

# Newfoundland

## Royal Family 1897 - 1901

The Cabot issue was not intended to be a permanent one, and as soon as the issue had been delivered, the American Bank Note Company began preparing a regular issue consisting of 6 values portraying various members of the Royal Family. Beginning in December 1897 with the issues of the 1¢ red and 2¢ orange and, with the exception of the 3¢ orange re-issued for War Tax purposes in 1918, the last values issued were the 5¢ blue in June 1899 and the 4¢ violet in October 1901.

### The Stamps::

½¢ Child Edward VIII - 1¢ Queen Victoria - 2¢ Edward VII - 3¢ Queen Alexandra - 4¢ Duchess of York - 5¢ Duke of York. All stamps were engraved and printed by the American Bank Note Co., New York in sheets of either 100 or 200 subjects, perforated 12 x 12, on un-watermarked paper. Diagrams of the various sheet layouts are shown throughout this exhibit.

### Exhibit Plan:

Frame 1 - Large and Small Die Proofs, Plate Proofs and 1/2¢ to 2¢ Specimen Overprints.

Frame 2 - 3¢ to 5¢ Specimen Overprints and Regular Issues to 3¢.

Frame 3 - Regular Issues 4¢ and 5¢ and Inland Multiple/Mixed Usages.

Frame 4 - Inland, Canada, British Empire and United States Multiple/Mixed Usages.

Frame 5 - United States and Foreign Multiple/Mixed Usages and E. R. Krippner Patriotic Covers.



E. R. Krippner **hand-painted** patriotic envelope showing **all 6 values**.  
St. John's 20 De 02 to Liverpool, England.

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Exceedingly rare items are identified with a red dot. ●

Child King Edward VIII

American Bank Note Co., New York, Die C - 374

India paper 61.0 by 72.0 mm die sunk on card 152.0 by 230.0 mm, in colour of issue. **Fewer than 5 known.**



Q-874

Queen Victoria

American Bank Note Co., New York, Die C - 394

India Paper 51.0 by 77.0 mm die sunk on card 150.0 by 227.0 mm, in colour of issue. **Fewer than 5 known.**



King Edward VII

American Bank Note Co., New York, Die C - 395

India Paper 51.0 by 77.0 mm die sunk on card 150.0 by 227.0 mm, in colour of issue. **Fewer than 5 known.**





Queen Alexandra

American Bank Note Co., New York, Die C - 372

India Paper 62.0 by 85.0 mm die sunk on card 150.0 by 230.0 mm, in colour of issue, file #26288. **Fewer than 5 known.**



26288

Duchess of York

American Bank Note Co., New York, Die C - 502

India Paper 62.0 by 71.0 mm die sunk on card 151.0 by 227.0 mm, in colour of issue. **Fewer than 5 known.**



CT - 608

Duke of York

American Bank Note Co., New York

India Paper 61.0 by 74.0 mm die sunk on card 130.0 by 140.0 mm, in colour of issue. **Unique.****A Progressive Die**

- a) Hand-drawn corrections in pencil and watercolours of the shoulder areas and scroll work.
- b) Company name imprint and die number omitted.



Duke of York

American Bank Note Co., New York, Die C - 373

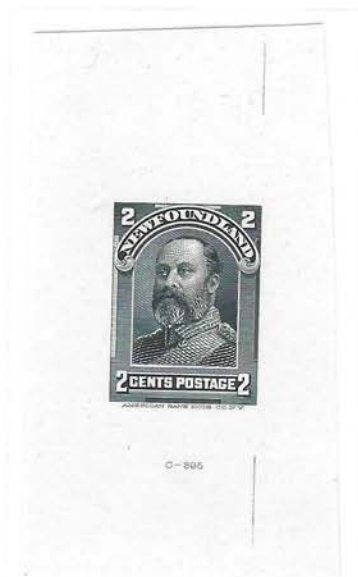
India Paper 61.0 by 73.0 mm die sunk on card 151.0 by 229.0 mm, in colour of issue. **Fewer thsn 5 known.**



C-373



**Hardened Proof:** A final die with imprint and die number taken from the die after it has been hardened and can no longer be retouched.



A **Trial Colour** die proof of the 2¢ in black on wove paper 42 x 74 mm, from the hardened die with imprint and die number C-395. Guide lines still present.



A **Trial Colour** die proof of the 4¢ in gray black on wove paper 44 x 55 mm, from the hardened die with imprint and die number C-502.



A **Trial Colour** die proof of the 4¢ in deep green on india paper 46 x 48 mm, from the hardened die with imprint and die number C-502.

This is the last stage of production before the regular stamps are printed. These final proofs are examined to ensure quality in order to obtain approval for the printing. Printed on India paper laid on card, in sheet format and in the colour of issue.



Dull Violet



Bright Violet



Block with printer's imprint, centre lower margin.



## Requisition Order Specimen

Overprinted "Specimen" in red, 2.0 mm security punches, from the ABN Co. archives. Information includes date ordered; sheet date and "Specimen" overprint size. Ordered and filled five times.



27 May 1906  
June 1898  
15.0 x 2.75 mm



01 July 1904  
July 1904  
13.0 x 2.0 mm



02 December 1905  
11 December 1905  
14.0 x 2.0 mm



23 August 1906  
September 1906  
14.0 x 2.0 mm



23 October 1909  
30 October 1909  
14.0 x 2.0 mm



SPECIMEN block from order #5 with reversed "2" plate number. 2 known.

## Requisition Order Specimen

Overprinted "Specimen" in red, 2.0 mm security punches, from the ABN Co. archives.



SPECIMEN block with two different overprint styles.  
Central row order #3, outside rows order #5.



SPECIMEN block from order #5 with "F2230" file number.



## Requisition Order Specimen

Overprinted "Specimen" in blue, security punches in various sizes, from the American Bank Note Co. archives. Ordered and filled once, one record. Information includes date ordered; sheet date and "Specimen" overprint sizes.



7 September 1897

October 1897

15.5 x 4.0 mm

Printed in Sheets of 100 (10 x 10), wide margins, without plate inscription..



## Requisition Order Specimen

Overprinted "Specimen" in red, security punches in various sizes, from the American Bank Note Co. archives. Ordered and filled fourteen times, eleven records. Information includes date ordered; sheet date and "Specimen" overprint sizes.



25 March 1898  
April 1898  
15.5 x 4.0 mm



23 January 1900  
February 1900  
11.5 x 2.0 mm



19 June 1901  
June 1901  
11.5 x 2.0 mm (thin)



15 October 1902  
October 1902  
11.5 x 1.5 mm



22 August 1905  
29 August 1905  
14.0 x 2.0 mm



27 June 1906  
06 July 1906  
14.0 x 2.0 mm



23 August 1905  
September 1905  
14.0 x 2.0 mm



2 October 1907  
11 October 1907  
14.0 x 2.0 mm



1 May 1908  
May 1908  
14.0 x 2.0 mm



24 November 1908  
November 1908  
14.0 x 2.0 mm



23 October 1909  
October 1909  
14.0 x 2.0 mm

## Requisition Order Specimen

## 2¢ Orange

Overprinted "Specimen" in blue, small security punch, from the American Bank Note Co. archives. Ordered and filled once, one record. Information includes date ordered, sheet date and "Specimen" overprint size.



10 September 1897  
October 1897  
15.5 x 4.0 mm

## 2¢ Vermillion

Overprinted "Specimen" in red and blue, security punches in various sizes, from the American Bank Note Co. archives. Ordered and filled eleven times, nine records. Information includes date ordered; sheet date and "Specimen" overprint sizes.



25 March 1898  
April 1898  
15.5 x 4.0 mm



12 October 1899  
October 1899  
17.5 x 2.0 mm



19 June 1901  
June 1901  
11.5 x 1.5 mm



Not Recorded  
March 1903  
14.0 x 1.5 mm



18 July 1904  
July 1904  
13.5 x 1.5 mm



02 December 1905  
11 December 1905  
23.0 x 4.5 mm



26 August 1906  
05 September 1906  
14.0 x 2.0 mm



18 February 1907  
20 May 1907  
14.0 x 2.0 mm



18 January 1908  
27 January 1908  
14.0 x 2.0 mm



## Requisition Order Specimen

A top margin block of 20 from  
a 200 subject sheet. Printing  
order no. 9, filled Jan 27, 1908.





## Requisition Order Specimen

Overprinted "Specimen" in red and blue, security punches in various sizes, from the American Bank Note Co. archives. Ordered and filled nine times, seven records. Information includes date ordered; sheet date and "Specimen" overprint sizes.



9 May 1898  
May 1898  
15.5 x 2.5 mm



12 October 1899  
October 1899  
17.0 x 2.0 mm



30 May 1901  
May 1901  
11.5 x 1.75 mm



29 April 1902  
May 1902  
14.0 x 1.5 mm



Not Recorded  
November 1903  
14.0 x 1.5 mm



10 November 1905  
16 November 1905  
20.0 x 3.5 mm

## War Tax Printing



Orange

Red Orange

Not Recorded  
16 May 1918  
14.5 x 2.5 mm

NOV 16 1905



## Requisition Order Specimen

Overprinted "Specimen" in red, security punches in various sizes, from the American Bank Note Co., archives. Ordered and filled once, two records. Information includes date ordered, sheet date and "Specimen" overprint sizes.



Specimen reading up



Specimen reading down

31 August 1901  
September 1901  
11.5 x 2.0 mm



"SPECIMEN" reading up, dated "SEP 1901" in violet.

## Requisition Order Specimen

Overprinted "Specimen" in red, security punches in various sizes, from the American Bank Note Co. Archives. Ordered and filled eight times, six records. Information includes date ordered, sheet date and "Specimen" overprint sizes.



09 May 1898  
May 1898  
15.5 x 2.5 mm



29 April 1902  
May 1902  
14.0 x 1.5 mm  
**Punched twice**



13 June 1906  
19 June 1906  
14.0 x 2.0 mm



15 April 1907  
24 April 1907  
14.0 x 2.0 mm



18 January 1908  
20 March 1908  
14.0 x 2.0 mm



Cream Gum



White Gum

20 June 1908  
23 July 1908  
14.0 x 2.0 mm



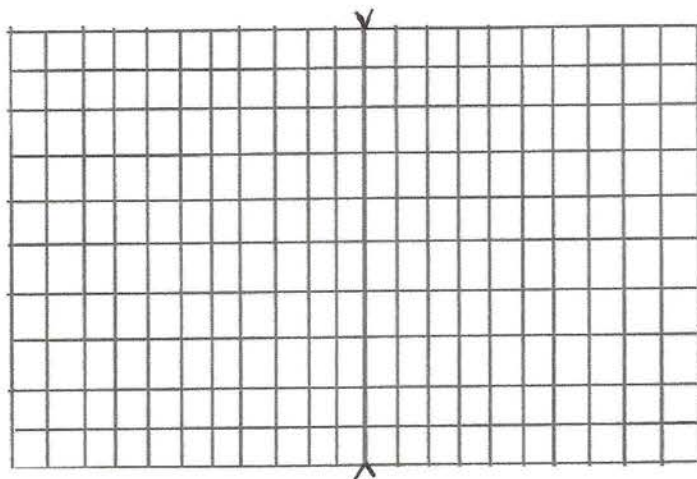
Plate strip from the 1<sup>st</sup> printing, dated "May 1898", hand stamped  
"RETURN TO E5/To be help for Reference."



