



# Philately at LAC La philatélie à BAC

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# What is LAC? C'est quoi, BAC?

The merger of the National Archives and National Library created Library and Archives Canada.

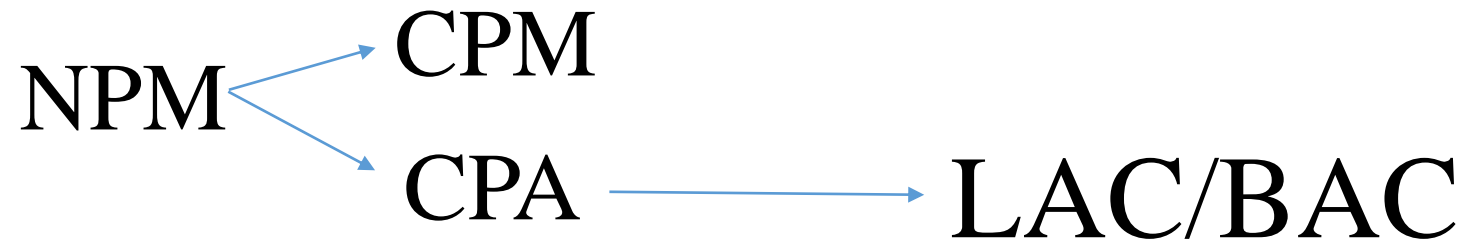


We have facilities in downtown Ottawa for consultation of materials (top) and in Gatineau for preservation and processing (right).



# A little history / Un peu d'histoire

Philatelic and postal history collections at Library and Archives Canada (LAC) were inherited from the Canadian Postal Archives (CPA) section that as part of the National Archives, which were in turn inherited from Canada Post's National Postal Museum (NPM). Parts of the NPM collection (especially three dimensional artifacts related to postal history) were also given over to the Canadian Postal Museum (CPM) at the former Museum of Civilization (now the Canadian Museum of History). LAC continues to build on its collection through regular transfers from Canada Post and through acquisitions made from non-governmental sources.

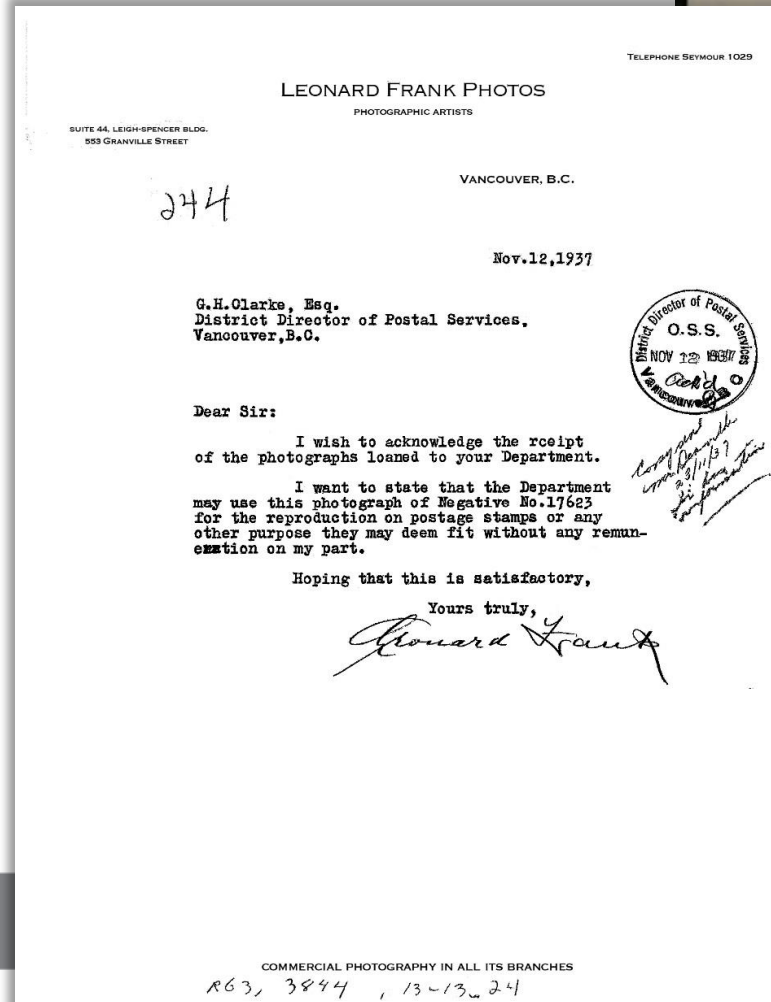


# What we have / Ce que nous avons

- Government / gouvernement
  - RG3 / R169 (Records of the Post Office Department and Canada Post Corporation).
  - NPM/CPA philatelic collections / collections philatélique de MNP/APC
  - Ongoing transfers from Canada Post
- Published Canadiana / Canadiana publié
  - Published works on philately, the post office and postal history including government publications, periodicals and monographs. Published works with no Canadian context have been redistributed to the Vincent Graves Green Philatelic Research Foundation Library.
- Private archives / archives privées
  - Philatelic and other archival records acquired from non-governmental sources (see separate document for a partial list of new and important acquisitions).



