

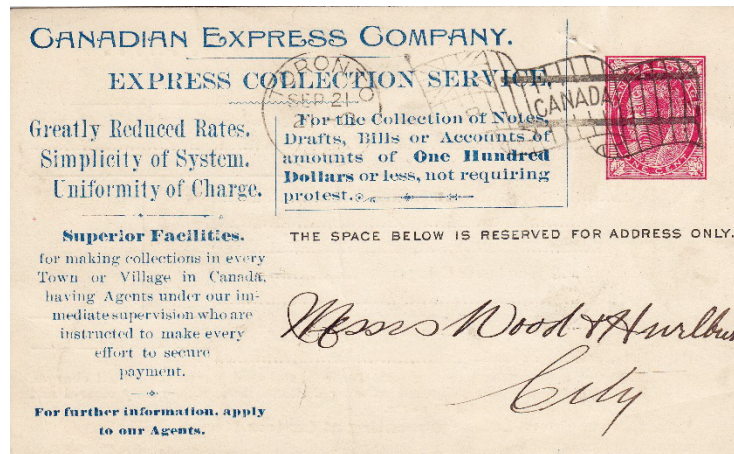
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Another Canadian Express Company "Collection Service" card reported.

Doug Lingard has reported the card shown below. The vertical line (solid) at the mid left does *not* extend below "THE SPACE BELOW ...", even under a magnifying glass (and it is not dotted). The manuscript date (on the back) is Sept. 21 1899. Bill Walton has examined a scan, and agrees that the card has not been reported previously. In the Webb's Catalogue he believes that the card should follow CS4, and precede CS5.



Haunted Canada—a translation error by Canada Post

by Peter McCarthy

In the description of one of the "Haunted Canada" prepaid postcards shown on page 20 of PSN Vol. 27, No. 2, Canada Post made a glaring mistake in the translation of "BRAKEMAN". This should have been a "SERRE-FREINS". A "CHEF DE TRAIN" is a "conductor" who was once in complete charge of a train. Today he is in charge of movement and shares responsibility with a locomotive engineer. In today's world a brakeman is now known as a trainman or yardman or an assistant conductor working under the supervision of a conductor.

PCF Corner

By Robert Lemire: rlemire000@sympatico.ca – December 9, 2015

New Variety (Die IIIc)

Only one new variety has been reported (by Raymond Gagné):

VQ027 PCF in logo (previously reported with PCF *not* in logo)

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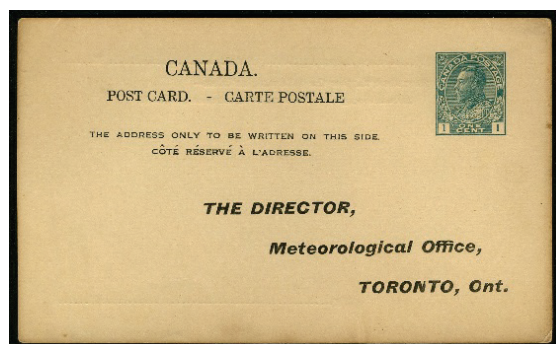
Postal Stationery for Meteorological Reports.—The post cards.

Part 2: The Georgian cards

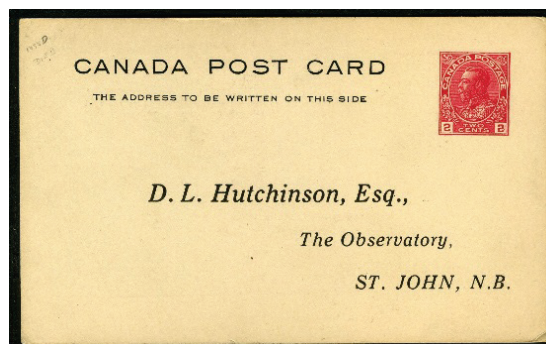
This is the second in an ongoing series of articles showing Canadian post cards used by the meteorological service (see PSN Vol. 27, (No. 2), pp. 11-14). Numbering in the list is *for convenience only, and tentative*. In many cases the printing sequence is not obvious. If the project is successful, and more is learned about the offices and the chronology, the numbering system almost certainly will change

