

Postal Stationery Notes

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REGISTERED POST CARD USAGE:

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Registered post cards are scarce and cards to foreign destinations even more so. This one is from a March Harmers Auction, which I unfortunately did not win.



Fig. 1: Harmer Auction 17, March 1-2, Lot #1254. Estimated at CHF250, this item sold for 320 Swiss francs, (US \$357, CN \$387).

Two thoughts on this three-cents overpaid cover:

- One, the sender thought incorrectly that registered mail required first class postage. It did not.
- Two, the post card is philatelic or a contrivance by the sender. If one had a scan of the reverse it might offer some insight. However, the auction did not provide a scan of the reverse of the card.

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What's New in Postal Stationery:

New Issues, on hold until the increase in postal rates, have appeared in abundance now that those rates have taken effect. We now have the following:

- A new set of **Baby Animals**, 5 cards featuring the baby beaver, mountain goat, puffin, wapiti and burrowing owl. Postage paid to anywhere. Issued March 31, 2014.
- **UNESCO World Heritage sites, Part 1** of a new series, showing magnificent vistas at 5 of Canada's UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Issued March 31, 2014. Postcards (set of 5, (#262381).
 - Gros Morne National Park (NL)
 - Joggins Fossil Cliffs (NS)
 - Canadian Rocky Mountain Parks (AB & BC)
 - Nahanni National Park (NT)
 - Miguasha National Park (QC)
- **Royal Ontario Museum 100th Anniversary**, 3 cards, issue date April 14, 2014 (#262388, 262389, & 262390).
- **Roses**, 2 additions to the flower cards, issued April 23, 2014 (#262391 & #262392).
- **UNESCO World Heritage sites, Part 2**, another set of 5 cards, Issued May 16, 2014 (set of 5, #232399).
 - Lunenburg (NS)
 - SGang Gwaay, (BC)
 - Rideau Canal (ON)
 - Grand Pré,(NS)
 - Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump.(AB)
- **Empress of Ireland**: This is one of Canada Post's "special sets," issued to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the sinking of this ship in 1914, and contains a number of collectibles, including, it appears, 4 post cards. Two are only souvenir reproductions of old cards, but two are new postal stationery items: # 262400 & #262401. Issue date is May 29, 2014.
- **Haunted Canada**, a set of 5 cards issued June 13, 2014 featuring the following (set of 5 online & mail order #262365)
 - The Ghost Bride of the Banff Springs Hotel.
 - The St. Louis Light Phantom Train, in Saskatchewan
 - Niagara-on-the-Lake's haunted Fort George.
 - The Château Frontenac's Ghostly Governor Louis de Buade, Count of Frontenac.
 - The Fiery Ship of the Northumberland Strait.
- A new set of 7 cards of **Canadian Photography**, showing the works of Canadian Photographers (set of 7 online & mail order only #262393 – issued July 7, 2014)

For larger pictures of the cards and dies, and more information, visit the 15-page New Issues Supplement at the following link: <http://home.comcast.net/~psnotes/pdf/NewissuesJul14.pdf>.

In addition, Robert Lemire reports a new date found on "current" postage-prepaid envelopes

- animal-envelope date 06.06.13

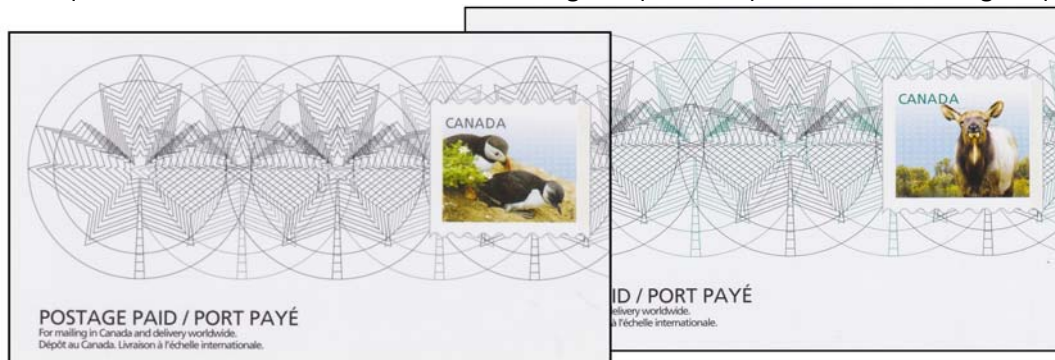
March 31, 2014: Additions to the **Baby Animals** series. Dies for these issues are shown below. Full images of these and other cards are in the online New Issues Supplement.



baby beaver (#262382)

burrowing owl (#262383)

mountain goat (#262384)



puffin (#262385)

