

GAFF TOPSAILS

Open	1910	Closed	1923	Population	17
Bay	Inland	Location	On rail line	Map	7 W 12
Distributing Office		Same			

No Postmasters are named but would probably have been the telegraph operator.
Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. No proofs are known.
Extremely rare, population 4, all Railway Section Gang.



GAMBO

Open	1882	Closed	Still Open	Population	332
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Head of Freshwater Bay	Map	10 Y 21
Distributing Office		Same			

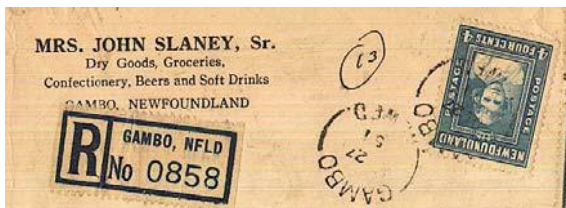
Open as a way office in 1882 with Simeon Osmond as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Simeon as first Postmaster. PM in 1896 was G.M. Wadman, in 1898 was W.J. Osmond and in 1900 was Richard Mosdel. PM in 1931 was Allan Jerret who, was also telegraph operator with assistants Clara Kennedy and Annie Morrissey. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



GANDER BAY NORTH SIDE

Open	1908	Closed	1911	Population	301
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Head of Gander Bay	Map 9	V 20 (general area)
Distributing Office		Not known			

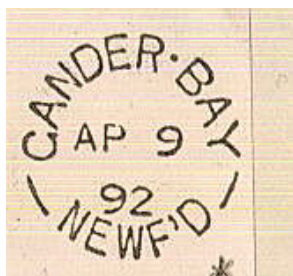
The precise location of this office is not known but may have been one of the offices in the general area that opened later under a different name. First Postmaster William Collins. Mails are not known but probably followed the pattern of Gander Bay.



GANDER BAY

Open	1885	Closed	Still Open	Population	412
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Head of Gander Bay	Map 9	V 20
Distributing Office		Same			

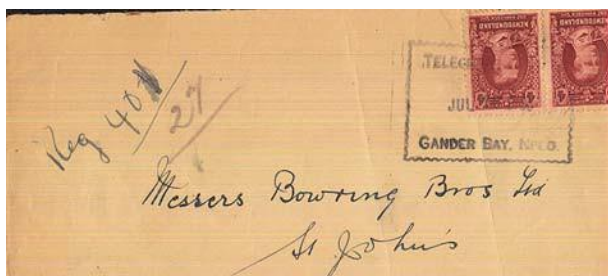
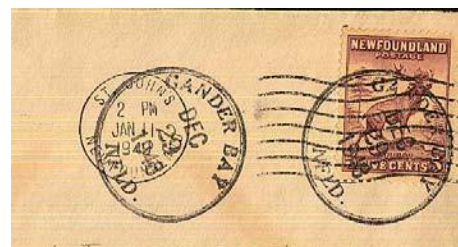
Open in 1885 as a way office with John Bursey as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with James Rowsell as first Postmasters, followed by Charles Rowland in 1898 and Mrs. R. Pike in 1899. PM in 1931 was Patrick W. Farrell who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1938 was Basil Collier. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home on way to Fogo. Two split rings exist. There was also a Telegraph Office wavy line Box device.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

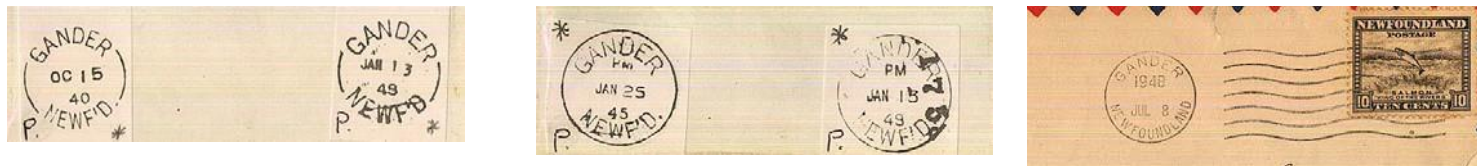


courtesy Doug Hannan

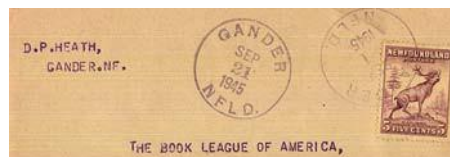
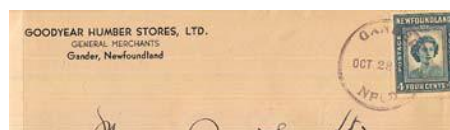
GANDER

Open	August 1937	Closed	Still Open	Population	293
Bay	Inland	Location	Gander Lake	Map	9 X 20
Distributing Office		Same			

Originally called Newfoundland Airport. The name was changed to Gander in 1940. Postmaster in 1942 was E.J. Milley. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. Two split ring proofs exist as well as two NEWF'D CDS proofs.



courtesy Doug Hannan



GARGAMELLE

Open	1885	Closed	1916	Population	53
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Ingornachoix Bay	Map	3 N 9
Distributing Office		Not known			

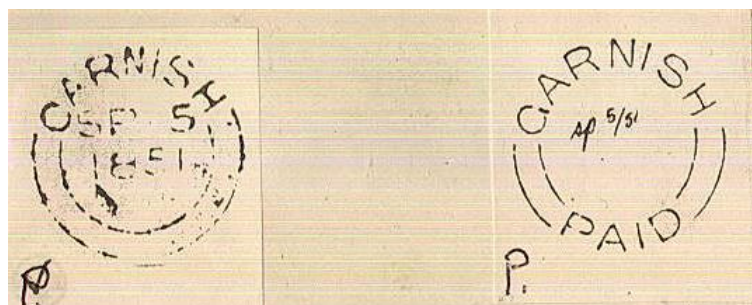
This office was eventually absorbed by Port Au Choix which opened in 1911. Open as a way office in 1885 with William Langdon as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891. Mails would be sporadic in Summer from Humbermouth and in Winter up the Great Northern Mail Road. Fortunately a split ring proof exists.



GARNISH

Open	1852	Closed	Still Open	Population	797
Bay	Fortune	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 H 17
Distributing Office		Same			

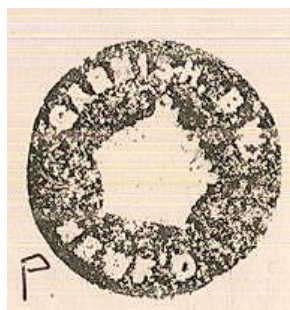
Open as a way office in 1852 with Henry Campe as first waykeeper followed by S.A. Bowman in 1862, John Grandy in 1863, George Snelgrove in 1864 and Sabina Grandy in in 1875. Became a post office in 1891 with Sabina as first postmaster. PM in 1931 was W. Marsh who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. The double split ring, proofed in 1851 was not issued then, but shows up as the office's first device in 1891 and that is why the Garnish mark was in use later than all the others. One split ring exists. BW is Burin West.



Proofed 1851 issued 1891 Probably not issued



only split ring ??



GASKIERS

Open	1901	Closed	July 06 1970	Population	204
Bay	St. Marys	Location	Gaskiers Bay	Map	20 K 24
Distributing Office		St. Marys			

First Postmaster not known. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Margaret Tobin. PM in 1937 was Walter Tobin. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via St. Marys. One split ring seen.



GAULTOIS ISLAND

Open	1905	Closed	1909	Population	14
Bay	Fortune	Location	Hermitage Bay	Map	(location not known)
Distributing Office		Not known			

Absolutely nothing is known of this location. No proofs or strikes seen.

GAULTOIS

Open	1877	Closed	Still Open	Population	222
Bay	Fortune	Location	Hermitage Bay	Map	18 F 15
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1877 with Richard Bradshaw as way keeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Richard as first postmaster. PM in 1931 was Simeon Spencer who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1942 was S. N. Spencer. Also, the wandering, itinerant PM Albert Sodero shows up in Gaultois on March 23 1942. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. Three split rings seen, the first of which is misspelled (probably the way it was pronounced locally anyways).



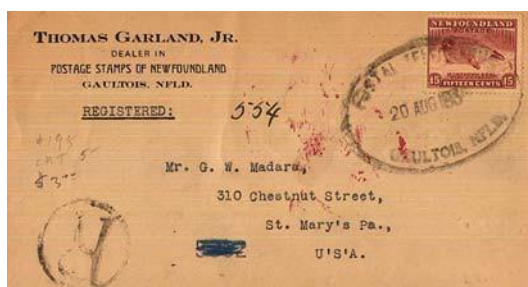
One Hundred Outports
Ben Hansen



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



split ring No. 3



GAULTON'S ISLAND

Open	1902	Closed	1941	Population	Not known
Bay	Placentia	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

This location cannot be found even on a 1:50,000 topo map. Recent research has shown that Gaulton's Island was one of the Tack's Beach group of Islands. First Postmaster was Mrs. William Mitchell. PM in 1931 was Mrs. John Warren. Mails schedule not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

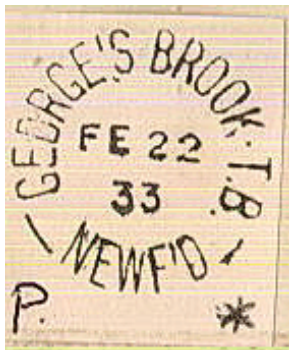
GEORGES BROOK

Open	1885	Closed	1934	Population	170
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound Random	Map	16 B 22
Distributing Office		Clareville			

Open as a way office in 1885 with Charles Pelley as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Charles as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Ellie Pelley who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were from Clareville by courier. Two split rings seen. The latter in use for a very short time before closing.



split ring No. 1



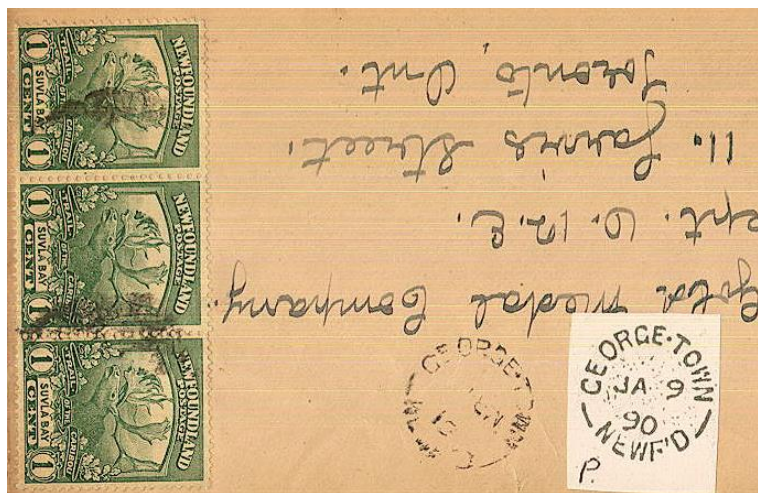
split ring No. 2



GEORGE TOWN

Open	1889	Closed	1941	Population	187
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of Conception Bay	Map	21 F 25
Distributing Office		Clarkes Beach			

Open as a way office in 1889 with George Chalker as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with George as first Postmaster. Officially, the Georgetown office was transferred to Marysville in charge of PM Miss Margaret Fowler on July 08 1941. PM in 1900 was Mrs. George Chalker. PM in 1931 was D. Bartlett. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Clarkes Beach. One split ring seen.



GILESPORT

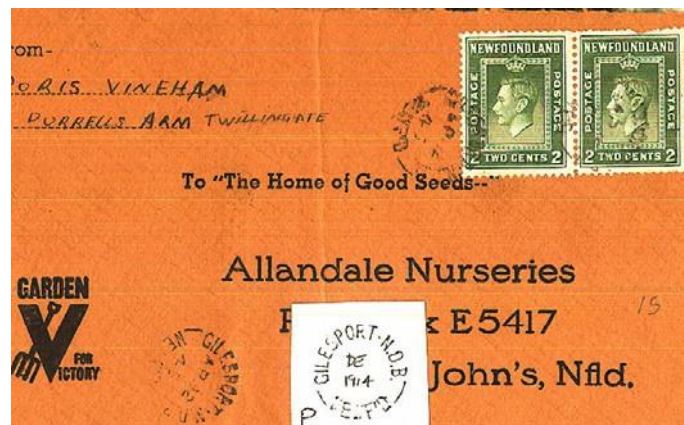
Open	1934 ? (1914)	Closed	1939 ? (1943)	Population	98
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Twillingate Island	Map	9 T 19
Distributing Office		Twillingate			

Postmasters are not known. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Twillingate. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Twillingate. One split ring exists. Sources say Gilesport closed in 1939. My cover says April 1943. Also, the source states 1934 as an opening date.

Why the proof date of 1914 of the same device used on that cover??



Gilesport, Twillingate, Nfld. Photo J. C. Leveridge.

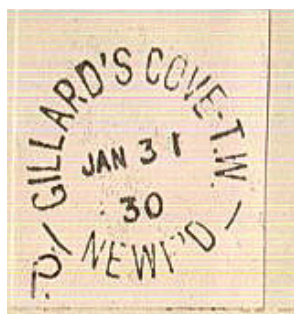


GILLARD'S COVE

Open	1928	Closed	1931	Population	98
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Twillingate Island	Map	9 U 19
Distribution Office		Twillingate			

First and probably only Postmaster was Alfred Gillard. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Twillingate. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Twillingate. One split ring proof exists dated 1930. Was there an earlier device ? Two different instruments in three years ??

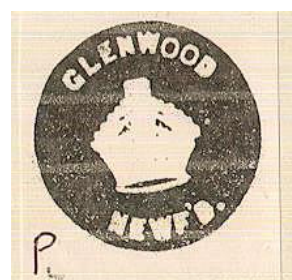
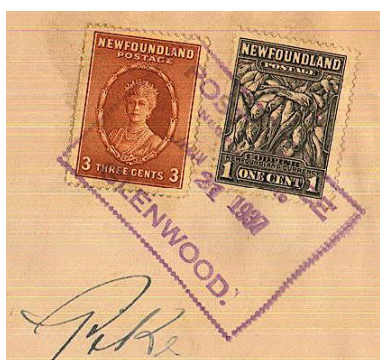
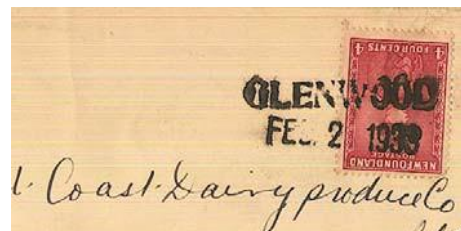
TW for Twillingate.



GLENWOOD

Open	1894	Closed	Still Open	Population	126
Bay	Inland	Location	Gander Lake	Map	9 X 19
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was James m. Kennedy. PM in 1898 was Andrew Porter. PM in 1931 was Zipporah Steele who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1942 was Miss Mary Wall. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. One split ring seen.



GLOVERTOWN SOUTH

Open	1919	Closed	1926	Population	171
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Head of Alexander Bay	Map	16 Z 22
Distributing Office		Alexander Bay Station			

Reopened after Confederation from June 10 1952 until 1993. It has gone through a succession of three retail offices, the latter of which is still open. First Postmaster was A. House. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Alexander Bay Station. No proofs or strikes seen.

GLOVERTOWN

Open	1885	Closed	Still Open	Population	160
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Head of Alexander Bay	Map	16 Z 22
Distributing Office			Alexander Bay Station		

Open as a way office in 1885 with Elijah Burry as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Elijah as first Postmaster. Pm in 1931 was Mary Bragg who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Alexander Bay Station. Two split rings seen, the second of which was in use from 1910 to 1959. BB for Bonavista Bay.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



GODDENVILLE

Open	1897	Closed	1931	Population	93
Bay	Conception	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office			Not known		

First Postmaster was Mrs. Levi Barrett. PM in 1931 was Jonathan Noseworthy. Mail distribution is not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

GOLDEN BAY

Open	1911	Closed	1926	Population	10
Bay	Conception	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office			Not known		

First Postmaster was Mrs. H. McDonald. Mail distribution not known. No proofs or strikes have been seen.

GOOBIES SIDING

Open	1930	Closed	1931	Population	29
Bay	Inland	Location	North of "Neck" of Avalon	Map	16 D 22
Distribution Office			Same		

Goobies Siding reopened in 1939 as GOOBIES. First Postmaster was the Railway Agent. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. No proofs or strikes seen.

GOOBIES

Open	1939	Closed	July 02 1970	Population	29
Bay	Inland	Location	North of "Neck" of Avalon	Map	16 D 22
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster is not known but would have been a railway agent or telegraphist.

PM on November 01 1940 was Mrs. Hubert Green. This location is a reopening of Goobie(Y) s Siding as Goobies was a railway siding and station and nothing else. The NEWF'D CDS was the only device in use.



GOOSE AIRPORT SUB OFFICE A

Open	August 01 1947	Closed	September 01 1981	Population	Nil
Bay	Inland	Location	Goose Bay Labrador	Map	Not on map
Distributing Office		Goose Airport			

Renamed Happy Valley-Goose Bay Station A on September 01 1981. Postmasters not known but may have been civilian employees. Nearly all mail in and out was by air. No split rings seen.



GOOSE AIRPORT

Open	1946	Closed	September 01 1981	Population	Fluctuating
Bay	Inland	Location	Goose Bay Labrador	Map	Not on map
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously CAPO No. 10. Officially Open as GOOSE BAY on April 01 1946. On September 01 1981, the office was renamed Happy Valley-Goose Bay. Postmasters are not known but would have been members of the Canadian Army Postal Corps. Nearly all mail in and out of here was by air. One split ring exists.



GOOSE ARM

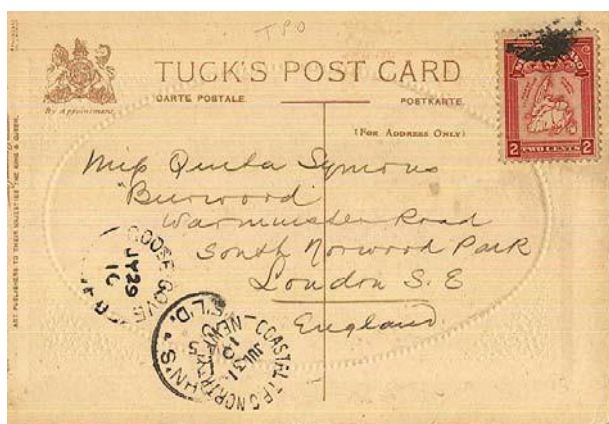
Open	1917	Closed	1931	Population	61
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Middle Arm	Map 6 W 7	
Distributing Office		Humbermouth			

First Postmaster was John Henry. PM in 1931 was Jas. F. Cunningham. Mails were twice weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. No proofs or strikes seen.

GOOSE COVE

Open	1901	Closed	June 10 1970	Population	164
Bay	Straits of Belle	Location	Near St. Anthony	Map 2 J 16	
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Mrs. M. Muring. PM in 1931 was M. J. McDonald. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station up the Great Northern Mail Road via Conche. It is not known if there was more than one split ring.



