

Type 2 QUEBEC SQUARED CIRCLES

20 of the 40 Type 2 Squared Circle hammers from Quebec towns have been documented on Map stamps and covers. Although the 5th edition handbook reports strikes of Granby on off-cover Map stamps, there have been no reports of a Granby Squared Circle strike on a Map stamp in the philatelic literature other than in the handbook, calling into question the handbook report.

	Hammer	Off-cover Census	Cover Census	ERD	Image	Comments	LRD	Image	Comments
1	Acton Vale	3	0	-/OC 7/99	Y	only dated strike			
2	Aylmer (East)	13	5	-/JA 4/99	N		-/MR 6/01	Y	
3	Clarenceville	8	1 (2)	-/FE 20/99	Y		-/MY 29/99	Y	
4	Danville	0	0						
5	Eastman	0	1 (4)	-/MR 6/99	Y				
6	Farnham	2	0	-/JA 28/99	Y	2 strikes	-/JA 28/99	Y	
7	Granby	0 (2)	0						
8	Hochelaga	0	0						
9	Hull, Hammer 1	0	0						
10	Hull, Hammer 2	0	0						
11	Iberville	5	2 (3)	-/JA 3/99	Y		-/JY 25/99	Y	
12	Laurentides	14	0	-/JA 3/99	Y		-/JY 6/99	N	
13	Lennoxville	0	0						
14	Levis	0	0						
15	Lotbiniere	2	2	-/JA 11/99	Y		-/MR 9/99	Y	
16	Magog	23	7	-/JA 3/99	N		-/JY 1/99	N	
17	Matane	0	0						
18	Melbourne	4 (5)	3	-/JA 6/99	Y		-/MY 17/99	Y	
19	Montreal, Type 2, Hammer 1	21	0	6/JA 17/99	Y		-/SP 20/02	Y	
20	Montreal, Type 2, Hammer 2	0	0						
21	Belle Rive, Montreal	0	0						
22	Notre Dame St. West, Montreal	0	0						
23	Pointe a Pic	0	0						
24	Quebec	33	1	1/DE 26/98	N	partial British duplex cancel	1/JY 10/99	Y	
25	Richmond	0	0						
26	Riviere du Loup Station	8	0 (1)	-/JA 3/99	Y		-/NO 4/99	Y	
27	St. Anne de Beaupre	1	0	-/MR 14/--	Y	unique strike			
28	Ste. Cunegonde	36	1	PM/DE 15/98	Y		PM/JY 29/99	N	
29	St. Gabriel de Montreal	0	0						
30	St. Gregoire	10	0	99/FE 7/-	Y		99/NO 27/-	Y	
31	St. Hyacinthe	56	11	AM/DE 6/98	Y	date needs confirmation	PM/AP 13/99	Y	
32	St. Johns	0	0						
33	St. Polycarpe	0	0						
34	Sherbrooke, Hammer 1	44	4	1/DE 17/98	Y		1/JA 12/00	N	
35	Sherbrooke, Hammer 2	0	0						
36	Stanstead	0	0						
37	Sutton	0	0						
38	Victoriaville	2	0	-/A --/--	Y	only dated strike			
39	Waterloo, QUE	1	1 (2)	-/JA 25/99	Y	only dated strike			
40	Windsor Mills	0	0						

ACTON-VALE / QUE.



ACTON VALE (pop. 1380) is on la Riviere Noire, 90 km E of Montreal on the Montreal to Portland line of the Grand Trunk Railway and 33 km S of Drummondville on the Sutton Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway. The Acton Vale post office opened in January 1852, and the postmaster during the Map stamp period was A. Quintin Dubois (1862-1902). The Acton Vale Squared Circle hammer was used from -/JA 11/95 to -/OC 7/99 (on a Map stamp). There are no documented Acton Vale strikes on Map stamp covers.

Off-cover strikes: 3

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: ACTON-VALE / QUE. Date: ? References: J.A. Hennok September 1995 auction #103 of the Whit Bradley collection, Lot #243	No Image Available
SC Hammer: ACTON-VALE / QUE. Date: -/- -/- References: - Jack Gordon collection - Current owner (Image)	
SC Hammer: ACTON-VALE / QUE. Date: -/- 16/99 References: - Eastern Auctions October 2009 auction of the Roger Boisclair collection, Lot #433: very scarce strike, ex. Cohen; only three reported; unknown on cover - Current owner (Image)	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: ACTON-VALE / QUE. Date: -/OC 7/99 • ERD/LRD on a Map stamp/cover • latest reported date of use of Acton Vale hammer on any stamp Reference: Current owner	

AYLMER(EAST) / QUE.



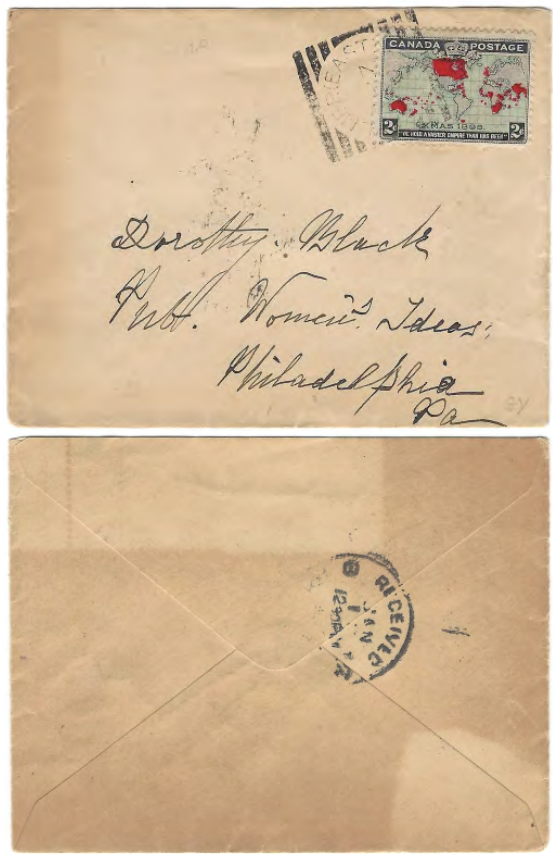
AYLMER (EAST) (named so as to distinguish it from Aylmer (West) in Ontario, pop. 1945) is on the N shore of Lake Deschaines, an expansion of the Ottawa River. It was 13 km W of Hull on the Pontiac Pacific Junction Railway that ran from Ottawa to Waltham, and the terminus of the electric Hull & Aylmer Railway. The Aylmer (East) post office opened in January 1832, and the postmaster during the Map stamp period was Gilhelwine Woods (1896-1903). The Aylmer (East) Squared Circle hammer was used from -/OC 3/94 to -/OC 20/03.

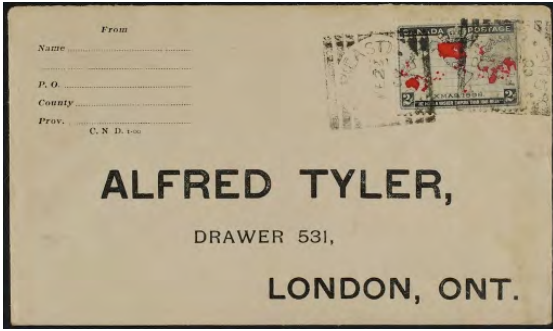
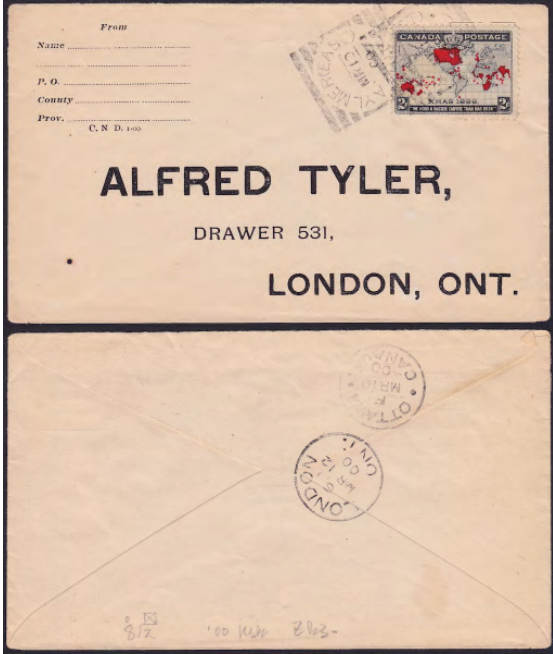
Off-cover strikes: 13

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: AYLME(EAST) / QUE. Date: -/MR 6/01 • LRD on a Map stamp/cover Reference: Current owner	

Covers: 5

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: AYLME(EAST) / QUE. (cancel) Date: -/JA 4/99 Franking: 2c Map stamp Cancel: AYLME(EAST)/QUE. SC dated -/JA 4/99 Addressee/Destination: unknown Notes: ERD on a Map stamp/cover Reference: 1. J.A. Hennok December 1983 auction, Lot #641: Aylmer East cover, JA 4'99 (H-2) 2. Robert A. Lee 1984 auction #32 of the Ron Winmill collection, Lot #484: ties #86 to cover, strike a bit light but very easy to ID. Lt. cover crease. RF 30, only 2 recorded map covers	No Image Available