## Portrait of Child Edward VIII (Issued June 1898)

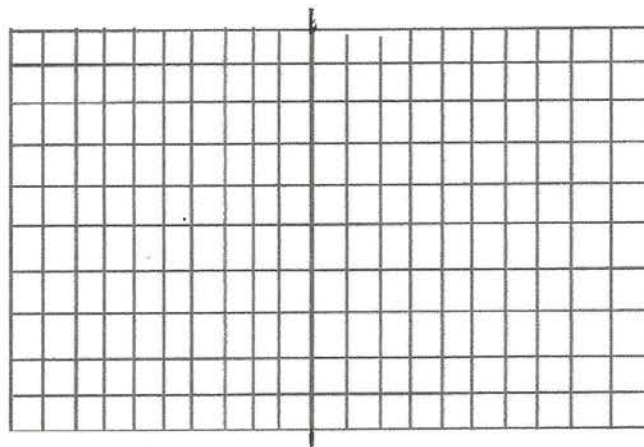
Printed in sheets of 200 subjects in two formats:

- a) A wide centre gutter between two panes of 100 with cutting guide line.
- b) No gutter with cutting arrow markings in upper and lower margins positioned to form two panes of 100, creating right and left side straight edges.



1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Type a) layout + margins



1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Type (b) layout + margins



Issued Stamp



Type b) Upper right block from left pane.





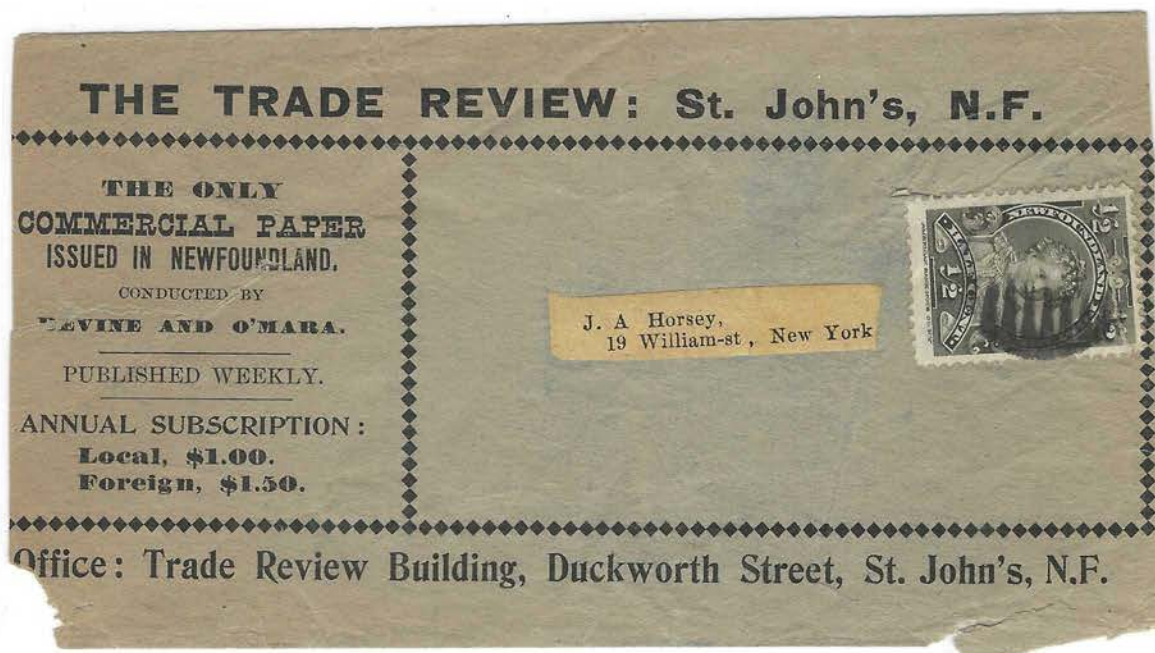
Type b) Upper right block from right pane with reversed "2" plate number.

### 1/2¢ Newspaper Rate

In October 1887, to encourage access to reading material, the G. P. O. introduced a 1/2¢ rate on "printed matter literature". This rate appears to have been discontinued in 1900 as no evidence is found in guides after 1899. This is the **ONLY** intended and proper single usage for this stamp.

The Trade Review began publication on Sept. 14, 1892.

Rare, possibly unique.



1/2¢ tied by bars to a wrapper of The Trade Review Commercial Paper, St. John's to New York, c.1898.

Issued 04 December 1897, the 1¢ red depicts Queen Victoria after a photograph by Alexander Bassano of London, as she looked at that time. Printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10).



Issued Stamp



Thick Paper

Usually found  
badly off-centre.

V. G. Greene  
cert. no. 14239.

1¢ per oz. Local (Drop) Letter rate

Scarce used in  
period before the  
1¢ green being  
issued in June 1898,  
giving the 1¢ red a  
period of 6 months.



St John's De 14, 97 (early usage).



# Regular Issue

1¢ Green

To conform with the recent agreement of the Universal Postal Union concerning colours, the 1¢ was re-issued in green in June 1898 (eku: 18 June). Printed in sheets of 200, divided in two panes of 100 (10 x 10). There were two major shades.



Yellow Green



Blue Green



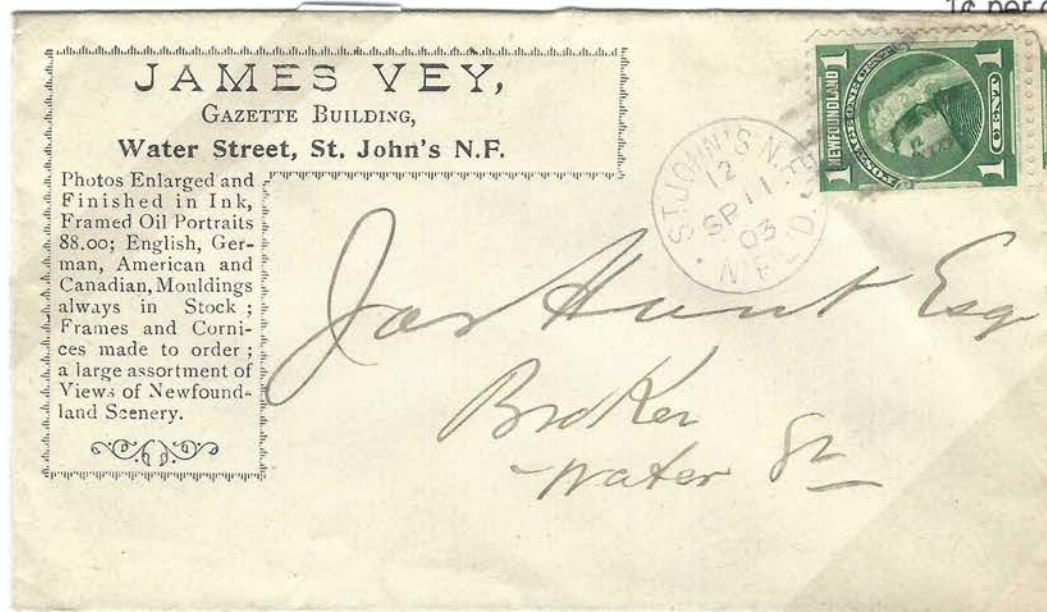
Imperforate Horizontally

## 1¢ Inland Post Card

Carbonear Oc 25, 07  
to St. John's.



1¢ per oz. Local (Drop) Letter



St. John's Sp 11, 03.  
Simply addressed  
"Water St".



1¢ per 2 oz. Circular/Printed Matter Rate

This rate remained in effect for the entire period.

Inland

St. John's, Jan 12,  
99 to Harbor Grace  
(Jan 13). Endorsed  
"Circular", unsealed.



Bay Islands My 15, 99  
to Chicago (May 19).

A folded circular titled  
"Newfoundland and Labrador  
Plants" by Rev. Arthur C.  
Waghorne, soliciting orders  
for plants scientifically  
collected.



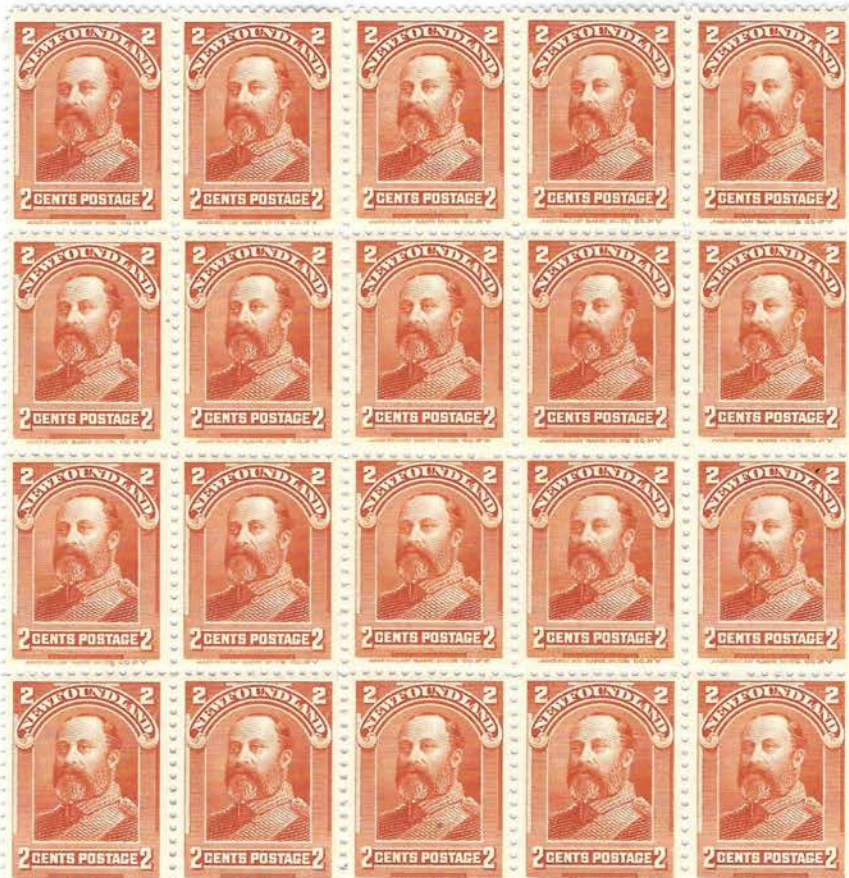
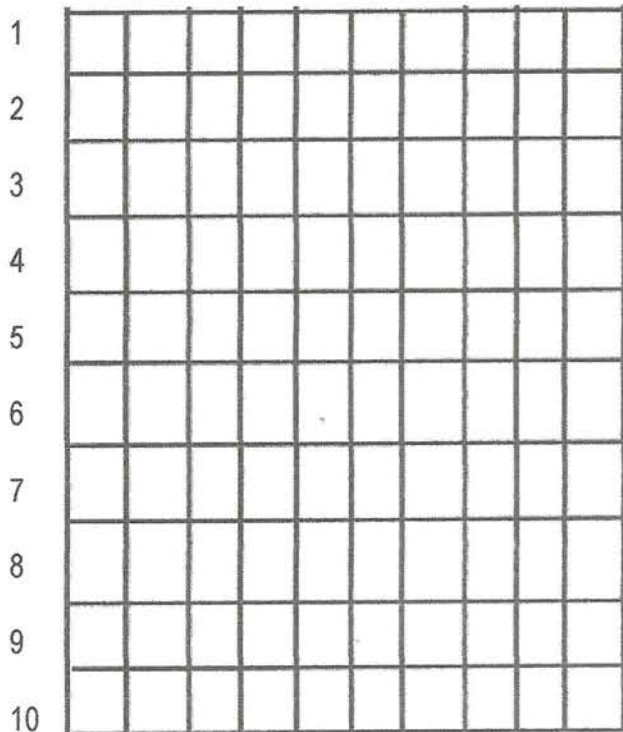
British Empire

St. John's No 6, 01 to  
London (No 18).  
Unsealed envelope.





