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DUES TIME!: Dues for PS Notes are charged per volume – this prevents you from being overcharged when issues are not always on time. While the effort is to complete one volume in one year, it does not always happen. So as we begin Volume 26 of Notes, dues payments are now being accepted. The price is the same, \$8.00. Please send your payments to

Mike Sagar (see below) 3920 Royalmore Avenue Richmond, BC V7C 1P6 Canada, or if you have a Paypal account, you can send a dues payment to him at gailandmike@shaw.ca. Just go to Paypal and choose the “Send Money” option, using Mike’s email address as the recipient, and note “PSSG dues” in the title line. Many thanks!

OUR HEARTFELT THANKS TO JOHN GRACE:

John Grace – who has served as Secretary Treasurer for the Postal Stationery Study Group for many years – is again recovering from a serious surgery. He has served admirably through thick and thin, doing both this job and printing of PSNotes, and it seems time to give him a rest, along with our best wishes for his speedy recovery. Mike Sagar has agreed to be our new Treasurer in addition to taking over the job of printing and mailing of PSNotes. His email is gailandmike@shaw.ca. Other communications can be sent to Earle at ecovert6@gmail.com or Jean at jwalton971@aol.com – for mailing addresses, see the masthead on next page – including articles, new finds, or anything else that is on your mind. Those wishing to send a card or note to John can send it to him at 734 Aspen Rd Pickering ON, L1V 4H2.

Many thanks again to John for his contribution and service to the Postal Stationery Study Group.

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STUDY GROUP MEETING AT BNAPEX 2013

Earle Covert opened discussion at BNAPEX at the Postal Stationery Study Group meeting with a discussion on “pseudo-stationery – advertising cards made to look like stationery. He then opened the floor for discussion on other topics, including what members would like to see in Notes. We are now closer to a PSSG web site, and will include there information on CPC new issues, limiting what is listed here to special items, or things of an unusual nature. New Issues will be online and not take up so much space here, as Canada Post continues to put out a vast number of new issues.



Present were (clockwise from Earle) Bill Walton, Robert Lemire, Robin Harris, Mike Conroy, Robert Haslewood, John Beckett, George Dresser, and Jean Walton, as well as Don Fraser and Adri Veenstra (not pictured). Photo courtesy Adri Veenstra

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PS 4 UPU card: Census of Overseas Usages *By Vic Willson (lloydwill@aol.com)*

This census of P4 usages on Canada's first UPU card was begun in Vol 24, No 1, and addended in Vol. 24, No. 5 of PS Notes. Since that time there have been a number of additions & updates (in red).