Listings

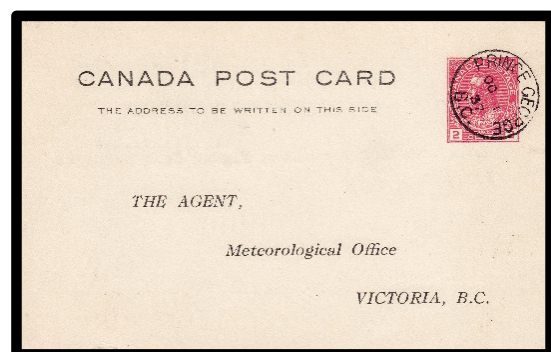
Webb's No. (7th edn.)	assigned temporary number	office addressed	distinguishing details (case and italics as on the card)	reporter
P27i	DMP27i-a	Toronto	<i>DIRECTOR, TORONTO</i>	BW
P33f	DMP33f-a	St. John	<i>Hutchinson, ST. JOHN</i>	BW
	DMP33f-b	Victoria	<i>AGENT, VICTORIA</i>	RL
P34l	DMP34l-a	St. John	<i>HUTCHINSON, St. John</i>	BW
	DMP34l-b	Toronto	<i>DIRECTOR, TORONTO</i>	BW
P34f	DMP34f-a	St. John	<i>Agent, (HUTCHINSON) St. John</i>	RL
P34b	DMP34b-a	Edmonton	<i>AGENT, EDMONTON</i> (added Type 6 heading)	RL
P34e	DMP34e-a	Edmonton	<i>AGENT, EDMONTON</i>	BW,RL
P42c	DMP42c-a	St. John	<i>Agent, ST. JOHN ("T" under "y")</i>	BW,RL
P50b	DMP50b-a	St. John	<i>Agent, ST. JOHN ("S" under "y")</i>	RL
	DMP50b-b	Toronto	<i>DIRECTOR, TORONTO</i>	BW
P66	DMP66-a	Winnipeg	<i>OFFICE, WINNIPEG</i> (typewritten address)	BW
P66	DMP66-b	Winnipeg	<i>OFFICE, WINNIPEG</i> (printed address)	BW
P66	DMP66-c	Toronto	<i>Controller, Toronto</i>	BW



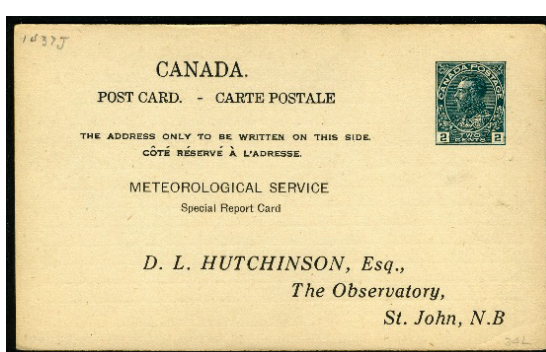
DMP27i-a
DIRECTOR, TORONTO



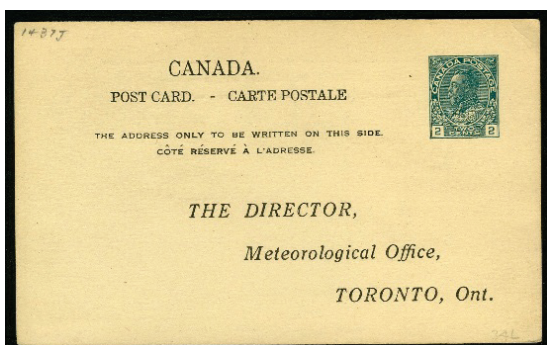
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Hutchinson, ST. JOHN