Issued 04 December 1897, the 2¢ orange portrays the Prince of Wales later to become King Edward VII.  
 Printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10), without a printer's imprint.



1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Issued Stamp



Dated Dec 8, 1897, second day of use.



To conform with the recent agreement of the Universal Postal Union concerning colours, the 2¢ stamp was re-issued in June 1898 in vermilion. Printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10).



Issued Stamp



Mis-perforated



Imperforate - Shades

2¢ Double Local Rate - 1¢ per oz.

St. John's Au 29, 03.

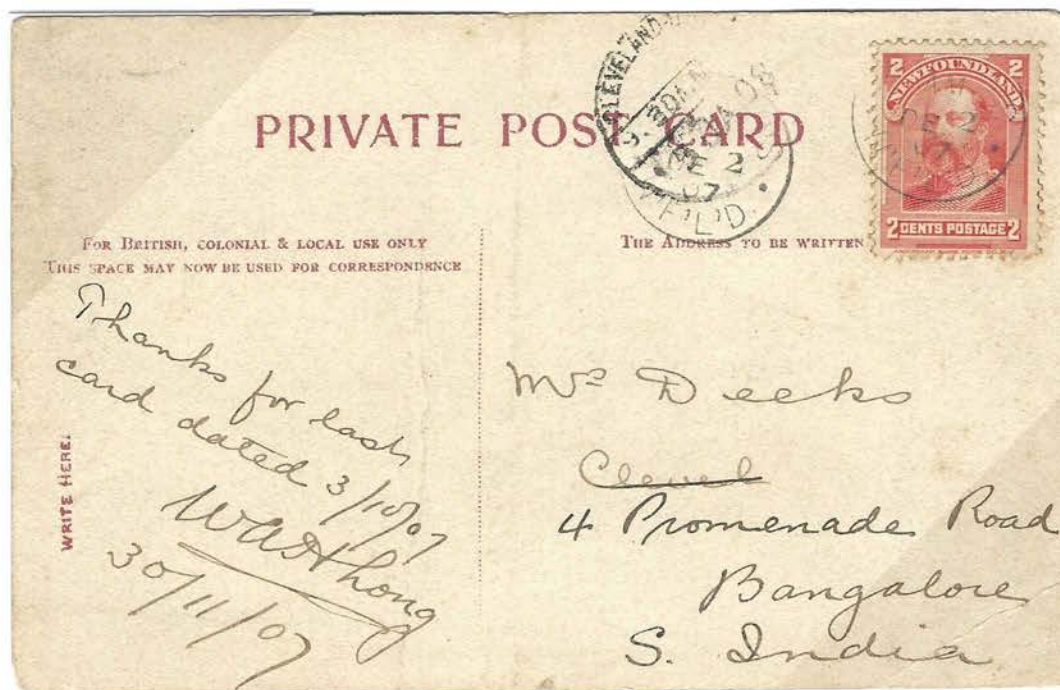


2¢ per oz. Inland  
Rate, reduced  
01 July 1906.

Gambo, Au 1, 06 to  
St. John's (Au 2), via  
N. & W. Railway  
T. P. O. (Au 1).

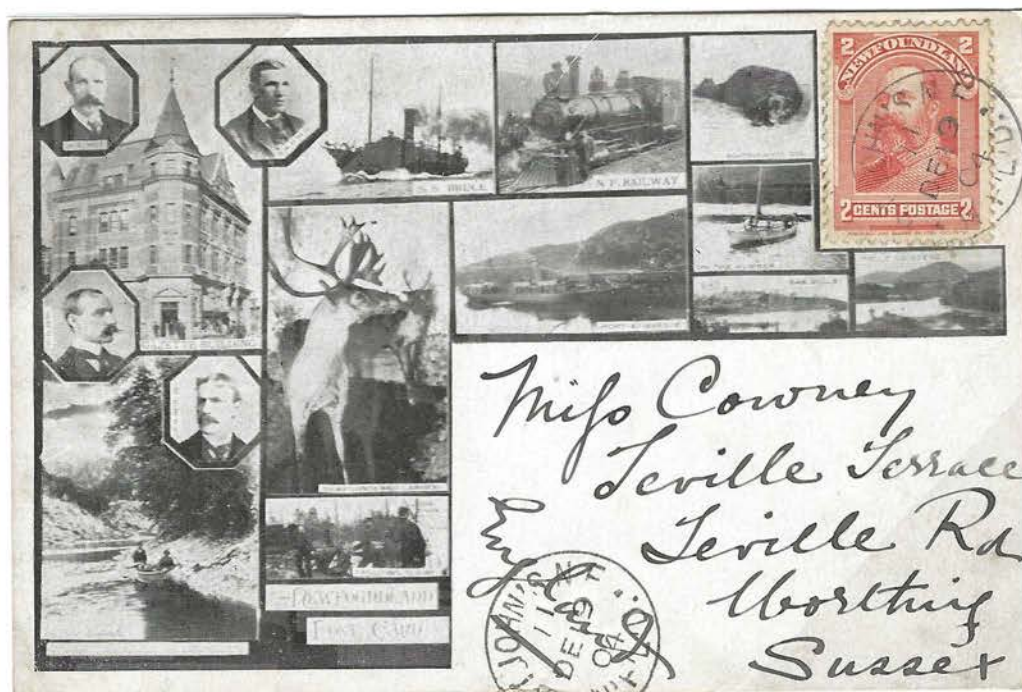
2¢ Postcard - British Empire.

India



St. John's De 2, 07 to Bangalore, Cleveland - Town (3 Ja).

Great Britain

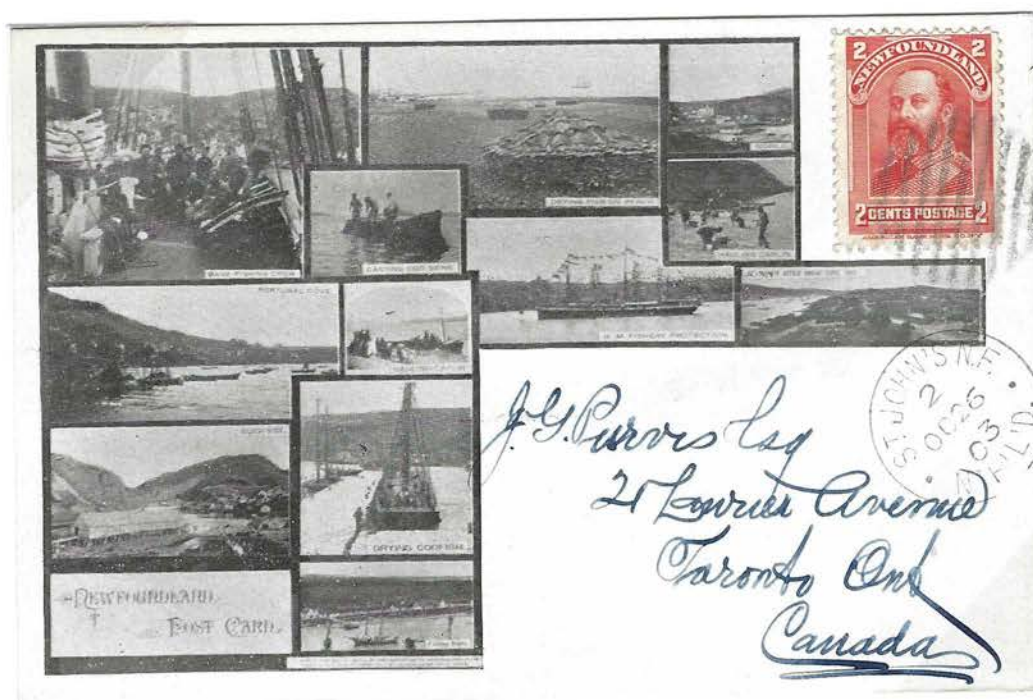


St. John's De 19, 04.



2¢ Postcard - British Empire.

Canada



St. John's Oc 26, 03 to Toronto (Nov 1).

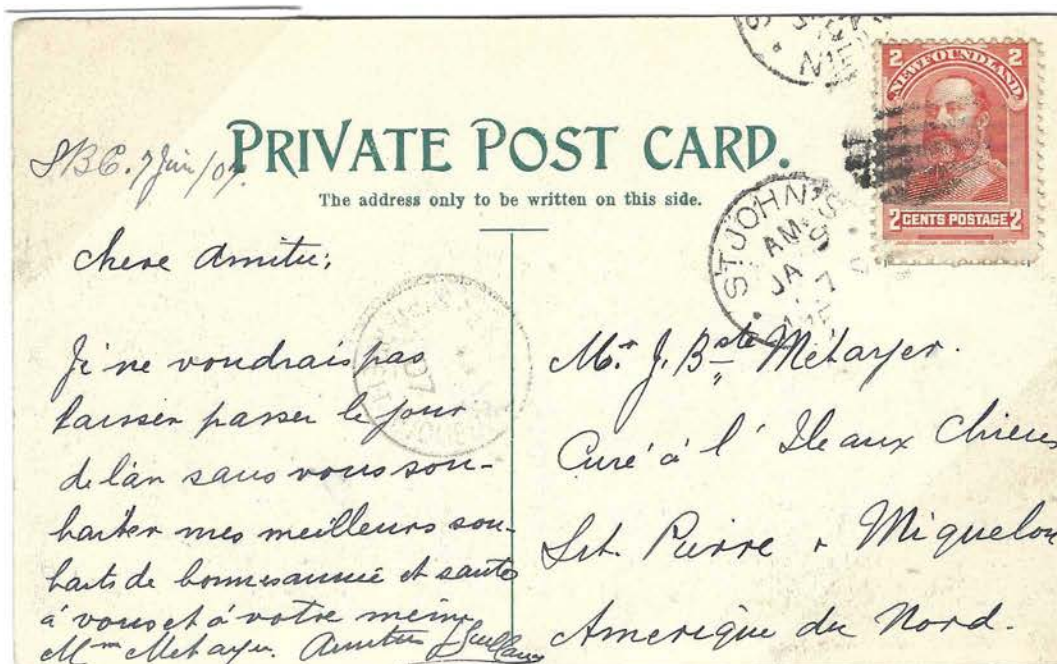
Barbados



St. John's Sp 30, 05 to Bathsheba, Barbados G. P. O and Saint Joseph (Oc 28).

