 60,000 50,000 100,000 100,000	1898-01-19 -20 -21 1898-02-14 to 1898-04-14 to 1898-04-28 to 1898-09-16 to	1898-04-26 (2 ") 1898-07-21 (3 ")

Robert Lemire

COMMENTS FROM THE EDITOR

This issue is late. To some of you this is no surprise. I indicated in August, at the Dearborn meeting of BNAPEX, that some deadlines at work in late 1986 and early 1987 were going to restrict the time I could devote to the study group. The November issue of PSN was put together mainly during a weekend when we were snowed-in. I know some of you have waited several months without seeing your contributions appear in the Notes but, as my available time has been at a premium, I have been trying to put out issues that involved the minimum work (and/or thought) on my part. This rather unsatisfactory approach did result in No. 5 and No. 6 of PSN Volume 5 being mailed before March!

You will notice above that the "annual" Study Group fee is now due. The fee covers a minimum of six issues of PSN (Volume 6) regardless of whether I manage to catch up and put them all out during 1987. Things seem to be gradually returning to normal, but there is still a pile of unanswered mail that I hope to go through over the next month. Please keep writing; please keep sending information and articles.

ANOTHER LIGHTHOUSE ENVELOPE

A list of lighthouse envelopes was published in PSN Vol. 5, pg. 31. Now Pierre Gauthier has supplied a photocopy of an unused copy of a previously unlisted envelope in the series. In sequence in the previous list it would become #9A.

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9A. Webb EN13e - "O. H. M. S." length 29mm, at the top in serifed capital letters, underlined.
- addressed as #9 (EN13c) in 3 lines
- printing at the lower left: " LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE )
Nova Scotia
800-30-7-'03
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REFLECTIONS ON WEBB A29/A29a (HARRISON UC36/UC36a)

The Webb Catalogue bases the difference between A29 and A29a solely on the difference of the colour (red and grey versus red and black, most easily seen in the colours of the border lozenges). I have 58 used copies of these aerogrammes. When classifying them I found that there were basically two different colours of paper stock that were readily distinguishable. This is the basis on which Horace Harrison chose (PSN Vol. 5, pg. 26) to distinguish between UC36 and UC36a. The use of the paper colour differences seems to be a more logical approach to the problem of how to classify these two aerogrammes. Here is the result of the breakdown of my copies:

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UC36a (bluish-green paper)
- 30 copies
- dates Mar. 13, 1968 to Nov. 18, 1968
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UC36 (light blue paper, as for the previous issue)
- 28 copies
- dates Aug. 28, 1968 to Sept. 5, 1970
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It seems there is a clear pattern in the dates. U36a seems to have been issued first (this could be further confirmed by checking the paper colour of the ERP copy of A29 (Feb. 12, 1968)). The grey and black inks are more difficult to differentiate though the difference may be worthy of mention in a catalogue. In the copies in my collection the variation from grey to black occurs only on copies on the bluish-green paper (UC36a). Copies on the light blue paper (UC36) have only red and black border lozenges.

Pierre Gauthier

Most members will have noted the announcement in the last issue of BNA Topics, that Don Makinen, BNAPS Librarian, died on. Oct. 9, 1986. Don was also an active member of the Postal Stationery Study Group, and he will be missed.

ERP UPDATES

A good group of updates this time, primarily from Pierre Gauthier, but also with some reports from Bruce McCallum and Colin Campbell.

P20 Dec. 10, 1897	P24 Nov. 16, 1903	P34k Aug. 8, 1929
P37 Oct. 21, 1929	P37d Sept. 26, 1929	P46 Dec. 31, 1930
P52f Sept. 18, 1933	P76 Apr. 5, 1952	P83e June 7, 1956
P89a Nov. 26, 1956	P94i Jan. 17, 1967 (1)	P97b July 15, 1966 (1)
P103b Feb. 4, 1969	P104h Feb 12, 1974	Pl08b Sept. 3, 1969
P108d Nov. 6, 1969	P109a Oct. 18, 1971	L8 Dec. 10, 1898
EN41 June 6, 1932	EN59 Aug. 21, 1951	EN64a June 22, 1943
EN65a Feb. 19, 1951	EN66a Feb. 7, 1952	EN70 Apr. 1, 1954
EN71b Mar. 8, 1955	EN72(rb) Nov. 8, 1956 (2)
EN72a(rb) Sept. 24, 1956	·	EN80 Dec. 5, 1963
EN82 July 16, 1964	EN82a Feb. 9, 1965	EN83b Oct. 30, 1968 (3)
EN87h Nov. 28, 1973 (4)	EN87i Nov. 28, 1973 (4)	EN108 June 29, 1982
EN109a Feb. 8, 1983	A28 Dec. 12, 1967 (5)	•