| P4 CENSUS OF FOREIGN USAGES with NEW ADDITIONS IN RED | | | | | |
|---|--------------------|-------|---------------------|--------------------|-------|
| Country | P4 year of mailing | ERD | Country | P4 year of mailing | ERD |
| Algeria | 1897 | AP 7 | Cyprus | 1889 | |
| Albania | | | Danish West Indies | | |
| Antigua | 1895 | MR 18 | St Croix | 1895 | MR 7 |
| Argentina | 1885 | JY 2 | St Thomas | 1893 | ? |
| AUSTRALIAN STATES | | | Denmark | 1891 | JY 23 |
| New South Wales | 1884 | | Dominican Rep | 1889 | JY 22 |
| Queensland | 1892 | DE 30 | Dutch East Indies | 1882 | MR 6 |
| South Australia | | | Dutch Guiana | 1888 | OC 8 |
| Victoria | 1893 | OC 16 | Egypt | 1888 | FE 11 |
| Tasmania | 1894 | | Finland | 1889 | JY 20 |
| Western Aus | 1898 | AP 18 | France | 1879 | |
| Austria | 1879 | | Germany | 1880 | |
| Bohemia | | | Gibraltar | 1889 | |
| Hungary | 1888 | | Great Britain | 1880 | AP 20 |
| Czech | 1886 | AP 16 | Greece | 1890 | |
| | | | Guatemala | 1885 | MR 12 |
| Bahamas | 1894 | MY 4 | Hawaii | 1894 | |
| Barbados | 1887 | JY 5 | Holland/Netherlands | 1881 | MR 9 |
| Belgium | 1880 | NO 3 | Honduras | 1892 | |
| Bermuda | 1885 | ? | Hong Kong | 1885 | MY 1 |
| Bolivia | 1893 | JY 4 | Hungary | 1893 | MY 28 |
| Bosnia & Herzegovina | | | Iceland | 1898 | FE 18 |
| Brazil | 1883 | OC 2 | India | 1891 | FE 2 |
| Br. Central African Rep. | | | Ireland | 1892 | MR 16 |
| Br. Guiana | 1886 | JY 24 | Italy | 1892 | JA 23 |
| Br. Honduras | 1892 | FE 8 | Jamaica | 1880 | MR 15 |
| Br. Somaliland | | | Japan | 1891 | JY 25 |
| British Treaty Ports in China | | | Latvia | 1896 | |
| Canton | 1896 | AU 24 | Luxemburg | 1882 | |
| Chefoo | 1888 | JY 6 | Macao | 1893 | |
| Foochow | 1896 | SP 9 | Madagascar | 1894 | OC 12 |
| Shanghai | 1894 | SP 13 | Malta | 1892 | JA 28 |
| Tiensin | 1888 | OC 22 | Mexico | 1881 | JU 24 |
| Bulgaria | 1886 | MR 22 | Newfoundland | 1880 | |
| Canary Islands | | | New Zealand | 1895 | MY 27 |
| Ceylon | 1893 | NO 21 | Norway | 1885 | SP 27 |
| Chile | 1893 | NO 6 | Palestine | 1898 | AP 16 |
| China | 1889 | | Paraguay | 1895 | JA 15 |
| Colombia | 1886 | JY 26 | Persia | 1894 | NO 19 |
| Congo Free State | | | Peru | 1883 | OC 17 |
| Cuba | 1894 | DE 18 | Philippines | 1893 | JA 3 |
| Curacao | 1886 | JA 18 | Portugal | 1890 | OC 21 |
| | | | Puerto Rico | 1883 | OC 17 |

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|-----------------------|------|---------|--------------------|------|-------|
| Roumania | 1881 | DE 16 | Straits Settlement | 1887 | AP 28 |
| Russia | 1890 | JA 29 1 | Sweden | 1881 | OC 10 |
| Salvador | 1886 | JA 6 | Switzerland | 1883 | JU 20 |
| Siam | 1893 | MR 16? | Trinidad | 1882 | JU 22 |
| South Africa | 1886 | AP 9 | Tunisia | 1893 | JY 25 |
| Spain | 1885 | JU 2 | Turkey | 1885 | FE 23 |
| St. Kitts | 1887 | NO 13 | Uruguay | 1887 | OC 12 |
| St. Pierre & Miquelon | 1888 | FE 10 | Venezuela | 189? | MR 26 |
| St. Vincent | 1894 | NO 8 | Zanzibar | 1891 | MR 27 |

Many thanks for those who have contributed to the census of P4 usages. More reports are always welcome; send to lloydwill@aol.com.

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What's New in Postal Stationery:

Canada Post has continued to issue a number of new items, and for a full view of these, we have created a pdf online, which you can view by clicking on this link, or by pasting it into your browser.

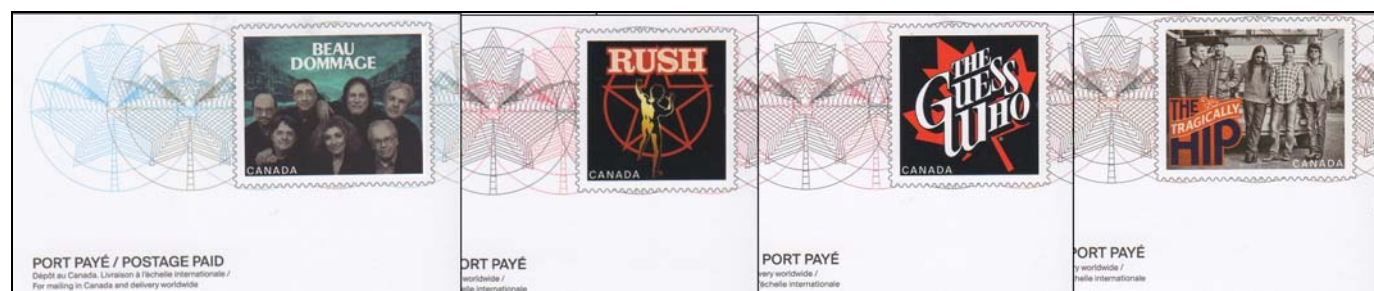
<http://home.comcast.net/~psnotes/pdf/NewissuesOct13.pdf>