2¢ Postcard Rate - Foreign.

Saint Pierre et Miquelon



St. John's Ja 9, 07 to L'Ile aux Chiens, Saint Pierre et Miquelon (Jan 11).

Norway

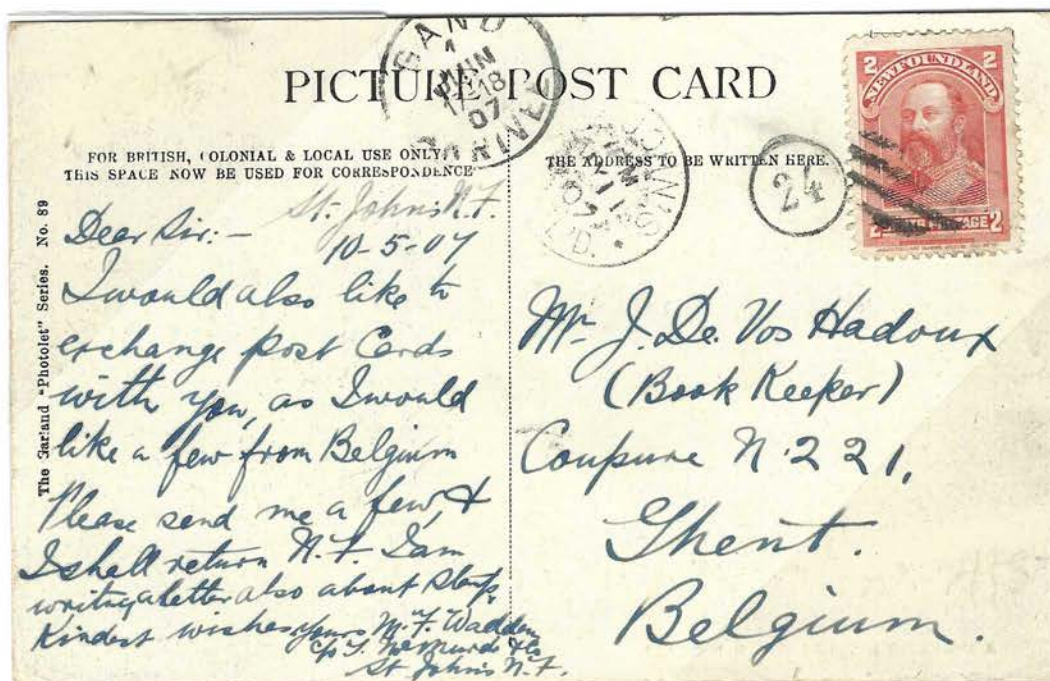


St. John's No 23, 05 to Christiana, Kristiana/Tur 4 XII 05.



2¢ Postcard Rate - Foreign.

Belgium



St. John's My 11, 07 to Ghent, Gand (1 Juin) and "24" letter carrier.

Sweden



Belle Isle Ju 17, 02 to Westervik (Jul 1), via St. John's (Ju 17) and Sassnitz - Trelleborg (Ju 30).



2¢ Letter Rate - British Empire.

With the introduction of the Empire Penny Postage on 25 December 1898, the rate to countries in the British Empire was reduced to 2¢ per oz. The Inland letter rate remained at 3¢ for nearly another 8 years.

Canada

St. John's Central  
De 31, 1898 to Hull,  
St John's (De 31),  
Ottawa (Ja 5) and  
Hull (Ja 6).



Shortpaid double  
rate letter, "T"axed  
4" ¢, short 2¢ +  
2¢ penalty.

Lamaline Ma 28, 1900  
to Toronto, St. John's  
(Ap 2), Halifax (Ap 16)  
and Toronto (Ap 18).

United Kingdom

St. John's Ju 21,  
1906 to Hawkhurst,  
C. B. Railway R. P. O.  
(Ju 21), Barnstaple  
(Jy 5), Hawkhurst  
(Jy 5) and (Jy 6),  
**Forwarded to**  
London (Jy 6).



Issued in June 1898, the image depicts Princess Alexandra.

Printed in two formats:

- a) Sheet of 100 subjects (10 x 10), wide margins, printer's imprint, centre of lower margin.
- b) Sheets of 200 subjects (10 X 20), wide margins, vertical gutter between two panes of 100 with cutting guide line between the two panes..



Issued Stamp - Shades



Reversed plate "3", upper left pane.



Imprint block, lower centre margin.



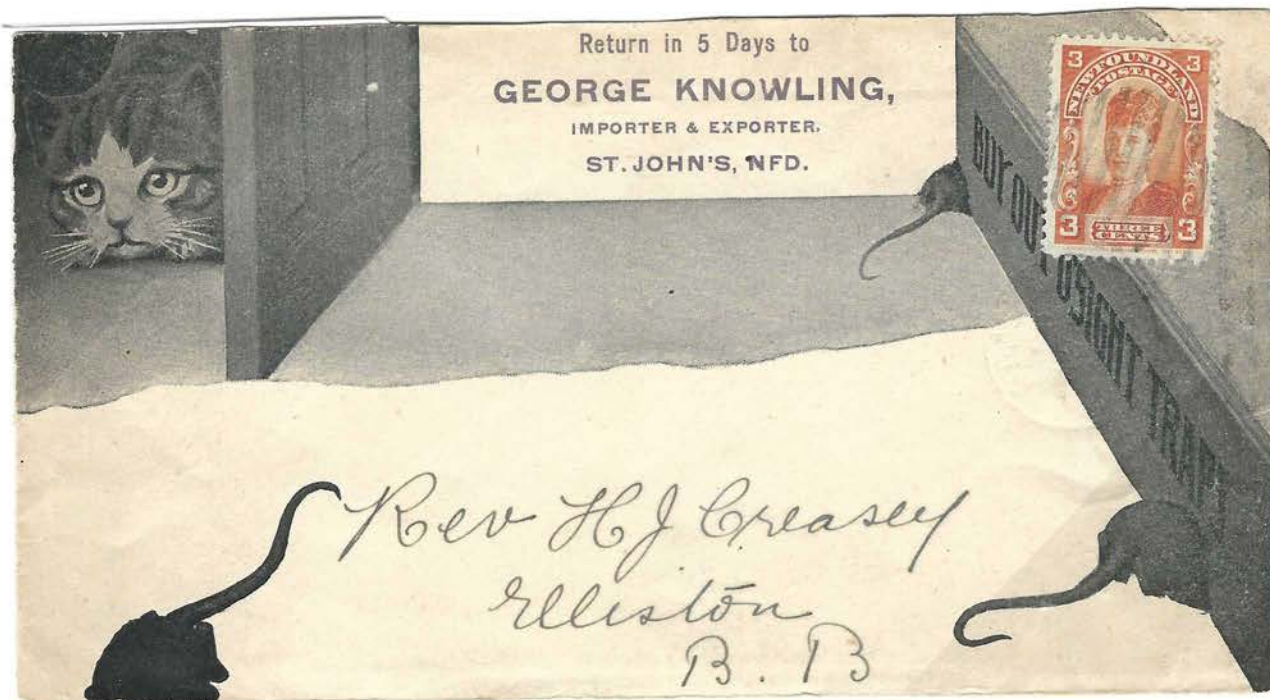
## Perforation Varieties



Imperforate

Imperforate between  
horizontallyMis-perforated  
Harbor Grace  
De 5, 1898

3¢ per oz. Inland Letter Rate.



St. John's Au 7, 08 to Elliston, Bonavista Au 8, 08 back stamp.



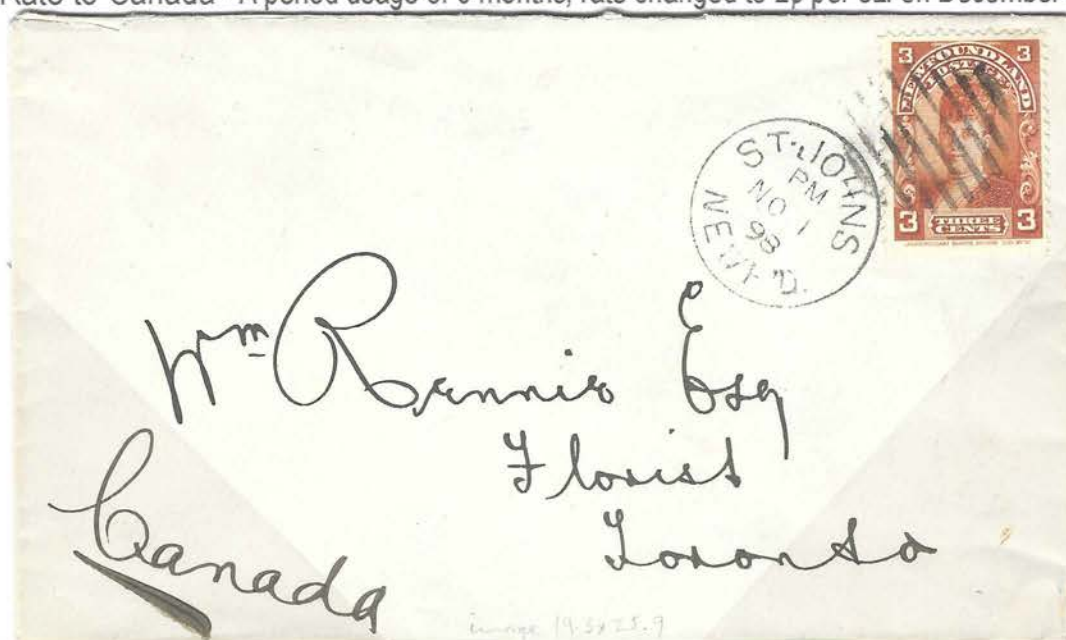
Inland - FREE + 3¢ Registration

A Department of Marine and Fisheries (St. John's) On H. M. Service envelope to Open Hall, entitled to FREE 1<sup>st</sup> class inland postage but not registration.



Duckworth Street St. Johns De 7, 05 to Open Hall via St. John's (De 7) and Bonavista Bay T. P. O. (De 8).

3¢ per oz. Letter Rate to Canada - A period usage of 6 months, rate changed to 2¢ per oz. on December 25, 1898.



St. John's No 1, 98 to Toronto (No 5).

## War Tax

On 16<sup>th</sup> May 1918 an amendment to the "Revenue Act, 1905" was passed and the public was notified that "On and after 17<sup>th</sup> May 1918 every prepaid letter and letter packet posted in Newfoundland shall, in addition to the postage payable thereon, under the Provision of the Post Office Act of 1891, and Acts in amendment thereafter, be charged with an EXTRA POSTAGE OF ONE CENT - thus a one-ounce letter will be three cents and a two-ounce letter five cents etc.

On and after June 1<sup>st</sup> 1918, all letters originating in Newfoundland and not bearing the extra postage will be charged two cents additional on delivery.

In the case of letters from Labrador, the double tax will not be enforced in Newfoundland until the arrival and distribution of the first mail by steamer from the coast"

"J. Alex Robinson  
Postmaster-General".