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: AYLMER(EAST) / QUE. (cancel) Date: -/JA 24/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: AYLMER(EAST)/QUE. SC dated -/JA 24/99 Advertising: 'Rennie's Seeds' corner card Addressee/Destination: William Rennie, Toronto, Canada. (pre-printed) Backstamps: • OTTAWA/CANADA CDS transit dated B/JA 24/99 • TORONTO/CANADA Type A4 split circle receiver dated 9/JA 25/99 Notes: ERD on a Map stamp/cover with an image Reference: 1. R. Maresch & Son June 2015 auction #517, Lot #822 (lot of 160 Map stamp covers including about 75 squared circles) 2. Current owner (Image)	
SC Hammer: AYLMER(EAST) / QUE. (cancel) Date: -/JA 17/00 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: AYLMER(EAST)/QUE. SC dated -/JA 17/00 Addressee/Destination: Dorothy Black, Pub. Women's Ideas, Philadelphia, PA Backstamp: partial RECEIVED/JAN/19/12:30PM/?? CDS receiver Reference: Current owner	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: AYLMER(EAST) / QUE. (cancel) Date: -/FE 22/00 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: 2 AYLMER(EAST)/QUE. SC dated -/FE 22/00 Addressee/Destination: Alfred Tyler, Drawer 531, London, Ont. (pre-printed) Reference: eBay July 2015	
SC Hammer: AYLMER(EAST) / QUE. (cancel) Date: -/MR 10/00 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: 2 AYLMER(EAST)/QUE. SC dated -/MR 10/00 Addressee/Destination: Alfred Tyler, Drawer 531, London, Ont. (pre-printed) Backstamps: • OTTAWA/CANADA CDS transit dated F/MR 10/00 • LONDON/ONT. CDS receiver dated 6/MR 12/00 Reference: 1. Sparks Auctions February 2017 Sale #23 of the Ted Kerzner collection, Lot #3198: a 2¢ Map cover with two fine strikes MR 10/00 (one of two known) 2. Current owner (Image)	

CLARENCEVILLE / QUE.



CLARENCEVILLE (pop. 300) is 16 km NE of the USA border at Rouse's Point, NY, and 5 km E of Lacolle, a station on the Montreal to Rouse's Point line of the Grand Trunk Railway, and the Ottawa to New York Canada Atlantic Railway. The Clarenceville post office opened prior to 1832, and the postmaster during the Map stamp period was H.C. Hyde (1898-1906). The Clarenceville Squared Circle hammer was used from -/JA 29/95 to -/NO 8/00. The handbook reports 2 Clarenceville covers; 1 has yet to be documented.

Off-cover strikes: 8

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: CLARENCEVILLE / QUE. Date: ? References: J.A. Hennok September 1995 auction #103 of the Whit Bradley collection, Lot #243	No Image Available
SC Hammer: CLARENCEVILLE / QUE. Date: -/FE 20/99 • ERD on a Map stamp/cover References: 1. Robert Laird November 1982 auction of John Siverts collection, Lot # 495: Mainly sharp strike FE 20 '99, nearly full on 2c blue. Extremely scarce, only 6 known (2 off cover) 2. Richard Lamb Special Offer List #55, Lot #1096 3. Eastern Auction October 2009 auction of the Roger Boisclair collection, Lot #436 (Image)	
SC Hammer: CLARENCEVILLE / QUE. Date: -/MR 24/99 Reference: Current owner	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: CLARENCEVILLE / QUE. Date: -/AP 17/99 Reference: Current owner	
SC Hammer: CLARENCEVILLE / QUE. Date: -/AP 27/99 Reference: Current owner	
SC Hammer: CLARENCEVILLE / QUE. Date: -/MY 3/99 Reference: Current owner	
SC Hammer: CLARENCEVILLE / QUE. Date: -/MY 8/99 • inverted 8 References: 1. R.B. Winmill, <i>The Evolution of Imperial Penny Postage and the Postal History of the Canadian 1898 Map Stamp</i>, pg 31 (1982) 2. Richard Lamb Special Offer List #50, Lot #974: a v.f. My 8,99 strike on Map 2c, #85, scarce thus 3. Richard Lamb Special Offer List #65, Lot #1240 4. Current owner (Image)	
SC Hammer: CLARENCEVILLE / QUE. Date: -/MY 26/99 References: 1. N.A. Pelletier, <i>Squared Circles on the 1898 Canadian Map Stamps – CAPEX '78 Exhibit</i> 2. J.N. Sissons May 1982 auction of the Nels Pelletier collection, Lot #556 3. Current owner (Image)	
SC Hammer: CLARENCEVILLE / QUE. Date: -/MY 29/99 • LRD on a Map stamp/cover Reference: eBay October 2020	

Covers: 1 (2)

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: CLARENCEVILLE / QUE. (cancel) Date: -/MR 23/99 Franking: 2c Map stamp Cancel: CLARENCEVILLE/QUE. SC dated -/MR 23/99 Advertising: 'Rennie's Seeds' corner card Addressee/Destination: William Rennie, Toronto, Canada. (pre-printed) Backstamp: TORONTO/CANADA Type A4 split circle receiver dated 20/MR 24/99 Notes: note the Map stamp ocean colour change from 1999 (golden) to 2020 (bronze) Reference: 1. J.A. Hennok December 1983 auction, Lot #643: Clarenceville cover MR 23'99 (H-2) 2. Robert A. Lee 1984 auction #32 of the Ron Winmill collection, Lot #486: reasonably nice strike ties #85 to cover. Couple of light wrinkles. RF 40, only 2 recorded map covers 3. Charles G. Firby September 1999 auction, Lot #1079: #85. 2c Map tied to <i>Rennies Seeds</i> cover by sq circle of Clarenceville, Que, Mar 23, 1899 to Toronto bs. Attractive & Scarce. (Image 1) 4. Current owner (Image 2)	

EASTMAN / QUE.



EASTMAN (pop. 500) is 48 km W of Sherbrooke on the Montreal to Halifax line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and the S terminus of the 43 km (Eastman to Kingsbury) Orford Mountain Railway. The Eastman post office opened in November 1881, and the postmasters during the Map stamp period were Joseph O. Bouchard (1898-1899) and Arthur E. Blunt (1899-1905). The Eastman Squared Circle hammer was used in Period 2 from -/AP 19/95 to -/FE 15/03. The handbook reports 5 Eastman covers; 4 have yet to be documented. There are no documented Eastman strikes on off-cover Map stamps.

Covers: 1 (5)

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: EASTMAN / QUE. (dispatch) Date: -/MR 6/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp (not tied) Cancel: fancy cork Addressee/Destination: Wm Rennie Esq, Toronto, Ont. Postmarks on Front: EASTMAN/QUE. SC dispatch dated -/MR 6/99 Backstamp: TORONTO/CANADA Type A4 split circle receiver dated 8/MR 7/99 Reference: 1. Roundup Annex, Vol 1, #2, Whole #2, pg 28 (1976) 2. N.A. Pelletier, <i>Squared Circles on the 1898 Canadian Map Stamps – CAPEX '78 Exhibit</i> 3. J.N. Sissons May 1982 auction of the Nels Pelletier collection, Lot #555 (lot of Quebec SC on Map stamps (12 stamps & 2 covers)) 4. J.N. Sissons August 1985 auction #443 of the Max Rosenthal collection, Lot #1225: an excellent strike on cover, 4 strikes known of Maps on cover (none on stamp), VG 5. J.A. Hennok March 1994 auction #91 of the Alan Selby collection, Lot #827: 2¢ Map cover (only 3 others recorded) to Toronto (b/s), trivial cover fault at top, nice strike and scarce on cover 6. Current owner (Image)	

FARNHAM / QUE.



FARNHAM (pop. 200) is on the shore of the Yamaska River, 71 km SE of Montreal on the Central Vermont and Canadian Pacific Railways. The Farnham post office opened in July 1845, and the postmaster during the Map stamp period was W.F. Choquette (1896-1938). The Farnham Squared Circle hammer was used in Period 1 from -/JA 6/95 to -/MR 20/01. There are no documented Farnham strikes on Map stamp covers.

Off-cover strikes: 2

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: FARNHAM / QUE. Date: -/JA 28/99 References: 1. <i>Roundup Annex</i>, Vol 39, #4, Whole #134, pg 1 (2018) 2. <i>Roundup Annex</i>, Vol 40, #1, Whole #136, pg 1 (2019) 3. Current owner (Image)	
SC Hammer: FARNHAM / QUE. Date: -/JA 28/99 Reference: Current owner	

IBERVILLE / QUE.



IBERVILLE (pop. 1710) is across the Richelieu River from St. Johns, 43 km SE of Montreal on the Canadian Pacific Railway, the Central Vermont Railway, and the Quebec Southern Railway. The Iberville post office opened in October 1851, and the postmaster during the Map stamp period was Calixte Goyette (1895-1932). The Iberville Squared Circle hammer was used in Period 1 from -/JA 13/94 to -/MR 9/01. The handbook reports 3 Iberville covers; 1 has yet to be documented.