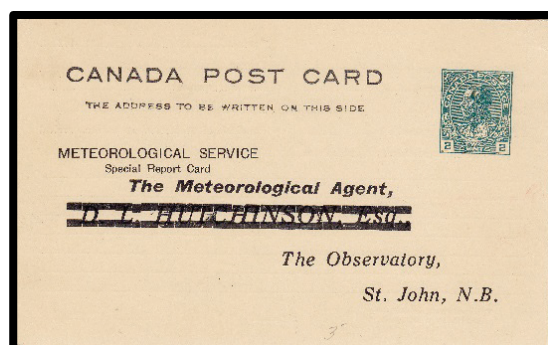
DMP33f-b
AGENT, VICTORIA



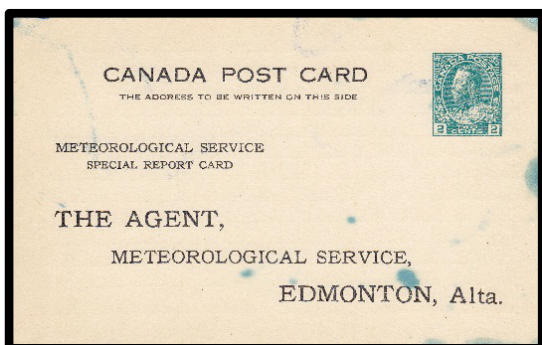
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HUTCHINSON, St. John



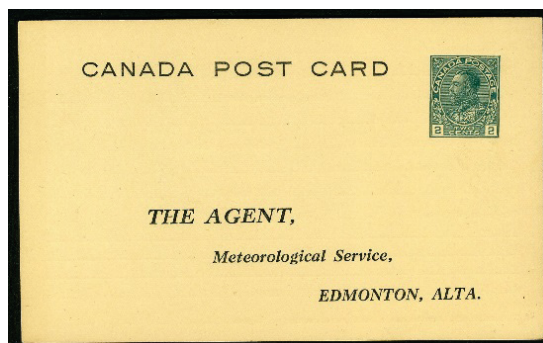
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DIRECTOR, TORONTO



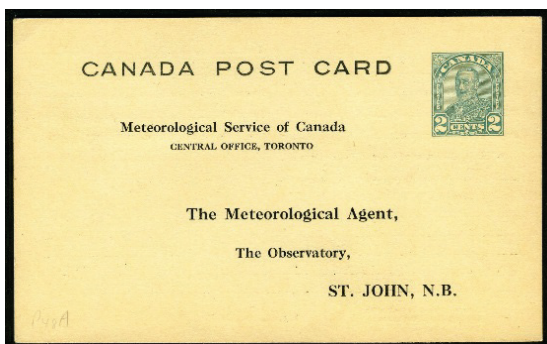
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Agent, (HUTCHINSON) St. John



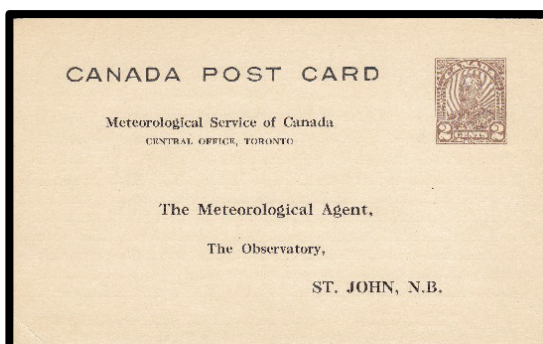
DMP34b-a
AGENT, EDMONTON (added Type 6 heading)



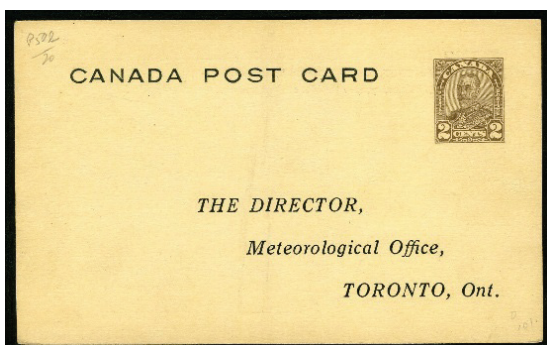
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AGENT, EDMONTON



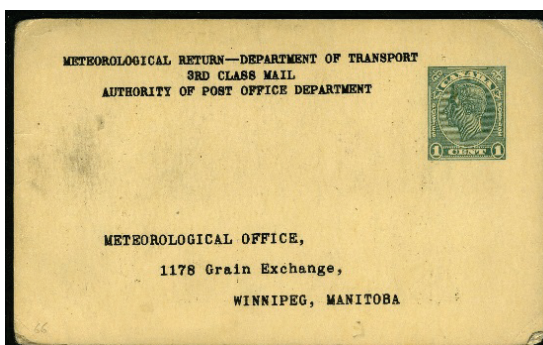
DMP42c-a
Agent, ST. JOHN ("T" under "y")