(Please open this link in Internet Explorer or Safari. It does not work in Chrome, and may not work in Firefox)*

For members who do not have an online connection, please send a card to J. Walton, 125 Turtleback Road, Califon, NJ 07830, and we will mail you a printed copy.

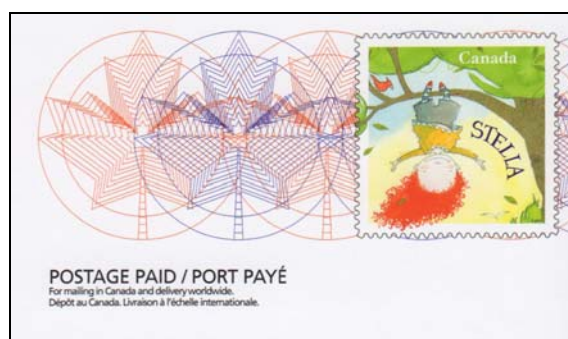
July 5, 2013 saw two new entries for Children's Literature, joining four Franklin cards issued last year. This year two cards were issued for Stella, one with Stella hanging from a tree, the other with a young boy. These are shown on the following page – including an error discovered by Dudley Nash.

On July 17, 2013, Canada Post added four more Canadian Recording Artists post cards to this series which began in 2007 – this making a total of 16 so far, sets of 4 issued every other year. The stamp dies for these cards are shown below, and closely resemble the view sides of the cards. They are available singly or in a set of 4, and include *Beau Damage*, *Rush*, *The Guess Who*, and *The Tragically Hip*.



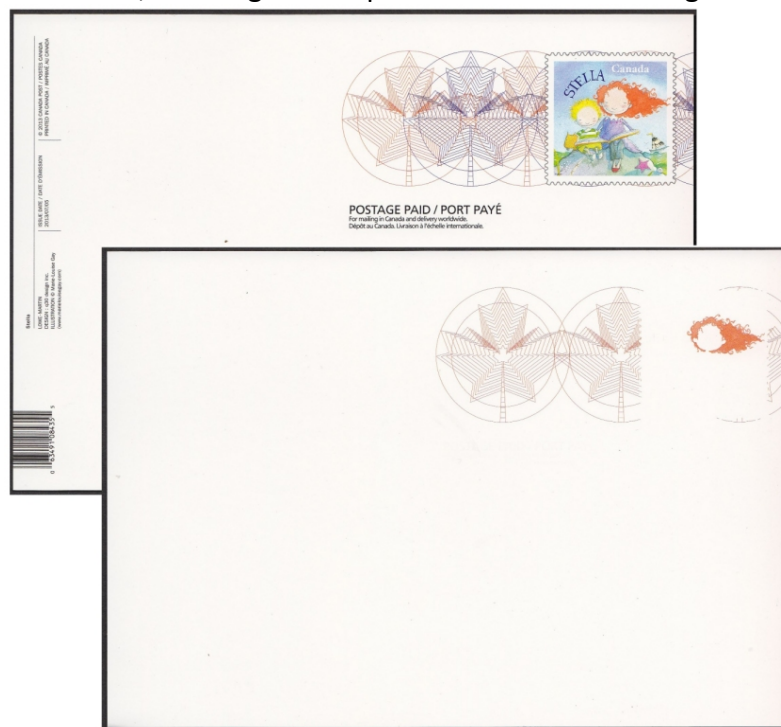
* Our apologies. Hopefully by next issue this link will be on PSNotes web page and work more universally.