Off-cover strikes: 5

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: IBERVILLE / QUE. Date: ? References: J.A. Hennok September 1995 auction #103 of the Whit Bradley collection, Lot #243	No Image Available
SC Hammer: IBERVILLE / QUE. Date: -/JA ?/99 Reference: Current owner	
SC Hammer: IBERVILLE / QUE. Date: -/JA 3/99 • ERD on a Map stamp/cover References: 1. Jack Gordon collection 2. Current owner (Image)	
SC Hammer: IBERVILLE / QUE. Date: -/JA 3/99 • ERD on a Map stamp/cover Reference: Current owner	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: IBERVILLE / QUE. Date: -/JA 7/99 Reference: Vance Auctions July 2022 sale #357, Lot #4917	
SC Hammer: IBERVILLE / QUE. Date: -/FE 3/99 References: 1. Robert A. Lee October 1998 auction #92, Lot #2572: 75% strike on 2¢ MAP stamp, 1 pulled perf. Handbook inv. only 2 strikes on maps! 2. Current owner (Image)	

Covers: 2 (3)

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: IBERVILLE / QUE. (dispatch) Date: -/MY 2/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: 9-bar circular grid Addressee/Destination: Wm. Rennie Esq, Seedsman, Toronto, Ontario Postmarks on Front: IBERVILLE/QUE. SC dispatch dated -/MY 2/99 Backstamp: TORONTO/CANADA Type A4 spit circle receiver dated 20/MY 3/99 Notes: note the Map stamp ocean colour change from 1999 (golden) to 2020 (bronze) Reference: 1. N.A. Pelletier, <i>Squared Circles on the 1898 Canadian Map Stamps – CAPEX '78 Exhibit</i> (incorrectly reports date as -/JY 2/99) 2. J.N. Sissons May 1982 auction of the Nels Pelletier collection, Lot #558: 2¢ tied by grid, VG strike My 2'99, 2 covers known, VG 3. J.A. Hennok December 1983 auction, Lot #644: tied by grid Ex Pelletier 4. Robert A. Lee 1984 auction #32 of the Ron Winmill collection, Lot #487: 80% free strike on cover w/#85 tied by grid bar cancel. Lt. crease at left. RF 25, only 3 reported map covers. Ex Pelletier. 5. Charles G. Firby September 1999 auction, Lot #1082: #85. 2c Map, couple toned perfs UL, tied by bars cancel with free standing sq circle of Iberville, Que, May 2, 1899 to Toronto bs. VF. (Image 1) 6. R. Maresch & Son June 2015 auction #517, Lot #822 (lot of 160 Map stamp covers including about 75 squared circles) 7. Current owner (Image 2)	

SC Hammer: IBERVILLE / QUE. (dispatch)

Date: -/JY 25/99

Franking: 2¢ Map stamp (top left corner)

Cancel: circular grid

Addressee/Destination: Mrs. W.R. Schoonhover, Byron, Minn.

Postmarks on Front: IBERVILLE/QUE. SC dispatch dated -/JY 25/99

Notes:

- LRD on a Map stamp/cover
- front only

Reference: Current owner



LAURENTIDES / QUE.



LAURENTIDES (or more correctly Saint-Lin-Laurentides, pop. 803) is on the Achigan River, 67 km NW of Montreal and the terminus, 22 km N of St. Lin Junction, of the St. Lin Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway. The Laurentides post office opened in July 1847, and the postmaster during the Map stamp period was Charlemagne Laurier (1877-1900). The Laurentides Squared Circle hammer was used in Period 1 from -/DE 12/93 to -/NO 3/02. There are no documented Laurentides strikes on Map stamp covers.

Off-cover strikes: 14

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: LAURENTIDES / QUE. Date: -/JA 3/99 • ERD on a Map stamp/cover Reference: eBay February 2016	

LOTBINIERE / QUE.

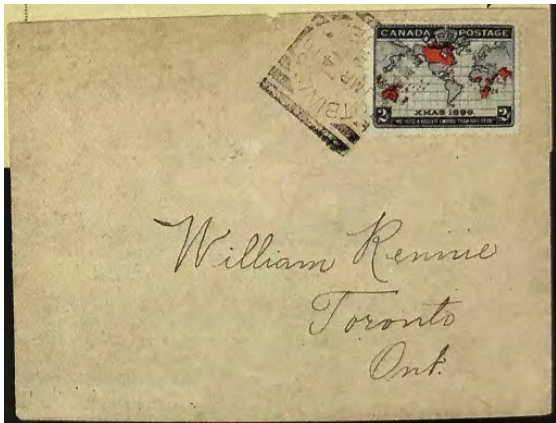


LOTBINIERE (pop. 1425) is on the S shore of the St. Lawrence River, 72 km SW of Quebec City. It was 43 km from Methot's Mill, a station on the Montreal to Levis line of the Grand Trunk Railway. The Lotbiniere post office opened in July 1831, and the postmasters during the Map stamp period were M. Lemay (1863-1899) and Ernest Filteau (1899-1932). The Lotbiniere Squared Circle hammer was used from -/SP 12/93 to -/OC 4/01.

Off-cover strikes: 2

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: LOTBINIERE / QUE. Date: ? References: J.A. Hennok September 1995 auction #103 of the Whit Bradley collection, Lot #243	No Image Available
SC Hammer: LOTBINIERE / QUE. Date: -/JA -/- References: - Eastern Auctions October 2009 auction of the Roger Boisclair collection, Lot #433: rare, only two reported - Current owner (Image)	
SC Hammer: LOTBINIERE / QUE. Date: -/JA 11/99 • ERD on a Map stamp/cover Reference: Current owner	

Covers: 2

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: LOTBINIERE / QUE. (cancel) Date: -/MR 4/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: LOTBINIERE/QUE. SC dated -/MR 4/99 Addressee/Destination: William Rennie, Toronto, Ont. Reference: 1. <i>Roundup Annex</i>, Vol 1, #2, Whole #2, pg 14 (1976) 2. N.A. Pelletier, <i>Squared Circles on the 1898 Canadian Map Stamps – CAPEX '78 Exhibit</i> 3. J.N. Sissons May 1982 auction of the Nels Pelletier collection, Lot #557: 2¢ tied Mr. 4'99, fine strike, small tear in cover, 2 covers known, Fine 4. J.A. Hennok December 1983 auction, Lot #645: ex Pelletier (H-2) 5. Robert A. Lee 1984 auction #32 of the Ron Winmill collection, Lot #488: nice strike ties #85 to cover. Couple edge tears. RF 45, only 2 recorded map covers! 6. Charles G. Firby September 1999 auction, Lot #1080: #85. 2c Map tied to neat cover (small tear at R) by nice strike of Lotbiniere, Que, Mar 4, 1899 sq circle to Toronto bs. VF & Scarce. (Image)	
SC Hammer: LOTBINIERE / QUE. (transit) Date: -/MR 9/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: 9-bar circular grid Addressee/Destination: Wm. Rennie, Toronto, ONT Postmarks on Front: ST-JEAN-DES-CHAILLONS/ QUE. Type A1 split circle dispatch dated MR 9/99 Backstamps: • LOTBINIERE/QUE. SC transit dated -/MR 9/99 • TORONTO/CANADA Type A4 split circle receiver dated 9/MR 10/99 Notes: LRD on a Map stamp/cover Reference: 1. R. Maresch & Son February 1990 auction #238, Lot #708: fine strike as a transit mark on reverse of clean cover from ST. JEAN DES CHAILLONS QUE to TORONTO (2 covers recorded). 2. Current owner (Image)	

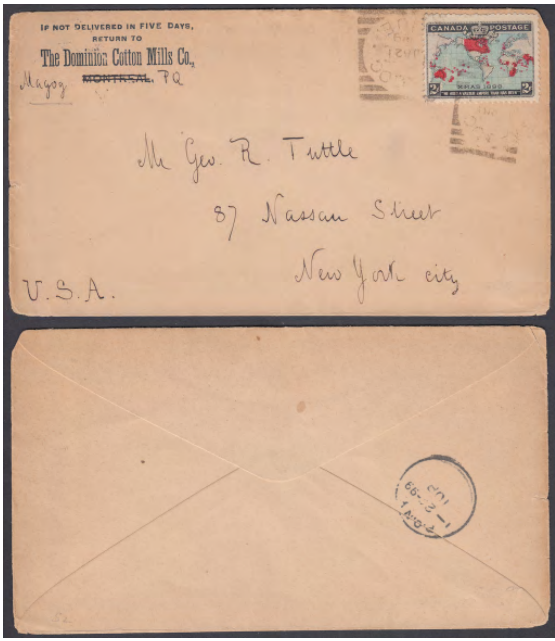
MAGOG / QUE.



MAGOG (pop. 2100) is on the Magog River at the N end of Lake Memphremagog, 142 km E of Montreal and 31 km SW of Sherbrooke on the Montreal to Halifax line of the Canadian Pacific Railway. The Magog post office opened in April 1831, and the postmaster during the Map stamp period was Erasinus D. Smith (1896-1901). The Magog Squared Circle hammer was used from -/MR 3/94 to -/JY 1/99 (on a Map stamp). The handbook reports 22 Magog strikes on off-cover Map stamps.