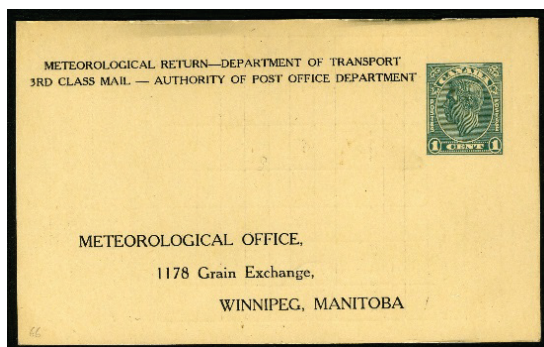
DMP50b-a
Agent, ST. JOHN ("S" under "y")



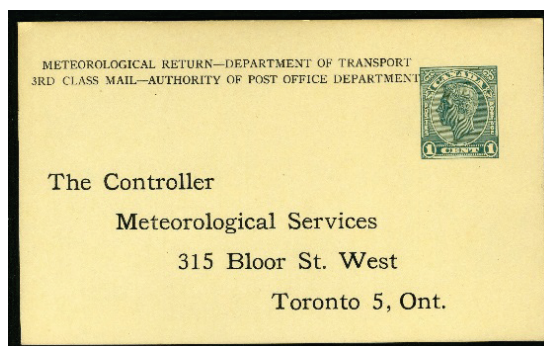
DMP50b-b
DIRECTOR, TORONTO



DMP66-a
OFFICE, WINNIPEG (typewritten address)



DMP66-b
OFFICE, WINNIPEG (printed address)



DMP66-c
Controller, Toronto

Updates to the list of Victorian cards

Webb's No. (7th edn.)	assigned temporary number	office addressed	distinguishing details	reporter *
P2	DMP2-b	Toronto	Superintendent, 1st line italic, title case " <i>The</i> "	BW
	DMP2-c	Toronto	Superintendent, 1st line italic, upper case " <i>THE</i> "	PG
	DMP2-d	Toronto	Superintendent, 1st line not italic, title case " <i>The</i> "	PG

* reporters: BW (Bill Walton); PG (Pierre Gauthier); RL (Robert Lemire)



DMP2-c
"THE SUPERINTENDENT, / Meteorological Office,"
1st line italic, upper case "THE"



DMP2-d
"The SUPERINTENDENT, / Meteorological Office."
1st line not italic, title case "The"

NOTE FOR COMPARISON: DMP2-b "*The SUPERINTENDENT, / Meteorological Office,*" 1st line italic, title case "*The*"

Pierre Gauthier also notes that his copy of DMP1-c is a requisition with form quantity and date "500-12-74.", his copy of DMP2-b is an acknowledgment of receipt for articles with form quantity and date "1000-8-77.", and his copy of DMP2-c (receipt of special weather telegrams) has a form quantity and date "500—12—78.". Pierre and Robert Lemire have copies of DMP7-f (receipt of special weather telegrams) with a form quantity and date "10,000-10-'91.".

Reports (scans) from members are requested and, indeed, are necessary if this project is to provide input for the next edition of Webb's. Information on date of use (or possible form numbers) also could prove helpful.

Santa Claus Letters for 2015

Pierre Gauthier has sent the following information about the Canada Post guidelines provided for replying to letters mailed to Santa Claus. The following letter varieties are being used:

- Three versions of the letter sent before Christmas with the following letters before the serial number on the back:
 - EB1, EB2 and EB3 for letters in English
 - FB1, FB2 and FB3 for letters in French;
- Class letters for the period before Christmas (BC):
 - EBC for the class letter in English and FBC for the one in French;
- Postcards for letters received after Christmas:
 - EA for the cards in English and FA for the ones in French;
- Class letters for the period after Christmas (AC):
 - EAC for the class letter in English and FAC for the one in French.

Pierre also supplied a picture of the French-language version (FB1) and the postcards, and Earle Covert a picture of the English-language version (EB1).