The **Stella** cards, featuring the illustrations of Marie-Louise Gay and honoring Children's Literature, were issued on July 5, 2013, with the following stamp dies: The card views replicate the stamps.



In late August, when Dudley Nash (BNAPS member but not a PSSG member) picked up copies of these at the Montreal Philatelic counter, a missing color error was discovered when the clerk attempted to scan the card. The face (illustration) side of the card was correct, but the address side showed only the red color printed. No other copies were amongst the ones on sale.

Stella card, showing the misprinted card over the original



In addition to these cards, on September 3rd a set of **7 NHL Jersey post cards** was issued, in conjunction with stamps and other hockey material. A Collector's Album collection of various items from Canada Post relating to this issue is being offered for \$99.95 (only 10,000 available). It includes a "unique collectible card exclusive to this collection." However, you will be relieved to know that this card is NOT a post card or so Antigonish tells me – no postage or address lines, but simply a souvenir card picturing Wayne Gretsky. So rest easy – you do not need to buy this album to get an elusive postal stationery item.

Vancouver Canucks stamp die



Ottawa Senators stamp die



What will no doubt be a popular group of cards was issued on Sept. 10, 2013 honoring the superhero Superman and his Canadian co-creator Joe Shuster (the American part of the duo being Jerry Siegel) in 1938. This is actually two sets of 5 cards each – one set reproduces covers of comics, the other shows the same images as are produced on stamps issued at the same time.



One of the most interesting things about the Superman cards is that, although featuring a “to-anywhere” stamp, they are available for sale only within Canada, so U.S. and other buyers will have to work through their Canadian friends to acquire mint sets. They can however be mailed to the US or abroad.

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New P1 ERP!

Colin Banfield

Colin Banfield told us in Charlottetown about a new (June 3, 1871) ERP for P1, and has sent a photocopy. The previous recorded ERP was June 5 (2 examples known) -- a Monday – while this example from Ontario’s Medical Registration Office is from the preceding Saturday.



Fig. 1, showing a Hamilton, C.W. split ring showing JU 3, 1871, and confirmed on back by the Medical Registration Office/Province of/Ontario cancel dated Jun 3, 1871.

ADDITIONAL PRINTED CORNERS ON POST BANDS & WRAPPERS

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I have unearthed another wrapper from the stamp caves. It is shown below:

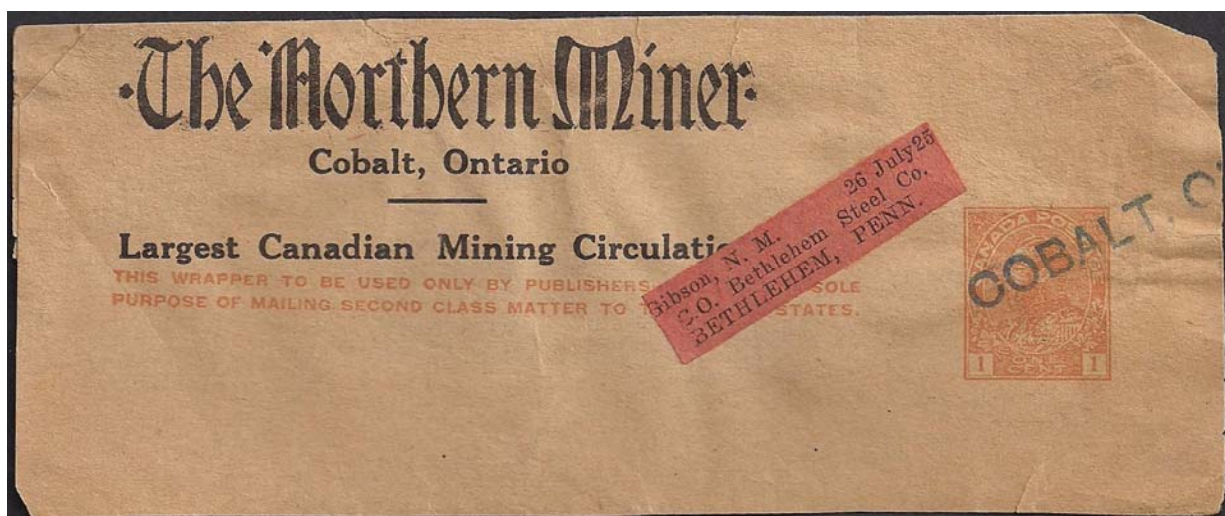


Fig. 18: A W13d (die 1) wrapper with a corner for The Northern Miner, Cobalt, Ontario, with a Cobalt, Ont. straight line cancel, apparently used in July 1925.

A few more from Bill Walton are shown below. If any others have more, let us hear from you.

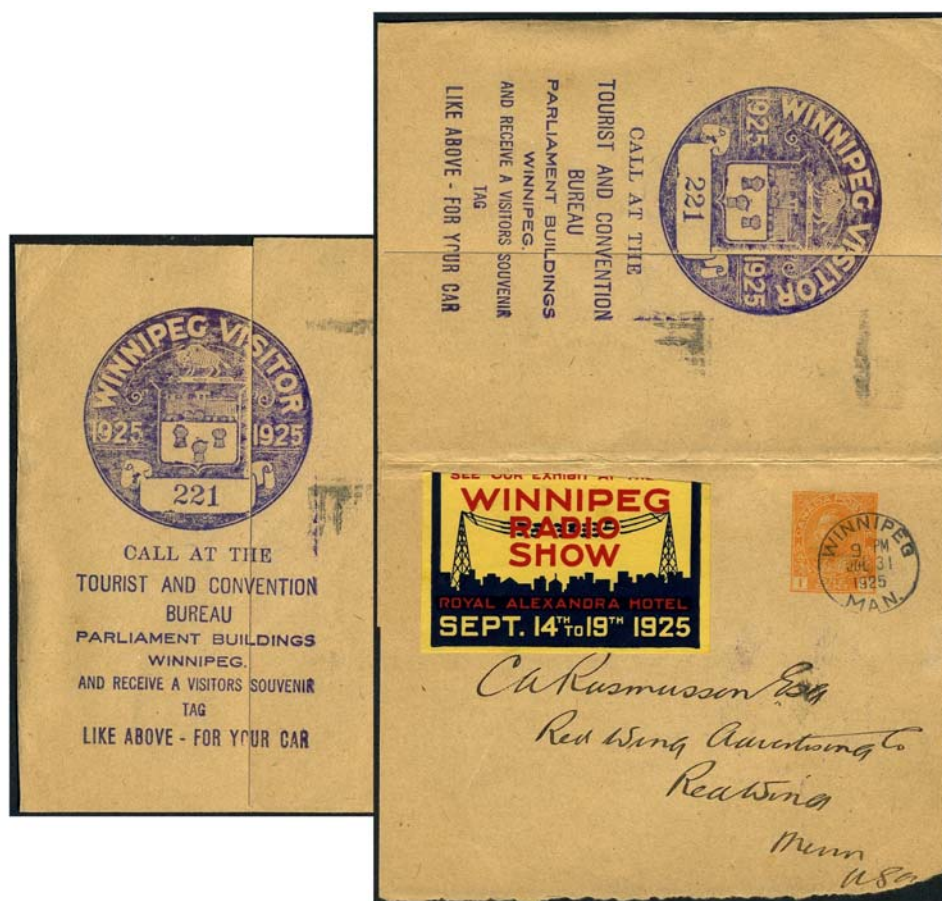
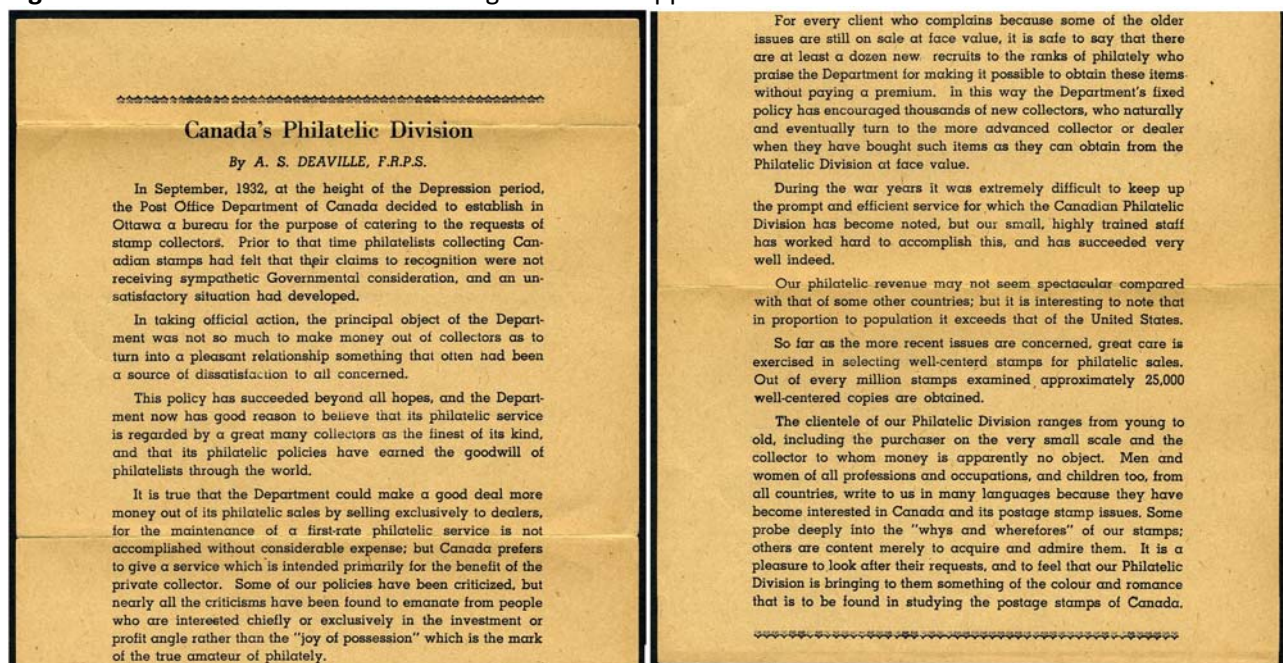