Covers: 7

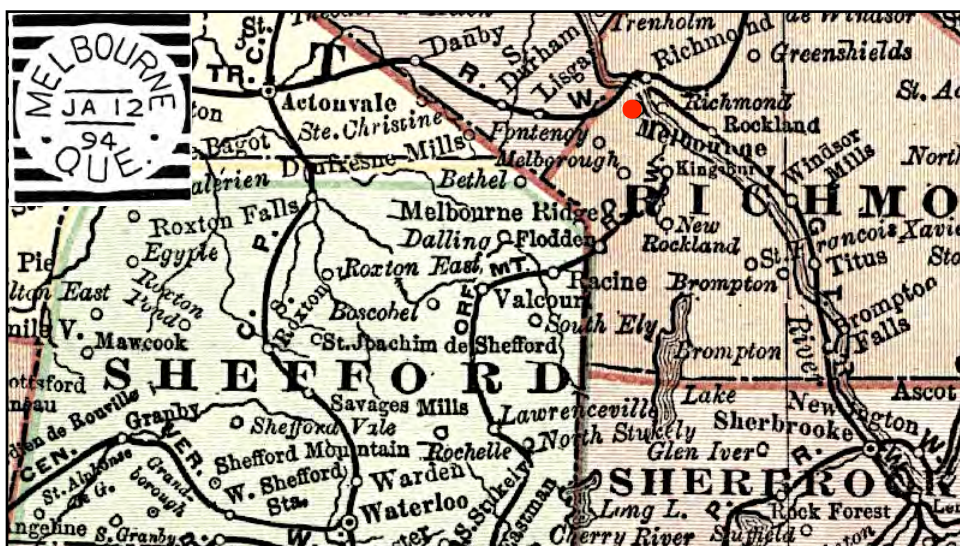
Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: MAGOG / QUE. (cancel & dispatch) Date: -/JA 4/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: MAGOG/QUE. SC dated -/JA 4/99 Addressee/Destination: Rev. G.G. Nicolls, Fitch Bay, Que Postmarks on Front: MAGOG/QUE. SC dispatch dated -/JA 4/99 Backstamp: FITCH-BAY/QUE CDS receiver dated JA 5/99 Notes: ERD on a Map stamp/cover with an image Reference: 1. R. Maresch & Son February 1990 auction #238, Lot #709: fine strike on clean cover to FITCH BAY QUE, and weak strike tying BLUISH copy (four covers recorded). 2. Current owner (Image)	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: MAGOG / QUE. (cancel) Date: -/JA 21/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: 2 MAGOG/QUE. SC dated -/JA 21/99 Advertising: corner card • The Dominion Cotton Mills Co., Montreal, Magog, PQ (Magog, PQ in manuscript) Addressee/Destination: Mr. Geo. R. Tuttle, 87 Nassau Street, New York city, U.S.A. Backstamp: P.O.N.Y. CDS receiver dated 1-22-99/10P Reference: Current owner	
SC Hammer: MAGOG / QUE. (cancel & dispatch) Date: -/JA 23/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: MAGOG/QUE. SC dated -/JA 23/99 Advertising: corner card • The Dominion Cotton Mills Co., Montreal. Addressee/Destination: Mrssrs Wm Cummings & Son, Truro, N.S. Postmarks on Front: MAGOG/QUE. SC dispatch dated -/JA 23/99 Backstamp: none Notes: cover front torn completely from top to bottom Reference: Current owner	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: MAGOG / QUE. (cancel & dispatch) Date: -/JA 26/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: 2 MAGOG/QUE. SC dated -/JA 26/99 Addressee/Destination: R.N. Scott & Co, Montreal, Que Postmarks on Front: MAGOG/QUE. SC dispatch dated -/JA 26/99 Backstamp: MONTREAL CDS receiver dated JAN 26/8-0/1899 Reference: Current owner	
SC Hammer: MAGOG / QUE. (cancel & dispatch) Date: -/JA 28/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: MAGOG/QUE. SC dated -/JA 28/99 Addressee/Destination: Rev. G.G. Nicolls, Fitch Bay, PQ Postmarks on Front: MAGOG/QUE. SC dispatch dated -/JA 28/99 Backstamp: FITCH-BAY/QUE. CDS receiver dated JA 30/99 Reference: 1. J.A. Hennok December 1983 auction, Lot #646: Magog cover JA 28'99 (H-4) 2. Robert A. Lee 1984 auction #32 of the Ron Winmill collection, Lot #489: two strikes ties #86 to clean cover. RF 20, only 4 recorded covers 3. Current owner (Image)	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: MAGOG / QUE. (cancel & dispatch) Date: -/MR 8/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: MAGOG/QUE. SC dated -/MR 8/99 Addressee/Destination: Mr Wm Rennie, Toronto, Ontario Postmarks on Front: MAGOG/QUE. SC dispatch dated -/MR 8/99 Reference: 1. N.A. Pelletier, <i>Squared Circles on the 1898 Canadian Map Stamps – CAPEX '78 Exhibit</i> 2. J.N. Sissons May 1982 auction of the Nels Pelletier collection, Lot #555 (lot of Quebec SC on Map stamps (12 stamps & 2 covers)) 3. J.N. Sisson August 1985 auction #443 of the Max Rosenthal collection, Lot #1227: excellent strikes on a cover, 4 known covers on Maps, Fine (Image) 4. Matthew Bennett December 2005 auction of the Jim Hennok collection, Lot #2249: 2¢ Map, three Quebec covers: Magog, Quebec (front only, no covers reported), and Three Rivers (type I), F-VF.	
SC Hammer: MAGOG / QUE. (cancel & dispatch) Date: -/MR 27/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: MAGOG/QUE. SC dated -/MR 27/99 Addressee/Destination: Rev'd. G.G. Nicolls MA, Fitch Bay, P. Que Postmarks on Front: MAGOG/QUE. SC dated -/MR 27/99 barely ties Map stamp so is essentially a dispatch free strike Backstamp: FITCH-BAY/QUE CDS receiver dated MR 28/99 Reference: 1. J.A. Hennok March 1994 auction #91 of the Alan Selby collection, Lot #828: Magog Que, (only 4 recorded), F-VF strikes tie 2¢ pale green ocean variety Map on cover to Fitch Bay Que (b/s) 2. Current owner (Image)	

MELBOURNE / QUE.



MELBOURNE (pop. 289) is on the W bank of the St. Francis River, 5 km across the river from Richmond, a station 122 km E of Montreal on the Montreal to Levis, and the Montreal to Portland, ME, lines of the Grand Trunk Railway. The Melbourn post office opened in July 1835, and the postmaster during the Map stamp period was Royal H. Stinson (1894-1914). The Melbourn Squared Circle hammer was used during Period 1 from -/FE 12/94 to -/DE 31/13, although use is sparse after 1900. The handbook reports 5 Melbourn off-cover strikes; 1 has yet to be documented.

Off-cover strikes: 4 (5)

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: MELBOURNE / QUE. Date: -/JA 6/99 • ERD on a Map stamp/cover Reference: eBay May 2020	
SC Hammer: MELBOURNE / QUE. Date: -/FE 8/99 Reference: Jack Gordon notes	No Image Available
SC Hammer: MELBOURNE / QUE. Date: -/FE 27/99 References: 1. Jack Gordon collection 2. Current owner (Image)	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: MELBOURNE / QUE. Date: -/MR 7/99 References: 1. N.A. Pelletier, <i>Squared Circles on the 1898 Canadian Map Stamps – CAPEX '78 Exhibit</i> 2. J.N. Sissons May 1982 auction of the Nels Pelletier collection, Lot #555 3. J.N. Sissons August 1985 auction #443 of the Max Rosenthal collection, Lot #1228: a nice strike, 5 known on Map (86) 4. Current owner (Image)	

Covers: 3

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: MELBOURNE / QUE. (receiver) Date: -/FE 4/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: SHERBROOKE/QUE. CDS dated FE 2/99 Advertising: illustrated advertising cover • Hovey Bros. Packing Coy., Pork, Lard, Hams, Bacon, &c, Sherbrooke, P.Q. • Illustrated with a picture of the factory and street scene Addressee/Destination: R.H. Cross, Weedon, redirected to Melbourne Backstamps: • WEEDON-STATION/QUE. Type A1 split circle transit dated FE 3/99 • MELBOURNE/QUE. SC receiver dated -/FE 4/99 Notes: cover reduced at left Reference: 1. R. Maresch & Son February 1990 auction #238, Lot #710: fair strike as ARRIVAL mark on back of ILLUSTRATED cover from SHERBROOKE with unusual DEEP GREEN water colour (one cover recorded). 2. R. Maresch & Son June 2015 auction #517, Lot #822 (lot of 160 Map stamp covers including about 75 squared circles) 3. Current owner (Image)	

SC Hammer: MELBOURNE / QUE. (cancel & dispatch)

Date: -/FE 21/99

Franking: 2¢ Map stamp, 2x1¢ Numerals (upside down) & 3¢ Numeral (upside down)

Cancel: 3 MELBOURNE/QUE. SC dated -/FE 21/99 cancel the Numerals & manuscript 'X' cancels the Map stamp

Addressee/Destination: Wm Rennie, Cor Adelaide & Jarvis Streets, Toronto, Canada

Postmarks on the Front: 2 oval 'R'

Backstamps:

- 2 MELBOURNE/QUE. SC dispatch dated -/FE 21/99
- ISLD POND & MONTREAL R.P.O. / 3 RPO (QC-35.03) transit dated NW/FE 22/99
- TORONTO/CANADA CDS receiver dated NT/FE 22/99

Notes: 7¢ postage paid the domestic registered letter rate

Reference: Current owner



SC Hammer: MELBOURNE / QUE. (receiver)

Date: -/MY 17/99

Franking: 2¢ Map stamp

Cancel: 8-bar circular grid

Advertising: hand-stamped corner card

- Lock Box No. 19, Windsor Mills, Que.