Illustrated Cards Revisited

by Colin Banfield (cb) and Chris Ellis (ce)

Comic Reverse Advertisements of "The McClary Manufacturing Co., London, Ontario"

We refer to the article by Chris in *Postal Stationery Notes*, Vol. 20, No. 6 (pp. 56-59), concerning these fascinating cards sent by McClary's travelling salesmen to advise clients of their intending arrival to tout for business. In this paper we update the original contribution with new data. We have discovered additional copies of those described in the article and also, one additional new type. For ease of reference we have kept the same numbering system as in the previous article.

Card #1

Postal stationery card: *Webb P7*

Format: vertical

Design: salesman laden with utensils walking along a railway track (see illustration at end of article).

Inscription: "If the walking stays good I will be there about.....date & EHG signature"

Sole example: used October 18, 1887 at London, Ontario to West Lorne P.O./Bismarck, Ontario. (ce)

Card #2.

Postal stationery card: *Webb P7*

Format: vertical

Design: salesman laden with utensils riding a mule.

Inscription: "If the mule hold out, I hope to be there about.....date & EHG signature"

Sole example: used in 1888 at London, Ontario to West Lorne P.O./Bismarck, Ontario. (ce)

Card #3.

Postal stationery card: *Webb P7*

Format: horizontal

Design: see image immediately below.

Salesman: Unreadable name (Konnelly?)

Sole example: London to Brantford, Ontario, dated October ?, 1889. (ce)

See Allan L. Steinhart's book: *The Postal History of the Post Card in Canada, 1878-1911*, page 17, published by Mission Press, Toronto, for another example of the reverse of this card used by the same salesman.



Card #4.

Postal stationery card: *Webb P7*

Format: horizontal

Design: see image below.

Signatures: EHG & W. Johns.

Examples: London to Brantford, Ontario, dated March 21, 1890. (W. Johns) (ce)

London to Woodstock, Ontario, dated October 13, 1890. (EHG) (cb)

**Card #5.**

Postal stationery card: *Webb P7*

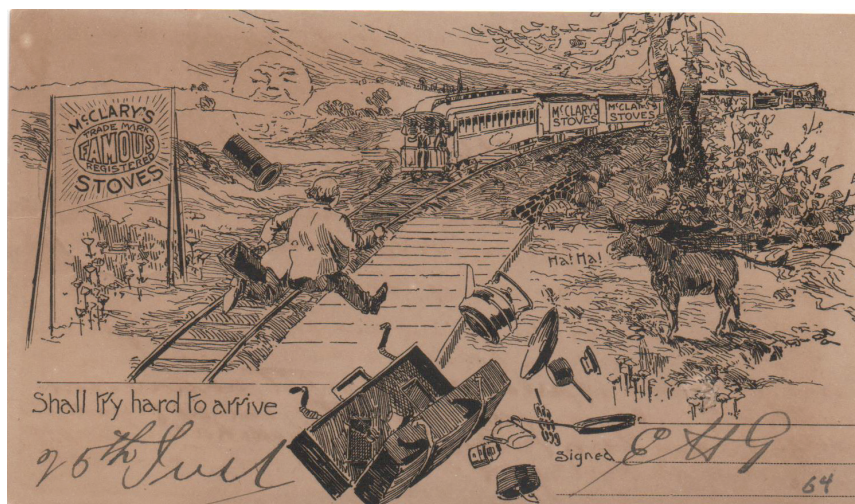
Format: horizontal

Design: see image below.

Signature: EHG.

Examples: GWR Station, London to Hagersville, dated March 7, 1892. (ce)

London to Hagersville, Ontario, dated April 16, 1892. (cb)



Card #6.