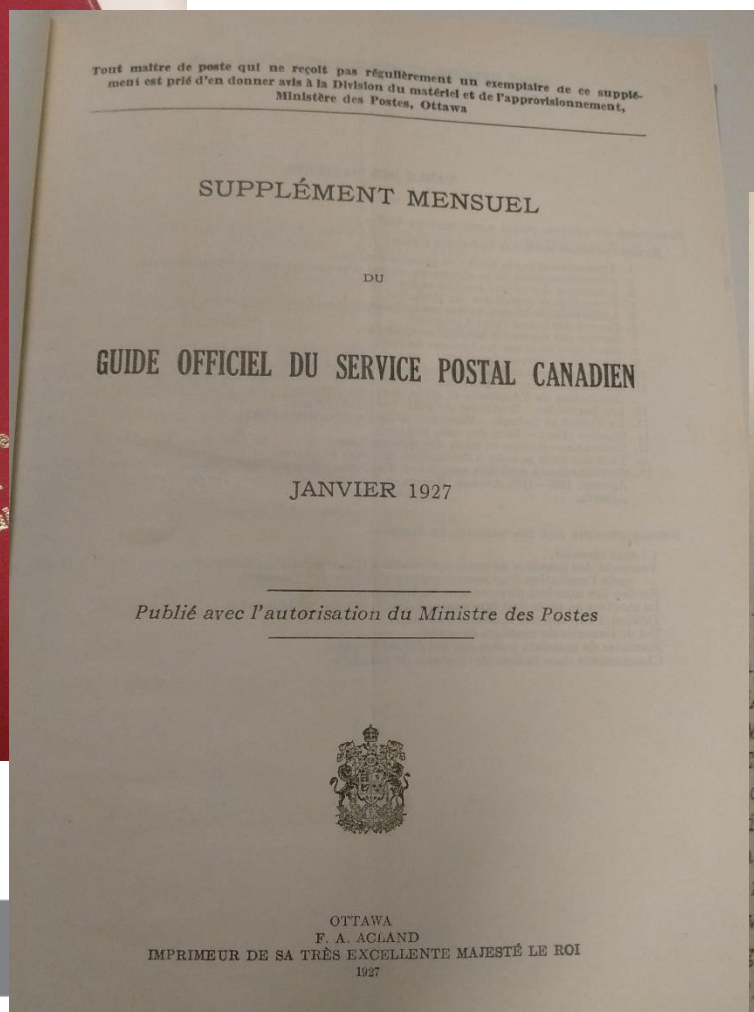
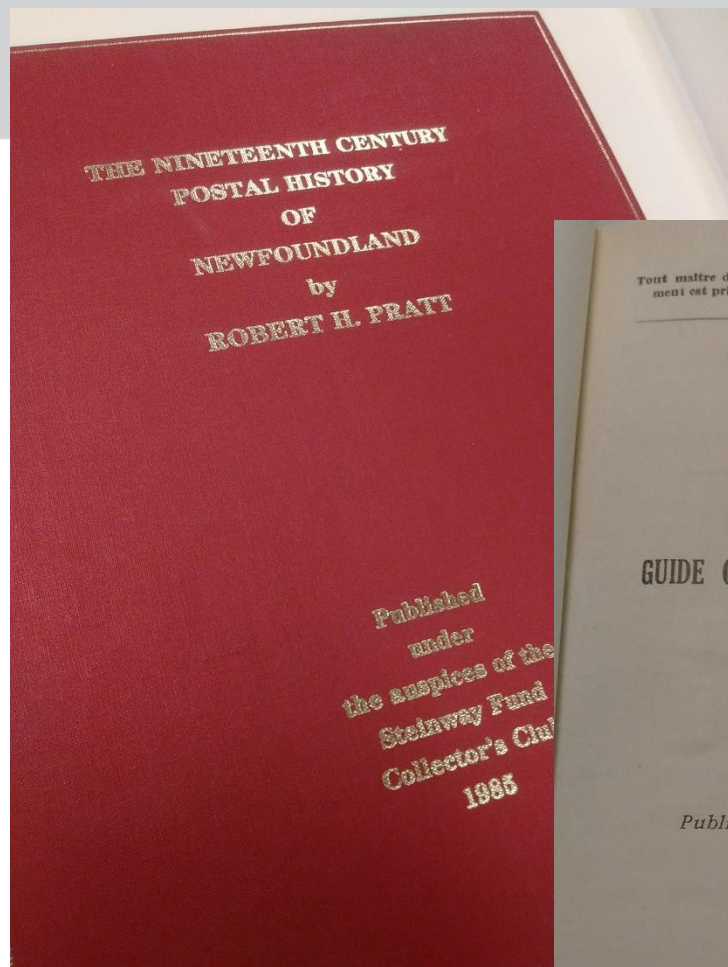
Proofs, essays, issued stamps for  
Canada and BNA colonies and  
textual records of the Post Office.