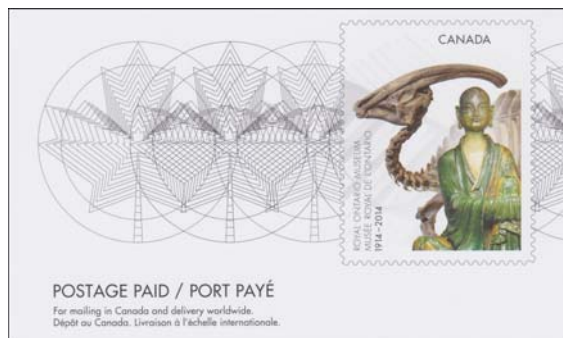
wapiti (#262386)

March 31, 2014: The first of two sets of **UNESCO cards**. Shown below are the stamp dies for the first UNESCO set. Postage Paid / Port Payé.

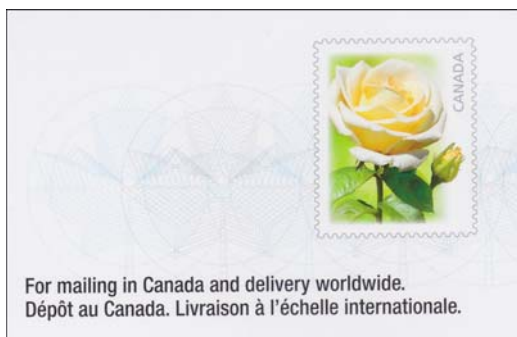


Gros Morne, NL (#262376), Joggins, NS (#262377), Rockies, AB & BC (#262378), Nahanni, NT (#262379), & Miguasha, QC (#262380).

April 14, 2014: Royal Ontario Museum's 100th Anniversary – three cards, prepaid to anywhere. These dies replicate the designs on two of the cards; the third card is an image of the new main entrance to the Royal Ontario Museum, The Michael Lee-Chin Crystal, and uses the Chinese figure & dinosaur die on its address side. (#262388, 262389, & 262390)



April 23, 1914 Roses: Shown below are the stamp dies for this set. (#262391 & #262392).



Note the use of the “For mailing in Canada....” instead of the current “Postage Paid / Port Payé” – this matches earlier flower cards.

May 16, 2014: A second set of UNESCO cards: Below are the stamp dies these cards.



Lunenburg, NS (#262394), SGang Gwaay BC (#262395), Rideau Canal, ON (#262396), Grand Pré, NS (#262397), and Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump, AB (#262398)

May 29, 2014: Empress of Ireland 100th Anniversary – Two cards



Empress of Ireland die replicating the domestic stamp image (close view) (#262400).



Empress of Ireland die replicating the souvenir sheet image (at a distance) (#262401).

June 13, 2014: Haunted Canada: A set of five cards



262360: The Ghost Bride of Banff Springs Hotel.



262361: The St. Louis Light Phantom Train



262362: Haunted Fort George.



262363: Ghostly Count of Frontenac.



262364: The Fiery Ship of the Northumberland Strait

July 7, 2014: Canadian Photography – new additions with a set of 7 cards

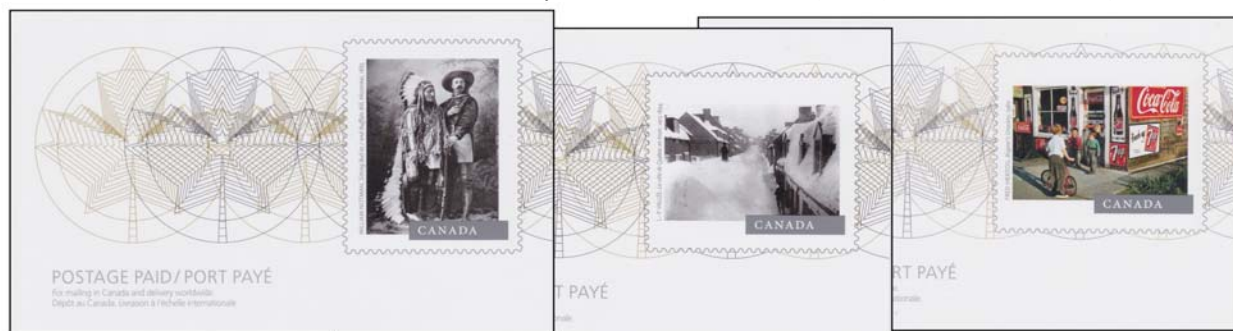
Dies for the Photography cards are shown below:



Railcuts #1

Lynne Cohen's Untitled (1970)

Chinese man (circa 1912)



Sitting Bull and Buffalo Bill (1885)

St. Joseph's Convent School (1960)

Bogner's Grocery (1960).



Quebec City in Winter (1894)

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COME TO BNAPEX! Aug. 29-31 in Baltimore!