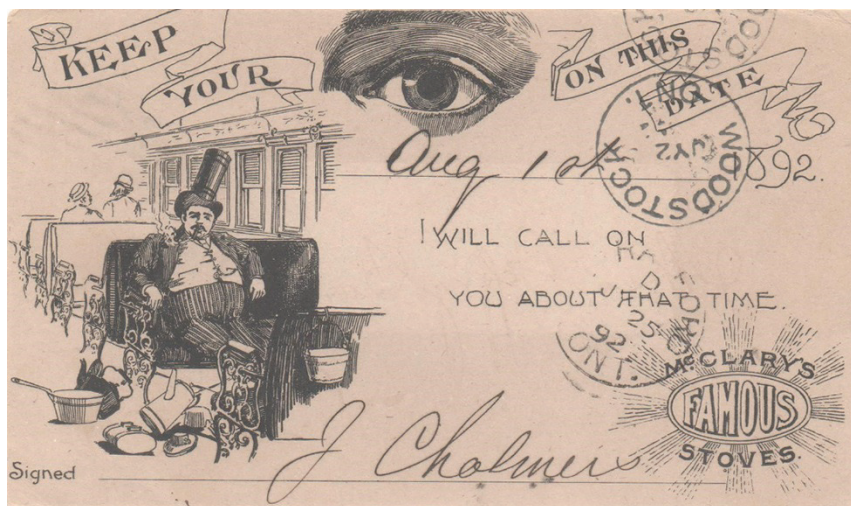
Postal stationery card: *Webb P9*

Format: horizontal

Design: see image below.

Signature: J. Chalmers.

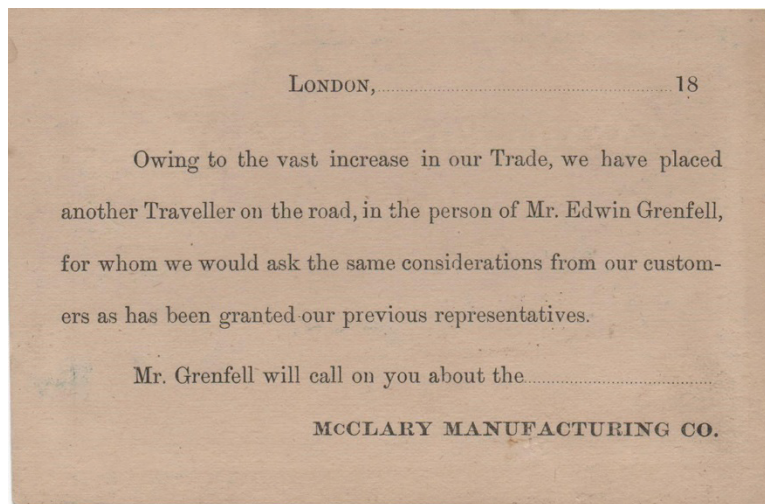
Examples: London to Stratford, Ontario, dated June 14, 1892. (cb)
Stratford to Woodstock, Ontario, dated July 25, 1892. (cb)
London to Stratford, Ontario, dated December 27, 1892. (ce)



The signature EHG.

Colin has recently obtained the unused 1 cent blue P2 card shown below where McClary's announced that they were taking on another traveller by the name of Edwin Grenfell. The initials EHG on cards #1, #2, #4 & #5 almost certainly refers to this gentleman.

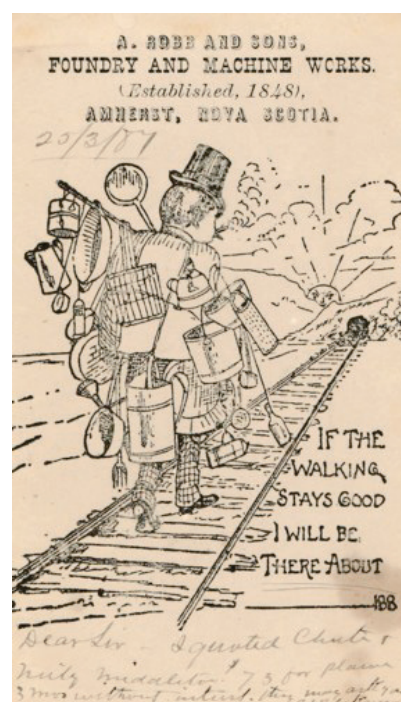
(cb)



A Non McClary Card.

Chris has found a similar card to our #1, which emanated from a firm in Nova Scotia in the same year (1887), and which makes us wonder if these cards were standard designs held by printers and adapted to suit other firms when required. However, Amherst, Nova Scotia, is a long way from London, Ontario, and it may be that this firm saw a McClary example and had a printer copy it for their use.