Fig. 19. A W13 postband (die 2), used in Winnipeg in July 31, 1925 cancel, sent to Minnesota. It is shown vertically and horizontally, to show the Winnipeg Tourist and Convention Bureau corner. It also carries a label for the Winnipeg Radio Show, to be held in September of 1925.



Fig. 20: A Souvenir wrapper (W13f) prepared by the Ford Employees' Stamp Club for their annual banquet, and carrying a favor cancel from the Walkerville Sta. of the Windsor post office dated Nov. 7. 1946. No doubt passed around for signatures at the banquet, it is signed by well-known Canadian philatelists L Seale Holmes, Fred Jarrett, and H Deaville (author of the article on the Philatelic Division). The text on the inside is shown below, divided to make it more legible. A nice souvenir!

Fig. 20a: the inside text runs the full length of the wrapper.



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Unusual and Exotic Postal Stationery Usages

The twelfth in our continuing series. We welcome contributions to this series from other members.

12: A Special Delivery Post Card with the Queen Victoria Special Delivery Issue:

By George B. Dresser

Special delivery post cards are scarce. I have only two examples during the King Edward VII period, the one shown here and one on a private post card concerning a passenger arriving on a late train.



Fig. 1: Posted: Orillia, Ont. SP 28, 1904, Received: Toronto, SP 28 04 on reverse
1-cent domestic rate plus 10-cents special delivery fee, log-in number 1741. Webb P22.