GOOSE HEAD

Open	1906	Closed	1912	Population	Not known
Bay	Placentia	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

No Postmasters are known. Mail distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

GOOSEBERRY COVE

Open	1901	Closed	Still Open	Population	187
Bay	Trinity	Location	Random Sound	Map 16 C 24	
Distributing Office		Southport			

First Postmaster was William H. Seaward. PM in 1931 was Mrs. William Seaward. PM in 1939 was Mrs. Maggie Seward (same ?) Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via Southport. One split ring seen. Obviously there was an earlier one. TBC means Trinity Bay Centre.



split ring No. 2



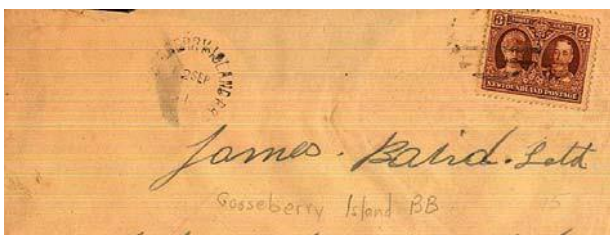
GOOSEBERRY ISLAND

Open	1873	Closed	1946	Population	389
Bay	Bonavista	Location	North Bonavista Bay	Map	10 X 23
Distributing Office		Same			

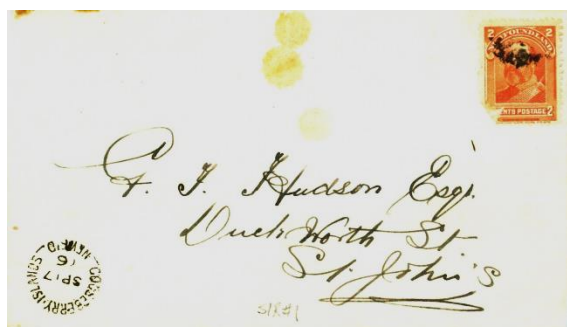
Open as a way office in 1873 with Charles Harris as waykeeper, followed by Ambrose Jeans in 1882. Became a post office in 1891 with Ambrose as first Postmaster. PM in 1898 was Joseph House and in 1900, Henry House. PM in 1931 was Sarah House. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. Two split rings exist. BB for Bonavista Bay. Abandoned by Resettlement Programme.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2 BB



GOOSEBERRY

Open	1912	Closed	1931	Population	25
Bay	Placentia	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Mary Doyle. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Ellen Doyle. Mail distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

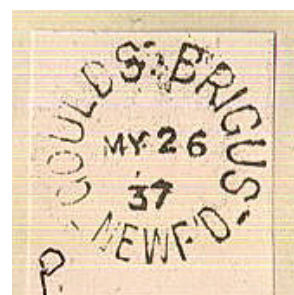
GOULDS BRIGUS

Open	1908	Closed	July 01 1965	Population	300
Bay	Inland	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	21 F 25 (Makinsons)
Distributing Office		Same			

Renamed Makinsons on July 01 1965. First Postmaster was Joseph Gorman who, still held the position in 1931. PM on July 5 1948 was Mrs. Patrick Byrne. Mails were daily by Conception Bay Railway. This location had two split rings. Differences are few. Only diameter and the typeface style.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

GOULDS ST. JOHN'S WEST

Open	1888	Closed	Still Open	Population	375
Bay	Inland	Location	South St. John's	Map	21 F 27
Distributing Office		St. John's			

Open as a way Office with Emanuel Chafe as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1896 with Emanuel as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Mary J. Chafe. PM in 1937 was Miss Isabella Chafe. PM in 1942 was Vincent Barton. Mails were daily by wagon from St. John's. One split ring proof seen.



GRAND BANK

Open	1856	Closed	Still Open	Population	2209
Bay	Fortune	Location	Tip of Burin Peninsula	Map	18 J 16
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office from 1856 to 1859 only with a Mr. Fough as waykeeper. Reopened as a way office in 1862 with John Hickman as waykeeper and Jacob Forsey in 1882. Became a post office in 1883 with George R. Forsey as first postmaster and Jane Forsey in 1893. PM in 1931 was Mabel Forsey who was also telegraph operator. Assistants were John Penwell and Wm. T. Anstey. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. There was a circular "fancy" cancel in use in 1856. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



courtesy Bob Soper

GRAND BAY CHARM

Open	1927	Closed	1931	Population	223
Bay	Cabot Strait	Location	Port Aux Basques	Map 11 F 2	
				(Port Aux Basques)	
Distributing Office		Channel			

There is one Grand Bay in Newfoundland. It is part of Channel-Port Aux Basques. Although I have not seen a strike, it is supposed to say (East). The present part of Port Aux Basques is called Grand Bay East and I am convinced that CHARM is a misspelling of CHANN(EL). Postmaster in 1931 was Fred Kettle. Mails were daily by Trs. 1 and 2 and steamer from North Sydney via Channel. I have not seen the split ring but it is supposed to exist.



GRAND BEACH

Open	1903	Closed	Still Open	Population	173
Bay	Fortune	Location	Tip of Burin Peninsula	Map 18 H 16	
Distributing Office		Grand Bank			

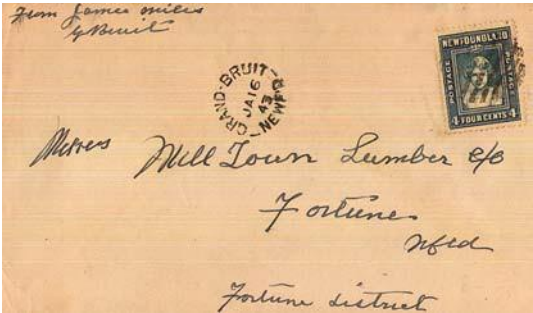
First Postmaster is not known. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Josiah Hiscock. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Grand Bank. One split ring seen. FB for Fortune Bay.



GRAND BRUIT

Open	1894	Closed	1990	Population	248
Bay	Ocean	Location	South Coast	Map	12 E 6
Distributing Office		Same			

Pronounced Gran Brit by the locals. First Postmaster was William Billard. PM in 1931 was C. Miles. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. Closed and resettled in 1990. One split ring seen. With an old style “G” and a dot between name parts, this a pre-1900 instrument. It looks like Grand Bruit only had one split ring.



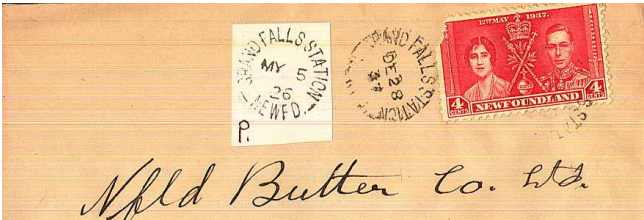
GRAND FALLS STATION

Open	1918	Closed	1938	Population	1447
Bay	Inland	Location	On rail line Grand Falls	Map	8 X 16
Distributing Office		Same			

This office was renamed Windsor on December 1 1938. Postmaster in 1931 was Thomas Oxton. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. One split ring seen but obviously there was an earlier one.



Split ring No. 1: Courtesy of Malcolm Back



split ring No. 2

GRAND FALLS

Open	1907	Closed	Still Open	Population	4244
Bay	Inland	Location	On Exploits River	Map	8 X 16
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster is not known PM in 1931 was R. F. Newhook. Assistants were Muriel Anthony, Bertha Gosse and V. Downton. Mails were Dy. Trs. 1 and 2. Three split rings and a NEWF'D CDS seen.



split ring No. 1



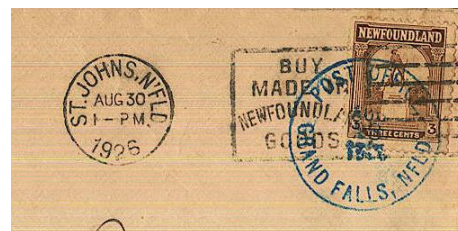
split ring No. 2



split ring No. 3



NEWF'D CDS



GRAND LAKE

Open	1907	Closed	1945	Population	17
Bay	Inland	Location	Near Deer Lake	Map	7 W 10 (general area)
Distributing Office		Not known			

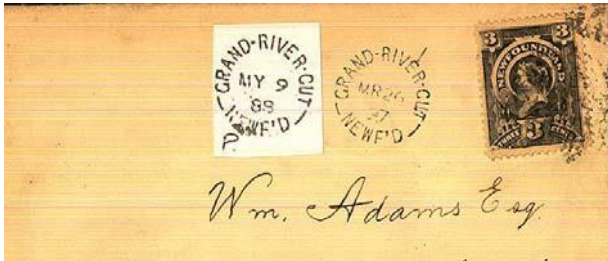
There are no details regarding this office. One split ring exists.



GRAND RIVER GUT

Open	1883	Closed	1908	Population	158
Bay	Cabot Strait	Location	Mouth of Codroy River	Map 11 D 2	(Searston)
Distributing Office		Doyles Station			

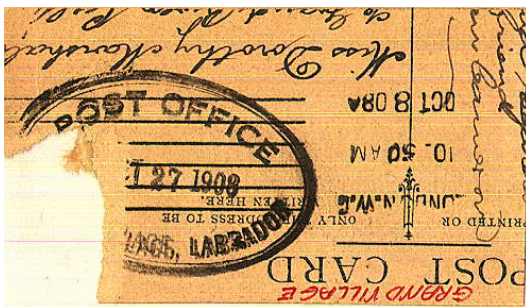
This office was renamed Searston in 1908. Open as a way office in 1883 with Michael Downey as waykeeper and Mesim O'Quinn in 1884. Became a post office in 1888 With John Rolls as first Postmaster, followed by John Doyle in 1892, M. Doyle in 1898 and Thomas O'Quinn in 1900. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Doyle's Station. One split ring exists.



GRAND VILLAGE

Open	1907	Closed	1926	Population	Not known
Bay	Goose Labrador	Location	Mud Lake	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Not known			

Grand Village was a "company town" run by the Dickie Lumber Company of Stewiacke Nova Scotia. The location was the present day site of Mud Lake which is across the river from Happy Valley-Goose Bay. There is a recorded strike on a Post Office Oval with the caption NT for Northern Territory. There was also a Post Office Oval with the caption Labrador. Although somewhat tattered, here it is. Once more. Thanks philatelists!



Grand Village Labrador



Grand Village NF
courtest Kevin O'Reilly

GRATE'S COVE

Open	October 1871	Closed	Still Open	Population	689
Bay	Trinity	Location	Near Bay de Verde	Map	17 B 26
Distributing Office		Bay de Verde			

Open in 1871 as a way office with James Jeans as waykeeper and William Meades in 1874. Became a post office in 1891 with William as first Postmaster. PM in 1899 was Mary Snelgrove. PM in 1931 was H.B. Marsh who, was also telegraph operator. PM in 1936 was E.J. Snelgrove. PM and TO in 1937 was Nelson Snelgrove. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear and Bay de Verde. Four split rings exist. A dotted line Box Cancel was also in use at this office from 1931 to 1934.



courtesy Murray Smith



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2 split ring No. 3



split ring No. 4

GRAVELS

Open	1887	Closed	1905	Population	505
Bay	St. Georges	Location	Port au Port Peninsula	Map 5	Z 4 (Port au Port)
Distributing Office		Same			

Renamed Port au Port in 1905. Opened as a way office in 1887 with Auguste McDonald as first waykeeper and Mrs. Judy McDonald in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with Judy as first Postmaster. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Stephenville Crossing station. One split ring proof exists. In the picture, Gravels/Port Au Port is on the opposite shore.



GREAT BARISWAY

Open	1910	Closed	1937	Population	37
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Cape Shore" Avalon Peninsula	Map 20	H 22
Distributing Office		Placentia			

Barisway is down east speak for Barachois. First Postmaster was James P. O'Keefe who still held the position in 1931. Mails were by Placentia Bay Railway via Placentia by courier. There were two split rings. The first has not been seen and the second gives correct name of Barachois (plural for Barachois). PB for Placentia Bay.



GREAT BRAHAT

Open	1909	Closed	November 05 1990	Population	115
Bay	Ocean	Location	Near St. Anthony	Map	2 J 16
Distributing Office		St. Anthony			

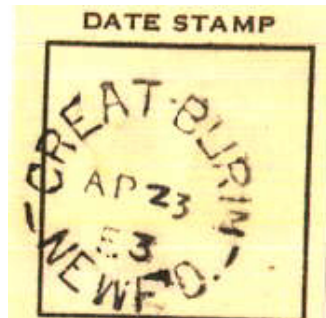
First Postmaster was Henry Dean who still held the position in 1931. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero via St. Anthony. In Winter from Deer Lake station up the Great Northern Mail Road by courier via St. Anthony. It would appear that one split ring was in use at this office.



GREAT BURIN

Open	1890	Closed	September 12 1953	Population	143
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 J 18 (general area)
Distributing Office		Burin			

Open as a way office in 1890 with Benjamin Hollett as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Benjamin as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Helen Dancy who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on April 07 1948 was Mrs. Gabriel Hollett. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Burin. One split ring was in use at this office from 1891 to 1953.



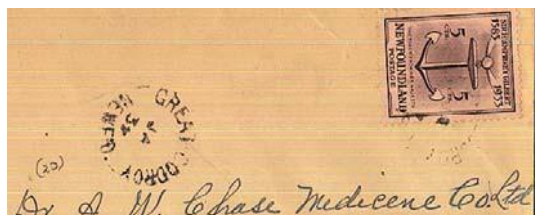
same device in use 6 months before closing



GREAT CODROY

Open	1878	Closed	November 05 1977	Population	135
Bay	Inland	Location	Codroy Valley	Map	11 D 2
Distributing Office		Doyles Station			

Open as a way office in 1878 with Michael Downey as first waykeeper, followed by M.O. Queens in 1883, Michael Downey again in 1884 and James Downey in 1885. Became a post office in 1891 with James as first Postmaster and still in the position in 1931. There must have been a closed period, probably 1931. This is listed as a new office on November 01 1937 with A. J. Downey as PM (could have been James of 1931 or possibly a son). Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 at Doyles Station via courier. Two split rings exist. Very little difference except dot between name parts on No. 1. Four is inverted in 34 on No. 1.



split ring No. 1



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GREAT HARBOUR DEEP

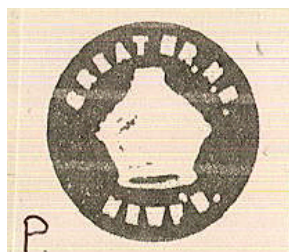
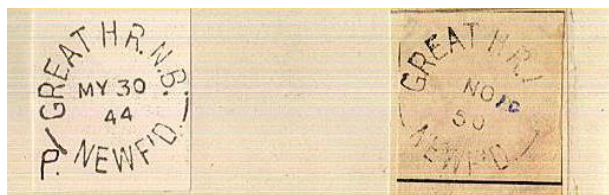
Open	1895	Closed	1926	Population	134
Bay	White	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map	3 P 12
Distributing Office		Same			

In 1926, this office and that of North East Cove (Arm) merged to become one office called Harbour Deep. First Postmaster was John Edgar. Mails in Summer were from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station over the ice via Hampden and Western Arm. No proofs or strikes seen.

GREAT HARBOUR FORTUNE BAY

Open	1926	Closed	December 14 1955	Population	141
Bay	Fortune	Location	Connaigre Bay	Map	18 F 15
Distributing Office		Harbour Breton		Great Hbr. Bight	

Great Harbour was another of the "Resettled Outports." First Postmaster was telephone operator. PM in 1931 was Marie B. Ridgely who, was also telegraph operator. This office must have had a closed period, likely 1931. It is listed as opening on February 01 1944. This would co-incide with the 1944 proof. PM was Mrs. G. Cook. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Harbour Breton. A split ring proof exists with an addition of NB. I am not sure what this designation means or even if it belongs here. In any case there was an earlier split ring.



GREAT HARBOUR LA POILE

Open	1880	Closed	1923	Population	241
Bay	La Poile	Location	Not known	Map 12 E 5/6	(general area)
Distributing Office		Not known			

Also known as La Poile Great Harbour. Very little is known of this office.

One Postmaster was George F. Reid in office 1908. Recent information from ex inhabitant states

“Great Harbour was part of the La Poile area. La Poile proper was referred to as Little Harbour La Poile”.



GREAT JERVOIS

Open	1900	Closed	1931	Population	74
Bay	Bay d'Espoir	Location	Hermitage Bay	Map 18 F 14	
Distributing Office		Pushthrough			

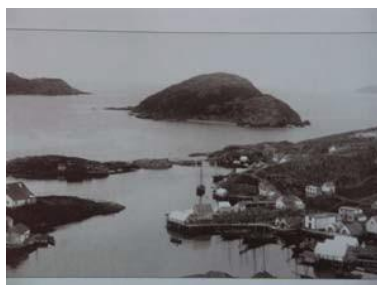
First Postmaster was John Hull. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Mary Hull. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Pushthrough. No proofs or strikes seen.

GREAT PARADISE

Open	1936	Closed	Not known	Population	197
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map 19 G 20	
Distributing Office		St. Josephs			

No Postmasters are listed. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S, Portia via St. Josephs. No proofs or strikes seen. To confuse matters, there was also a Paradise Placentia Bay as well as Little Paradise.

I have a strike of PARADISE but it is dated 1932 and LITTLE PARADISE was open during the same time frame. Also, PARADISE (formerly Donovans) did not come into being until 1975.



GREAT TRITON

Open	1911	Closed	1929	Population	359
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Triton Island	Map 8	U 16 (Triton West)
Distributing Office		Same			

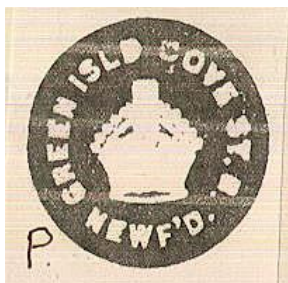
Renamed Troytown (not to be confused with Traytown which was over on the other side of Newfoundland) in 1929. Anyway, just for laughs, there were four Tritons: East, West, Great and Little. The location eventually sorted itself out and today is just called Triton, which is still open. No Postmasters are listed. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. by S.S. Clyde. One proof exists for this office. ND for Notre Dame.



GREEN ISLAND COVE

Open	1912	Closed	1931	Population	104
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 1	J 12
Distributing Office		Flowers Cove			

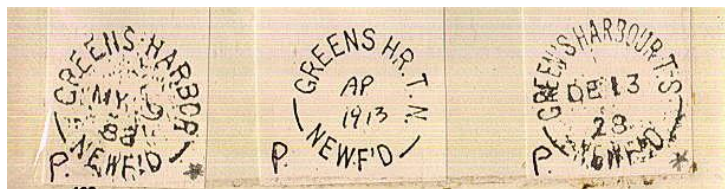
This office reopened after Confederation on April 15 1955 and is still open. First Postmaster was Alexander McLean. PM in 1931 was Benjamin McLean. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona via Flowers Cove. In Winter from Deer Lake station up the Great Northern Mail Road by courier via Flowers Cove. One proof exists but obviously there was an earlier one. ST.B for St. Barbe (district).



GREENS HARBOUR

Open	July 1875	Closed	Still Open	Population	600
Bay	Trinity	Location	Head of Trinity Bay	Map	16 E 24
Distributing Office		Whitbourne			

Open as a way office in 1875 with Simon Reed as first waykeeper and Hezekiah Burt in 1883. Became a post office in 1891 with Hezekiah as first Postmaster. PM in 1892 was Miss Mitcham, William Mitcham in 1896 and Mary Grace Mitcham in 1900. PM in 1931 was Enos Reid who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1937 was Maxwell Reid. Mails were By Trs. 1 and 2 from Whitbourne station via courier. Four split rings exist.