Approved for engraving  
and colour by Postmaster General  
on 6<sup>th</sup> April 1859.  
J. A. Macdonald  
7/4/59 29 Blue



# Published / publié



Publications from the Post Office,  
monographs and philatelic periodicals.

# POST OFFICE WEEKLY BULLETIN

Vol. V.

OTTAWA, Saturday, June 13th, 1925.

No. 223.

If any issue of this Bulletin is not received it should be requested from the Equipment and Supply Branch, Post Office Department, OTTAWA.

## OCEAN MAIL SERVICES.

Steamer	Sailing from	Date	With mails for	Mails Close*
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nt County,	"	June 23	Holland.	



# Private archives / archives privées



Archival records from non-governmental sources, including Yves Baril's papers (such as the 1953 CBNC staff photo), philatelic records from collectors and securities printers and exhibits of notable philatelists.



# Access and research / Accès et recherche

## Archives search / Recherche de fonds d'archives

<http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca>

Search the archival holdings (MIKAN)

Enter one or more search terms

Any Keyword	▼	Vancouver	AND ▼
Any Keyword	▼		AND ▼
Any Keyword	▼		

Type of material: Stamps and stamp products ▼

Hierarchical level: All ▼

Date range: between (YYYY-MM-DD YYYY-MM-DD) ▼ 1972-01-01 1974-01-01

Online: All ▼

Source: All ▼

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[\[Vancouver\]](#) [\[philatelic record\]](#). 1973. Item (Accession level).

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Stamps and stamp products. [Access: Open]. Government.  
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Canada : 1 dollar 000033330581 postage stamp

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[\[Vancouver\]](#) [\[philatelic record\]](#). 1972. Item (Accession level).

Stamps and stamp products. [Access: Open]. Government.

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# Access and research / Accès et recherche

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### Library Search—Advanced

Search the library catalogue (AMICUS)

Enter one or more search terms

Any Keyword  AND

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Search in:

- ☐ LAC Catalogue only
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TITLE(S) : The Lewis M. Ludlow collection of the province of  
Canada pence issues  
PUBLISHER: [Canada : Lewis M. Ludlow], 1990.  
DESCRIPTION: 86 unnumbered pages : illustrations, facsimiles ; 29 cm.  
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NOTES: Cover title: Province of Canada pence issues  
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Photocopy of author's philatelic collection.

NUMBERS: Canadiana: 20160023777  
CLASSIFICATION: LC Class no.: [HE6185\\*](#)

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# Access and research / Accès et recherche

- Consultation – Ottawa/Gatineau
  - Consultation usually takes place in Ottawa, but some material cannot travel and must be consulted in Gatineau.
  - Preservation copies (publications without a second copy) are subject to more strict supervision, as are some rare philatelic records.
  - No cost for consultations, but you must make arrangements ahead of time (signing up for a user card at LAC and submitting a consultation request). Usually one to two weeks is a good amount of notice.
- Requests under the Access to Information Act / demandes en vertu de la Loi sur l'accès à l'information:
  - Government records / dossiers gouvernementaux, such as textual records from the Post Office are often still closed and access must be requested under the Act.
  - <http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/transparency/atippr/Pages/access-information-privacy-records.aspx>
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  - <http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/reproduction-requests/Pages/reproduction-requests.aspx>
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# Citations / références

**Good citations are important! It's the only way that another researcher will be able to locate and work with the documents that have found!**

- <https://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/services-public/access-documents/Pages/archival-sources.aspx>
- <http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/fra/services-au-public/acces-documents/Pages/sources-archivistiques.aspx>

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# Citations / références

## **Textual Documents -- Government of Canada**

### **Footnote**

Library and Archives Canada, Geological Survey of Canada fonds, RG 45, "Field Notebooks, Originals" series, volume 135, file "Field Notebook no. 761, B.C., -- Dease River; Yukon -- Laird and Francis River, Frances Lake, 1887, G. M. Dawson", page 33, reproduction copy number C-88047, microfilm reel C-4846.