(cc)



Can any member report other examples from McClary or other firms? We would like to hear from you.

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Chris Ellis cjellis@uwo.ca

Information on cards printed to private order for Ontario Hydro *by Robert Lemire*

In an earlier issue of *Postal Stationery Notes* (Vol. 15, pg. 12 (1998)) it was mentioned that I had obtained information from the Canadian Archives file RG3-acc. 86-87/396 file 13-19-20 concerning the dates and quantities printed for the cards printed to private order for Ontario Hydro. So far as I can tell, these figures have not yet been published. The information in hand is given below. It has been over twenty years since I examined the relevant files, so some transcribed information (marked *)needs to be rechecked some time in the future; however, I believe the dates and quantities printed are of sufficient interest that they should be reported.

CBN printings

form 12

Sept. 1943	200,000	1¢ + 1¢
June 1944	200,000	
Nov. 1944	200,000	
May 1945	200,000	
Feb. 1946	200,000	
July 1946	200,000	
Nov. 1946	400,000	
Jan. 1948	200,000	
Feb. 1946	200,000	
Mar. 1948	200,000	
Mar. 1949	200,000	
Aug. 1949	198,000	
Nov. 1949	200,000	

form 12(?) different style

May 1953	32,000	2¢ + 2¢
Dec. 1956	50,000	

form 11

Sept. 1943	40,000	1¢ + _
Feb. 1946	40,000	
July 1946	40,000	
Jan. 1947	40,000	

form ? different style

Nov. 1950	20,000	1¢ + _ (George VI)
Feb. 1955	40,000	2¢ + _ (Elizabeth II)

Moore Business Forms printings (from PPS dies)

Nov. 1958	550,000	_ + 2¢	Nov. 1958	750,000	4¢ + _
June 1960	550,000				
Sept. 1961	550,000				
Mar. 1963	451,200				
Apr. 1964	406,800	_ + 3¢		form 3-64	
Apr. 1965	437,400			form 2-65	
June 1966	504,000	_ + 3¢ (HEPC initials)		form 57091 rev. 3-66	
June 1967	354,900	_ + 4¢ (HEPC initials)		form 3-66	Cameo
Feb. 1968	~100,000	_ + 4¢ (HEPC initials)		form 57091	Centennial or Cameo? *
Feb. 1968	~50,000			form 57531	Centennial or Cameo? *
June 1968	156,900				Centennial
Dec. 1968	405,000	_ + 6¢ (HEPC initials)		orange	form 9-68
Oct. 1969	205,000	6¢ (HEPC) + 6¢ (HEPC)		orange	form 7-69
June 1970	165,000			black? *	‡
Aug. 1970	205,000			black? *	‡
Dec. 1970	230,000			black? *	‡

end of RG3 file as available June 1991

‡ 6¢ black cards are known with form dates 7-69 and 2-70

Hidden Numbers—New reports of items in the “missing” list in PSN Vol. 27, page 16

Updates from Pierre Gauthier (PG), Ergard Nachtigall (EN) and Michel Ledoux (ML)

EN142	Yellowknife	11	PG
EN159a	Eagle (bar code 1831)	1	PG EN
EN172	wine #8	12	EN
EN603	year of tiger #10	1, 5, 6	PG
	6 for both “Your statement of account is enclosed” and “Important : tax information enclosed”		ML
EN605	year of dragon #10 (First? (green dragon) printing)	3	ML

Coho Blue Fishing Fly Envelope—A Minor Cutting Error *by Robert Lemire*

The #10 envelope shown below is by no means as spectacular as the miscut copy of EN126 reported last year by Mike Sagar [1], but it too shows a downward shift resulting in printing where none would be found on a normally cut envelope. In this case the printing date appears on the *outside* of the flap, but not *under* the gummed flap. Indeed, the “01.19.09” is printing that was intended for the next envelope above in the multi-subject printing sheet. The shift actually is quite small, approximately 1 cm, and because the security printing on the inside of the envelope appears to be similarly shifted, it would seem that the error was in the cutting, not the printing.

Reference

[1] Sagar, M., Miscut EN126, *Postal Stationery Notes*, 26, p. 16 (2014).