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split ring No. 4



GREENSPOND

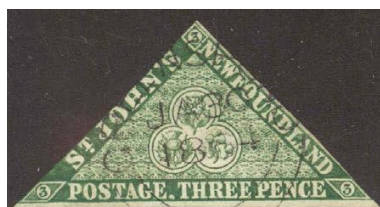
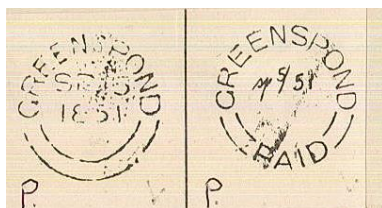
Open	1853	Closed	Still Open	Population	993
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New WesValley	Map	10 W 24
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a post office in 1853 with Lorenzo Moore as first Postmaster. PM in 1861 was William Lang and Agnes Lang in 1895. PM in 1931 was Walter Osmond who, was also telegraph operator with Queenie Hicks as assistant. Mails were on Monday from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff and Friday from Gambo by motor ferry. Greenspond was one of the original post offices and used the double split ring devices.

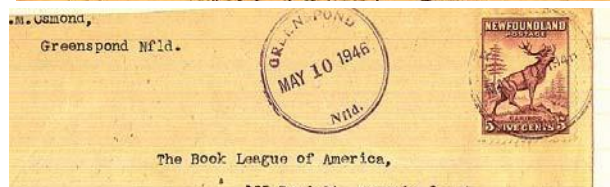
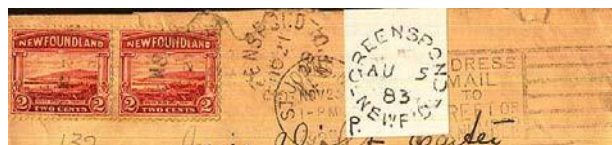
Two split rings seen.



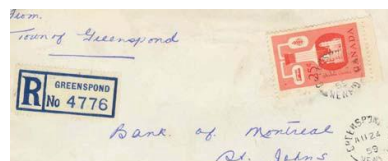
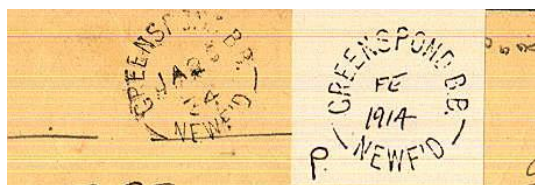
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Courtesy of Malcolm Back: October 2025



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GREY RIVER

Open	1911	Closed	1931	Population	131
Bay	Ocean	Location	South West Coast	Map	13 F 10
Distributing Office		Ramea			

Reopened after Confederation on April 19 1954 and is still open. First Postmaster was Frank Young. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Ephriam Young. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Ramea. No split ring proofs or strikes seen. B&L on Crown bag seal means Burgeo & Lapoile (district).



GRIQUET

Open	1883	Closed	1973	Population	322
Bay	Ocean	Location	Near St. Anthony	Map	2 H 16
Distributing Office		Same			

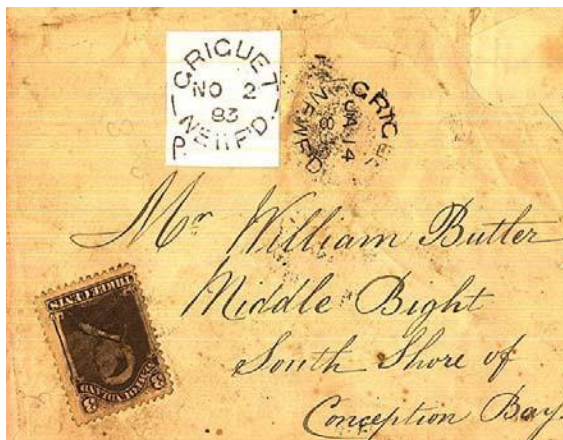
This office merged with St. Lunaire to form St. Lunaire-Griquet in 1973. Opened as a way office in 1883 with A.G. Crocker as first waykeeper, followed by Theodor Thompson in 1886, Mrs. Neal in 1888 and W.H. Alcock in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with Mark Alcock as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Gladys Squires who, was also telegraph operator. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier up the Great Northern Mail Road via Flowers Cove and later (in the 1920s) St. Anthony. There was also a dotted line Box Cancel in use at this office from 1929 to 1935. Two split rings seen.



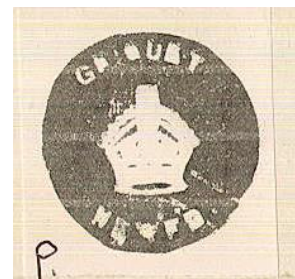
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Dotted? box cancel
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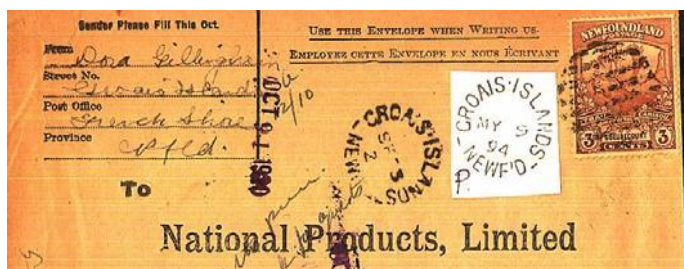
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GROAIS ISLANDS

Open	1900	Closed	October 10 1966	Population	164
Bay	White	Location	Off Conche/Englee	Map	4 N 16
Distributing Office		Conche			

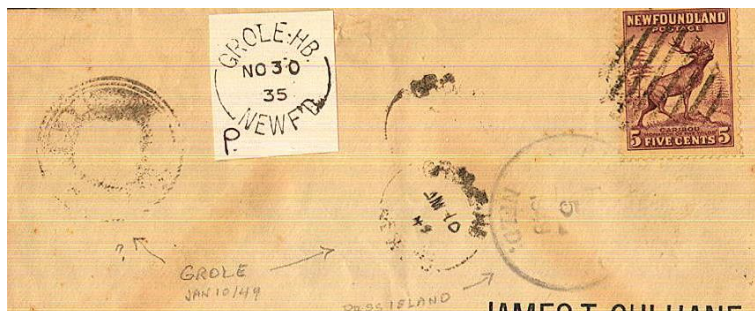
Before we start, we must sort out some confusion, Hey! It's Newfoundland. The Groais Islands consists of TWO major islands. One, unfortunately named for the post office (GROAIS or GREY) is completely inaccessible. The other, Bell Island (yes, there are more than one Bell Islands in Newfoundland) was the only habitable spot and was usually called Grey Islands Harbour. Remember GREY on BELL not Grey on Grey. First Postmaster is not known. PM in 1931 was Edward Walsh. PM and TO in 1936 was W.B. Perry. Postmaster and TO in 1948 was E. Snow, effective June 01, followed by Geo. Bishop on November 09 of the same year. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero via Conche. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier up the Great Northern Mail Road via Flowers Cove and Conche.



GROLE

Open	1886	Closed	July 13 1970	Population	250
Bay	Hermitage	Location	South Coast	Map	18 F 14
Distributing Office		Same			

This location was another in a long list of Resettled Outports. Open as a way office in 1886 with John Jackman as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Agnes Jackman as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was John Jackman. PM on March 02 was Miss Agnes Taylor. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. HB for Hermitage Bay. Obviously there was an earlier split ring.



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GULL ISLAND

Open	1906	Closed	1934	Population	318
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 D 26
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

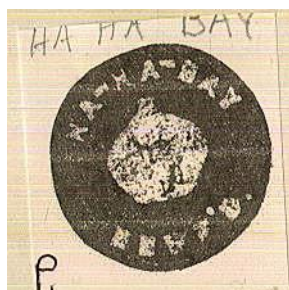
First Postmaster was William J. Doyle who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear and courier. No proofs known.



HA HA BAY

Open	1909	Closed	1914	Population	41
Bay	Pistolet	Location	Northern tip of Newfoundland	Map	2 H 15
Distributing Office		Cook's Harbour			

Renamed Raleigh in 1914 and is still open under that name. First Postmaster was Thomas Elliott. Mails fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero via Cook's Harbour. No proofs or split ring strikes seen.



HALL'S BAY

Open	1888	Closed	1898	Population	825
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Halls Bay	Map	8 U 14 (Springdale)
Distributing Office		Same			

Renamed Springdale in 1898. Open as a way office in 1888 with Janet Curtis as first waykeeper, followed by M. Curtis in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with M. Curtis as first Postmaster, followed by Selina Brown in 1893. Mails were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero. One split ring proof exists. It is uncertain if there was an earlier device.



HAMPDEN

Open	1911	Closed	Still Open	Population	135
Bay	White	Location	Head of White Bay	Map	7 U 11
Distributing Office		Same			

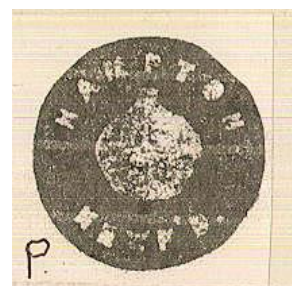
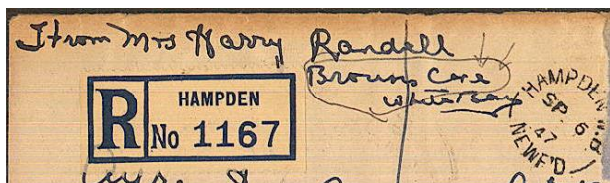
Previously called Riverhead, but no office ever existed under that name. First Postmaster was L. Maud Pelley. PM in 1931 was Ebenezer Dawe who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on October 04 1948 was Miss Adelaide Parsons. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier. Two split rings exist with the first misspelled and I am not certain if this was used. WB for White Bay.



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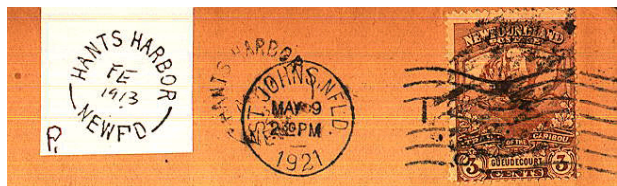
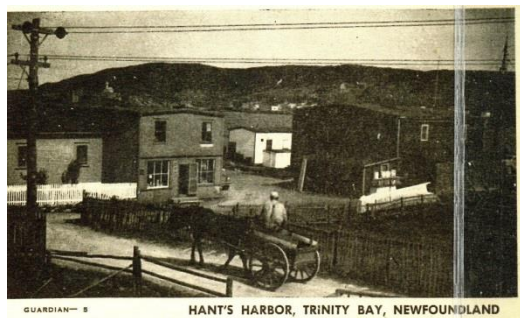
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HANT'S HARBOUR

Open	1864	Closed	Still Open	Population	656
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 C 25
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1864 with Thomas Smith as first waykeeper. He was followed by John Husson in 1868, Mary Husson in 1873, Charles Green in 1875, Jane A. Green in 1883 and Jane A. Sealy (married?) in 1890. It became a post office in 1891 with Jane A. as first Postmaster, followed by Reuben Pippy in 1898. PM in 1931 was Melena Critch who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu. Three different split rings exist. TBS for Trinity Bay South (side).



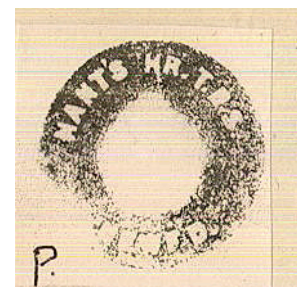
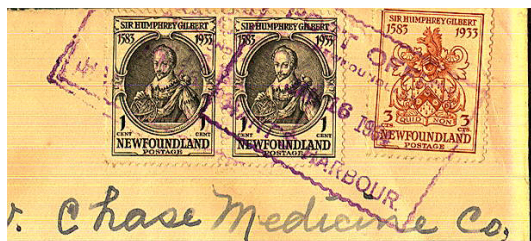
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HAPPY ADVENTURE

Open	April 1889	Closed	1931	Population	279
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Newman Sound	Map	16 Z 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as away office with James Handcock as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with James as first Postmaster, followed by Joseph Handcock in 1893 and James again in 1894. PM in 1898 was Thomas Turner. PM in 1931 was William Turner. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff.

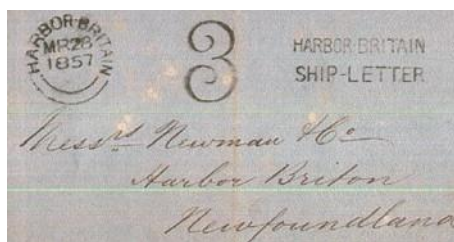
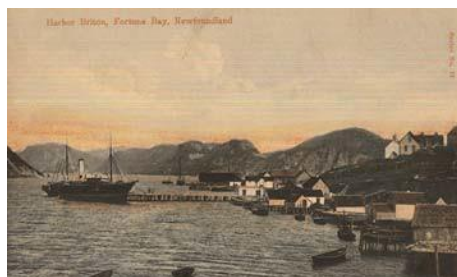


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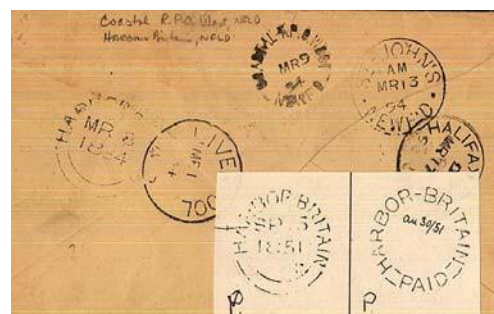
HARBOUR BRETON (Harbour Britain)

Open	1851	Closed	Still Open	Population	689
Bay	Fortune	Location	Connaigre Peninsula	Map	18 G 15
Distributing Office Same					

Open as a post office in 1851 with Thomas E. Gaden as first Postmaster. Following were PM's James M. Winter in 1862, Samuel Howe in 1863, Thomas Birkett in 1864 and Triphena Birkett in 1877. PM in 1931 was William Sodero who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. Three split rings seen.



Straight line SHIP-LETTER



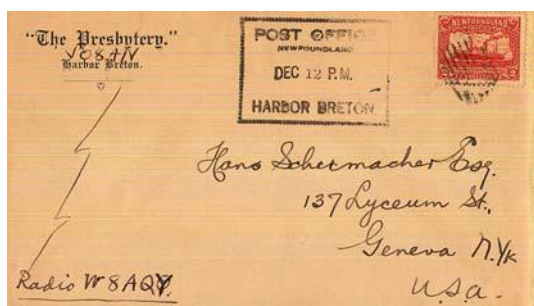
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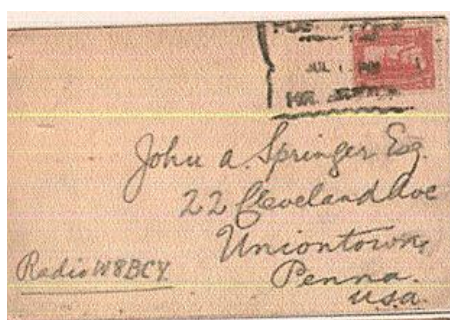
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Dotted line



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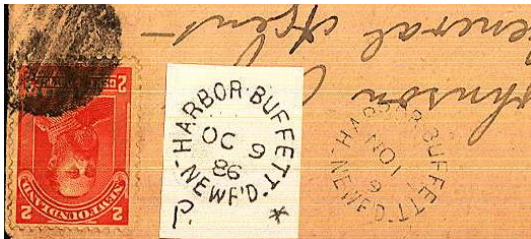


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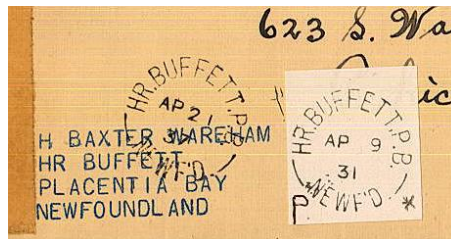
HARBOUR BUFFETT

Open	1854	Closed	August 31 1967	Population	498
Bay	Placentia	Location	Long Island	Map	20 F 22
Distributing Office			Arnold's Cove		

Open as a way office from 1854 to 1856 With Thomas Collet as way keeper. Reopened as a way office in 1871 with Thomas as waykeeper once more and Ann Collet in 1874. Became a post office in 1891 with Ann as first Postmaster and Susan Collet in 1896 and Lily Collet in 1899. A new government post office was built here in 1917 ref. Butler "Buffet By Nightfall" Jespersion Press 1982. ISBN 0-929502-07-5. PM in 1931 was Walter Ingram who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from Arnold's Cove by motor boat. Two split rings exist. PB for Placentia Bay. Harbour Buffet was a victim of Resettlement Programme.



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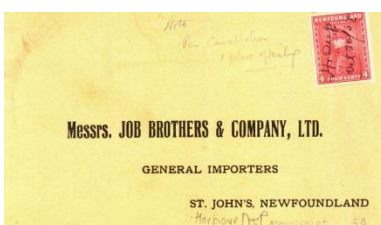


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HARBOUR DEEP

Open	1892	Closed	2004	Population	196
Bay	White	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map	3 P 12 (North East Arm)
Distributing Office			Same		

The Harbour Deep office which is actually Northeast Arm, Harbour Deep merged with Great Harbour Deep in 1926. This community was totally abandoned in Summer of 2004. Open as a post office in 1892 with Leander Rowsell as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was W. E. Noseworthy who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO as of November 19 1938 was E. Norman. PM and TO in 1942 was Miss Marie Rice. George Roberts was appointed PM and TO on December 29 1947. (He either arrived on the last boat trip of the year OR came by dog sled !) Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station across the ice via Hampden and Western Arm. Two split rings seen and obviously there was an earlier one.



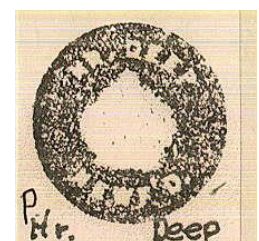
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HARBOUR GRACE JUNCTION

Open	1886	Closed	1891	Population	Not known
Bay	Inland	Location	Whitbourne	Map 20	G 24 (Whitbourne)
Distributing Office		Same			

This office was renamed Whitbourne in 1891. Open as a way office in 1886 with Wilcox Spracklin as first waykeeper and Miss L. Spracklin in 1890. Mails daily from St. John's by rail. One split ring proof exists.



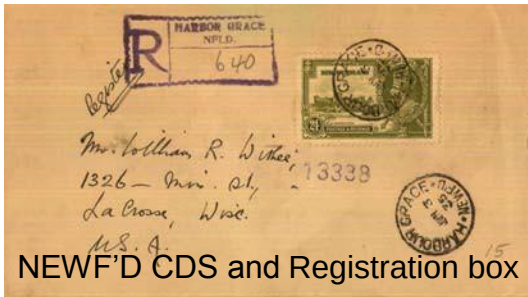
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Open	1851	Closed	Still Open	Population	2215
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 E 25
Distributing Office		Same			

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A circular purple ink stamp. The outer ring contains the text "HARBOUR GRACE" at the top and "N.F.L.D." at the bottom. The center of the stamp contains the date "MAY 16 1950".