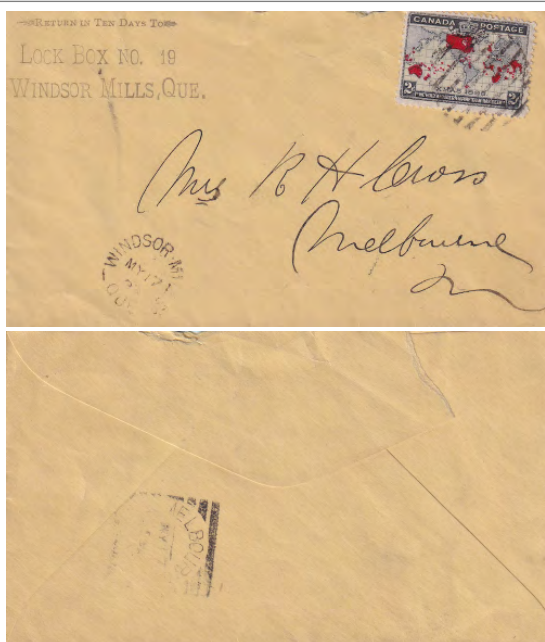
Addressee/Destination: Mrs. R.H. Cross, Melbourne, Que

Postmarks on the Front: WINSOR-MILLS/QUE. Type A1 split circle dispatch dated MY 17/99

Backstamp: MELBOURNE/QUE. SC receiver dated -/MY 17/99

Notes: LRD on a Map stamp/cover

Reference: Current owner



MONTREAL / QUE. (Hammer 1)



MONTREAL, the largest city in Canada in 1898 (pop. ~300,000), is located on the E side of the island of Montreal at the confluence of the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Rivers. It was a major junction station of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the Central Vermont Railway, the Grand Trunk Railway, and the South Shore Railway. The Montreal post office opened in 1765, and the postmasters during the Map stamp period were Clement A. Dansereau (1891-1899) and Cleophas Beausoleil (1899-1904). Hammer 1 of the Montreal Squared Circle was used from -/JY 15/93 to 5/JA 26/03. Numeral time marks 4-7, and 15 were used during the Map stamp period. This hammer is curiously uncommon on Map stamps considering the hammer was in continuous use during the Map stamp period and the volume of business at this office. In the Map stamp period, barred circles are found as postmarks on registered mail moving through, or addressed to the Montreal post office.

The Eastern Auctions October 2011 auction of the Hugh Westgate collection, Lot #275 (lot of 32 Squared Circle Map stamp covers (26 covers & 6 fronts)), includes 'Montreal' as one of the listed covers. The collector who purchased the Eastern Auctions lot communicated that the Montreal cover mentioned in the auction listing is actually postmarked with a Montreal Barred Circle and not a Squared Circle. As this is the only documented mention of a Montreal, Hammer 1, Squared Circle Map stamp cover in the philatelic literature, it remains a hammer with no known cover strikes.

Off-cover strikes: 22

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: MONTREAL / QUE. Date: 6/JA 17/99 • ERD on a Map stamp/cover Reference: Current owner	
SC Hammer: MONTREAL / QUE. Date: 5/JA 23/9 • single digit 9 in year References: 1. W. Bradley, <i>Roundup Annex</i>, Vol 9, #1, Whole #43, pg 338 (1986) 2. W. Bradley, <i>Roundup Annex</i>, Vol 9, #3, Whole #45, pg 348 (1986) 3. Handbook #5, pg II-64 4. Current owner (Image)	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: MONTREAL / QUE. Date: 2 & 6/MR 31/99 • date matched time mark pair • rare use of time mark 2 (<1% of all strikes on all issues) Reference: Current owner	
SC Hammer: MONTREAL / QUE. Date: -/SP 20/02 • LRD on a Map stamp/cover Reference: eBay February 2023	

QUEBEC / CANADA.



QUEBEC, the provincial capital of Quebec (pop. 63,090), is on the N shore of the St. Lawrence River, 288 km NE of Montreal on the Montreal to Quebec line of the Canadian Pacific Railway. It was the S terminus of the 258 km (Quebec to Roberval) Quebec & Lake St. John Railway. It was also accessible via ferry from Point Levi, a station on the Grand Trunk Railway, the Quebec Central Railway, and the Intercolonial Railway. The Quebec post office opened in 1765, and the postmaster during the Map stamp period was E. Theo Paquet (1894-1916). The Quebec Squared Circle hammer was used from ?/JY 4/95 to 1/NO 24/99, and the numeral time mark 1 was used (rare use of 4) during the Map stamp period.

Off-cover strikes: 33

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: QUEBEC / CANADA. Date: 1/JA 2/99 • ERD on a Map stamp/cover with an image Reference: Current owner	
SC Hammer: QUEBEC / CANADA. Date: 1/JY 10/99 • LRD on a Map stamp/cover Reference: Current owner	

Covers: 1

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: QUEBEC / CANADA. (cancel & dispatch) Date: 1/MY 29/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: QUEBEC/CANADA. SC dated 1/MY 29/99 Addressee/Destination: Wm.Croft, Toronto? (pre-printed) Postmarks on Front: QUEBEC/CANADA SC dispatch dated 1/MY 29/99 Notes: front only Reference: Matthew Bennett December 2005 auction of the Jim Hennok collection, Lot #2249: 2¢ Map, three Quebec covers: Magog, Quebec (front only, no covers reported), and Three Rivers (type I), F-VF.	

RIVIERE DU LOUP STATION / QUE.



RIVIERE DU LOUP (formerly known as Fraserville, pop. 4175) is on the S shore of the St. Lawrence River and across from Tadoussac, 186 km NE of Quebec on the Levis, QUE, to Halifax line of the Intercolonial Railway, and the N terminus of the Temiscouata Railway, 130 km NW of Edmundston, NB. The Riviere du Loup Station post office opened prior to 1832, and the postmaster during the Map stamp period was J. A. Savard (1897-1910). The Riviere du Loup Station Squared Circle hammer was used in Period 1 from -/JU 30/94 to -/AU 23/00 with blank time marks. The handbook reports that in 1899 the day precedes the month in the date arrangement (-/DD MM/99). However, it is likely that -/MM DD/YY is the normal arrangement and that strikes with the day preceding the month are exceptions, such as the -/6 AP/99 Map strike below. The handbook reports 1 Riviere du Loup Station cover but no details are given and no other references exist in the philatelic literature, calling into question the handbook report.

Off-cover strikes: 8

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: RIVIERE DU LOUP STATION / QUE. Date: -/JA 3/99 • ERD on a Map stamp/cover References: - Richard Lamb Sale #79, Lot #897 - Squared Circles of Canada website (Image)	
SC Hammer: RIVIERE DU LOUP STATION / QUE. Date: -/JA 18/99 References: - N.A. Pelletier, <i>Squared Circles on the 1898 Canadian Map Stamps – CAPEX '78 Exhibit</i> - J.N. Sissons May 1982 auction of the Nels Pelletier collection, Lot #555 - J.N. Sissons August 1985 auction #443 of the Max Rosenthal collection, Lot #1230: a fine strike, 4 known on Maps (86) - eBay October 2020 (Image)	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: RIVIERE DU-LOUP STATION / QUE. Date: -/JA 24/- Reference: eBay	
SC Hammer: RIVIERE DU-LOUP STATION / QUE. Date: -/JA 24/99 References: 1. Robert A. Lee January 1992 auction #65, Lot #1735: lt. 80% strike on 2c MAP STAMP #86(RF25). VERY SCARCE ON MAP STAMP! 2. Robert A. Lee June 1992 auction #67, Lot #1183 3. Robert A. Lee February 1996 auction #80, Lot #1869 4. Current owner (Image)	
SC Hammer: RIVIERE DU-LOUP STATION / QUE. Date: -/FE 27/99 Reference: Current owner	
SC Hammer: RIVIERE DU-LOUP STATION / QUE. Date: -/6 AP/99 • month/day reversed Reference: Current owner	
SC Hammer: RIVIERE DU-LOUP STATION / QUE. Date: -/MR 10/-9 Reference: Stanley van Allen, <i>Roundup Annex</i>, Vol 13, #3, Whole #58, pg 416 (1990)	
SC Hammer: RIVIERE DU-LOUP STATION / QUE. Date: -/NO 4/99 • LRD on a Map stamp/cover Reference: 1. Robert A. Lee July 1984 auction #32 of the Ron Winmill collection, Lot #490: 50% strike on #85, unable to read date. Shows 'RIVIERE DU...QUE'. Stamp is toned, has 1 mm tear. RF 25, only 4 recorded map stamp strikes 2. Current owner (Image)	

Off-cover strikes: 1

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: ST•ANNE•DE•BEAUPRE / QUE. Date: -/MR 14/-- - only documented strike on a Map stamp or Map stamp cover, and second latest reported date of use of the hammer References: <i>Map Stamp Study Group Newsletter</i>, #8, pg 7 (Feb-Mar 1985) <i>Roundup Annex</i>, Vol 8, #3, Whole #41, pg 326 (1985): the first reported Map strike for the hammer; partially dated -/MR 14/? <i>Maple Leaves</i>, Vol 21, #3, Whole #219, pg 85 (1988) - J.A. Hennok September 1995 auction #103 of the Whit Bradley collection, Lot #244: "unreported in handbook (#4), Fine - Handbook #5, pg II-70 - Eastern Auctions October 2009 auction of the Roger Boisclair collection, Lot #434: Also another example (Plate 3 Position 57) showing neat and large portion of St. Anne de Beaupre Type II squared circle (-/MR 14) cancel, tiny corner crease - the only known strike on a Map stamp, unknown on cover <i>Roundup Annex</i>, Vol 40, #1, Whole #136 (2019) - Current owner (Image)	

STE CUNEGONDE / QUE.



STE. CUNEGONDE was a separate municipality adjoining the city limits of Montreal (now a neighbourhood in the SW of Montreal (pop. 9800)). The post office was located on Vinet St. near Notre Dame St. W. The Ste. Cunegonde post office opened on April 1, 1877, and the postmaster during the Map stamp period was Olivier Dupuis (1897-1908). The Ste. Cunegonde Squared Circle hammer was used from -/SP 13/93 to PM/AU 20/99. AM/PM time marks were used during the Map stamp period.