This year's BNAPEX is held in conjunction with BALPEX in Baltimore. The PSSG meeting is scheduled from 11AM to noon on Sunday, August 31. We hope to see you there! For more information, go to <http://www.bnaps.org/bnapex/>.

SEARCHING FOR A NEW PS NOTES EDITOR:

Does anyone out there think they might like to take over the job of editing Notes? The current editor (me) is finding that she does not have the time to serve you properly,. If anyone is willing to take over this job, it would be to everyone's benefit. Please let Earle or me know. If you have questions about what is involved, please ask. Jwalton971@aol.com

PCF Corner

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Two new views have been reported, and one card has been re-issued with a borderless view. Three other borderless cards have been reprinted using die IIIc, and one card has been found reprinted with the revised PCF logo (reported by Pierre Gauthier).

Strangely, on the cards with new views, TOR 182 and CNT 002 (shown below), the bar codes are identical—64392 00443 at the bottom left, 73418 34384 top-centre. Judging from numbers on the PCF order list, TOR 182 should have been printed with the bottom-left bar code 64392 00442.

PCF-T3G (white border, die IIIc)

NF143 (new PCF logo, previously known with the old PCF logo)

PCF-T3H (borderless, die IIIc)

C 327 IIIc (borderless version of C327V), new logo, U1, stamp impression at bottom

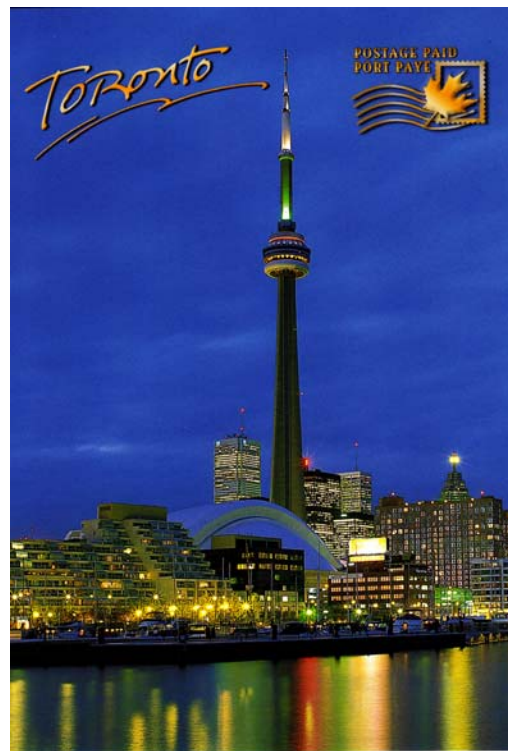
Q074V IIIc, old logo, U1, stamp impression at bottom

O 109V IIIc, old logo, U1, stamp impression at bottom

VCT 042 IIIc, old logo, U1



TOR 182



CNT 002

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A Reply Card Error

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At first glance this is a scruffy used copy of Webb's P47, the 1¢ green + 1¢ green Arch Issue reply card with English language headings. Indeed, it is apparent that an adhesive has been roughly removed from the (unused) reply half.



On closer examination the message half has a short printed black bar below "CANADA POST CARD", and underneath that black bar is "(REPLY) ." So the card was prepared with two printed "reply" halves and no printed message half. The relative orientation of the two stamp impressions is identical to that on a normal copy of P47. The impressions are both on the edge of the card closest to the fold, and that precludes the card being a cutting variety. Of course the black bar itself still could have been applied by the printing firm that applied supplementary printing to both sides of the card rather than by the British American Bank Note Company. Regardless, the error was applied to a large enough number of cards that it was in someone's interest to apply the printed blackout bar. Does anyone else have a similar card, or a P47 from the same user and July 1932 mailing, but without the error?

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Additional Printed Corners On Post Bands & Wrappers

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Another postband with printed corner.