The image displays three different printings of the 'R' logo used on Harbor Grace envelopes. Each logo is a black 'R' inside a black-bordered rectangle, with the words 'HARBOR GRACE' and a number printed to its right. The first logo (top left) is for 'No 2951' and is tilted. The second logo (middle left) is for 'No 5417' and is upright. The third logo (bottom center) is for 'No 1234' and is upright. To the right of these logos are three postage stamps: a 1-cent 'UNITED STATES POSTAGE' stamp, a 2-cent 'UNITED STATES POSTAGE' stamp, and a 3-cent 'UNITED STATES POSTAGE' stamp. The stamps are cancelled with a large 'X' mark. The background is a light-colored, textured surface, possibly a piece of paper or a wall.



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Open	1930	Closed	1931	Population	36
Bay	Placentia	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Postmaster in 1931 was Mrs. Berkely Williams. Mail distribution not known. No strikes or proofs seen.

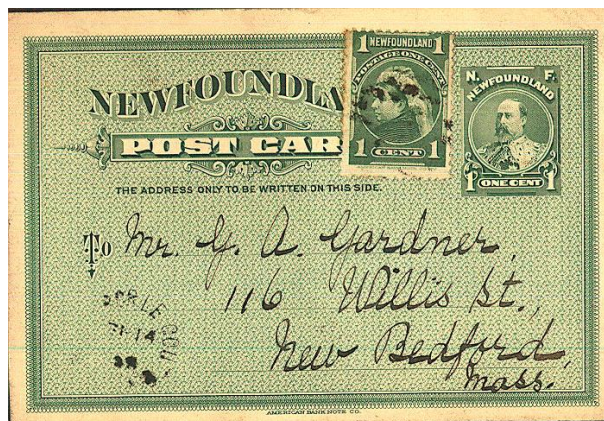
HARBOUR LE COU

Open	1906	Closed	1931	Population	222
Bay	Ocean	Location	Rose Blanche	Map	11 F 4
Distributing Office		Rose Blanche			

First Postmaster was Miss Elizabeth Buckland who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Rose Blanche.



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split ring No. 1 Harbour spelled in full



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HARBOUR MAIN

Open	1856	Closed	Still Open	Population	615
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of Conception Bay	Map	21 F 26
Distributing Office		Holyrood			

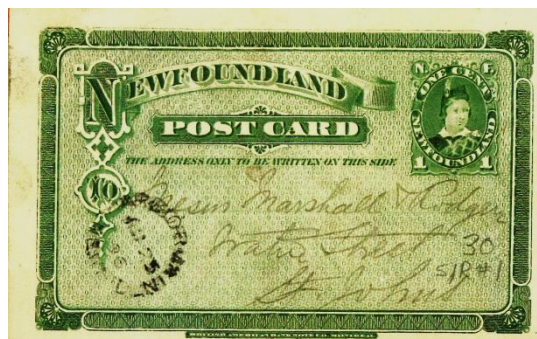
Open in 1856 as a way office with John Brick as first waykeeper and Johanna Brick in 1864 and Johanna Ezekial (married ?) in 1971. Became a post office in 1883 with Johanna as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Rita Murray who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1937 was Mrs. Rita Woodford (married?). PM and TO appointed September 1 1937 was Miss Gertrude Furey. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Holyrood station. Two split rings seen. There was also a dotted line Box cancel in use at this office from 1929 to 1930.



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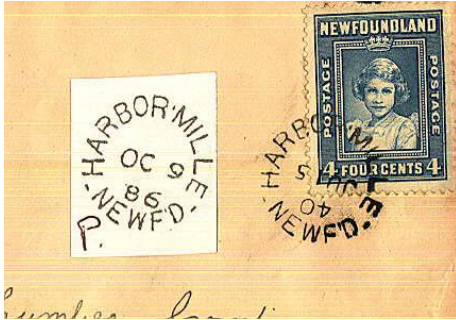


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HARBOUR MILLE

Open	1882	Closed	Still Open	Population	333
Bay	Fortune	Location	Burin Peninsula Northside	Map	19 F 19
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1882 with J.R. Croucher as first waykeeper, followed by William Janes in 1883, Charles Barnes in 1888, Mary A. Barnes in 1889 and Edwin G. Collis in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with Edwin as first Postmaster and Jane Barnes as PM in 1893. PM in 1931 was Jane Baker. PM on July 08 1948 was Miss Leah Barnes. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. This office made do with one split ring from 1886 until 1958.



HARBOUR ROUND

Open	1912	Closed	Still Open	Population	86
Bay	Ocean	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	4 S 15
Distributing Office		La Scie			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Hartley. PM in 1931 was Mrs. A. Drover. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero via La Scie. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier over the ice via Hampden and Western Bay. No proofs or strikes seen.

HARCOURT

Open	1912	Closed	July 06 1970	Population	45
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound Random	Map	16 B 23
Distribution Office		White Rock			

Previously called Sandy Point and operated under that name from 1894 until 1912. First Postmaster was Simeon Tilley. PM in 1931 was Herbert Barrett. PM in 1937 was Mrs.H. White. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via White Rock. One split ring seen. TB for Trinity Bay.



HARE BAY BONAVIDA

Open	1903	Closed	Still Open	Population	346
Location	Near Gambo			Map 10	Y 22
Distributing Office		Gambo			

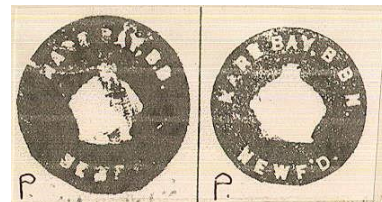
First Postmaster was Samuel Collins. PM in 1931 was Max E. Collins who, was also telegraph operator. PM in 1938 was Mrs. Wilfred Collins. Mails were weekly from Gambo by motor ferry. BBN for Bonavista Bay North.



split ring No. 1
courtesy Murray Smith



split ring No. 2



HARE BAY TRINITY

Open	1895	Closed	1899	Population	132
Bay	Trinity	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Peter McGrath. Nothing else is known of this office. No proofs or strikes seen.

HARMON FIELD

Open	1945	Closed	April 22 1958	Population	Nil
Bay	St. Georges	Location	Stephenville	Map 6 A 5	(airport)
Distributing Office		Stephenville			

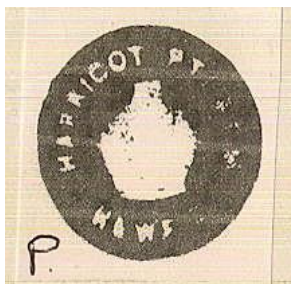
This was a civilian post office for an American Air Force base. This office amalgamated with Stephenville in 1958. Postmasters are not known. Mails were daily by Trs. 1 and 2 from Stephenville Crossing station. One split ring seen.



HARRICOT POINT

Open	1930	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First and probably only Postmaster was Edward Mansfield. Mails were likely similar to Harricot. Fortunately, a proof exists for this short-lived office. St. M for St. Marys.



HARRICOT

Open	1903	Closed	March 30 1968	Population	45
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Head of St. Mary's Bay	Map 20	H 24
Distributing Office		Whitbourne			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Jane Fulford. PM in 1931 was Mrs. K. Byrne. Officially (re)opened August 01 1944 with Harold Taylor as PM. PM on April 01 1946 was Mrs. Vincent Chaytor and on July 01 1946 was Mrs. Matthew Evoy. PM on October 01 1948 was Miss Annie Byrne. Mails were from Whitbourne by courier. One split ring seen misspelled but that is the way it is pronounced in Newfspeak. I am not sure if there was an earlier device.



HARRY'S BROOK

Open	1920	Closed	1933	Population	40
Bay	Inland	Location	On rail line between Gallants and Black Duck Siding	Map 6 Z 6	(general area)
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Minnie McIsaac. PM in 1931 was Mrs. T. Bennett. Mails Trs. 1 and 2.



courtesy Doug Hannan

HARRY'S HARBOUR

Open	July 1889	Closed	July 07 1992	Population	199
Bay	Green	Location	North of Springdale	Map	8 T 15
Distributing Office		Same			

This office closed in 1992 but is now served by a retail office that is still open. Open as a way office in 1889 with Robert Upward as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Robert as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Sabina King. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S. S. Clyde. Three split rings exist. One says NDB for Notre Dame Bay, while another is GB for Green Bay. Green Bay is part of the overall Notre Dame Bay.



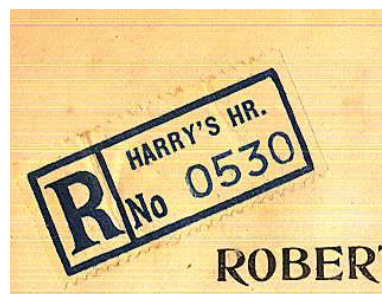
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HATCHET COVE

Open	1888	Closed	April 20 1970	Population	96
Bay	Trinity	Location	Southwest Arm Random	Map	16 C 23
Distributing Office		Hillview			

Open as a way office in 1888 with Elias Robbins as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Elias as first Postmaster. PM in 1908 Mrs. Belinda Robbins. Became a M.O.O. in 1910. PM in 1931 was still Belinda Robbins. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu via Hillview. One split ring proof exists for 1945, so obviously there was an earlier device.



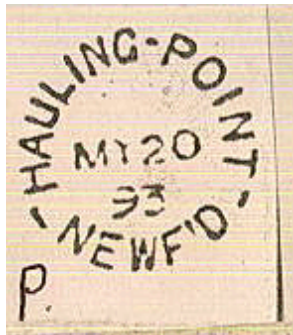
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HAULING POINT

Open	1890	Closed	1907	Population	115
Bay	White	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula		
Distributing Office		Not known	likely Bear Cove		

This office was located near Bear Cove White Bay. Open as a way office in 1890 with James Y. Sparkes as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with James as first Postmaster. Mail delivery not known. A split ring proof exists for 1893. Was there an earlier one ??



HAY COVE

Open	January 09 1915	Closed	1931	Population	68
Bay	Placentia	Location	Long Island	Map 20 F 22	(near Kingwell)
Distributing Office		Harbour Buffet			

First Postmaster was George Miller. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Annie Miller. Mails were weekly from Arnolds Cove by motor boat via Harbour Buffet. No proofs or strikes seen.

HAYSTACK

Open	1889	Closed	June 29 1957	Population	115
Bay	Placentia	Location	Long Island	Map 16 E 22	(on end of Long Is.)
Distributing Office		Same			

Haystack was yet another victim of the Resettlement Programme. Open as a way office in 1889 with William Coffin as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with William as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Emily Burton who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from Arnold's Cove by motor boat. Three split rings seen. PB for Placentia Bay.



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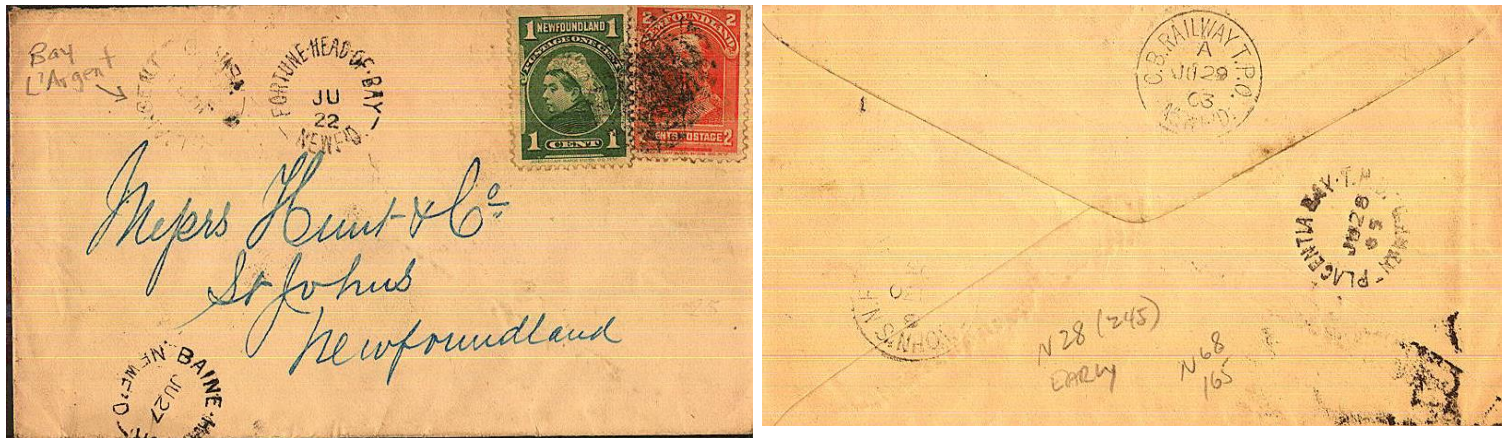


courtesy John Oldford

HEAD OF FORTUNE

Open	1887	Closed	1909	Population	145
Bay	Fortune	Location	Fortune Bay head	Map	15 E 19
Distributing Office			Bay L'Argent		

Renamed Terrenceville in 1906. The first Postmaster of Terrenceville was Abigail Miles and Terrenceville is situated at the very head of Fortune Bay. Open as a way office in 1887 with Abigail Reeves as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Abigail Miles (married ?) as first Postmaster. Mails weekly Placentia Bay boat to Baine Harbour and overland to Bay L'Argent and then to (Terrenceville). One split ring exists albeit with the name reversed. This cover left Fortune Head Of Bay on June 22, arrived at Bay L'Argent (hard to read but looks like) June 24. It went overland to Baine Harbour received June 27. Received by boat Placentia Bay TPO June 28. Then from Placentia to Placentia Junction where it caught the first train through which was not the Port Aux Basques overland but CB (Conception Bay) railway TPO on June 29.



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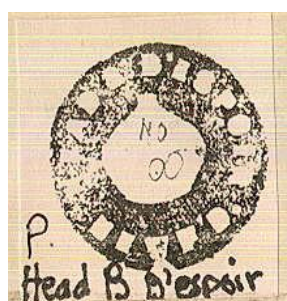
Open	1914	Closed	1916	Population	Not known
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office			Not known		

First and only Postmaster was T.A. Jones. Nothing is known of this office. No proofs or strikes seen.

HEAD BAY d'ESPOIR

Open	July 19 1909	Closed	Still Open	Population	269
Bay	Fortune	Location	Head Bay d'Espoir	Map	14 D 15/16
Distributing Office			Milltown		

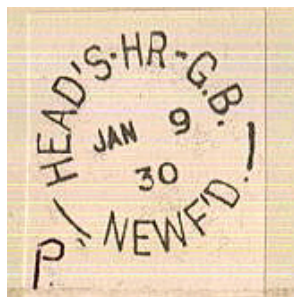
"As the steamer SEBASTIAN calls at Head of Bay d'Espoir and at Corbin, it is necessary to appoint PM's in these places. On recommendation of the PMG it was ordered that Miss S. Dibbin be PM at Head of Bay d'Espoir, Fortune Bay". First Postmaster was Miss S. Dibbin (Dibbois) from July to August 1909. In September 1909, the PM was Miss Mary Sutton. PM in 1931 was Lucy Sutton. Mails were Weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Milltown. One split ring seen.



HEADS HARBOUR

Open	1928	Closed	1931	Population	102
Bay	Green	Location	Triton Island	Map	8 U 16
Distributing Office			Pilley's Island		

First and only Postmaster was Mrs. Fred Maye Jr. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Pilley's Island. One split ring proof exists dated 1930. Was there an earlier one? GB for Green Bay.



HEARTS CONTENT

Open	1872	Closed	Still Open	Population	918
Bay	Trinity	Location	South side Trinity Bay	Map	17 D 25
Distributing Office			Carbonear		

Open as a way office in 1872 with George Moore as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1875 with George as first Postmaster. George F. Moore was PM in 1907 and Walter Moore in 1917. PM in 1931 was Walter H. Young and Herman P. Young as assistant. Mails were daily by Conception Bay Railway and Hearts Content Railway. The double split ring PAID is not known to have been issued. Two split rings seen. TB for Trinity Bay.



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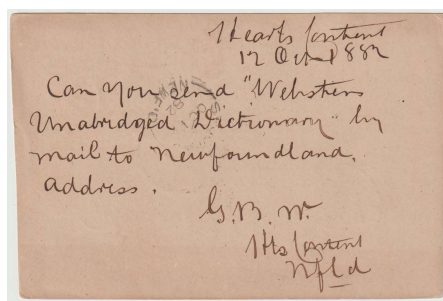
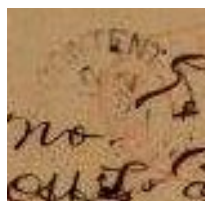
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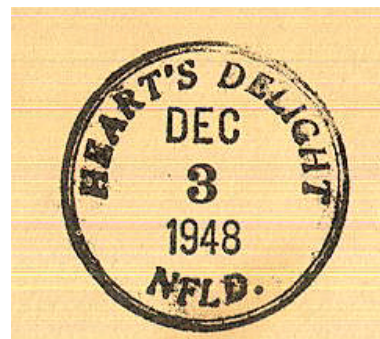
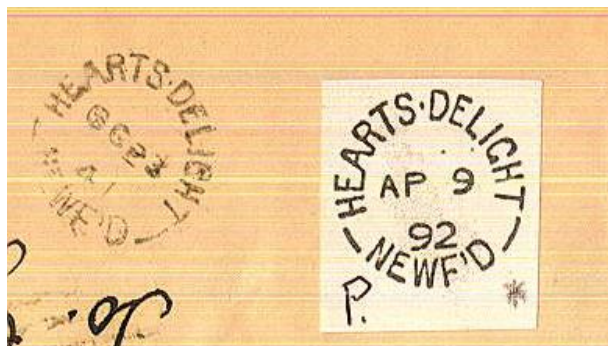
Dotted line



HEARTS DELIGHT

Open	October 1884	Closed	July 30 1991	Population	595
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	16 E 24
Distributing Office		Hearts Content			

This office closed in 1991 and was subsequently served by two different retail offices which are both closed. The present day office for the location is called Hearts Delight-Islington. Open as way office in 1884 with James Humphries as first waykeeper, followed by Samuel Humphries in 1885. Became a post office in 1891 with Samuel as first Postmaster. Albert Case was PM in 1898 followed by Samuel again in 1901. Became a MOO March 25 1912. PM in 1931 was Walter S. Reid who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were via Hearts Content. Two split rings exist.