Off-cover strikes: 36

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: STE CUNEGONDE / QUE. Date: PM/DE 15/98 • ERD on a Map stamp/cover References: eBay November 2017	
SC Hammer: STE CUNEGONDE / QUE. Date: AM/JA 6/99 • 1 of 2 documented AM TM on off-cover Map stamp References: Current owner	
SC Hammer: STE CUNEGONDE / QUE. Date: AM/AP 5/99 • 1 of 2 documented AM TM on off-cover Map stamp References: Current owner	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: S^{IE} CUNEGONDE / QUE. Date: PM/JY 29/99 • LRD on a Map stamp/cover • the latest <u>dated</u> strike on any stamp (a partial strike, showing PM/? ?/??, exits on a 2c red Numeral that was not available until AU 20/99) References: <i>Roundup Annex</i>, Vol. 25, No. 3, Whole No. 105, pg. 1 (2003)	No Image Available

Covers: 1

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: S^{IE} CUNEGONDE / QUE. (cancel) Date: AM/JA ?/99 Franking: 2c Map stamp Cancel: S^{IE} CUNEGONDE/QUE. SC dated AM/JU ?/99 Addressee/Destination: E.A. Bogart Esq, Ontario Bank, Kingston, Ont. Backstamp: KINGSTON/CANADA CDS receiver dated 1/JA 5/99 Notes: light strike could be JA 3 or JA 4 Reference: 1. J.A. Hennok December 1983 auction, Lot #647: H-no cover recorded 2. Robert A. Lee 1984 auction #32 of the Ron Winmill collection, Lot #491: fair strike ties #85 to cover. Sm. cover tear at bottom. RF 15, no recorded map covers 3. Current owner (Image)	

ST GREGOIRE / QUE.



ST. GREGOIRE (pop. 1000) is near the S shore of the St. Lawrence River, across the river from Three Rivers, 70 km NW of Arthabaska on the Arthabaska to Three Rivers (by ferry) line of the Grand Trunk Railway, and 12 km E of St. Nicolet on the Atlantic & Lake Superior Railway. The St. Gregoire post office opened prior to 1832, and the postmaster during the Map stamp period was J.A. Poirier (1868-1912). The St. Gregoire Squared Circle hammer was used from -/2 FE/95 to 00/AU 15/-. During the Map stamp period, the year appears in the top slot of the hammer indicia and blank time marks reside in the bottom slot (YY/MM DD/-). There are no documented St. Gregoire strikes on Map stamp covers.

Off-cover strikes: 10

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: ST-GREGOIRE / QUE. Date: ? References: J.A. Hennok September 1995 auction #103 of the Whit Bradley collection, Lot #243	No Image Available
SC Hammer: ST-GREGOIRE / QUE. Date: -/- -/- • originally assigned as Lotbiniere References: 1. <i>Roundup Annex</i>, Vol 36, #2, Whole #123, pg 1 (2015) 2. Current owner (Image)	
SC Hammer: ST-GREGOIRE / QUE. Date: -/- 0/- References: Sparks Auctions September 2018 Sale #28 of the Rob Lunn collection, Lot #348	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: ST•GREGOIRE / QUE. Date: -/? 22/- Reference: eBay	
SC Hammer: ST•GREGOIRE / QUE. Date: 99/-E 1/- • stamp torn in bottom right corner Reference: eBay July 2023	
SC Hammer: ST•GREGOIRE / QUE. Date: 99/-- 23/- Reference: Current owner	
SC Hammer: ST•GREGOIRE / QUE. Date: 99/FE 7/- • ERD on a Map stamp/cover • stamp torn upper right Reference: Current owner	
SC Hammer: ST•GREGOIRE / QUE. Date: -/FE 14/- References: 1. Eastern Auctions October 2009 auction of the Roger Boisclair collection, Lot #433 2. Current owner (Image)	
SC Hammer: ST•GREGOIRE / QUE. Date: 99/FE 20/- References: 1. Dick Lamb Sale #73, Lot #1285: could be the best known strike 2. Current owner (Image)	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: ST-GREGOIRE / QUE. Date: 99/FE 24/- Reference: Current owner	
SC Hammer: ST-GREGOIRE / QUE. Date: 99/NO 27/- • LRD on a Map stamp/cover References: 1. Dick Lamb Sale #73, Lot #1284 2. Current owner (Image)	

ST-HYACINTHE / QUE.

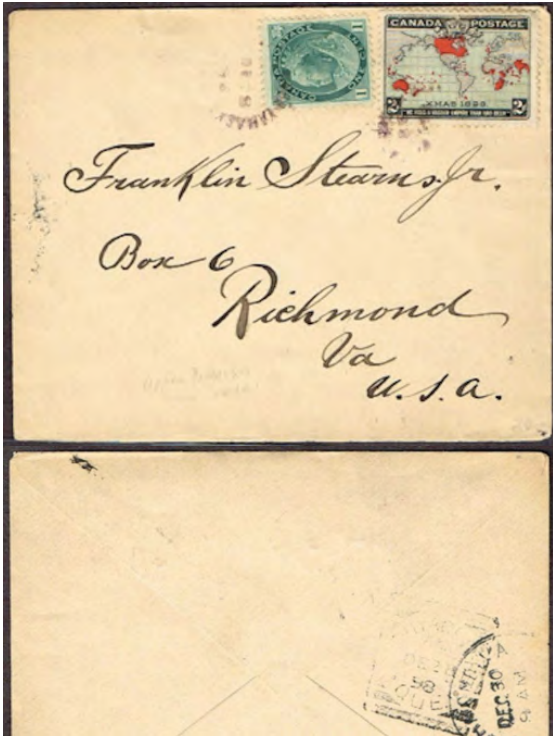


ST. HYACINTHE (pop. 7016) is on la Riviere Yamaska, 58 km E of Montreal on the Montreal to Portland, ME, line of the Grand Trunk Railway, and the N terminus of the United Counties Railway that ran 51 km S to Iberville. The St. Hyacinthe post office opened in October 1834, and the postmaster during the Map stamp period was Henri Page (1898-1924). The St. Hyacinthe Squared Circle hammer was used with AM/PM time marks from PM/NO 9/93 to ?/AP 18/99.

Off-cover strikes: 56

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: ST-HYACINTHE / QUE. Date: PM/AP 13/99 • LRD on a Map stamp/cover Reference: Current owner	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: ST•HYACINTHE / QUE. (cancel & dispatch) Date: AM/DE 6/98 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp, 1/2¢ Jubilee, 1¢ Jubilee, 2¢ Jubilee, 1/2¢ Leaf, 1/2¢ Numeral & 1/2¢ Small Queen on 1¢ postal stationary (EN5) Cancel: 5 ST•HYACINTHE/QUE. SC dated AM/DE 6/98 & 2 oval 'R' postmarks Addressee/Destination: Mrs. H.K. Meyer, c/o J. Goldstein Esq, 52 Fort Str, Montreal, Q Backstamps: • ST•HYACINTHE/QUE. SC dispatch dated AM/DE 6/98 • RPO transit CDS dated DE 6/98 • MONTREAL•CANADA Hammer 4 barred circle receiver dated DE 6 P11/98 Notes: • 8¢ postage paid the domestic registered letter rate • the earliest known SC postmark on a Map stamp or cover • likely philatelic rather than commercial cove Reference: C.R. McGuire, "There Are First-day Covers, and then There are <u>FIRST-DAY COVERS!</u>", in <i>Postal History Society of Canada Journal</i>, No. 88, pg 2 (1996): The one partial and five full strikes of the ST. HYACINTHE / QUE. squared circle (including one free strike on the reverse) are supported by two other backstamps - a very under-inked, almost blind strike of what may be an R.P.O. transit c.d.s. dated DE 6, and a MONTREAL-CANADA barred circle with the date DE-6-PM / 98. To the best of my knowledge, this is the earliest known cover with a Map stamp, and the only one known of this date.	
SC Hammer: ST•HYACINTHE / QUE. (cancel) Date: AM/DE 19/98 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: ST•HYACINTHE/QUE. SC dated AM/DE 19/98 Addressee/Destination: Mrs Prof Dr J. Bachtold, Zurich V, Plattenstrasse 52 Postmarks on Front: fancy ZURICH 1/BRIEFTBGR. III CDS receiver dated 11.1.99.X- Notes: • 2¢ postage paid the extremely rare UPU post card rate • same correspondent and post cards as DE 29/98 • the SC postmark is weak and it is likely that this strike is DE 29/98 based on the date of the Zurich receiver which is the same as the DE 29/98 post cards described below Reference: Longley Auctions May 2009 Sale #17, Lot #239: 2¢ Map tied by St. Hyacinthe, Que squared circle (DE 19 98) on pioneer postcard view of the town (edge creases) to Zurich, Switzerland (11 1 99) paying 2¢ UPU postcard rate. An early pre-Christmas use.	