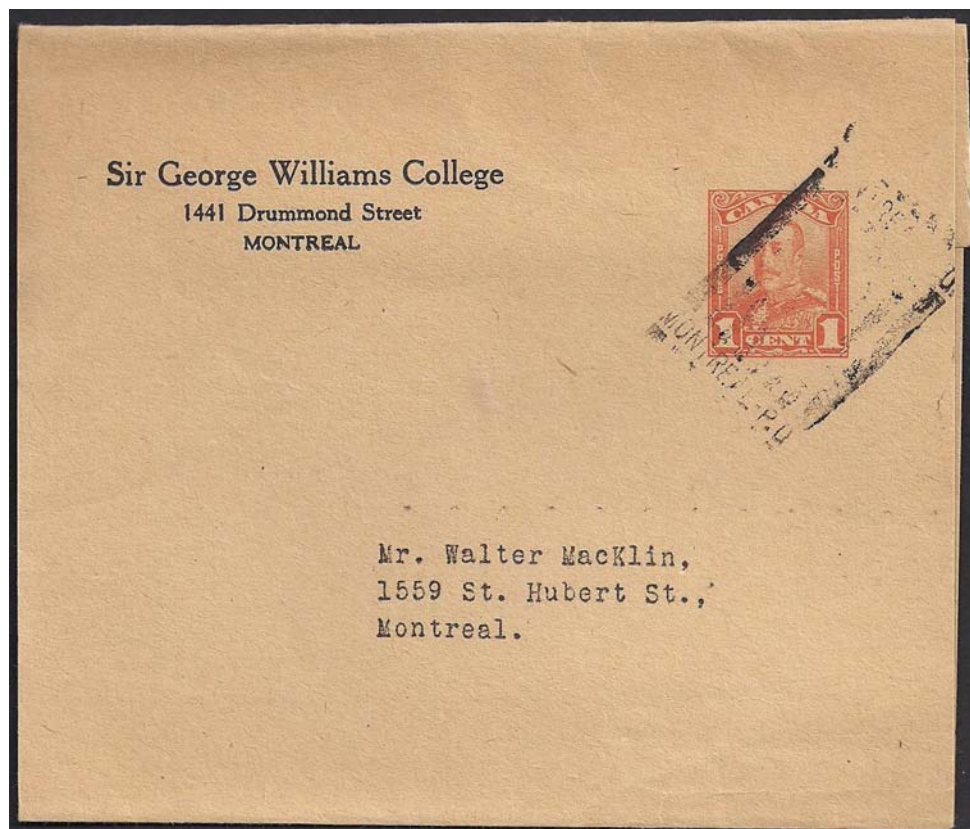


Fig. 23: A W14 1¢ orange Scroll postband with a corner from Sir George Williams College.

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Unusual and Exotic Postal Stationery Usages

The fourteenth in our continuing series. We welcome contributions from other members.

14: Post card used to Cambodia in 1897

Vic Willson

Courtesy of the "Beaver Chatter"—the Prairie Beaver's newsletter (Volume 39, No. 1, Whole Number 141, March 2014), we have this nice item supplied by its editor, Vic Willson:

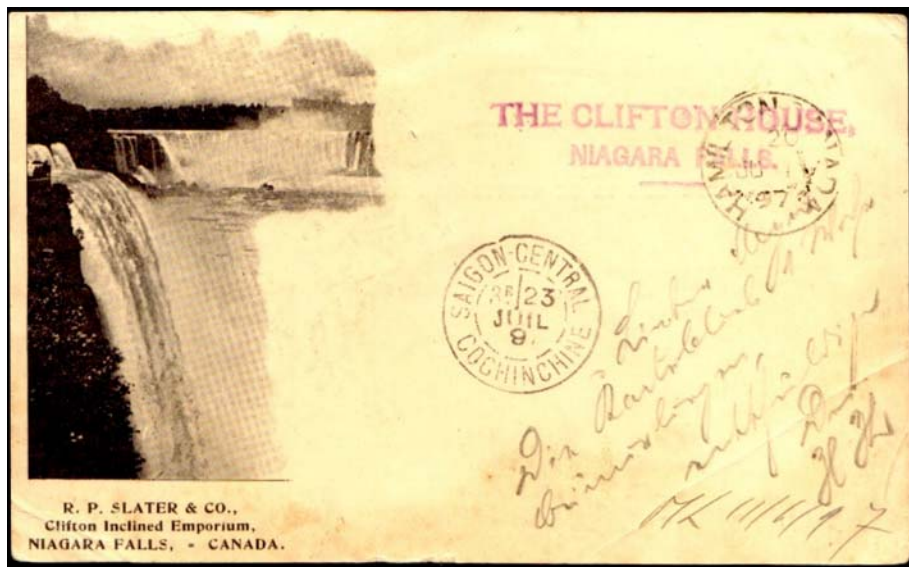


Fig 1A & B: P14, with a Niagara Falls view (NF14-10) on the reverse, and a Clifton House stamp handstamp in red, sent from Niagara Falls, ONT on June 11, 1897. The June 11 Hamilton cancel shows it did not go across the border, but instead to London (UK, June 23) and on to Saigon (July 23), and finally to Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

The post card above was acquired by myself at the recent Eastern Auctions sale. It is the first item I have recorded to Cambodia in the Victorian era. Sent to Phnom Penh from Niagara Falls, Ont. on June 11, it went to Hamilton rather than across the border to the U.S., presumably then to Toronto and Montreal. With a London UK transit of June 23, a slow time for that period, it would have gone across to France for entry into the French mail system in order to connect with French colonial mail service via Saigon, as the transit on the back attests. My other cards to French Indochina are to Vietnam in the Edward period and went west for Pacific ships that would have put into Hong Kong as the transit point. The message is in German, a souvenir from Niagara Falls.

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