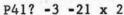
- (1) Text date.
- (2) Pierre Gauthier has also reported some new roller-white gum ERPs for the first Karsh issue envelopes. However, a year or two ago Bruce McCallum sent Robert Lemire a copy of an envelope with roller-white gum with a very early date. This raised the question if it was useful to distinguish the envelopes with the roller-white and roller-brown gums. The question is still being resolved, and comments (to Robert Lemire) are welcome. We will continue to distinguish dates for the plunger and roller gum types.
- (3) Our first report of a dated copy of this envelope.
- (4) Moving the dates by several months on two fairly recent envelopes!
- (5) Properly moving the date for this aerogramme into proper sequence.

PRIVATE PRECANCELS - MORE ADDITIONS TO THE HANDBOOK

Since the update on private precancels on Canadian post cards appeared last August in PSN $\underline{5}$, 37, three more unlisted precancels have been reported.

CARD	DESCRIPTION	GROUP/MEASUR• CANCEL COLOUR	CITY USER'S NAME
P41? *	2 bars - thin	-3 -21 x 2	unknown, cut square only (*)
P41d	4 bars - broad	-8a-23 x 15 (#)	Westboro C. Alvin R. Lucas
P66g	4 fine lines	-10-25 x 19	Peterboro Protestants's address





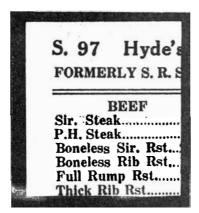


P41d-8a-23 x 15



P66g-10-25 x 19

- # A new group "8a".
- * Known only from a cut square, therefore the card could be P4ld or P4lf. The back of the cut square is shown below. Can anyone help identify the user?



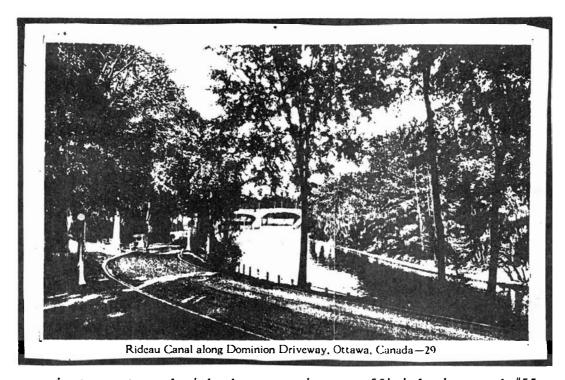
back of P41? -3-21 x 2

George Manley *

A POST CARD ANCESTOR FOR OFFICIAL PICTORIAL CARD 55

The post card illustrated on the next page shows a scene that is exactly that used for the official pictorial card #55 (although the picture was trimmed slightly differently). The card is printed in slate green instead of sepia, and the card number, wording and type used for the heading are different. Furthermore the card (postmarked Jan. ?, 1930) is a private

post card, stamped with an adhesive. The postmark predates the release of the official cards.



private post card with the same view as official view card #55

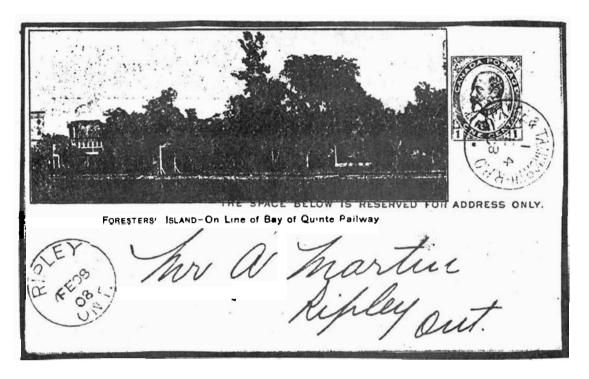
Did the Post Office acquire rights to an earlier set of picture post cards? If they did so, did they initially only release a relatively small selection of scenes while setting aside remaining numbers within the numerical sequence for other cards that never were issued?