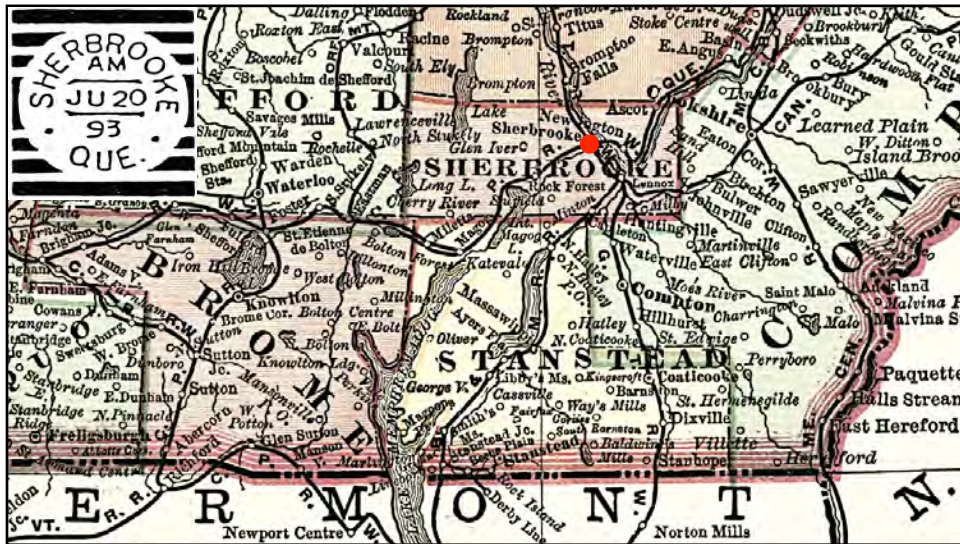
Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: ST•HYACINTHE / QUE. (transit) Date: AM/DE 28/98 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp & 1¢ Numeral (sideways) Cancel: d'YAMASKA/QUE. Type A1 split circle dated DE 28/98 & fancy cork Addressee/Destination: Franklin Stearns Jr., Box 6, Richmond, VA, U.S.A. Backstamps: • ST•HYACINTHE/QUE. SC transit dated AM/DE 28/98 • RICHMOND,VA CDS receiver dated DEC 30/9AM Notes: 3¢ postage paid the USA letter rate Reference: eBay August 2016	
SC Hammer: ST•HYACINTHE / QUE. (cancel) Date: AM/DE 29/98 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: ST•HYACINTHE/QUE. SC dated AM/DE 29/98 Addressee/Destination: Mrs. Pfaffhauser, Hirschengraben, Zurich I, Switzerland Postmarks on Front: fancy ZURICH/BRF. EXP. CDS receiver dated 10.1.99.-12 Notes: • 2¢ postage paid the extremely rare UPU post card rate • reverse shows an aerial view photo of St. Hyacinthe • same correspondent and post card as DE 19 and 29/98 Reference: Current owner	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: ST•HYACINTHE / QUE. (cancel) Date: ?/DE 29/98 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: ST•HYACINTHE/QUE. SC dated ?/DE 29/98 Addressee/Destination: Mrs Therese Stiegler, c/o Mrs. Pfaffhauser, Zurich I, Hirschengraben, Switzerland Postmarks on Front: fancy ZURICH/BRF. EXP. CDS receiver dated 10.1.99.-12 Notes: • 2¢ postage paid the extremely rare UPU post card rate • same correspondent and post card as DE 19 and 29/98 Reference: Canadian Philatelic Society of Great Britain October 2020 auction, Lot #42: Private post card from St. Hyacinthe Que mailed to Zurich, Switzerland and franked with 2 cent Map Stamp tied by light strike of the St Hyacinthe squared circle cancel. Exceptionally early use of the Map Stamp - one of the earliest known and also unusual but correct use to pay the postcard rate to UPU country. Fine condition and very scarce. (note that the listing date is incorrect - same receiver postmark as on the other DE 29/98 cover and the stamp is a light blue colour which was not printed until mid-December 1898)	
SC Hammer: ST•HYACINTHE / QUE. (cancel) Date: ?/? ?/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: ST•HYACINTHE/QUE. SC dated ?/? ?/99 Advertising: illustrated advertising card • Grand Hotel, St. Hyacinthe, Que. • illustrated with hotel scene Addressee/Destination: USA Reference: Robert A. Lee January 1997 auction #83, Lot #91: 'GRAND HOTEL, ST. HYACINTHE' b/w illustr. adv. cover shows 'lovely 4-storey hotel' (sharp engraving), w/2¢ MAP stamp tied by indistinct Que sq circ. to USA, 1899 b/s, reduced along top	No Image Available
SC Hammer: ST•HYACINTHE / QUE. (cancel) Date: ?/JA 31/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: ST•HYACINTHE/QUE. SC dated ?/JA 31/99 Advertising: illustrated advertising cover • Bernier & Cie, Farines, Grains et Grains de Semence, Bureau et Entrepot, Station GTR, St. Hyacinthe, Que. • full cover illustration of railway and mill scene Addressee/Destination: Wm. Rennie Esq., Toronto, Que. (typewritten) Backstamp: TORONTO/CANADA Type A4 split circle receiver dated 24/FE 1/99 Notes: note province error 'Que.' for 'Ont.' in address Reference: 1. Eastern Auctions October 2011 auction of the Hugh Westgate collection, Lot #275 (lot of 32 SC Map stamp covers (26 covers & 6 fronts)) 2. Current owner (Image)	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: ST•HYACINTHE / QUE. (cancel) Date: ?M/FE 16/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: ST•HYACINTHE/QUE. SC dated ?M/FE 16/99 Advertising: illustrated advertising cover • Bernier & Cie, Farines, Grains et Grains de Semence, Bureau et Entrepot, Station GTR, St. Hyacinthe, Que. (cover reduced) • full cover illustration of railway and mill scene Addressee/Destination: Wm. Rennie Esq., Toronto. Que. (typewritten) Backstamp: TORONTO/CANADA Type A4 split circle receiver dated 23/FE 17/99 Notes: note province error 'Que.' for 'Ont.' in address Reference: Current owner	
SC Hammer: ST•HYACINTHE / QUE. (cancel) Date: PM/FE 17/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: ST•HYACINTHE/QUE. SC dated PM/FE 17/99 Advertising: illustrated advertising cover • Bernier & Cie, Farines, Grains et Grains de Semence, Bureau et Entrepot, Station GTR, St. Hyacinthe, Que. • full cover illustration of railway and mill scene Addressee/Destination: Wm. Rennie Esq., Toronto. Ont. (typewritten) Backstamp: TORONTO/CANADA Type A4 split circle receiver dated 20/FE 19/99 Notes: note the use of 'Ont.' in address compared to 2 covers above that have Toronto, "Que." (can see 'O' overprinted the 'Q') Reference: 1. R. Maresch & Son October 1996 auction, Lot #1799: DEEP BLUE, very fine, tied by ST. HYACINTHE 17 FE '99 squared circle to clean (trifle used) illustrated GRAIN advertising cover, ex V.G. Greene. 2. Ron Leith auctions March 2012 public auction #44 of the Scott Harnsberger collection, Lot #138: overall greenish illustrated adv showing the mill, on muddy water variety #85 franked cover posted at ST-HYACINTHE noting a square circle cancel dated FEB17'1899 and addressed to TORONTO, ex Greene collection, cover reduced right and left sides, F+ 3. Current owner (Image)	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: ST•HYACINTHE / QUE. (cancel) Date: PM/FE 21/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: ST•HYACINTHE/QUE. SC dated PM/FE 21/99 Advertising: illustrated advertising cover • Bernier & Cie, Farines, Grains et Grains de Semence, Bureau et Entrepot, Station GTR, St. Hyacinthe, Que. • full cover illustration of railway and mill scene Addressee/Destination: Wm. Rennie Esq., Toronto, Ont. (typewritten) Notes: note the correct use of 'Ont.' in address compared to covers above that have Toronto, 'Que.' or 'Qnt.' Reference: 1. N.A. Pelletier, <i>Squared Circles on the 1898 Canadian Map Stamps</i> – CAPEX '78 Exhibit 2. R. Maresch & Son February 1990 auction #238, Lot #711: very fine strike tying DEEP BLUE copy to all-over ILLUSTRATED cover to TORONTO (five covers recorded). 3. Don Shorting collection (Image)	
SC Hammer: ST•HYACINTHE / QUE. (cancel) Date: ?/MR 18/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: ST•HYACINTHE/QUE. SC dated ?/MR 18/99 Advertising: corner card • La Banque Nationale, St. Hyacinthe Addressee/Destination: The Bank of Toronto (pre-printed), Brockville, Ont. (manuscript) Backstamp: BROCKVILLE/ONT. CDS receiver dated AM/MR 19/99 Reference: Current owner	

SHERBROOKE / QUE. (Hammer 1)



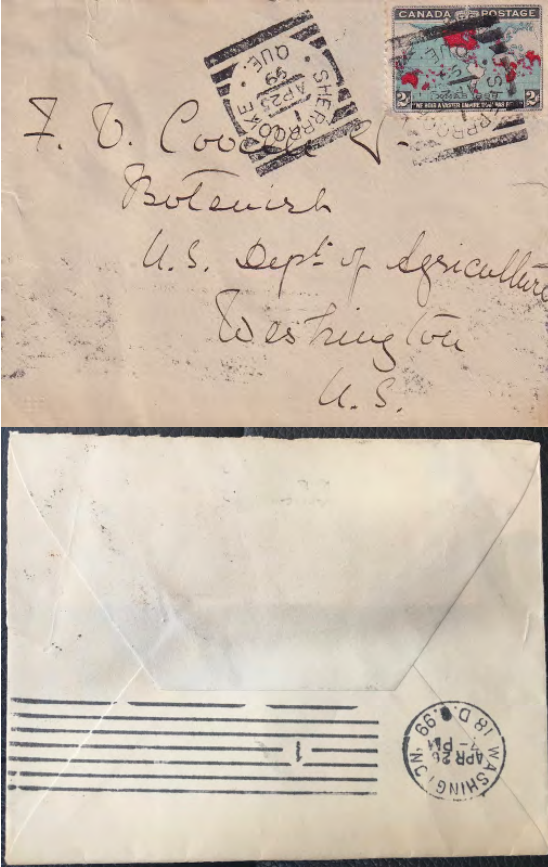
SHERBROOKE (pop. 10,110) is at the junction of the St. Francis and Magog Rivers, 160 km E of Montreal on the Montreal to Halifax line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and the Montreal to Portland, ME, line of the Grand Trunk Railway. It is the S terminus of the Quebec Central Railway that ran N to Quebec, and the N terminus of the Boston & Maine Railway that ran S to Derby Line, VT. The Sherbrooke post office opened in 1819, and the postmasters during the Map stamp period were the Hon. Joseph G. Robertson (1892-1899) and W. A. Moorehouse (1900-1914). Hammer 1 of the Sherbrooke Squared Circle was used from JU 22/93 to 1/JY 17/00. The numeral 1 was used as the time mark throughout.