### **Credit line**

Library and Archives Canada, RG 45, volume 135, Field Notebook no. 761, page 33, reproduction copy number C-88047.

## **Textual Records -- Private Archives**

### **Footnote**

Library and Archives Canada, Alexander Tilloch Galt fonds, MG 27 I D8, "Family correspondence" series, volume 8, page 3316, letter from Elliot Galt to Mrs. A.T. Galt, 19 June 1898, reproduction copy number C-147457.

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## **Stamps**

### **Footnote**

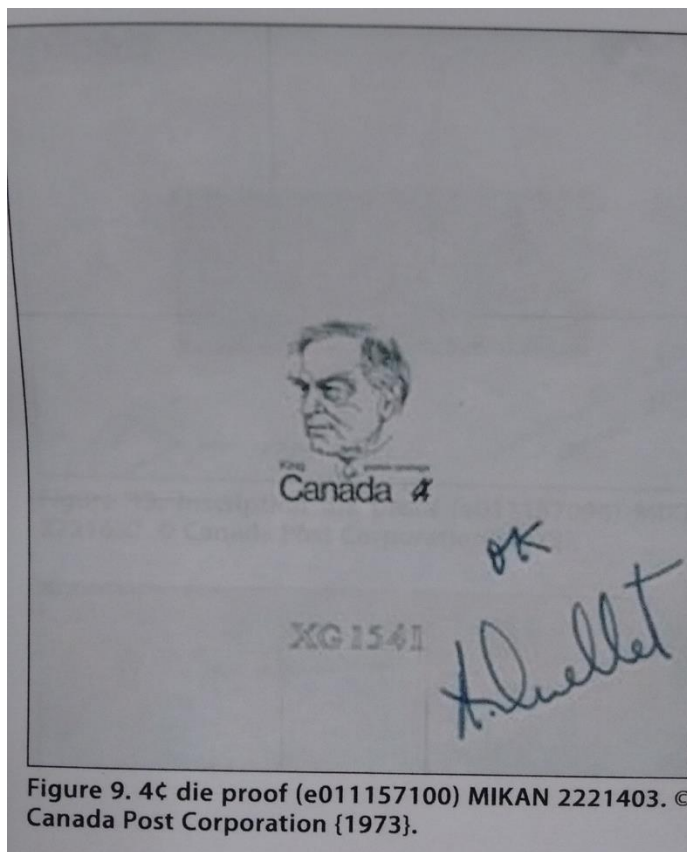
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# Citations / références