Current stocks of 3¢ stamps were inadequate. To secure the stamps in time, the Newfoundland G. P. O. went to the American Bank Note Co. who still had the plates for the 3¢ orange of 1898 in their possession.

Printed in sheets  
of 100 (10 x 10).



Shades



Plate "F-5610" and reversed "4" from the upper right pane.



Regular Issue

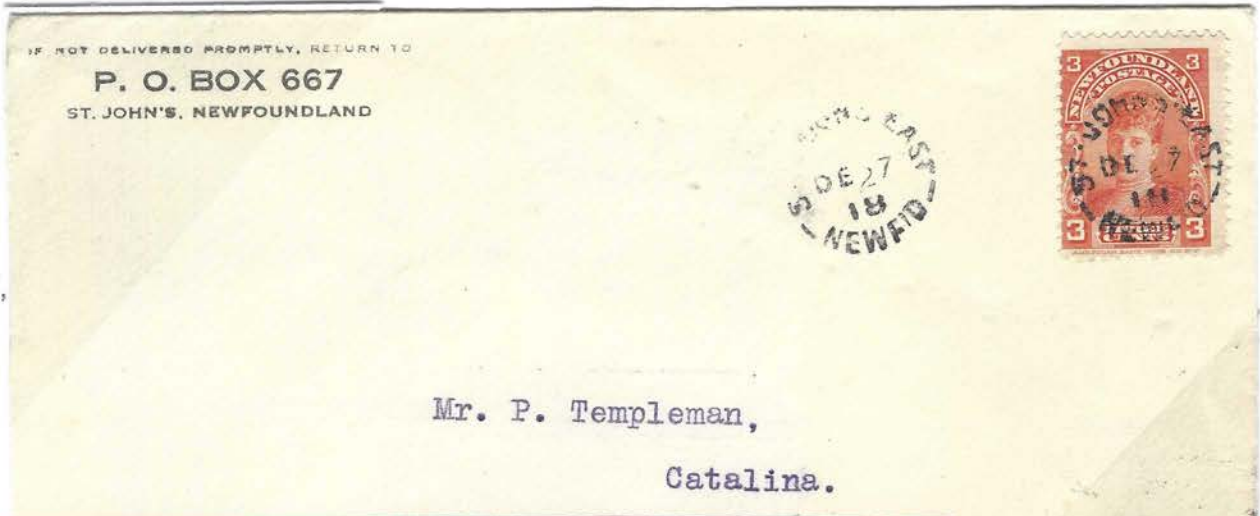
3¢ Orange

War Tax Period - Usage from May 17, 1918 until January 2, 1919.

2¢ per oz. Letter  
Rate + 1¢ War Tax

Inland

St. John's East, Dec 27,  
1918 to Catalina, via  
St. John's (Dec 27).



United States

St. John's Nov 26,  
1918 to St. Louis.

Brazil  
Preferred Rate to  
South America

St. John's Nov 20,  
1918 to Bahia (13 Jan),  
via USA (Censor 394).



Issued 21 October 1901, it depicts the Duchess of York later to become Queen Mary.

Printed in sheet of 100 (10 x 10), printer's imprint, centre lower margin.



Issued Stamp



Imprint Block



Imperforate block - Dull Violet

1¢ per oz. Local (Drop) Letter + 3¢ Registration.



A single local registered letter, St Johns 21 Oc 1901. A first day usage.



4¢ Double - 2¢ per oz. Letter Rate.

With the introduction of the Empire Penny Postage effective 25 December 1898, the single letter rate became 2¢ per oz. The inland letter rate remained at 3¢ per oz. for nearly 8 more years.

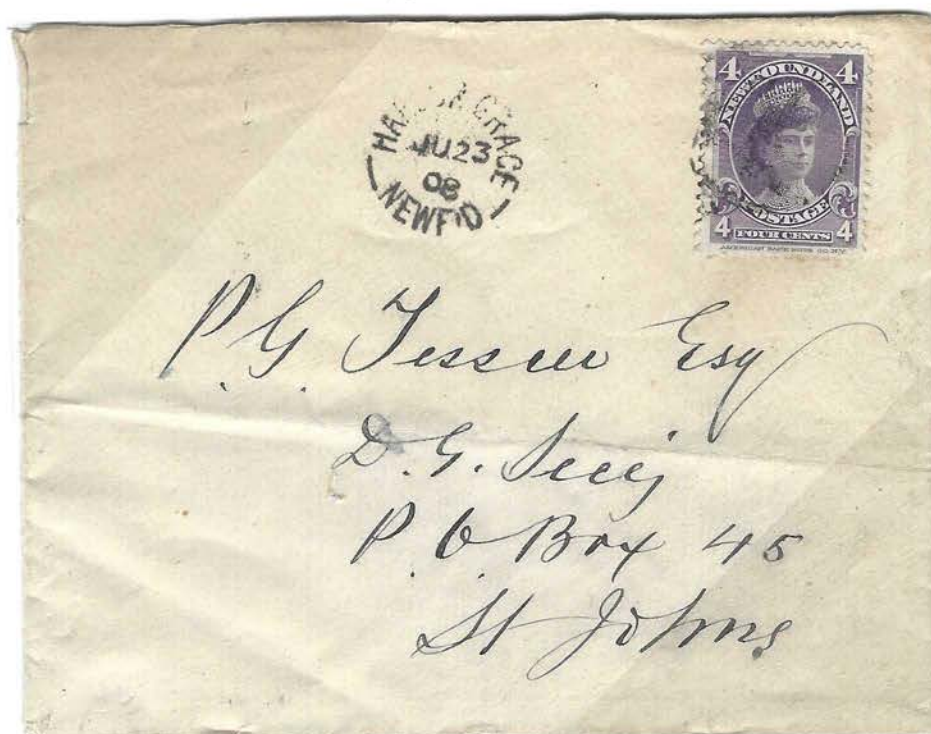
Canada.



St. John's Au 12, 1906 to Fredericton (Au 16).

On July 01, 1906, the inland letter rate was reduced to 2¢ per ounce.

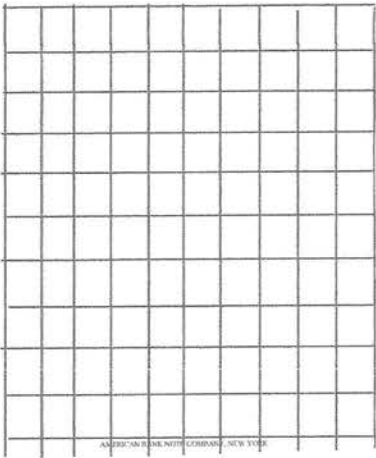
Inland



A double letter, Harbor Grace Ju 23, 1908 to St. John's (Ju 24).

Issued in July 1899 (earliest know use: 13 July 1899), it depicts the Duke of York later to become King George V. This was the first portrait of the future King to appear on a stamp. From a photograph by James Russell of London.

Printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10), with a printer's imprint in the centre of the lower margin.

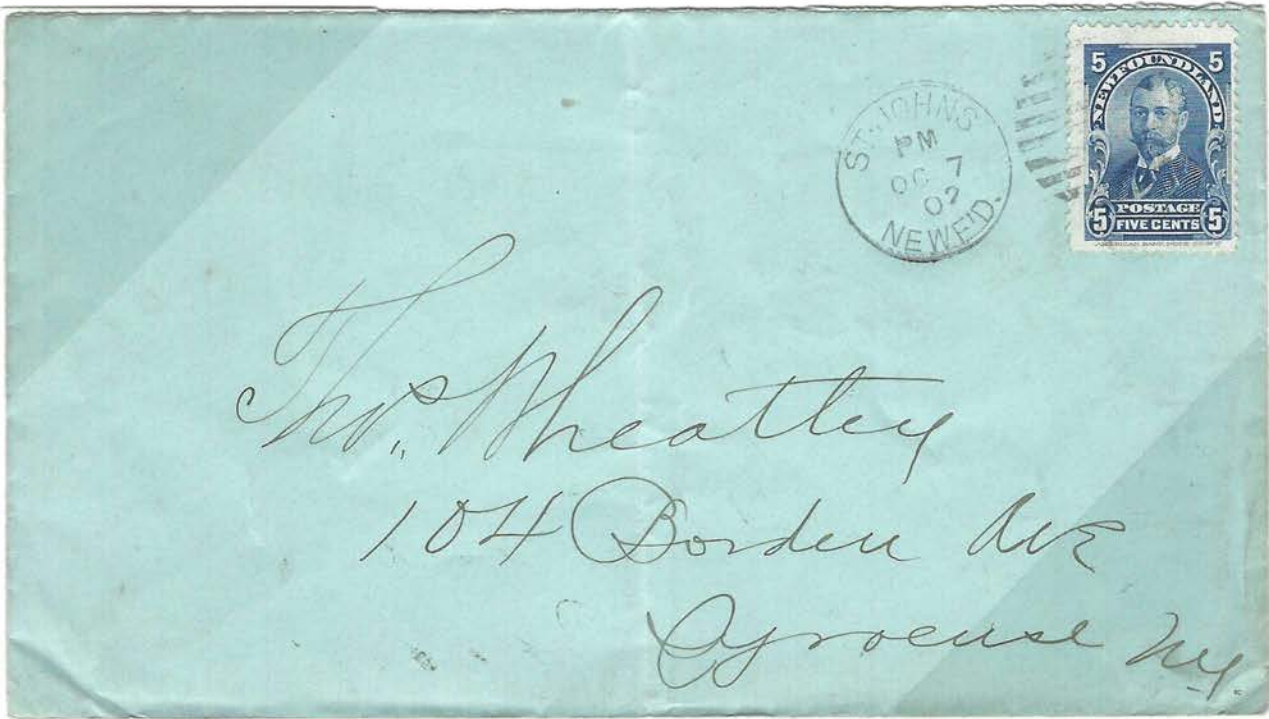


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Issued Stamp

5¢ per oz. Letter Rate - United States.



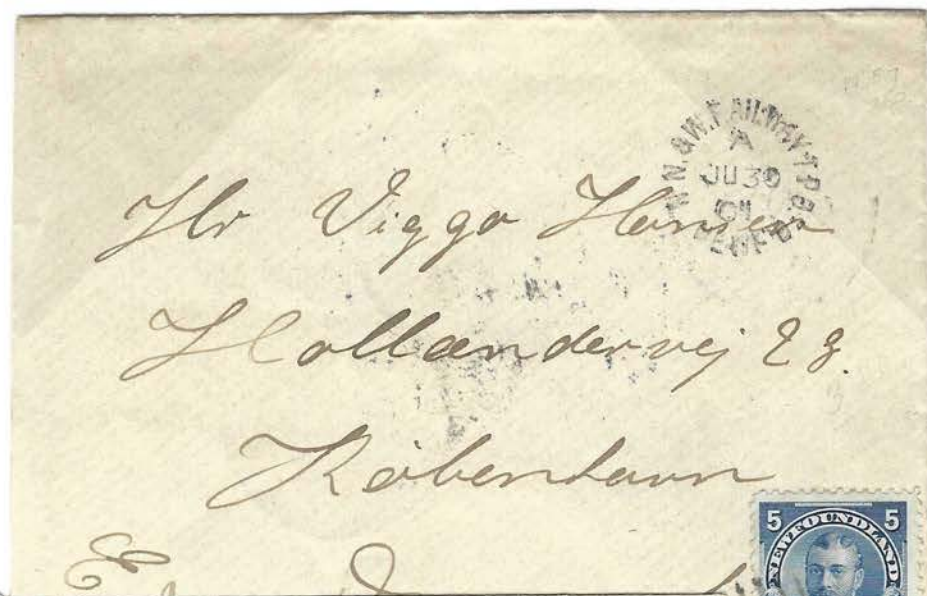
St. John's Oc 7, 1902 to Syracuse, N. Y. (Oct 11).