Off-cover strikes: 44

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: SHERBROOKE / QUE. Date: 1/DE 17/98 • ERD on a Map stamp/cover Reference: Current owner	

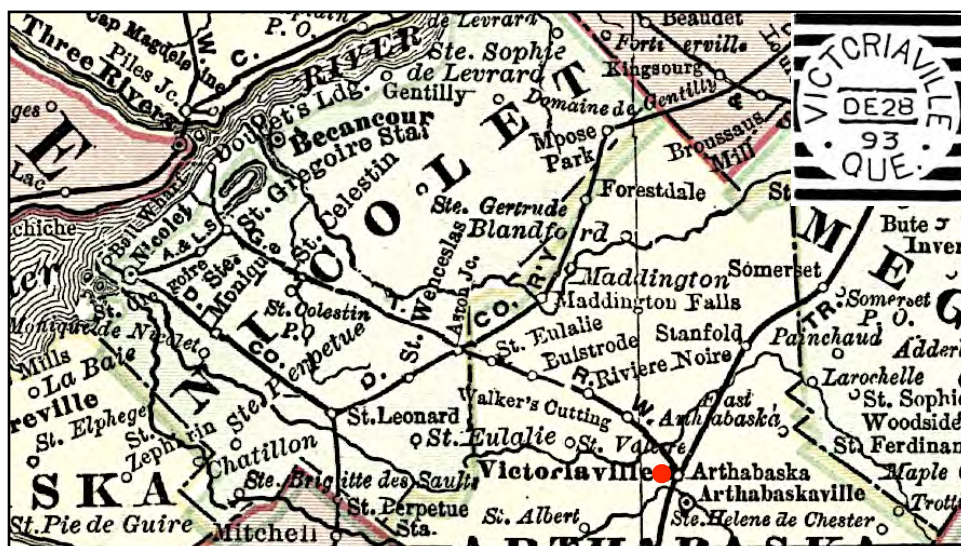
Covers: 4

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: SHERBROOKE / QUE. (cancel) Date: 1/JA 16/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: SHERBROOKE/QUE. SC dated 1/JA 16/99 Advertising: corner card • "Le Pionnier", Sherbrooke, P.Q. Addressee/Destination: Toronto Type Founding Co., No. 646 Craig St., Montreal, Que. Backstamps: • MONTREAL CDS receiver dated JAN 16/23-0/1899 • Montreal Type I carrier postmark dated NT/JA 16/99 Reference: 1. Sparks Auctions September 2018 Sale #28 of the Rob Lunn collection, Lot #348 (lot of SC on Map Stamps (47 stamps & 14 covers)) (Image) 2. Current owner	
SC Hammer: SHERBROOKE / QUE. (cancel) Date: 1/AP 22/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: SHERBROOKE/QUE. SC dated 1/AP 22/99 Addressee/Destination: Peter Henderson & Co., Seedsmen, 35 & 37 Cortlandt St., New York, U.S.A Backstamp: P.O.N.Y. CDS receiver dated 4-28-99/7P/24-2 Reference: Current owner	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: SHERBROOKE / QUE. (cancel & dispatch) Date: 1/AP 25/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: SHERBROOKE/QUE. SC dated 1/AP 25/99 Addressee/Destination: F.V. Coville Esq., Botanist, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, US Postmarks on Front: SHERBROOKE/QUE. SC dispatch dated 1/AP 25/99 Backstamp: WASHINGTON/D.C. machine '1' cancel dated APR 26/7-PM/1899 Reference: Current owner	

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: SHERBROOKE / QUE. (cancel & dispatch) Date: 1/MY 1/99 Franking: 2c Map stamp (upside down) Cancel: SHERBROOKE/QUE. SC dated 1/MY 1/99 Addressee/Destination: H.C. Fitzherbert Esq, Millbrooke, Abbeyleix, Queens County, Ireland Postmarks on Front: SHERBROOKE/QUE. SC dispatch dated 1/MY 1/99 Backstamp: ABBEYLEIX double circle CDS dated 4 AM/MY 11/99 Reference: Current owner	

VICTORIAVILLE / QUE.



VICTORIAVILLE (concurrently known as Arthabaskaville, pop. 1300) is on the Nicolet River, 69 km SE of Three Rivers and 105 km SW of Quebec City. It was 2 km from Arthabaska Station on the Arthabaska to Three Rivers Branch, and the Montreal to Levis line, of the GTR. The Victoriaville post office opened in December 1858, and the postmaster during the Map stamp period was Miss Eva Beaudet (1898-1902). The Victoriaville Squared Circle hammer was used from -/JA 5/94 to PM/JA 31/00. There are no documented Victoriaville strikes on Map stamp covers.

Off-cover strikes: 2

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: VICTORIAVILLE / QUE. Date: -/- -/- Reference: Robert A. Siegel Auctions May 2021 auction #1236, Lot #2268 (a large lot of Map stamps)	
SC Hammer: VICTORIAVILLE / QUE. Date: -/A -/- • ref (1) & (2) do not report a date • could be either AP or JA, only A definite, but ERD on a Map stamp/cover • The handbook reports that the latest reported date of hammer use is PM/JA 31/00 and the second latest strike is -/JA 9/99. If this Map stamp is AP, then it would be the second latest strike. • stamp thin References: 1. Dick Lamb Sale #73, Lot #1288: partial on a faulty 2c Map #86, unreported? 2. <i>Roundup Annex</i>, Vol 22, #1, Whole #94, pg 1 (2000) 3. <i>Roundup Annex</i>, Vol 40, #1, Whole #136 (2019) 4. Current owner (Image)	

WATERLOO / QUE.



WATERLOO (pop. 1733) is on Waterloo Lake, 113 km SE of Montreal on the Boston division of the Central Vermont Railway and 15 km N of Knowlton on the Sutton branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway. The Waterloo post office opened in April 1836, and the postmaster during the Map stamp period was Gardner Stevens (1873-1916). The Waterloo Squared Circle hammer was used from -/OC 18/93 to -/MY 19/01. The handbook reports 2 Waterloo covers; 1 has yet to be documented.

Off-cover strikes: 1

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: WATERLOO / QUE. Date: -/- -/- • since it is a partial strike with the province missing, it could be either QUE. or ONT. • however, when compared with proof strikes, the lettering aligns with the side bars of WATERLOO/QUE. (below left: vertical of 'L' points to middle of first right bar; top of first 'O' in the middle of the space between second right bar and right side bar) <u>not</u> WATERLOO/ONT. (below right: vertical of 'L' points to bottom of first right bar; top of first 'O' at the top of the right side bar). Reference: Current owner	

Covers: 1 (2)

Description & Reference	Image
SC Hammer: WATERLOO / QUE. (dispatch) Date: -/JA 25/99 Franking: 2¢ Map stamp Cancel: cork smudge Advertising: corner card • H. Hills, Baker and Grocer, Waterloo, P.Q. Addressee/Destination: Mr. F.P. Williams, Knowlton, P.Q. Postmarks on Front: WATERLOO/QUE. SC dispatch dated -/JA 25/99 Backstamp: partial KNOWLTON/QUE. Type A1 split circle dated JA 25/99 Notes: • ERD on a Map stamp/cover • the '2' of JA 25 is reported (ref (4-6)) to be an inverted '3'? • however, it looks to be a poorly struck and dirty strike of a '2' since the curvature of the middle of the numeral looks more like a '2' than an inverted '3' • Pelletier also reports this strike as JA 25 in ref (1-3), with no mention of an error Reference: 1. <i>Roundup Annex</i>, Vol 1, #2, Whole #2, pg 25 (1976) 2. N.A. Pelletier, <i>Squared Circles on the 1898 Canadian Map Stamps – CAPEX '78 Exhibit</i> 3. J.N. Sissons May 1982 auction of the Nels Pelletier collection, Lot #559: 2¢ tied by smudge cancel, fine strike dated Ja 25'99 2 covers known (none on stamp), Fine 4. J.A. Hennok December 1983 auction, Lot #648: JA 25 (2 is an inverted 3) '99. No strikes recorded on stamp (H-2 covers) a quaint error which gives additional character to this rare item 5. Robert A. Lee 1984 auction #32 of the Ron Winmill collection, Lot #492 nice bold free strike on c.c. cover w/#86 tied by smudge cancel. RF 25, only 2 recorded map covers and NO map stamp strikes. Note the '2' of date appears to be an inverted '3'. Very rare cover! 6. J.L. Winmill and R.B. Winmill, "New Squared Circle Discoveries", in <i>Maple Leaves</i>, Vol 20, #2, Whole #206, pg 38 (1986): "This magnificent goof appears on a map cover." 7. Current owner (Image)	