HEARTS DESIRE

Open	1890	Closed	September 23 1991	Population	191
Bay	Trinity	Location	Between Content and Delight	Map	16 D 24
Distributing Office		Hearts Content			

This location was later served by a retail office but it is now closed. Open as a way office with Miss Fanny Clark as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Fanny Leher (married ?) as first Postmaster. Following PM's were Thomas George 1902, Miss Theresa George in 1904, Miss Catherine Crocker 1909 and Miss Ellie St. George in 1914. PM in 1931 was Mary St. George who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were via Hearts Content. Two split rings exist. A dotted line Box Cancel was also in use at this office from 1930 to 1932.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



HEARTS EASE

Open	1882	Closed	1906	Population	7
Bay	Not known	Location	Not known		
Distribution Office		Not known			

Not to be confused with Little Hearts Ease. Open 1882 to 1888 as a way office with William Batson as waykeeper. Reopened as a post office in 1899 with William Flynn as first Postmaster followed by Mr. Lakey to 1903. "January 13 1903...Post Office transferred from Mr. Lakey to Thomas George, inconveniently situated". Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

HEATHERTON

Open	1911	Closed	Still Open	Population	139
Bay	St. Georges	Location	Southwest Coast	Map 11 B 4	
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Rattling Brook (not to be confused with Rattling Brook Green Bay) and was a post office under that name from 1908 until name change. First Postmaster was George Butt who, still held the position in 1931. There must have been a closed period as official listing states (re) open May 1 1944. This coincides with the date of 2nd proof. Mails were daily Trns. 1 and 2 via Heatherton Station. Two split rings exist.



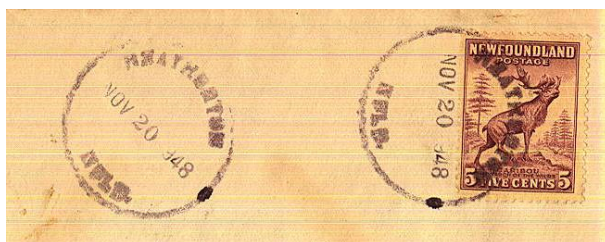
The small building on the left was once the Heatherton Post Office.



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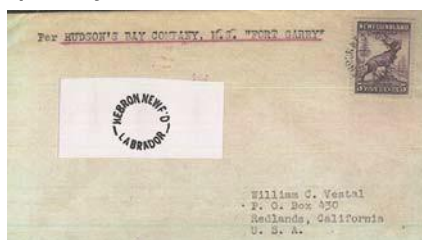
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HEBRON

Open	1915	Closed	October 09 1959	Population	134
Bay	Ocean	Location	Northern Labrador		
Distributing Office		North Labrador TPO			

The farthest North permanent settlement on the Labrador Coast. The settlement was abandoned in 1959. First Postmaster was Miss Clara Lane. PM in 1931 not listed. Mails in Summer from St. John's by steamer, frequency not known. In Winter??? Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1
courtesy Kevin O'Reilly



split ring No. 2



HENLEY HARBOUR

Open	1884	Closed	August 31 1990	Population	37
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Southern Labrador	Map	2 E 15
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a Summer way office in 1884 with John Hunt as first waykeeper and Orestes Taylor in 1887. Became a Summer post office in 1893 with John Taylor as first Summer postmaster. Mails were handled in Winter by the Winter postmaster, Levi Pike. Later PM's are not known. Miss Lucy Stone was PM on August 06 1939. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. One split ring seen but there probably was an earlier one that read LABRADOR.



HERMITAGE COVE

Open	1860	Closed	1920	Population	216
Bay	Fortune	Location	Hermitage Bay	Map	18 F 15
Distributing Office		Same			

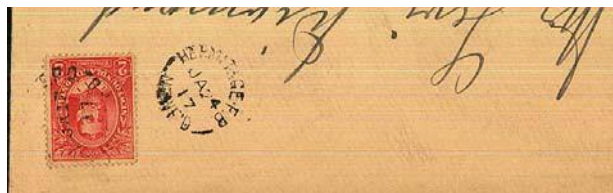
Open as a way office in 1860 with Thomas Winter as first waykeeper, followed Richard Bradshaw in 1864, Martin Francis in 1865, Nathan Francis in 1875 and Martha Francis in 1876. Became a post office in 1886 with Martha as first Postmaster, followed by Matthew Francis in 1904 and Miss Bertha Francis in 1911. July 28 1913 "\$24 per annum to be paid Mrs. Wm. Camp for usage of her house as PO". One split ring in use here. This office became Hermitage in 1920.



HERMITAGE

Open	1920	Closed	Still Open	Population	360
Bay	Fortune	Location	Hermitage Bay	Map	18 F 15
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Hermitage Cove. First Postmaster was Bertha Francis who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. Two split rings seen. The first reading FB for Fortune Bay and the second reading HB for Hermitage Bay.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



courtesy Murray Smith

HERRING BAY NORTH SOUTH SIDE

Open	July 15 1913	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Placentia	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Thomas Smith. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Michael Flynn. Mails distribution not known. One split ring proof exists.



HERRING NECK

Open	July 1873	Closed	Still Open	Population	942
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	New World Island	Map	9 T 19
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1873 with Robert Lewis as first waykeeper followed by Henry Miles in 1874, and Emily Miles in 1886. Became a post office in 1888 with Emily as first Postmaster, followed by Emily Day (married?) in 1891, Fanny Miles in 1896, Elizabeth Cassels in 1897, Elizabeth Howell in 1899, Archibald Miles and telegraph operator in 1902 and Miss Sarah Ratten in 1903. PM in 1931 was Malcolm Simms who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on September 05 1948 was Lloyd Jennings. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. One split ring seen.



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courtesy John Oldford



HIBB'S COVE

Open	1926	Closed	1931	Population	74
Bay	Conception	Location	Near Bay Roberts	Map	21 F 25
Distributing Office		Bay Roberts			

Postmaster in 1931 was Fannie Bishop, so was likely the first one. Mails from Bay Roberts by Conception Bay Railway. No proofs or strikes seen.

HICKMAN'S HARBOUR WEST

Open	1927	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Trinity	Location	Random Island	Map	16 C 23 (general area)
Distributing Office		Hickman's Harbour			

Postmaster in 1931 was Joseph Blundell so, was likely the first. Mails were from Hickman's harbour by courier. Fortunately a proof exists. WTBN for West Trinity Bay North.



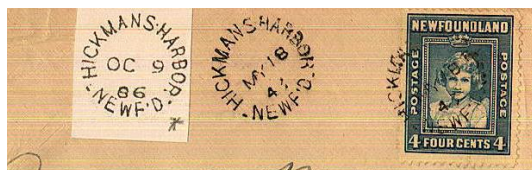
HICKMAN'S HARBOUR

Open	1881	Closed	Still Open	Population	382
Bay	Trinity	Location	Random Island	Map	16 C 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1881 with Joseph Pilley as waykeeper and Job Pilley in 1889. Became a post office in 1891 with Job as first Postmaster. Became a MOO on July 20 1906. PM in 1908 was Joseph Pelley (in Newfoundland Pilley and Pelley are interchangeable). Joseph retired, aged 70 after 48 years of service in May 1920. PM in 1931 was Cicely Martin who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on February 19 1948 was Miss Melinda Morash. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. The one split ring was in use from 1886 until 1951.



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HIGH BEACH

Open	1935	Closed	May 10 1966	Population	78
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Burin Peninsula South	Map	18 K 15
Distributing Office		Lamaline			

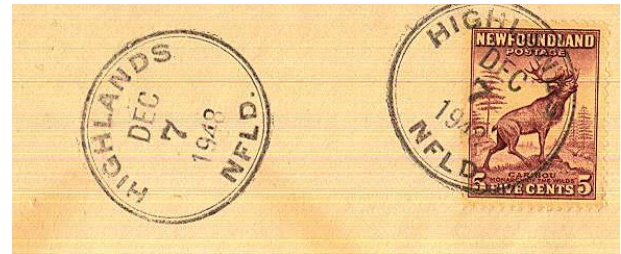
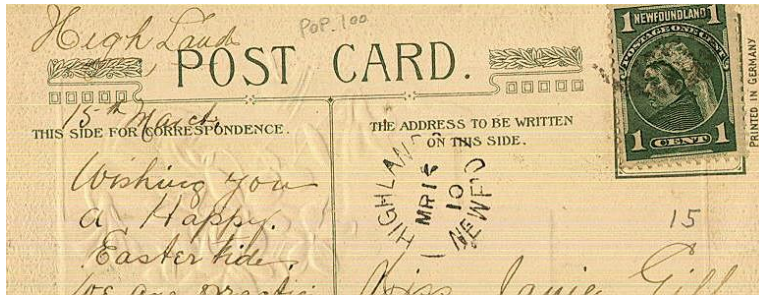
This office ceased to exist in 1966 due to depopulation of the community. No Postmasters listed. Mails from Lamaline by courier. A split ring proof exists.



HIGHLANDS

Open	1891	Closed	Still Open	Population	100
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	South St. Georges Bay	Map	11 C 3
Distributing Office		St. Fintans			

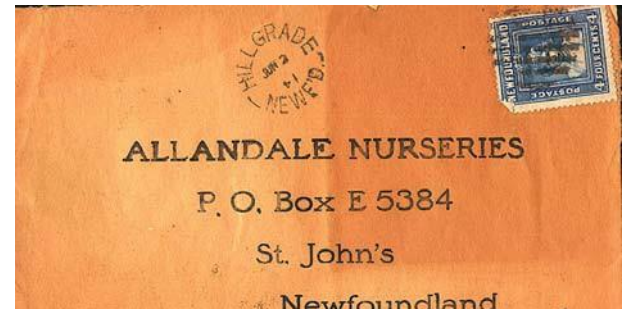
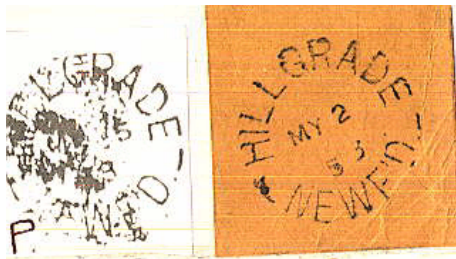
First Postmaster was J. McPherson, followed by Margaret McPherson in 1897, John McPherson in 1905 and Charles McPherson in 1919. PM in 1931 was James McInnis. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via St. Fintans station. One split ring seen.



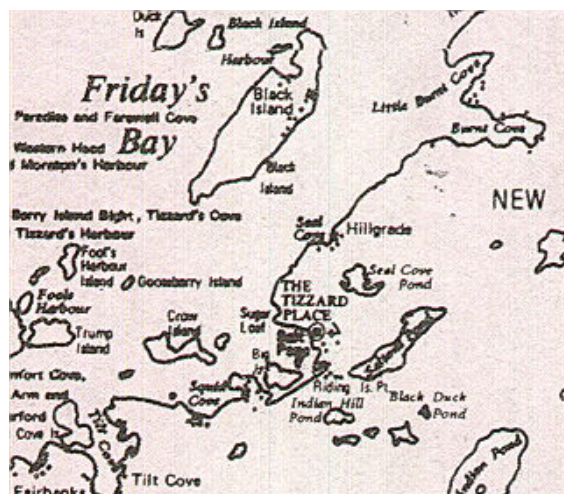
HILLGRADE

Open	1938	Closed	Still Open	Population	116
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Near Twillingate	Map	9 U 19
Distributing Office		Summerford			

Previously called Seal Cove Fridays Bay and operated under that name from 1895 until 1938. The office also amalgamated with the former location of Salt Pans and Fridays Bay the two former having been very close together. No Postmasters are listed. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte By S.S. Clyde via Summerford. One split ring seen.



Note that Seal Cove (Fridays Bay) and Hillgrade were more or less the same location. Map from book "On Sloping Ground." Aubrey Tizzard. Breakwater Press. ISBN 0-919519-50-4



HILLVIEW

Open	July 1913	Closed	Still Open	Population	219
Bay	Trinity	Location	Southwest Arm	Map	16 C 22
Distributing Office		Same			

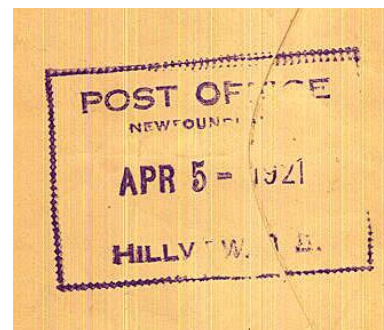
Previously called Northern Bight and operated under that name from 1879 until July 1913. First Postmaster (under new name) was Walter Frost who, still held the position in 1935 as well as being telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. Two split rings seen. TB for Trinity Bay.



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split ring No. 1



Dotted line



split ring No.. 2



Wavy line

HODGES COVE

Open	July 1884	Closed	Still Open	Population	257
Bay	Trinity	Location	Southwest Arm	Map	16 C 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1884 with James Drover as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with James as first Postmaster. PM in 1899 was Stephen Smith and Mrs. Rosamund Peddle in 1920. PM in 1931 was Delilah Peddle. PM in 1938 as of August 12 was Mrs. Harvey Peddle. Became a MOO on December 22 1910. One split ring seen and there is a possibility that there was an earlier one. This office was one of the very few to have had the 1900 duplex hammer.



HOLLETT'S COVE

Open	1930	Closed	1933	Population	82
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First and probably only Postmaster was Ralph Lane. Mail distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

HOLYROOD SOUTHSIDE

Open	December 28 1905	Closed	1920	Population	226
Bay	Conception	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Likely Holyrood			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Kieley. Nothing else is known of this office. Marking read SOUTH HOLYROOD. No stamps at post office manuscript Post Paid.



courtesy Murray Smith

HOLYROOD ST. MARYS

Open	April 1882	Closed	August 14 1910	Population	291
Bay	St. Marys	Location	South Avalon	Map 20	K 24 (St. Vincents)
Distributing Office		St. Marys			

Renamed St. Vincents on August 10 1910. Open as a way office in 1882 with William St. Croix as first waykeeper followed by Daniel St. Croix in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with Maggie St. Croix as first Postmaster. Followed by John St. Croix in 1898 , Mrs. Daniel St. Croix in 1901 and Mrs. Edward Fleming in 1909. Mails were from St. Marys by courier. Two split ring proofs seen.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2

HOLYROOD

Open	1864	Closed	Still Open	Population	789
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of Conception Bay	Map	21 G 26
Distributing Office		Same			

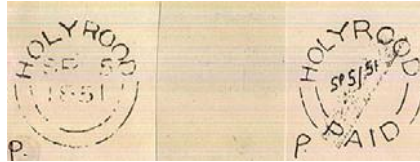
Open as a way office from 1864 to 1868 with John Veitch as way keeper. Opened as a post office in 1883 with Ellen Veitch as first Postmaster, followed by John E. Veitch in 1907, Miss Katie Veitch also in 1907 and Miss May Joy in 1916. PM in 1931 was John Hannon who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on April 01 1948 was Miss Christina Barron. Post office and telegraph office were combined on March 13 1907. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Holyrood station.



"Here comes the mail now"



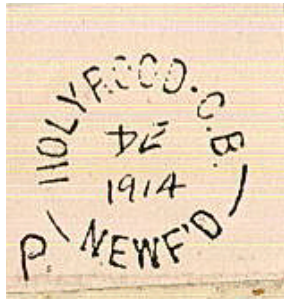
One of the few Named Registration boxes of Pre-Confederation Nfld.



These were said not to have been issued



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split ring No. 3

HOOPING HARBOUR

Open	1911	Closed	June 30 1970	Population	148
Bay	White	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map	4 N 13
Distributing Office		Same			

This location was another of the victims of the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Mrs. Adam Rendell who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. One split ring seen. St. B for St. Barbe (District). Proofed in 1911 and still in use in 1950. I guess it is safe to say that there was only the one device.



HOPEALL

Open	February 07 1905	Closed	May 01 1961	Population	169
Bay	Trinity	Location	Head of Trinity Bay	Map	16 E 24
Distributing Office		Whitbourne			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Elizabeth Dunn. Pm in 1931 was Mrs. Maud Dunn. Mails were from Whitbourne via Dildo. No proofs or strikes seen.

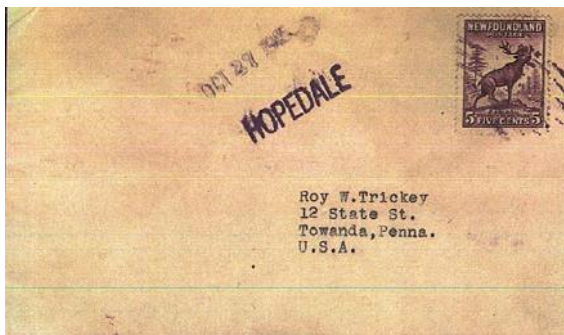
HOPEDALE

Open	1901	Closed	Still Open	Population	155
Bay	Labrador Sea	Location	Labrador Coast	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Same			

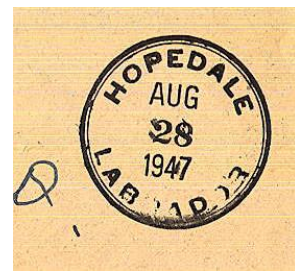
Postmasters not listed, but earlier would have something to do with Hudsons Bay trading post. PM on July 01 1937 was Mrs. M.E. Grubb. PM on July 01 1939 was Rev. F.M. Grubb. PM from August 29 1940 was Mrs. L.S. Harp. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Kyle. In Winter ?? No split ring proofs seen.



courtesy Doug Hannan



courtesy Kevin O'Reilly



HORSE COVE

Open	February 09 1921	Closed	1922	Population	179
Bay	Conception	Location	Near Bell Island	Map	21 F 27 (St. Thomas)
Distributing Office	St. John's				

Renamed St. Thomas's on October 21 1921 and continued as a post office under that name until 1931. Postmaster was Miss Theresa Stapleton. Mails were daily from St. John's by wagon on way to Bell Island ferry. No proofs or strikes seen. Given the short lifespan of this name, it should be relatively uncommon.

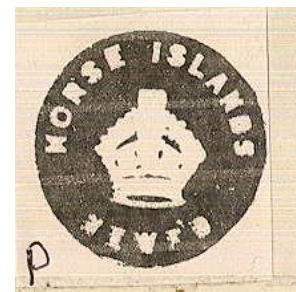
HORSE ISLANDS

Open	September 1908	Closed	April 30 1969	Population	100
Bay	White	Location	Off Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	4 Q 15
Distributing Office		Same			

This location was another in the long list of Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was A. Greenham who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. Two split ring proofs seen but obviously there was an earlier one.



split ring No. 2 split ring No. 3

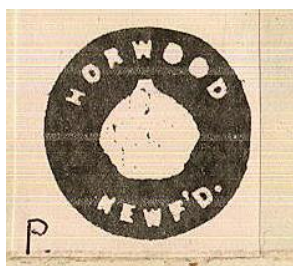


HORWOOD

Open	August 13 1904	Closed	Still Open	Population	145
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Hamilton Sound	Map	9 U 20
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Dog Bay and was open under that name from 1902. First Postmaster was Mr. J.E. Cater followed by Mrs. Mary Cater. PM in 1931 was Louise Mews who, was also telegraph operator. Miss Janice Budden was appointed PM and TO on February 01 1939. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Boyd's Cove. There is one of those small arcless devices, which everyone has seen proofed but never seen one in use. What are they ?