5¢ per oz. Letter Rate - Foreign

Denmark

N. N. & W. Railway T. P. O.  
 Jun 30, 1901 to Copenhagen,  
 Boston (Jul 4), V/OMB 1,  
 (16 7) and Kopenhagen (16 7).



ON POSTAL SERVICE.



France

St John's No 8, 1899 to  
 Paris (23 Nov)

Miss A. Forbin  
 39 Rue de Chateaudun  
 43 rue Groult  
 Paris,  
 France

GENERAL POST OFFICE,  
 ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

T. THISTLE & CO.,  
 DEALER IN  
 DRY GOODS & PROVISIONS.  
 LITTLE BAY ISLANDS.

1270



Messrs. Callahan Glass & Coy  
 337 St Johns  
 Nfld

Inland postage rate  
 reduced to 2¢ per  
 oz. on 01 July 1906,  
 registration remains  
 at 3¢.

Little Bay Islands Jy 6,  
 1907 to St. John's (Jy 8),  
 via Notre Dame Bay  
 T. P. O., Jy 07.



1¢ Inland Post Card

St John's Oc 25, 05  
to Open Hall (Oc 27).

1¢ per oz. Local Rate

St. Johns My 7, 00,  
Dead Letter Office,  
St. John's (Ju 11).

Photo 70%.

1¢ per oz. Local Rate +  
3¢ RegistrationSt. John's East Oc 5, 1901,  
St. John's (Oc 5) verso.

When an attempt at delivery was not successful, the G. P. O. would advertise in the local paper. Having been told that the addressee had moved, the letter was marked **GONE AWAY** to Saint John, NB and **ADVERTISED NOT CALLED FOR**. Without a return address, it was then sent to the Dead Letter Office for return..





3¢ per oz. Letter Rate

St. John's De 8, 97 to  
Harbor Grace, 2<sup>nd</sup>  
day of use.



Coastal T. P. O. West  
Ja 23, 98 to Grand  
Banks (Ja 26). Posted  
on coastal steamer.

The in period usage  
for the 1¢ red and 2¢  
orange was only for 6  
months. Both stamps  
were replaced by the 1¢  
green and 2¢ vermillion  
in June 1898.

Grand Banks Sp 29,  
99 to St. John's  
(Oc 2), via Coastal  
T. P. O. West (Sp 30).

The only intended usage  
for the 1/2¢ stamp was  
for the newspaper rate.  
However, it was a very  
popular stamp and it  
was used for many  
other purposes.





3¢ per oz. Letter Rate



St. John's Au 19, 99 to  
Harbor Grace (Au 19).

Grand Banks Fe 28, 04  
to St. John's (Mr 1), via  
Coastal West T. P. O.  
(Fe 28).



Balena Au 20, 04  
to St. John's (Au 25),  
via South Coast  
T. P. O. (Au 22).

Population 14.



3¢ per oz. Letter Rate +  
3¢ Registration.



Spaniard's Bay No 27,  
99 to St. Johns  
(No 28) via C. B.  
Railway (No 27).

Short 3¢ + 3¢ penalty,  
"MORE TO PAY" and  
"6" hand stamps, both  
very scarce.

Change Island Au 4,  
00 to St John's  
(Au 5), via Notre Dame  
Bay T. P. O. (Au 4).

Short 1¢ + 1¢ penalty,  
"MORE TO PAY" and  
"2" hand stamps.



South Coast T. P. O.  
Dec 30, 1904 to  
St. John's (Ja 2).



3¢ per oz Letter Rate +  
3¢ Registration.

Fortune Fe 16, 01  
to St. John's (Fe 19),  
via Coastal T. P. O.  
West (Fe 17).



Pushthrough No 25,  
03 to St. John's  
(No 28), via Coastal  
West T. P. O (No 26).



Pushthrough Se 16, 01  
to St. John's (18 Sp)  
via Coastal T. P. O.  
West (17 Sp).



3¢ per oz. Letter Rate +  
3¢ Registration.

Placentia Bay T. P. O.

Au 14, 03 to St.

John's (Au 17).

Posted on coastal steamer.



Harbor Britain Mr 26,  
02 to St. John's  
(Mr 31), via Coastal  
T. P. O West (Mr 27).

N & W. Railway T. P. O.  
De 4, 04 to St. John's  
(De 5). Posted on  
coastal steamer.





3¢ per oz. Letter Rate +  
3¢ Registration.

Carbonear My 2, 2  
(for 1902) to St. John's  
(My 3).



Gaultois No 22, 04 to  
St. John's (No 25), R in  
circle, via Bay de Esprit  
(No 21) and South  
Coast T. P. O. (No 24).

All markings on front are  
in purple, unusual "R",  
produced locally.

6¢ Double Letter Rate -  
3¢ per oz. + 3¢ Registration.

Hermitage Cove Oc 13, 04  
to St. John's (Oc 15), via  
South Coastal T. P. O.  
(Oc 13).

Showing signs of heavy  
enclosure, typical for  
over - weight letters.



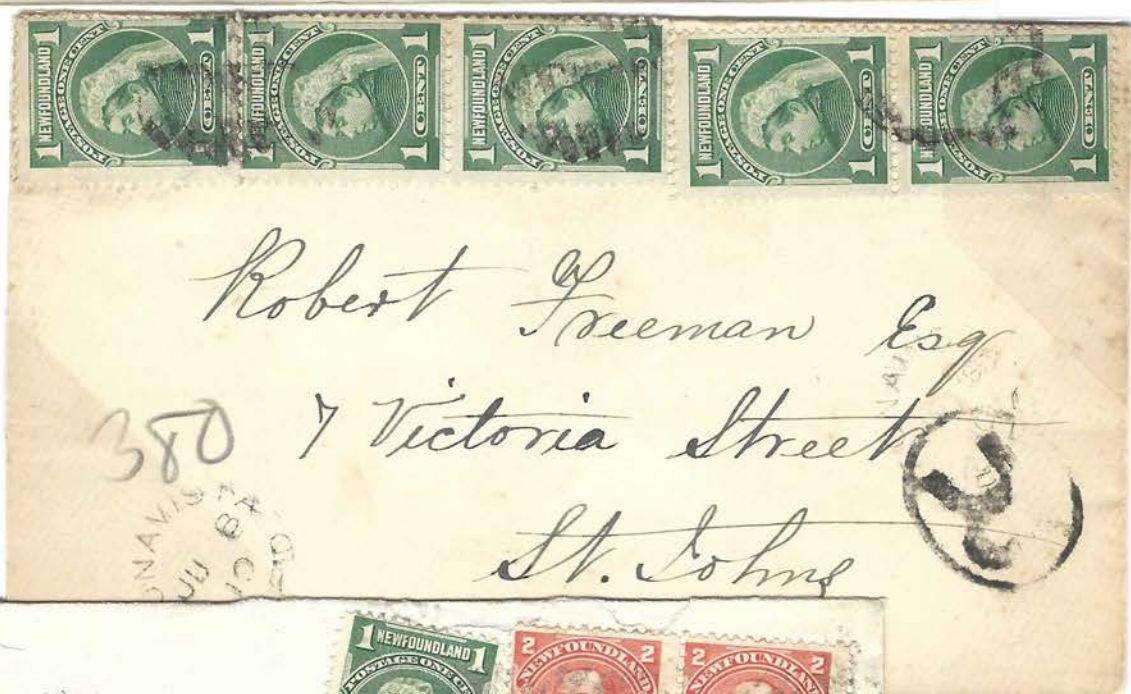


2¢ per oz. Letter Rate (Reduced 01 July 1906) - Registration remains at 3¢.



Gambo JY (undated),  
07 to St. John's (Au 1),  
Via N. & W. Railway  
T. P. O. (Au 1).

2¢ Letter Rate +  
3¢ Registration.



Bonavista Ju 8, 10  
to St. John's (Ju 9).



Little Bay Jul 7, 09  
(9 upside down for 6)  
to St. John's Jy 9, 06,  
via Notre Dame Bay  
T. P. O. (Jy 08).



2¢ per oz. Letter Rate +  
3¢ Registration.

Robinson's Head Au 8,  
06 to St. John's (Au 9),  
via N & W Railway  
T. P. O. (Au 8).



2¢ Map replaces  
2¢ Royal Family  
on August 31,  
1908. Other values  
are not replaced until  
the John Guy issue  
of August 15, 1910.



Trepassy Sp 11, 08  
to St. John's (Sp 12),  
via Coastal T. P. O.  
West (Sp 11).

4¢ Double Rate -  
2¢ per oz +  
3¢ Registration.



Little Bay Islands Mr 22,  
11 to St. John's (Mar 29).



## War Tax

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An 8 oz. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Mailing @ 2¢ per oz. + 1¢ War Tax + 3¢ Registration. (Inland)

A 7 oz. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Mailing @ 2¢ per oz. + 1¢ War Tax + 5¢ Registration (Canada or USA)



St John's East No 5, 18

3¢ per oz. Letter Rate.

The 2¢ orange cod was delivered at the same time as the 1¢ red Royal Family in December 1897.



St. John's Ja 22, 98 to Toronto (Ja 28).

1¢ green replaces  
1¢ red in June 1898.



St. John's Au 17, 98 to Pictou (Au 20).



3¢ per oz. Letter Rate + 5¢ Registration.



St. John's 12 Ja, 98 to Victoria (Ja 22), via Montreal (Ja 17), also Victoria (Ja 24) carrier hand stamp.