Tom Flynn

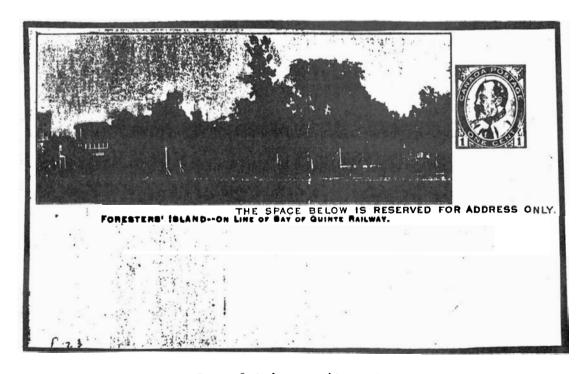
Editor's Note: Can members find other post cards with views that also appeared on the series of official cards? Can members demonstrate another source for any of the scences on the view cards?

THE TRANSPORTATION PICTORIAL POST CARDS - LESS-COMMON VIEWS AND VARIETIES

In PSN Vol. 3, pg. 41 we started to show some of the less-common transportation pictorial view cards. Two years later we now have enough photocopies to begin again (primarily thanks to Bill Walton, with help from Horace Harrison and Mark Arons). We start on the next page with the railways. We still need photocopies of the following Webb-listed cards (NTH3a, TYR1, OGR3, ONW2, ASL1, ASL2, NNCla). The series will continue in the next issue of PSN.



Bay of Quinte Railway Co. (Webb BQR1, Foresters' Island, first setting)



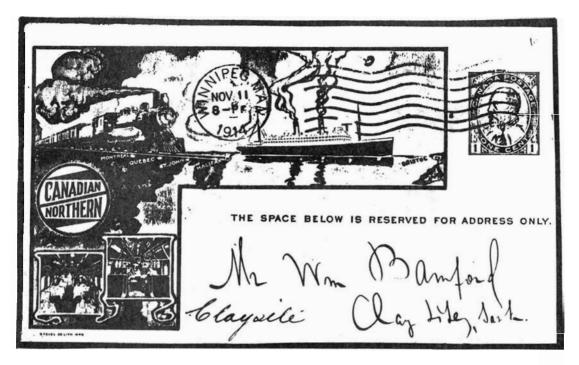
Bay of Quinte Railway Co. (Webb BQR1, Foresters' Island, second setting)



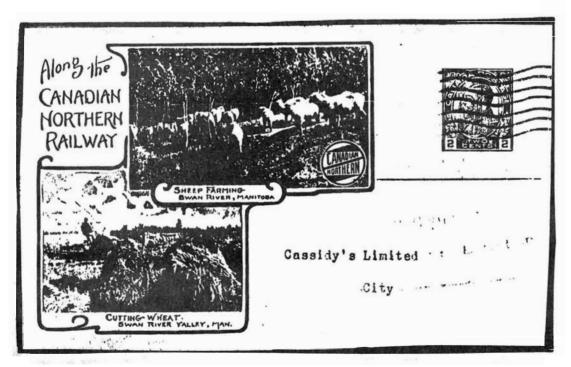
Canada and Atlantic Railway (Webb CAR1, map of system)



Canadian Northern Railway (Webb NTH3, Prince Edward Hotel)



Canadian Northern Railway (Webb NTH4, railroad, ocean liner)



Canadian Northern Railway (Webb NTH5, sheep farming, cutting wheat)



Great Northern Railway (Webb GNR1, Shawinigan Falls, on Pl7)



Great Northern Railway (Webb unlisted, Shawinigan Falls, on P22)

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