I do not think that this device was Horwood's first instrument and obviously there was another.
LE for Lewisporte.



split ring No. 2 LE
(Lewisporte)

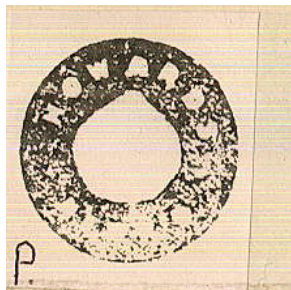
split ring No. 1
Fogo D (District)
courtesy Murray Smith

courtesy Malcolm Back

HOWARDS

Open	1901	Closed	1905	Population	48
Bay	Inland	Location	Rail Line near Spruce Brook		
Distributing Office		Not known			

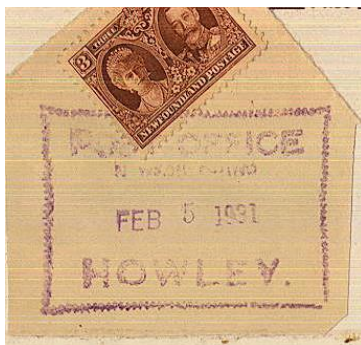
The location of this office was on the rail line between Spruce Brook and Bay of Islands at Georges Lake. First Postmaster was Miss Emma O'Quinn followed by Mr. J. P. Atherton. Nothing else is known. No split ring strikes or proofs seen. Only a mail bag Crown seal.



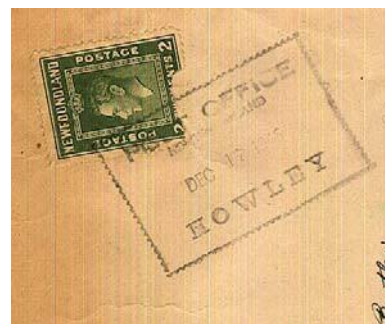
HOWLEY

Open	1918	Closed	Still Open	Population	479
Bay	Inland	Location	Near Deer Lake	Map 7 W 10	
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster not known. PM in 1931 was D.B. Scamell who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1942 was Miss Josephine Pynn. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. One split ring seen. Obviously there was an earlier device. HD for Humber District.



HOWLEY in Gothic



HOWLEY in Serif



HUMBER CANAL

Open	1930	Closed	1934	Population	Nil (transient)
Bay	Inland	Location	Deer Lake		
Distributing Office Deer Lake					

This office served a construction project only and left no permanent records. No proofs or strikes seen.

HUMBERMOUTH

Open	June 20 1904	Closed	May 01 1958	Population	1248
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Part of Corner Brook	Map 6	X 7 (Corner Brook)
Distributing Office Same					

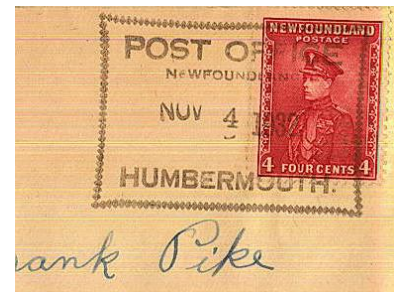
Previously called Riverhead, this location opened as a post office, MOO and telegraph office on June 20 1904. The name was changed to Humbermouth-Corner Brook in 1958 and closed on January 31 1969. The location of this office was at the railway station. Also this was the distribution point for S.S. Sagona serving the offices in Northern West coast Newfoundland and Southern Labrador and the entire Bay of Islands circuit by S.S. George L. First Postmaster was Miss Emma O'Quinn who, is mentioned as the first PM of HOWARDS (any connection ?) The next PM was Blanche McDonald followed by Miss Weber in 1912 and Miss McIsaac in 1913, both of whom were also listed as telegraph operators in addition to their postal duties. PM in 1931 was Odel White. PM and TO in 1937 was Mrs. Jas. Hann. PM and TO on December 16 1948 was Miss Meta House. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Humbermouth station. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



HUNT'S ISLAND

Open	July 1908	Closed	1931	Population	178
Bay	Ocean	Location	Not known (South West coast)		
Distributing Office Not known					

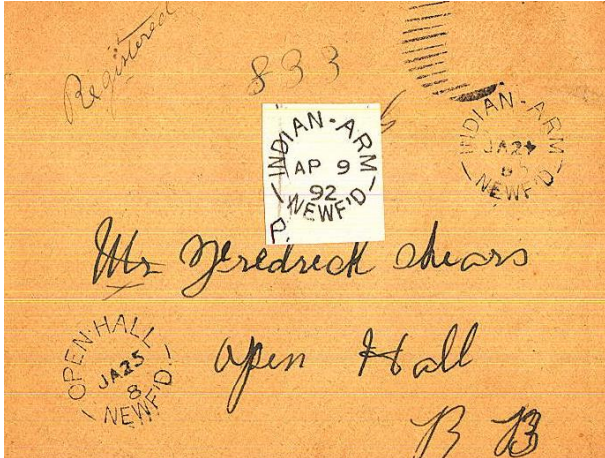
Nothing is known of the location of this office other than it was in Burgeo La Poile District. First Postmaster was Arthur Kinslow, followed by Henry Green in 1913. PM in 1931 was Elizabeth Green. Fortunately a split ring proof exists.



INDIAN ARM

Open	1879	Closed	1912	Population	350
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map	16 A 24
Distributing Office		Same			

Renamed Campbellton in 1898, but as there already was an office of the same name in Notre Dame Bay which also just happened to be on an Indian Arm (Hey are we surprised) it was renamed again to Summerville on August 17 1908. The office continued to operate under the name of Indian Arm until 1912. Open in 1879 as a way office with Edward Humby as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Edward as first Postmaster. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. One split ring exists.



INDIAN BAY

Open	1930	Closed	1948	Population	56
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Thomas Parsons. This office must have had a closed Period, likely 1931. It is listed as (re)opening on October 24 1947. Officially closed on August 12 1948. Mails distribution is not known.



courtesy Doug Hannan



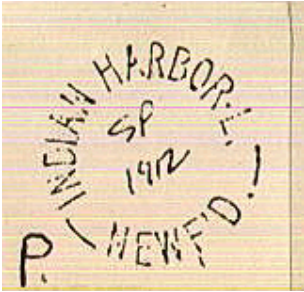
INDIAN BURYING PLACE

See **Burying Place**

INDIAN HARBOUR LABRADOR

Open	1890	Closed	September 20 1982	Population	34
Bay	Hamilton Inlet	Location	Near Rigolet	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Joseph Simms, followed by Frederick Jarrett in 1899. PM in 1931 not listed. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Kyle. One split ring proof exists and there may have been an earlier one. L for Labrador.



INDIAN HARBOUR

Open	November 20 1902	Closed	1931	Population	51
Bay	Placentia	Location	Merasheen Island	Map	20 F 22
Distributing Office		Harbour Buffet			

Indian Harbour was another location to fall to the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Mrs. Peter Hayes, followed in rather quick succession by Miss Mary Hayes in 1908, Miss Kitty Hayes in 1909, Mrs. William Davis in 1909, Miss May Hayes in 1910, Mrs. Ellen Davis in 1911 and finally Mrs. Barnett in 1913. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Katie Barrett (may be same as Mrs. Barnett ??). Mails were weekly from Arnolds Cove by motor boat via Harbour Buffet. No proofs or strikes seen.

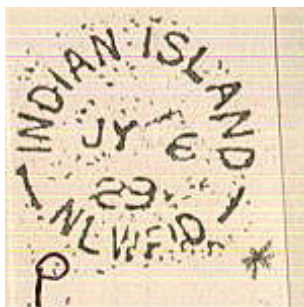
INDIAN ISLANDS

Open	May 1889	Closed	August 22 1959	Population	326
Bay	Hamilton Sound	Location	Near Fogo Island	Map	10 U 21
Distributing Office		Same			

And yet another victim of the Resettlement Programme. Open as a way office in 1889 with Mrs. Elizabeth Collins as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with William Collins as first Postmaster, followed by Lorenzo Collins in 1905. Pm in 1931 was still Lorenzo. PM in 1942 was Kenneth Frampton. PM and To on November 03 1948 was Oswald Pennell. Mails were in Summer were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home on way to Fogo. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier over the ice via Boyd's Cove.



split ring No. 2



split ring No. 1



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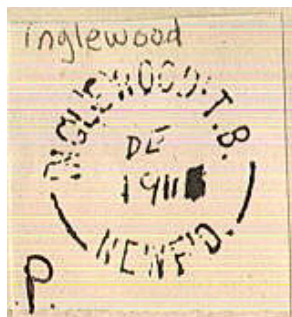
Open	1930	Closed	1931	Population	39
Bay	Trinity	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

For the record only. No Postmaster listed. No proofs or strikes seen.

INGLEWOOD

Open	October 24 1911	Closed	1931	Population	15
Bay	Trinity	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was John Cooper who, also held the position in 1931. Mails distribution not known. One split ring proof exists.



INNER ISLANDS

Open	April 1883	Closed	1909	Population	520
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

No Postmasters are listed but two split ring proofs exist.

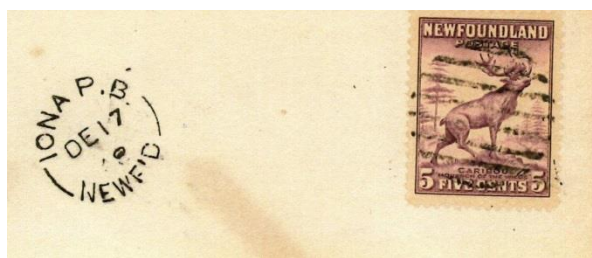
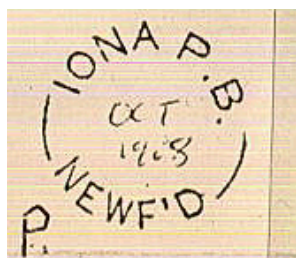


split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2

IONA

Open	September 1912	Closed	August 26 1952	Population	133
Bay	Placentia	Location	Iona Islands	Map 20	G22
Distributing Office		Arnold's Cove			

Add this one to the long list of the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Mrs. Pope. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Bridget Pope (same ?) Mails were weekly from Arnold's Cove by motor boat. One split ring proof exists. PB for Placentia Bay. All records indicate an opening of 1912, yet the proof date says 1908 ??



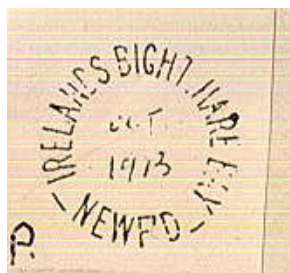
IRELANDS BIGHT

Open	February 24 1913	Closed	1931	Population	44
Location	Hare Bay (the Northern one)			Map 2	J 15
Distributing Office		Flowers Cove/St. Anthony later			

And yet another victim of the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was George Reid who, still held the position in 1931. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero via St. Anthony. In Winter from Deer Lake station up the Great Northern Mail Road via Flowers Cove. One split ring proof exists.



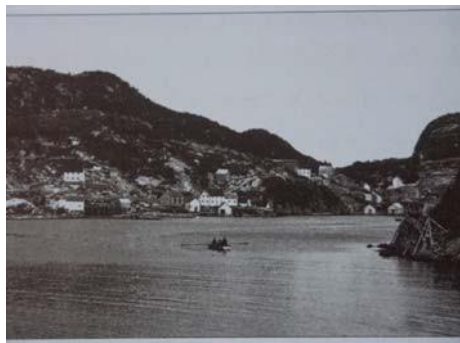
circa 1949 Elmer Harp
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IRELAND'S EYE

Open	1886	Closed	October 12 1965	Population	157
Bay	Trinity	Location	Off Random Island	Map	16 B 24
Distributing Office		Same			

And another for the Resettlement Programme list. Open as a way office in 1886 with Thomas Cooper as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Thomas a first Postmaster. He died in office in 1910 and was succeeded by Mrs. Edward Cooper. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Rachel Toop. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. One split ring was ever in use at this office.



IRISHTOWN

Open	November 30 1911	Closed	1931	Population	112
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	North side of bay	Map	6 X 7
Distribution Office		Summerside			

Reopened after Confederation from March 01 1957 to January 07 1970. First Postmaster was Miss Mary Percy. PM in 1931 was May Percy (MAY be same, pun not intended.) mails were three times a week from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. via Summerside. No proofs or strikes seen.

ISLAND COVE RANDOM

Open	1906	Closed	1939	Population	40
Bay	Trinity	Location	South West Arm	Map	16 C 23
Distributing Office		Hodges Cove			

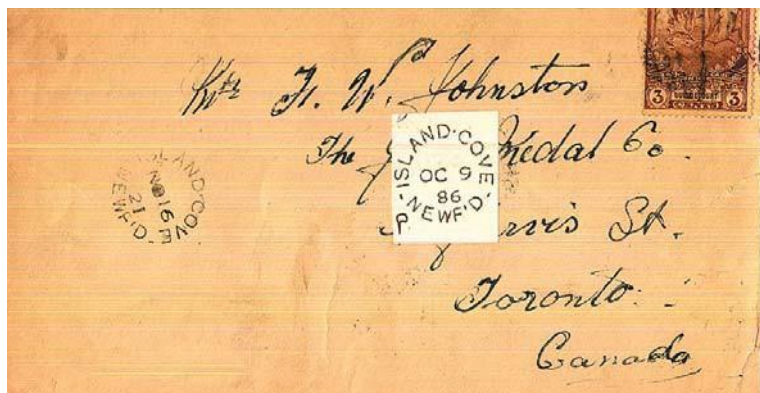
First Postmaster was Mrs. Smith. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Jacob Smith (same?). Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. One split ring proof exists. SWA for South West Arm.



ISLAND COVE

Open	1864	Closed	May 4 1931	Population	41
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map 16	E 24 (Islington)
Distributing Office		Heart's Delight			

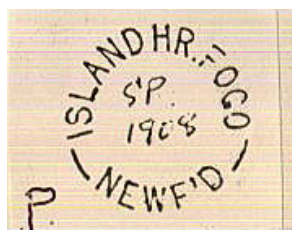
Renamed Islington on May 04 1911. Open as a way office in 1864 with John Crane as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with John as first Postmaster, followed by Nathaniel Crane later. One split ring seen. It is uncertain why the Island Cove device is still being used in 1921 when the Islington split ring was proofed in 1911. Perhaps the two were used concurrently.



ISLAND HARBOUR

Open	March 18 1908	Closed	Still Open	Population	207
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Fogo Island	Map 10	U 21
Distributing Office		Fogo			

First Postmaster was Patrick McKenna. PM in 1910 was Mrs. Bernard McKenna. PM in 1931 was still Mrs. Bernard McKenna. July 28 1910 "PO to be moved to store on the other side of the road". Mails in Summer were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home via Fogo. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier over the ice via Boyds Cove and Fogo. One split ring proof seen. The identical device has been seen in use for April 07 1950.



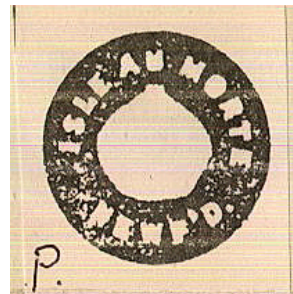
ISLE AU MORTE

Open	November 19 1910	Closed	Still Open	Population	430
Bay	Ocean	Location	Near Port Aux Basques	Map	11 F 3
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Mr. Dominic Le Fresne who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. One split ring seen.



One Hundred Outports
Ben Hansen



ISLE GALET

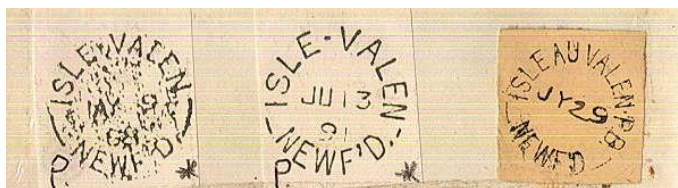
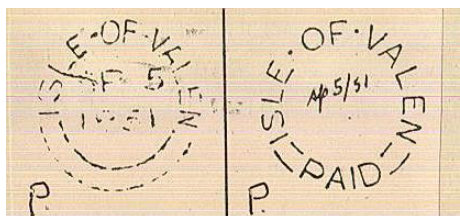
Open	1912	Closed	1921	Population	24
Bay	Fortune	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

This location was known as (yes another) Fox Island until 1906 but did not have a post office under that name. First and possibly only Postmaster was Charles Galet. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

ISLE VALEN

Open	1856	Closed	September 17 1968	Population	141
Bay	Placentia	Location	Placentia Bay West	Map	20 F 21
Distributing Office	Not known				

Open as a way office in 1856 with George LeMessurier Sr. as waykeeper. followed by John Brown in 1883 and Lucretia Lockyer in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with Lucretia as first Postmaster, followed by William Gaulton in 1899 and Lucretia once more in 1901. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Robert J. Lockyer (Lucretia ??). Mails distribution is not known but may have been tied into the Arnolds Cove/Placentia Bay Islands route. The GPO proofs are said not to have been issued. Three split rings seen.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2 split ring No. 3

ISLINGTON

Open	October 24 1911	Closed	January 21 1963	Population	203
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	16 E 24
Distributing Office		Hearts Content			

The two former post offices of Islington and Hearts Delight are now combined into a post office called Hearts Delight /Islington that retains the old official numbering system of Islington. This office was previously called Island Cove Hearts Delight. First Postmaster was Jacob Chislett who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via Hearts Content. One split ring proof is known. TB for Trinity Bay.



IVANHOE

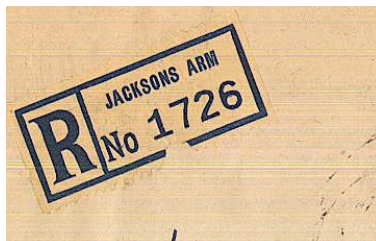
Open	1923	Closed	1933	Population	64
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound Random Island	Map	16 B 24
Distributing Office		Irelands Eye			

Another on the Resettlement Programme list. This location was called Old Tilt until mid 1918 but never had a post office under that Name. First Postmaster was Thomas Ivany who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via Irelands Eye. No proofs or strikes seen.

JACKSON'S ARM

Open	1892	Closed	Still Open	Population	319
Bay	White	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map	3 S 12
Distributing Office		Same			

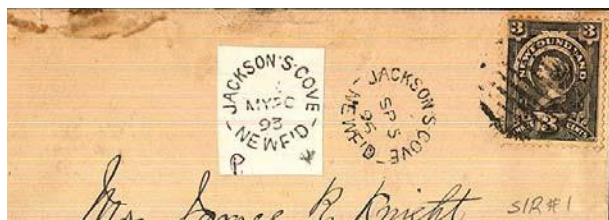
First Postmaster was Belinda Peddle, followed by Job Ford in 1894, Rosanna Ford in 1896, Rosanna Sparkes (married ?) and Walter Combden in 1914. PM in 1931 was Triffie Wicks. Mails were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. One split ring seen.



JACKSON'S COVE

Open	1875	Closed	August 06 1991	Population	114
Bay	Green	Location	Head of Green Bay	Map	8 T 14
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1875 with Henry Knight as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Henry as first Postmaster. PM in 1903 was Lorenzo Newhook. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Sabina Janes. Became a MOO on July 07 1905. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. Two split rings seen. NDB for Notre Dame Bay.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

JACQUES FONTAINE

Open	1912	Closed	1931	Population	125
Bay	Fortune	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 F 19
Distributing Office		St. Bernards			

The present day location is called St. Bernards-Jaques Fontaine although only St. Bernards is on the date stamp. First Postmaster was George Harris who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. One split ring proof exists. FB for Fortune Bay.