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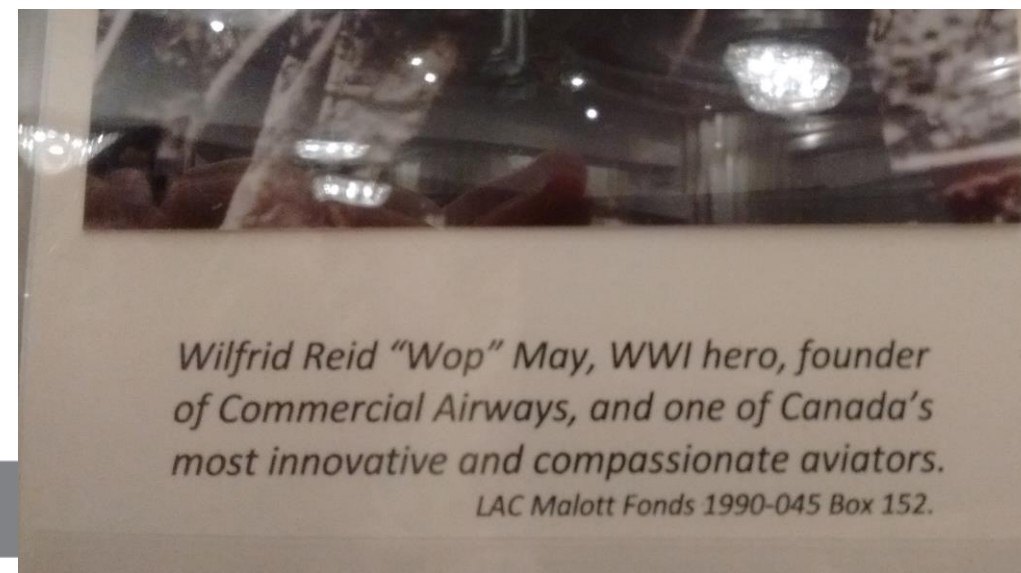
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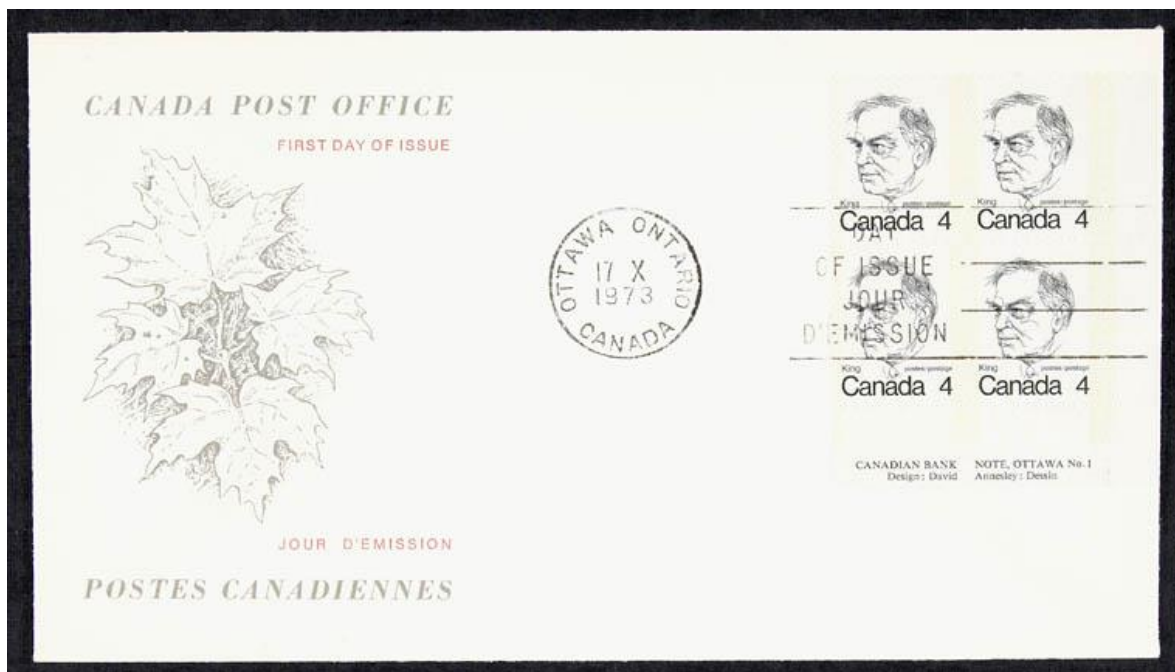
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# Other tools / autres outils

- CPA Postal History Research Tools (<http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/postal-heritage-philately/Pages/postal-heritage-philately.aspx>)
  - Canadian Mail Order Catalogues (database)
  - Canadian Post Office Publications (database)
    - Official Postal Guides (1863-1900)
    - Administrative circulars (1812-1900)
    - Monthly supplements to the Postal Guide (coverage varies)
  - Post Offices and Postmasters (database)
  - Cimon Morin's Philatelic Bibliography
  - ~~Philatis Postal Archives~~
  - Ask us a question: <http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/services-public/ask-question/Pages/ask-question.aspx>

# Philatis / BioPhil

The Philatis and BioPhil databases had to be shut down in late 2017 and early 2018 due to aging technologies and technical limitations. While these were extremely good resources and were able an excellent source for information on stamps and stamp creators, with links to the relevant philatelic records in our holding, its limitations prevented us from adding newly acquired philatelic records for older issues. We are currently exploring other ways to provide useful access to the multitude of philatelic records present at LAC. In the mean time, we have created a backup version that retains the same content and links, but unfortunately does not have the same period and image search based features and requires more slow manual browsing. See the links on the next page.



# Philatis / BioPhil

## Philatis (wayback version):

### English:

[http://wayback.archive-it.org/9155/20170920142512/http://data4.collectionscanada.gc.ca/netacgi/nph-brs?s1=\(?.ANYP.\)%20Or%20\(?.ANYI.%20And%20null.B742.\)&l=0&d=STMP&p=1&u=http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/archivianet/02011702\\_e.html&r=0&f=S&Sect1=STMP](http://wayback.archive-it.org/9155/20170920142512/http://data4.collectionscanada.gc.ca/netacgi/nph-brs?s1=(?.ANYP.)%20Or%20(?.ANYI.%20And%20null.B742.)&l=0&d=STMP&p=1&u=http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/archivianet/02011702_e.html&r=0&f=S&Sect1=STMP)

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## BioPhil:

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