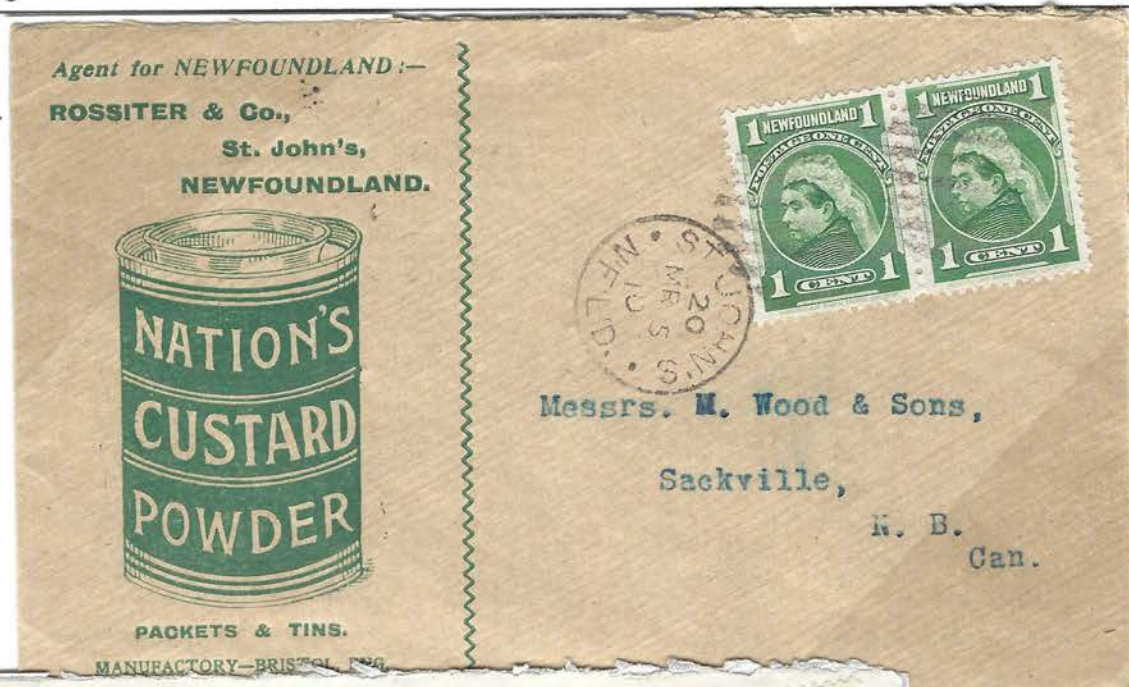


St. John's Oc 22, 98 to Truro (Oc 26), via Point Tupper & Sydney M. C. (Oc 26).



Imperial Penny Postage introduced 25 December 1898. The Letter Rate becomes 2¢ per oz.

St. John's Mr 5, 10  
to Sackville/NB (Mr 9)



Bonne Bay Ap 25, 02  
to Halifax (Ap 29).

2¢ per oz. Letter Rate + 5¢ Registration.

Exploits Mr 31, 04 to  
Halifax (Ap 14), via  
St. John's (6 Ap).





2¢ per oz. Letter Rate + 5¢ Registration.



Exploits Mr 31, 04 to Halifax (Ap 14), via St. John's (Ap 6).



St. John's 24 Ja 03 to Halifax (Ja 28).



2¢ per oz. Letter Rate + 5¢ Registration.



Placentia Ja 12, 04 to  
Toronto (Jan 20), via  
C. B. Railway T. P. O.  
(Ja 12) and St. John's  
(13 Ja).

Channel Ju 23, 02 to Halifax,  
via North Sydney (Jun 24).



4¢ Double Rate -  
2¢ per oz. +  
5¢ Registration.



Burgo Au 1, 2 (for 02)  
to Halifax (Au 3), via  
Coastal T. P. O. West  
(Au 2).

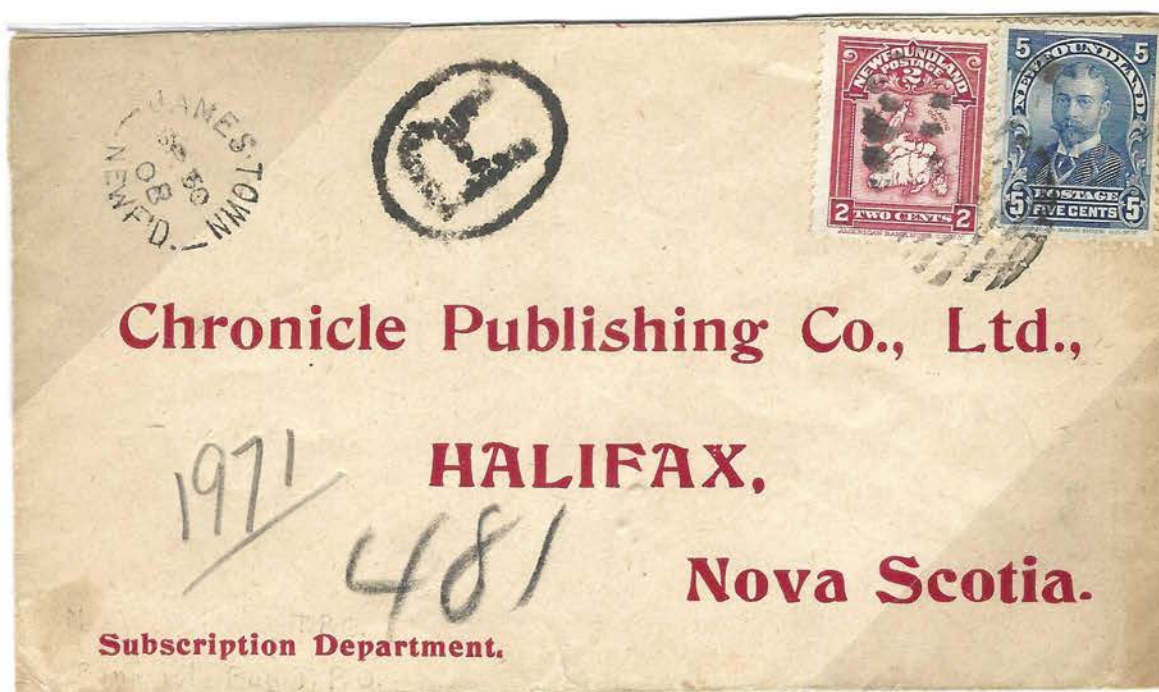


2¢ per oz. Letter Rate + 5¢ Registration.

2¢ Map replaces 2¢ Royal  
Family August 31, 1908.



St. John's Ja 30, 09 to Kamloops (Fe 9), via Montreal (Fe 4), Montreal & Ottawa R. P. O. (Fe 4), Train No 97, Ott. & Ft Wm R. P. O. (Fe 5), M. Jaw & Cal. R. P. O. train 97 (Fe 5) and C & V. R. P. O./+B. C.+ train 97 (Fe 8).

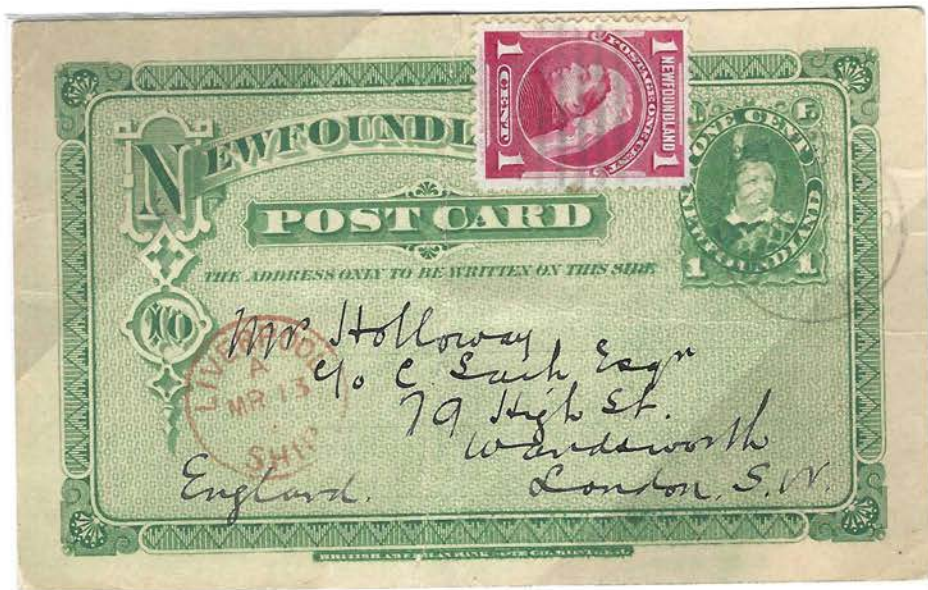


James - Town Sp 30, 08 to Halifax (Oct 3), via Bonavista Bay T. P. O. (Sp 30) and N. & W. Railway T. P. O. (Oc 2).



Great Britain

2¢ Post Card Rate.



St. John's Mr 3, 98 to London, via Liverpool/Ship (Mr 13).

5¢ per oz. Letter Rate + 5¢ Registration.



Bay Islands De 16, 98 to Lincoln, UK (Ja 2, 99), via N. N. & W. Railway T.P.O. (De 16),  
Point Tupper & Sydney M. C. (De 20), and St John, NB (De 21).



## 2¢ Concessionary Rate

The 1852 Statutes of Newfoundland. 15 Victoria. Cap XIII. Passed 14 June 1852 partly reads...

" - be enacted that in every case in which any Seaman in Her Majesties Navy, Serjeant, Corporal, Drummer, Trumpeter, Fifer, or Private Soldier in Her Majesties Service shall be entitled to send or receive letters on the payment of a certain sum, and no more, in place of all British Postage thereon, the payment of such small sum shall likewise free such letter from all Colonial Postage thereon...

At this time the 1<sup>st</sup> class postage rate to Great Britain was 5¢ per ½ oz.

**H. M. S. Rambler** was an Algerine-class gun vessel of the Royal Navy launched on 26 January 1880. She was commissioned as a survey vessel in 1884. *Rambler* conducted extensive surveys in the Red Sea and Far East, and from 1886 served on the China Station. For a few months between October 1889 and April 1890 she conducted a survey in Western Australian waters. She re-commissioned on 1 February 1889 at Hong Kong. In 1897 and 1898 she surveyed the Strait of Belle Isle and the Labrador Coast in the Atlantic. Between November 1899 and June 1900 *Rambler* contributed men to a naval brigade during the *Boer War*. She was sold on 23 January 1907.

**Red Bay** is a fishing village and former site of several Basque whaling stations on the southern coast of Labrador.



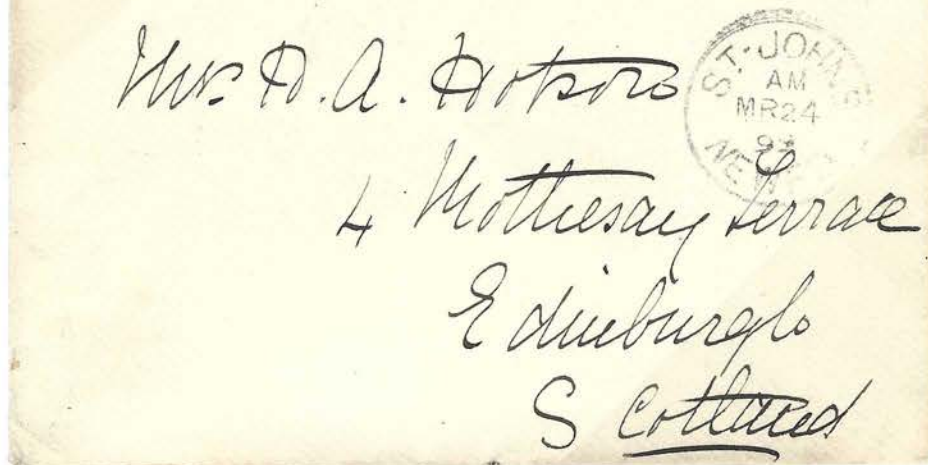
An 1898 cover endorsed "From P.W.B. Fitz, C.C." (Chief Carpenter) "H. M. S. Rambler Red Bay, Labrador" countersigned "CEM" (C. E. Munro) "Commanding Officer", bearing two singles 1¢ green Victoria to Middlesex, U. K. Red Bay, Labrador by coastal steamer "Coastal T. P. O. North Sp 13, 98 to St. John's (Sp 18), hence via Liverpool/Ship (Sp 29), London (Sp 30) and Paddington W (Sp 30), forwarded to Shepherds Bush.