JAMES COVE

Open	1890	Closed	1899	Population	118
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Clode Sound	Map	16 A 23 (Jamestown)
Distributing Office		Same			

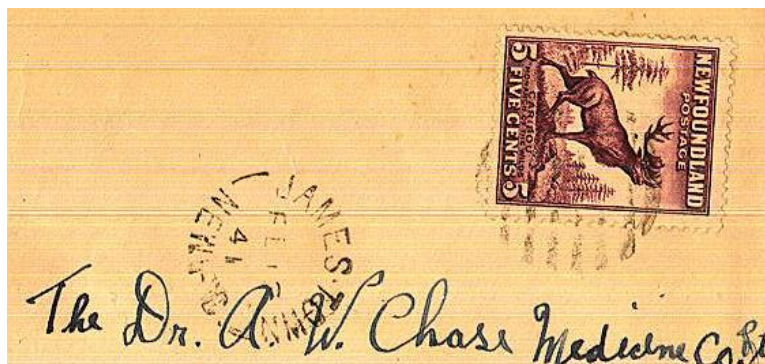
Renamed Jamestown in 1899. Opened as a way office in 1890 with George Haines as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1896 with George as first Postmaster. One split ring exists.



JAMESTOWN

Open	1899	Closed	September 23 1970	Population	143
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Clode Sound	Map	16 A 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called James Cove. First Postmaster was George Haines who died in office April 1916. PM in 1916 was Mrs. Elizabeth Matthews. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Robert Taylor. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. One split ring seen. I would say this is the original instrument due to dot between name parts, a feature abandoned by Pritchard and Andrews around 1900.



JEAN DE BAY

Open	February 20 1901	Closed	1931	Population	109
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 H 18
Distributing Office		Marystown			

First Postmaster was Pierce Coady who, died in office March 1908. Next PM was Mrs. Honora Keefe 1908 and 1931. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Marystown. No strikes or proofs seen.

JEFFEREY'S CROSSING

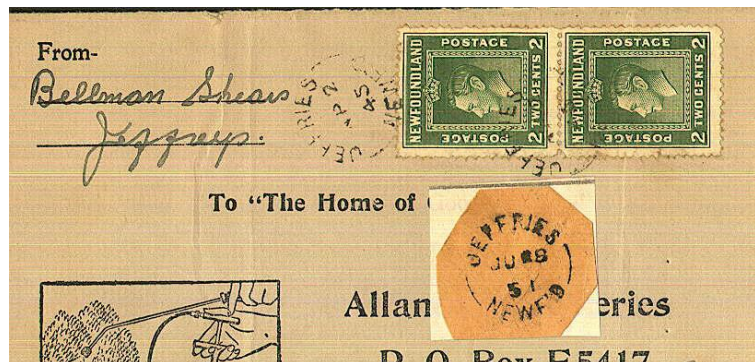
Open	1909	Closed	1910	Population	195
See entry on JEFFEREYS					

This office closed when an office in same area called Jeffereys opened one year later. No Postmasters are listed. No split ring proofs or strikes seen.

JEFFREYS

Open	1910	Closed	Still Open	Population	173
Bay	St. George	Location	South West coast	Map 11	B 4
Distributing Office		Robinsons Station			

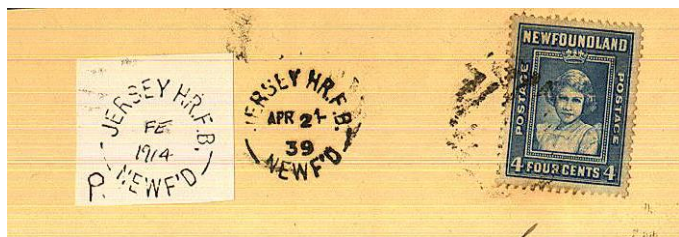
This office was a continuation of Jefferie's Crossing which opened from 1909 until 1910. First Postmaster is not listed. PM in 1931 was Leonard A. Hulan. Office listed as closed and moved to St. Davids on January 15 1942 and reopened on February 13 with Mrs. J.O. Hulan as PM. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Robinsons Station. This office was also spelled JEFFERIES. One split ring seen.



JERSEY HARBOUR

Open	1895	Closed	October 15 1970	Population	210
Bay	Fortune	Location	Near Harbour Breton	Map 18	G 15
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Mary White, followed by Susannah White in 1899 who, still held the position in 1931. PM in 1938 as of December 01 was Norman Boyce. PM in 1942 was Albert Soderro. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. One split ring seen but obviously there was an earlier one. FB for Fortune Bay. A Postal Telegraphs Oval was also in use at this office from 1934 to 1935.

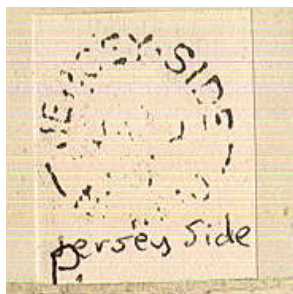


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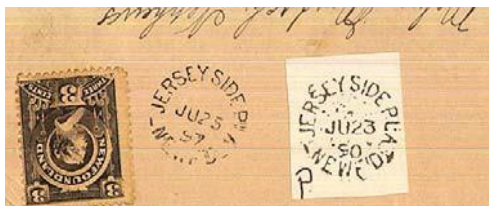
JERSEYSIDE

Open	1889	Closed	Still Open	Population	161
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Suburb" of Placentia	Map	20 H 23
Distributing Office	Placentia				

Open as a way office in 1889 with John P. Bradshaw as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with John P. as first Postmaster. "\$20 per annum to be paid to Mr. Bradshaw from July 1st". PM in 1931 was Nellie Blanche. On April 22 1942, postal facilities were withdrawn from the railway office. Mails were by Placentia Railway via Argentia and Placentia. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



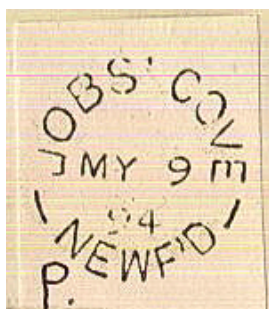
split ring No. 2



JOBS COVE

Open	1893	Closed	Still Open	Population	326
Bay	Conception	Location	Bay de Verde Peninsula	Map	17 C 26
Distributing Office	Carbonear				

First Postmaster was Richard English, followed by William Royal in 1909. PM in 1931 was Mary English. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. One split ring proof seen.



courtesy John Oldford

JOE BATT'S ARM SOUTH SIDE

Open	November 22 1912	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Fogo	Map	10 T 21 (general area)
Distributing Office		Fogo			

First Postmaster was Michael Hackett who, also served as courier to North Side i.e. Fogo. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Jennie Hackett. Mails were same schedule as Fogo. One split ring proof exists. JB for Joe Batt's.



JOE BATT’S ARM

Open	1885	Closed	Still Open	Population	929
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Fogo Island	Map	10 T 21
Distributing Office		Same			

Renamed Queenstown in February of 1901 but reverted to Joe Batt’s Arm in 1904. The Queenstown device was in use until 1906. Open as a way office in 1885 with Thomas Eady as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Thomas as first Postmaster, followed by Andrew Cook in 1896 and Levi Perry in 1900. “1909 Post Office to be moved to Miss Phoebe Coffin”. Became a MOO on August 02 1909. PM in 1931 was Mrs. P. Elliott who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1938 was Miss Stella Brett as of May 23. Miss Mildred Jones was PM in 1942. Mails in Summer were weekly from St. John’s by S.S. Home on way to Fogo. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier over the ice via Boyds Cove and Fogo. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

JOHN’S BEACH

Open	August 16 1913	Closed	1931	Population	54
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Humber Arm	Map	6 X 6
Distributing Office		Humbermouth			

First Postmaster was John Compagnon who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were twice weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. One split ring proof exists. BOI for Bay of Islands.



JOHN'S POND

Open	1898	Closed	1931	Population	70
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Head of St. Mary's Bay	Map 20	H 24
Distributing Office		Whitbourne			

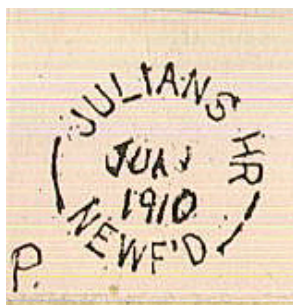
First Postmaster was Alice Linnehan, followed by Edward Linnehan in 1902 and Mary T. Linnehan in 1908. No PM is listed for 1931. Mails were from Whitbourne via Colinet. One split ring proof exists. Obviously there was an earlier device.



JULIEN'S HARBOUR

Open	1910	Closed	1920	Population	72
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Not known (Twillingate District)		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Postmaster was Thomas Glavine. Mails distribution not known. A split ring proof exists.



JUMPER'S BROOK

Open	May 04 1911	Closed	Not known	Population	Not known
Bay	Inland	Location	Near Bishops Falls	Map 9 X 17	
Distributing Office		Not known			

This location does not appear in either the NSSC or the Palmer Moffat Lists. It was a railway sectionmen camp and whistle stop not far from Bishop's Falls. An entry in the records is found for this location with very little detail. First Postmaster was Mrs. Mary Rutherford followed by Miss Hilda Pittman four months later. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

KEARLY'S HARBOUR

Open	1921	Closed	1931	Population	90
Bay	Trinity	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map 16 B 24	
Distributing Office		Bonaventure			

This settlement was the location scene for the film "Random Passage" and was abandoned under the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster is not known. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Frank Miller. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via Bonaventure. No strikes or proofs seen.

KEELS

Open	1885	Closed	June 30 1988	Population	372
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map	16 Z 24
Distributing Office		Same			

Since closing, this location has been served by a succession of four retail offices, the latter of which is still open. Open as a way office in 1885 with Edward Penney as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Edward as first Postmaster, followed by Charlotte Penney in 1909 and Miss Jane Penney in 1916. PM in 1931 was Joseph Hobbs who, was also telegraph operator. PM in 1942 was Miss Annie Murphy. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. It appears that Keels had one split ring.



KELLIGREWS

Open	1875	Closed	Still Open	Population	346
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay South	Map	21 F 26
Distributing Office		Same			

Home of the famous "Soiree", opened as a way office in 1875 with William Tilley as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with William as first Postmaster, followed by Miss Fanny Tilley in 1911 "\$50 salary plus \$48 allowance for rent, fuel and light". PM in 1920 was Frank Tilley and also in 1920, Bertram LeDrew "returned soldier". PM in 1931 was Isaac LeDrew. Miss Anne Hibbs was appointed PM on November 01 1937 when the office was removed from the railway office to the residence of Mrs. R. Hibbs. Mrs. Emma J. Anthony PM in 1942. Became a MOO September 14 1904. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Kelligrews station. Three split rings seen. The first one misspelled (Newfspeak).



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



split ring No. 3



courtesy John Oldford

KILBRIDE

Open	July 1889	Closed	June 02 1959	Population	438
Bay	Inland	Location	"suburb" of St. John's	Map 21 F 27	(general area)
Distributing Office		St. John's			

This location has lately been served by two retail offices, the latter of which is still open. Open as a way office in 1889 with Edward Morris as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Edward as first Postmaster. PM in 1913 was Walter Williams. PM in 1931 was John Carew. PM in 1942 was Mrs. Augustus Chafe. Mails were daily from St. John's. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



KINGS COVE SS

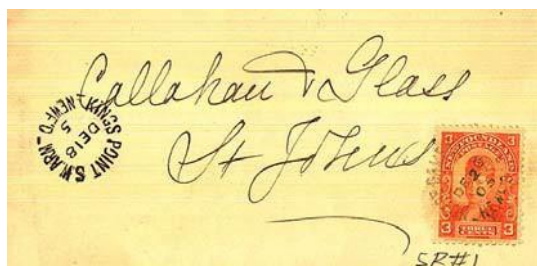
Open	December 14 1909	Closed	1910	Population	55
Bay	Trinity	Location	South West Arm	Map 16 C 23	(general area)
Distributing Office		Not known			

Name of office was changed to Milton in 1910. Postmaster was George Adams. Mails distribution not known. No split ring proofs or strikes seen.

KINGS POINT

Open	1903	Closed	Still Open	Population	285
Bay	Green	Location	Southwest Arm	Map 8 U 14	
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Miss Thistle "PM and TO salary increased to \$200 per annum. June 1913". PM in 1918 was Miss Wolfrey. Became a MOO July 13 1903. PM in 1931 was J.W. Knight who, was also telegraph operator. PM on December 20 1937 was Mrs. L. Burt. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. Two split rings seen. No. 1 SWA for South West Arm. No. 2 NDB for Notre Dame Bay.



split ring No. 1



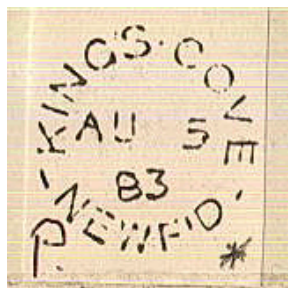
split ring No. 2



KINGS COVE

Open	1854	Closed	Still Open	Population	345
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map	16/17 Z 25
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1854 with Michael Murphy as first waykeeper, followed by John Murphy in 1872 and Patrick Murphy in 1874. Became a post office in 1882 with Patrick as first Postmaster, followed by Mrs. Julia M. Murphy in 1909. May 31 1915 "Mrs. Julia M. Murphy retired on ill health, she and her husband held the post of Postmaster for 43 years. Granted \$100 per annum, retiring allowance". PM in 1915 was Michael Martin. "\$150 per annum and he will provide a PO". PM in 1931 was Thomas Martin. Miss Meta Frampton became PM and TO on August 09 1937. Miss L.E. Pelley became PM on May 01 1939. PM in 1942 was Wilfred L. Abbott. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. Three split rings seen.



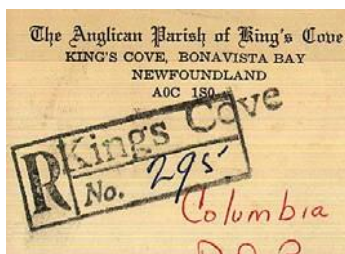
split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



split ring No. 3



KINGS COVE

Open	1930	Closed	1931	Population	51
Bay	Not known	Location	Northern Peninsula	Map	Not listed
Distributing Office		Not known			

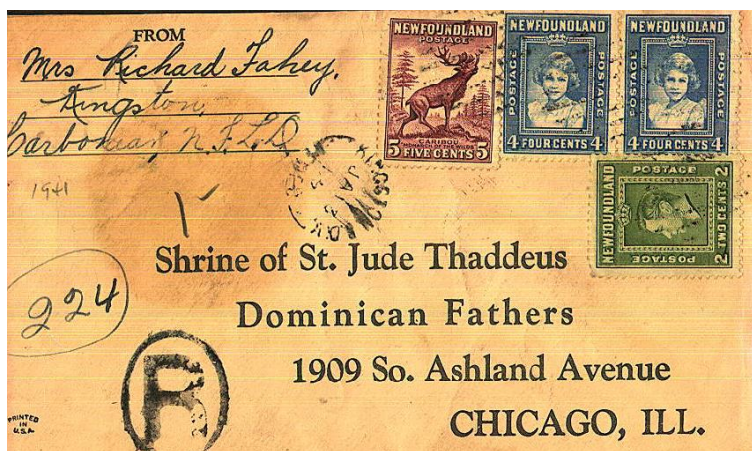
Postmaster was Mrs. L. M. Brophy. No other information is available. No split ring proofs or strikes seen, only a crown seal. If a strike does turn up, it will also probably read St. B.



KINGSTON

Open	May 13 1920 (official name change)	Closed	August 06 1970	Population	129
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 D 26
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

Previously called Upper Small Point and served as an office under that name from 1891 to 1928. Kingston as a postmarking device is seen as early as 1926. Upper Small Point as a postmarking device is seen as late as 1928. Were the two used Concurrently ?? This is what happens when some uncaring individual destroys records. Postmaster in location in 1913 was Mr. Hayden. PM in 1931 was John Hayden, presumably the same individual. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. One split ring seen. BDV for Bay de Verde (District).



KINGWELL

Open	May 13 1920	Closed	July 31 1967	Population	217
	(official change over)				
Bay	Placentia	Location	Long Island	Map	20 F 22
Distributing Office		Harbour Buffet			

Previously called Mussel Harbour Arm and served as a post office under that name from 1909 until 1920. Postmaster in 1920 was Mrs. Emma Slade. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Ernest Rodway. Mails were weekly from Arnolds Cove by motorboat via Harbour Buffet. One split ring seen.



KIPPENS

Open	March 01 1910	Closed	1938	Population	67
Bay	St. George	Location	near Stephenville	Map	6 A 5
Distributing Office		Stephenville			

First Postmaster was Dougald McIsaac. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Mary Goden. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 at Stephenville Crossing station via Stephenville. No proofs or strikes seen.

KITCHUSES EAST

Open	Sept. 25 1911	Closed	December 01 1963	Population	Not known
Bay	Conception	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Kitchuses			

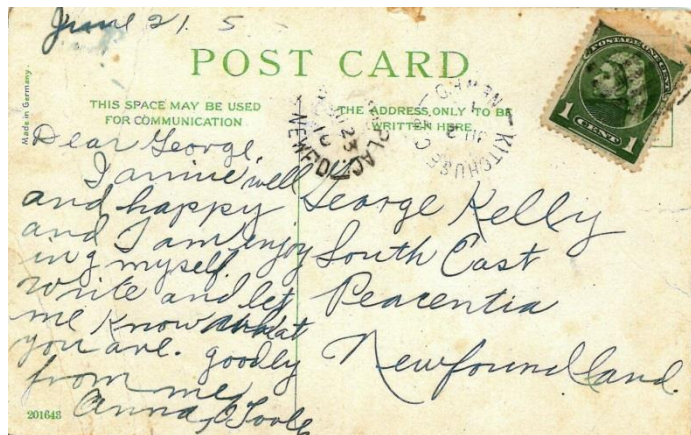
First Postmaster was James Costello and also courier to Kitchuses. PM in 1913 was John Mansfield. PM in 1931 was Mrs. John Murphy. Mails distribution not known other than from Kitchuses. One split ring seen.



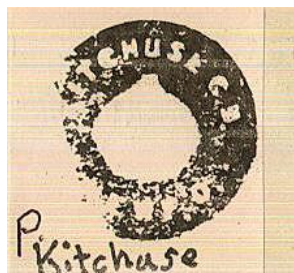
KITCHUSES

Open	July 06 1903	Closed	March 31 1970	Population	270
Bay	Conception	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Miss Annie M. Kenney, followed by Edward Kenney in 1915. PM in 1931 was Mrs. P Mahoney. PM on October 21 1937 was Miss Rose Murphy, changed the next day to Miss Nellie Murphy. PM in 1942 was Mrs. Patrick Wade. Mails distribution not known.



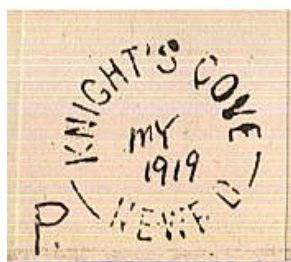
courtesy Doug Hannan



KNIGHTS COVE

Open	1920	Closed	Still Open	Population	165
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Upper Bonavista Peninsula	Map 17 Z 25	
Distributing Office		Kings Cove			

First Postmaster not known. PM in 1931 was Lizzie Ryan. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Kings Cove. One split ring proof seen.