The message reads: "Orillia, Sept. 28/04, Gentlemen: Yesterdays bread did not come to hand nor is it here today. It will be too late to be sent out by tomorrow. Yours, Fred Haywood"

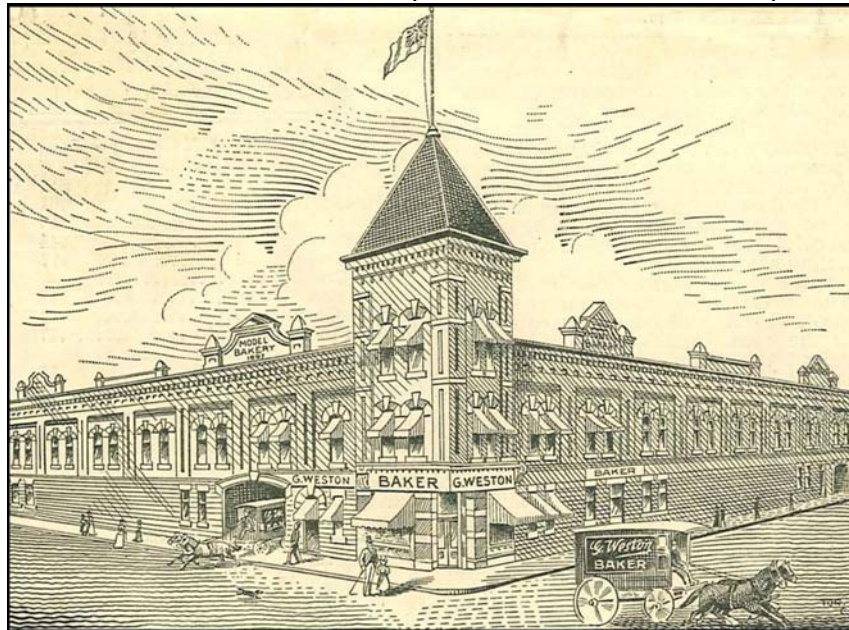


Fig. 2: G. Weston Model Bakery Toronto, 1899

The following Wikipedia article gives an interesting look into the Weston bakery business:

“In October 1897, George Weston unveiled his ‘Model Bakery,’ Canada’s largest and most modern bread factory, at the corner of Soho and Phoebe streets in Toronto. Newspaper reports told of how Weston had travelled to other countries to inspect the latest in baking technology and that his new establishment represented the best of what he had seen. Not only was the factory hailed for its efficiency and cleanliness, but also its capacity to turn out thousands of loaves of bread:

“Remember that bread alone is made in this immense factory, and such bread it is that has made the name of its maker famous. Over 3200 large loaves are turned out on an average daily, but the factory has a capacity of 6,500 loaves. One may judge the largeness of the business done weekly when it takes nearly three hundreds barrels of flour to supply the weekly demand. Two teams are kept busy all day Friday and Saturday hauling flour to supply the week’s needs.



Fig. 3: Model Bakery Bread Wagon Toronto, 1908

“Although the Model Bakery was well received by the Toronto press, its appearance resulted in a price war, apparently initiated by the city’s other bakers. On hearing that competitors were offering cut-rate bread – contrary to a local bakers’ agreement that set a standard price for a loaf of bread – George Weston left the bakers’

association and lowered his prices. In retaliation, the competition dropped what they charged at the wholesale level in an apparent attempt to fill store shelves with their bread. In spite of the price war, the Model Bakery continued to expand production such that a year later business had increased by 78 percent. Less than two years later George Weston was selling his bread to 38 cities and towns beyond Toronto’s borders. By 1901, the factory’s output had reached 10,000 large loaves a day and its bread was shipped to over 100 communities throughout Ontario. By 1899, Weston had also established in the town of Oshawa, northeast of Toronto, a branch bakeshop, which he described as a ‘miniature Model Bakery,’ for the production of bread.”

Source: Wikipedia: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/George_Weston_Limited (Sept 25, 2013) The post card is my own; the other two pictures shown appear in the Wikipedia article. A great deal more history of Weston’s bakery business is available on the mentioned web site. This company still operates today and is traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

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We will shortly begin a listing of water level cards. If you have any to contribute, please send information and scans to Earle Covert, ecovert6@gmail.com, or Box 1190. Raymond AB T0K 2S0.