Imperial Penny Postage introduced 25 December 1898. Letter Rate becomes 2¢ per oz.



St. John's Jan 6, 02 to  
Scotland, Edinburgh  
(Ja 16).

St. John's East Ja 18, 99  
to **Bermuda**, Hamilton  
(Ja 31), via Saint John,  
NB, (Ja 25).



St. John's Mr 24, 99 to  
Scotland, Edinburgh  
(Ap 6).



4¢ Double Rate - 2¢ per oz.



St. John's East Sp 25, 01 to **England**, Tewkesbury (Oc 4), via St. John's (Sp 25) and Glasgow (Oc 3).

6¢ Triple Rate - 2¢ per oz.



St. John's Ap 19, 01 to **England**, London, 5.15 AM and 6.PM (My 6), forwarded to Tewkesbury (My 7).

2¢ per oz. Letter Rate + 4¢ Registration.



St. John's Ja 3, 2 (for 02) to Dublin, Ireland, via Glasgow (13 Ja).

4¢ Double Rate - 2¢ per oz. + 4¢ Registration.



St John's 13 Ju, 1908 to Hunsdon (Ju 20), England, via Liverpool (Ju 19) and Ware (Ju 20).



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4¢ Double Letter Rate - 2¢ per oz. + 1¢ War Tax + 4¢ Registration.



St. John's 6 Jul 1918 to Thorngumbald, **England**, via Liverpool (22 JY) and Burstwick (23 JY).



2¢ Post Card Rate.



St. John's East Ap 7, 00  
to Boston (Ap 10), via  
St. John's (Ap 7).

2¢ Double Printed Matter Rate - 1¢ per 2 oz.

St. John's Ja 14, 04 to  
New York (Jan 16).  
(unsealed).



5¢ per oz. Letter Rate.



3¢ Cabot used, 3¢  
Royal Family not  
issued until June  
1898.

St. John's East Ja 15,  
98 to New York (Ja 20),  
Via St. John's (Ja 15).



5¢ per oz. Letter Rate.

St. John's East De 29, 1897 to  
New York (Ja 2), via St. John's  
(De 29).

3¢ Cabot used, 3¢ Royal  
Family not issued until  
June 1898.

**J. C. MORGENTHAU & CO.,**

**87 NASSAU STREET,**

**NEW YORK CITY.**



*The Ames How Co  
Boston*

1¢ green replaced  
1¢ red in June 1898.

St. John's Au 27, 98  
to Boston (Sep 1).



*Miss B J Whalen  
Liberty Maine*

St. John's Mr 10, 03 to  
Liberty, Me. (Mar 18).





5¢ per oz. Letter Rate.

St. John's Mr 24, 00 to  
Woburn (Apr 1), via  
Boston (Mar 31).



St. John's Ja 21, 03  
to Boston.

Mourning cover.

St. Leonard's Jy 28, 08  
to Brooklyn, via Placentia  
Bay T. P. O. (Jy 28) and  
St. John's (Jy 30).





5¢ per oz. Letter Rate.



N. &amp; W. Railway T. P. O. Sp 24, 01 to New York (Sp 30).



St. John's De 6, 02 to Providence (Dec 11), via Boston (Dec 11).



5¢ per oz. Letter Rate.

### Short Paid Letters

A single letter, short 3¢ + 3¢ penalty,  
T(axed) and Due 6 Cents hand stamps.

Carbonear No 22, 07  
to St. Johnsbury (Nov 26),  
via C. B. Railway (No 21)  
and St. John's (No 21).



A single letter, short 3¢  
+ 3¢ penalty, T(axed)  
and Due 6 Cents hand  
stamps.

St. John's No 19, 1904  
to Nashua (Nov 24).

A triple letter, short 7¢ + 7¢ penalty,  
T(axed) and Collect 14 Cents Postage  
hand stamps and 3/35 in blue crayon.

St. John's Au 18, 04 to  
Red Bank, NJ (Au 23).





5¢ per oz. Letter Rate.

2¢ Map replaces 2¢  
Royal Family Issue  
on 31 August 1908.  
Other values will  
be replaced by the  
John Guy issue  
15 August 1910.



St. John's Fe 4, 09 to New York.



St. John's No 4, 08 to New York.



5¢ per oz. Letter Rate + 5¢ Registration.



St. John's 14 De, 97 to  
Utica (Dec 23), via  
Boston (Dec 21).

5¢ Cabot used, 5¢  
Royal Family not  
available until 13 July  
1899.

St. John's 14 Dec, 97 to  
Chicago (Dec 23) via  
Boston (Dec 21).



St. John's 11 Ja, 98 to  
Concord, via Boston  
(17 Ja).



5¢ per oz. Letter Rate + 5¢ Registration.



St. John's Jan 25, 98 to  
to Lowell (Feb 3) via  
Boston (Feb 1).

To conform with a recent agreement  
of the Universal Postal Union  
concerning colours, the 1¢ red and  
2¢ orange were re-issued in green  
and vermillion in June 1898.

St. John's 10 Jan 1905 to New York  
(1 - 15) and Station V (Jan 16) via  
Boston (Jan 15).



St. John's 17 Feb 1905 to  
to New York (2 - 25), via  
Boston (Feb 25).



5¢ per oz. Letter Rate +  
5¢ Registration.

St. John's 3 Ja 01,  
to New York (Ja 12),  
via Boston Jan 10).



St. John's 28 Sep, 05 to  
Los Angeles (Oct 10),  
via Boston (Oct 5).

St. John's 19 Dec 1905 to  
Boston (Dec 26).

Note: "Late" notation  
in pencil. No evidence  
of late fee, cover held  
for next mailing.





5¢ per oz. Letter Rate + 5¢ Registration.



St. John's 28 Ja, 02 to  
Detroit (Feb 7), via  
Boston (Feb 5).

St. John's 4 Jy 02  
to Niagara Falls  
(Jul 11), via Boston  
(Jul 10).



St. John's 18 De 01 to  
Springfield (Dec 2?)  
via Boston (Dec 24).



10¢ Double Letter Rate - 5¢ per oz. +  
5¢ Registration.

Harbor Grace De 16, 01 to  
Cleveland (Dec 24), via  
Boston (De 22).



Exploits Ap 25, 01 to  
Floral Park, via St.  
John's (30 Ap) and  
Boston (May 6).



St. John's 22 Ap, 01 to  
New York (Ap 27),  
via Boston (Ap 26).



15¢ Triple Letter Rate - 5¢ per oz. + 5¢ Registration.



St. John's 23 De, 06 to Monroe (Jan 2), via Boston (De 31).

Letter Rate Reduced on March 01, 1908.

6¢ Triple Rate - 2¢ per oz. + 5¢ Registration.



St. John's 9 Feb, 1909 to Toledo (Feb 15), via Boston (Feb 13).



1¢ per 2 oz. Printed Matter.

## Germany

St. John's (undated) to  
Berlin (27. 10. 01).  
(unsealed)



2¢ Post Card.

## France

St. John's Au1, 03 to  
Mulhouse Alsace -  
Lorraine/Mulhausen  
(16.3), forwarded to  
Wilmereux, Pas de  
Calais (18.3).

## Austria

Spaniard's Bay Mr 1,  
05 to Vienna (21. 3),  
via C. B. Railway  
T. P. O. (Mr 2),  
St. John's (Mr 3)  
and London (A01).



This type E "A01" "Killer" obliterator was used from 1860 to 1875 in Kingston, Jamaica. It was subsequently withdrawn and returned to the G. P. O London where it was used as a transit mark on foreign mail; possibly at the London Foreign Section.



2¢ Post Card +  
5 ¢ Registration.

## France

Hopedale did  
not have a  
postmark at  
this time.



Datelined Hopedale 29 Juillet 1904 to Paris (20 -8), via Coastal Steamer to St. John's (8 Au), Liverpool (19 Au), London (19 Au), **forwarded** to St-Pierre Eglise (XVI 23) letter carrier handstamp.

A **very rare** registered post card from **Labrador**. The message simply reads "Meilleures Amities".

5¢ per oz. Letter Rate.



St. John's Au 8, 04 to Paris (20 - 8), **forwarded** to St-Pierre Eglise (21 Aout) and (XVI 23) letter carrier handstamp.

Note: Both items are from the same sender to the same addressee. The postcard was mailed 10 days earlier when the sender was at Hopedale, Labrador; the cover was mailed at St. John's on August 8<sup>th</sup> (the same day the postcard reached St. John's **and likely the day the steamer arrived there from the Labrador Coast**). Both were delivered on the same day by the same letter carrier. Addressed to Paris and forwarded to the "Chateau de Gouberville" near St. Pierre Eglise, the postcard shows markings in England due to being registered.



# Multiple/Mixed Usages

Foreign

5¢ per oz. Letter Rate.

Germany

St. John's De 1, 03 to  
Kleinwelke (15 . 12),  
**forwarded** to Gnadau  
(16 . 12).



France

St. John's Sp 9. 07 to  
Morlaix/Finistère  
(19 - 9).

Bohemia  
(now Czechoslovakia)

St. John's Oc 27, 04  
to Haida (6 - 11), via  
Glasgow (No 3).





5¢ per oz. Letter Rate +  
5¢ Registration.

## Germany

St. John's 17 Jul 02  
to Chemnitz - Allendorf  
(30.07) via Liverpool  
and London (28 Jul).

Note: Hand drawn  
Registered label.



St. John's 29 Ja 98 to  
Leipzig (16.2), via  
London (15 Fe).

3¢ from the Cabot issue  
used as 3¢ from the  
Royal Family not issued  
until June 1898.



St. John's 14 No 01 to  
Chemnitz - Allendorf  
(27 . 11), via Liverpool  
(25 No) and London  
(26 No).



5¢ per oz. Letter Rate +  
5¢ Registration.

Hungary



St. John's East, De 7, 01 to Köszeg (Dec 25), via St. John's (7 De), Liverpool (22 De) and London (23 De).

15¢ Triple Letter Rate - 5¢ per oz. + 5¢ Registration.

Switzerland



St. John's Fe 22, 00 to Basel (9 III) via Foreign N. Y. Transit (Fe 23).



Born March 6, 1862 in Allendorf, Germany. In May 1899, E. R. Krippner took up residence in St. John's. Newfoundland and immediately sought philatelic clients by advertising under the pseudonym of Reichardt in local newspapers.

Krippner's patriotic artistic designed covers, pre-franked with Newfoundland Royal Family definitive issue stamps attracted patriotic clients. He applied his artwork by hand using coloured India inks, fine artist brushes and pens. These were protected with a varnish, which also enhanced the colours. To date, 57 postally used "Patriotic" covers have been recorded. These were all produced whilst he was residing and working in Newfoundland, between May 1899 and sometime in 1904.

E. R. Krippner relocated to Winnipeg in July 1904, leaving again sometime between 1916 and 1923 for the United States of America where he died on January 29, 1942.