LA MANCHE

Open	1892	Closed	1931	Population	12
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Neck" of Avalon Peninsula	Map	16 E 22
Distributing Office		Arnolds Cove			

First Postmaster was Harry Saunders, followed by George Rose in 1896, Mrs. Rose in 1900 and Mrs. Monica Flynn in 1913. PM in 1931 is listed as La Manche Mining Co. Mails were from Arnolds Cove by boat. One split ring proof seen.



LA POILE GREAT HARBOUR

See Great Harbour La Poile

LA POILE

Open	1860	Closed	Still Open	Population	50
Bay	La Poile	Location	South West Coast	Map	12 E 5
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1860 with H.T. Read as first waykeeper, followed by Frances A. Reid in 1864. Became a post office in 1866 with Thomas J. De Boucrei as first Postmaster, followed by J.H. Clement in 1877, Joseph Le Seilleur in 1882, Thomas Mauger in 1887, J. C. Le Seilleur in 1892 and J.C. LeSeilleur JR. in 1901 and Thomas Le Seilleur at a salary of \$60 in 1907. PM in 1931 was E.W. Read. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. Two split rings seen including what might have been a beautiful registered cover destroyed by you know who. This office also had one of the early "Fancies".



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

LA SCIE

Open	1886	Closed	Still Open	Population	490
Bay	White	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	4 S 16
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1886 with Daniel P. Duggan as waykeeper. Became a post office with Daniel P. as first Postmaster. 1916 "PO to be combined with PTO, provision to be made some other way for loss of postal salary by MAGISTRATE Duggan". PM in 1916 was Miss Jennie Miles plus telegraph operator. Miss Robins in 1918 and Ivy S. Bartlett in plus telegraph operator in 1931. Miss Marie Duggan was appointed PM and TO on October 23 1947. Became a MOO on September 04 1916. Mails in 1931 were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero. Three split rings seen.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



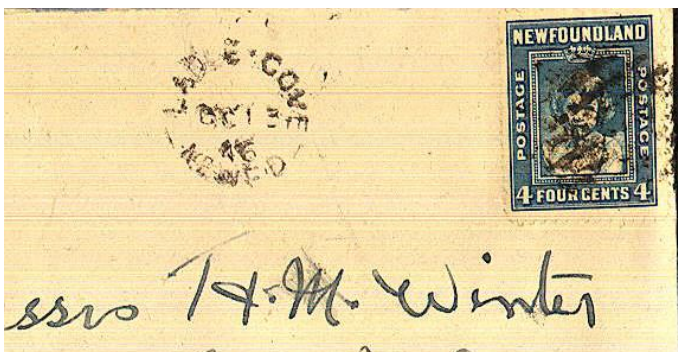
split ring No. 3



LADLE COVE

Open	1885	Closed	Still Open	Population	239
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Hamilton Sound	Map	10 U 22
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1885 with Abraham Tulk as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Abraham as first Postmaster. PM in 1899 was Mannasa Tulk, in 1907 was Mrs. Jane Tulk and in 1915 was William Tulk. 1918 "Mrs. Martha Stratton to be paid \$5 per month for telephone and telegrams". Became a MOO on December 06 1910. PM in 1931 was Gwendylon Wellon. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home on way to Fogo. A dotted line Box Cancel was in use at this office from 1929 until 1933. One split ring seen. This is a pre-1900 device because of a dot between name parts.



courtesy Murray Smith

LADY COVE

Open	May 01 1901	Closed	May 20 1970	Population	120
Bay	Trinity	Location	Random Island	Map	16 C 23
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Charles Soper. PM in 1908 was Isabelle March and in 1913 Miss Alice Soper was PM and telegraph operator. Later PM was Miss Elizabeth March who, was replaced by Miss Jean March on April 01 1937. Became a MOO on October 20 1913. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. One split ring seen. Again, dot between name parts would indicate the original instrument. This same one has been seen from 1952.



LAKEVIEW

Open	Sept. 14 1909	Closed	1931	Population	154
Bay	Conception	Location	Chapels Cove	Map	21 G 26
Distributing Office		Woodford station			

First Postmaster is listed as James Conran. Next PM was Thomas Fewer, whose appointment was September 14 1909, day of opening. It must have been that Conran refused the appointment. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Thomas Fewer. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Woodfords station. No strikes or proofs seen.

LALLY COVE

Open	1886	Closed	March 28 1963	Population	111
Bay	Fortune	Location	Belle Bay	Map	15 E 17
Distributing Office		Pool's Cove			

This settlement was abandoned during the Resettlement Programme. Open as a way office in 1886 with Stephen Gould as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Stephen as first Postmaster, followed by George Courage in 1907. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Eliza Jane Baker. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Pool's Cove. One split ring proof seen.



LAMALINE EAST

Open	1931	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Ocean	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Lamaline			

This location was also known as Muddy Hole. Postmaster was Ruby Bonnell. Assuming mails were sent from Lamaline. No split ring proofs or strikes seen.

LAMALINE

Open	1863	Closed	Still Open	Population	480
Bay	Ocean	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	18 K 15
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1863 with James Pittman as first waykeeper, followed by John Pittman in 1869 and James again in 1869. Became a post office in 1891 with James as first Postmaster, followed by Miss Harriet Pittman in 1900, William Tuff in 1903, Miss F. Hann as PM and TO in 1904, Miss Collins as PM and TO in 1907, Miss Hann once more in 1908 and Miss Blanche Pittman in 1917. PM in 1931 was Barbara Pittman who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from St. Johns by S.S. Portia. Three split rings seen. There was also a Postal Telegraphs Oval device used in 1933.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 3



split ring No. 2 as a receiver



Postal Telegraph Oval
courtesy John Oldford

LANCASTER

Open	1912	Closed	1922	Population	46
Bay	Trinity	Location	Near Bonavista	Map	17 Z 26
Distributing Office		Bonavista			

Previously called Lance Cove North Elliston until August 1912. There was no post office under that name. No Postmasters are listed. Mails were by Bonavista Railway via Bonavista. No proofs or strikes seen.

LANCE AU BARQUE

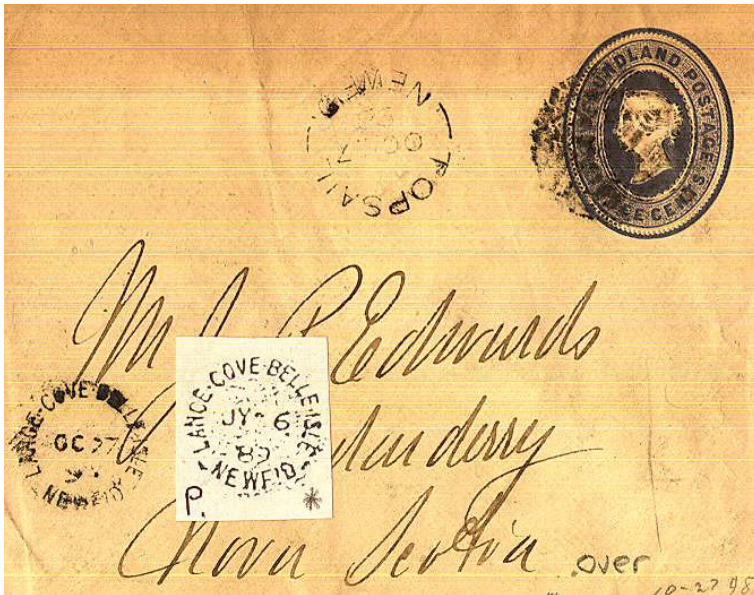
Open	November 24 1909	Closed	1931	Population	42
Bay	Fortune	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Mary Edwards. PM in 1931 was Elizabeth Jarvis. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

LANCE COVE BELLE ISLE

Open	1888	Closed	July 16 1959	Population	512
Bay	Conception	Location	Bell Island	Map	17 E 26
Distributing Office			Bell Island		

The later name of this location was just Lance Cove as it was the only one of the three to survive as an open office! Open as a way office in 1888 with William Clements as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with William as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was still William Clements (son?). This office must have had a closed period, probably 1931. It (re)opened March 10 1947 with Mrs. M.T. Hammond as PM. Mails were daily from St. John's by wagon and ferry via Bell Island (office). Two split rings seen. This office also used the 1900 duplex.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

LANCE COVE T B

Open	1895	Closed	1913	Population	46
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound	Map	16 C 23 (Petley)
Distribution Office			Britannia		

Renamed Petley in 1913. First Postmaster was Ed T. Gardner, followed by Miss Annie Gardner in 1904 and Reuben Laite in 1909. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu via Britannia. One split ring proof seen, but obviously there was an earlier one.



split ring No. 2

LANCE COVE TRINITY BAY SOUTH

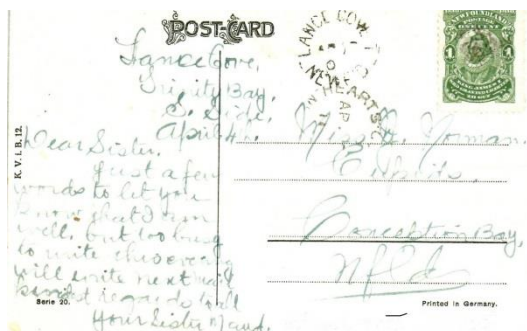
Open	1886	Closed	1911	Population	512
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 C 26
Distributing Office		Same			

Renamed Brownsdale in 1911. Open as a way office in 1886 with Jesse Buckler as first waykeeper, followed by A. John Brown in 1888. Became a post office in 1891 with A. John as first Postmaster followed by Bertha Brown in 1893, Arthur Armstrong in 1898, Henry T. Avery in 1899, Bertha Brown once more in 1901, Mrs. Rebecca Marsh in 1904 and Mrs. Henry Strong in 1910. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu. Two split ring proofs seen.



split ring No. 2

split ring No. 1 (91)



L'ANSE AMOUR

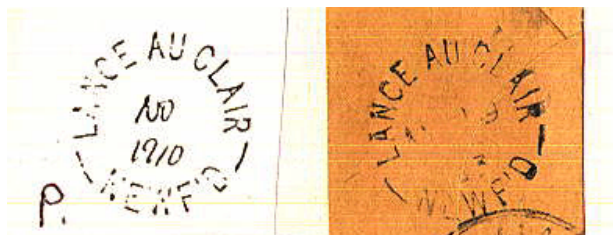
Open	1937	Closed	2005	Population	45
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Southern Labrador	Map	1 H 11
Distributing Office		Forteau			

An official listing states Mrs. Charles Davis as PM on April 01 1946. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona via Forteau. In Winter by dog team from Quebec via Forteau. No markings seen.

L'ANSE AU CLAIR

Open	August 01 1910	Closed	Still Open	Population	100
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Southern Labrador	Map	1 J 11
Distributing Office		Blanc Sablon (NFLD Territory)			

First Postmaster was Peter Beaudoin. "\$6 and courier to Blanc Sablon at 50 cents per weekly trip". PM in 1931 not listed. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona via Blanc Sablon. In Winter by dog team from Quebec. Two split rings seen. It is interesting to note that split ring No. 1 is in use in 1954.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

L'ANSE AU LOUP

Open	1886	Closed	Still Open	Population	106
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Southern Labrador	Map 1 H 11	
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1886 with John Jameison as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1893 with John Cabot as first Postmaster, followed by William Cabot in 1914. PM for 1931 not listed. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. In Winter by dog team from Quebec. One split ring seen and it was in continuous use as shown by inverted year date of (19) 61.



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L'ANSE AUX MEADOWS

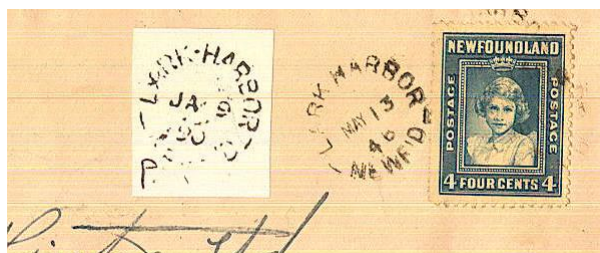
Open	1911	Closed	1931	Population	26
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Tip of Northern Peninsula	Map 2 H 16	
Distributing Office		Quirpon			

First Postmaster was Miss Blanche Decker and George Decker as courier to Quirpon. PM in 1914 was George Decker who, still held the position in 1931. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero via Quirpon. In Winter from Deer Lake station up the Great Northern Mail Road via Flowers Cove and St. Anthony. No proofs or strikes seen.

LARK HARBOUR

Open	1886	Closed	Still Open	Population	141
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Mouth of the bay	Map 6 W 6	
Distributing Office		Humbermouth			

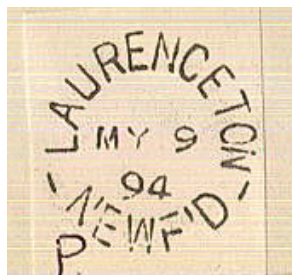
Open as a way office in 1886 with L.T. Chafe as first waykeeper, followed by Isaac Sheppard in 1888. Became a post office in 1891 with Isaac as first Postmaster, followed by Jonathan Sheppard in 1892 and W.A. Gabriel in 1899. PM in 1931 was Mary E. Sheppard. Mails were twice weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. One split ring seen. This one device shows up until the mid-1960's.



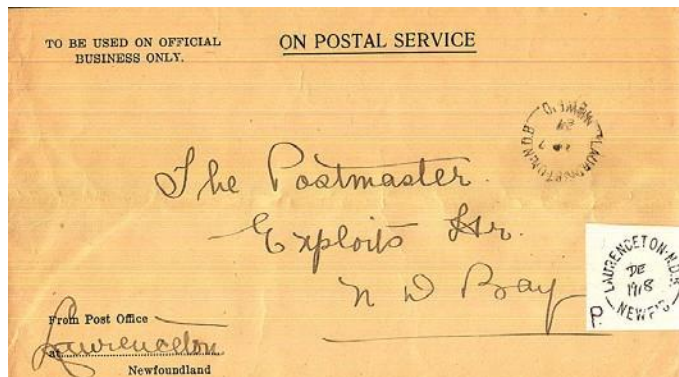
LAURENCETON

Open	1893	Closed	Still Open	Population	202
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Bay of Exploits	Map	9 W 17
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was George Brown, followed by Frederick June in 1902, Thomas Greene in 1904 and Mrs. Bertha Tetford in 1917 who, still held the position in 1931. PM in 1942 was Miss Hazel Tetford. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S. S. Clyde. Three split rings seen. NDB –Notre Dame Bay.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 3



split ring No. 2 "town"
courtesy Murray Smith

LAWN

Open	1882	Closed	Still Open	Population	503
Bay	Ocean	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	18 J 16
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1882 with James Walsh as first waykeeper, followed by Mrs. James Walsh in 1883 and Mrs. Susan Fitzpatrick in 1888. Became a post office in 1891 with Susan as first Postmaster, followed by Mrs. Susan Kirby in 1892 and Mrs. Grant in 1898. PM in 1931 was Miss M. Tarrant who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1937 was Miss Ivy Edwards. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. Two split rings seen. As one was proofed in 1910, there had to be an earlier one. The strike from 1945 (inverted) has shorter arc lengths.



split ring No. 2 split ring No. 3



courtesy Murray Smith



split ring No. 1

LEAD COVE

Open	1909	Closed	1937	Population	112
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 C 26
Distributing Office		Brownsdale			

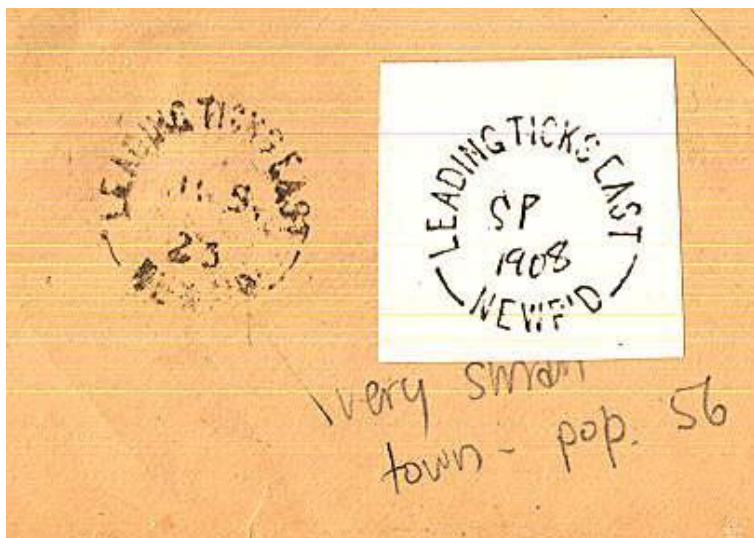
First Postmaster was Miss Bessie Button. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Levi Button. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. One split ring proof known.



LEADING TICKLES EAST

Open	1908	Closed	1933	Population	56
Bay	Green	Location	Seal Bay	Map	8 U 16 (general area)
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Leading Ticks and served under that name from 1877 until 1908. First Postmaster was Lilian E. Andrews. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Dulcie Andrews. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. One split ring seen.



LEADING TICKLES WEST

Open	1894	Closed	1946	Population	255
Bay	Green	Location	Seal Bay	Map 8 U 16	(general area)
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was William Gilet, followed by Mrs. Rowsell in 1900, Leander Rowsell in 1909, Elijah Lanning in 1909 and Mrs. John Parsons in 1931. PM in 1938 was Garland Noseworthy, appointed September 17. PM in 1942 was Miss Aggie Alcock, followed by Miss Ruth Alcock the same year. Became a MOO on August 10 1909. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. One split ring seen, proofed in 1908 so there must have been an earlier one.



LEADING TICKLES

Open	July 1887	Closed	1908	Population	56
Bay	Green	Location	Seal Bay	Map 8 U 16	(general area)
Distributing Office		Same			

Renamed Leading Ticks East in 1908. Open as a way office in 1887 with William Alcock as first waykeeper, followed by Phoebe Alcock in 1882. Became a post office in 1891 with Phoebe as first Postmaster, followed by Uriah Martin in 1892 and Lilian Martin in 1900. Earlier mails distribution is not known. One split ring seen.



courtesy Doug Hannan

LEAR'S COVE

Open	1903	Closed	1906	Population	18
Bay	Placentia	Location	Cape St. Mary's	Map 20 K 22	
Distributing Office		St. Brides			

First Postmaster was Mrs. C. Young, followed by John J. Young JR. in 1906 and Mrs. James Young in 1908. PM in 1931 was Arthur Young. Mails were from Placentia by courier via St. Brides. No proofs or strikes seen.

LEE BIGHT

Open	1882	Closed	1912	Population	100
Bay	Trinity	Location	North West Arm Random	Map 16 C 22	(Adeytown)
Distributing Office		Hillview			

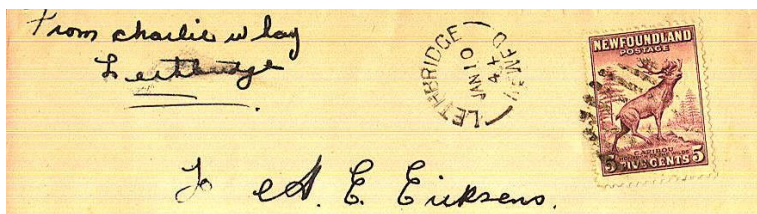
Renamed Adeytown in 1912 and continued as a an office under that name until 1931. Open in 1882 as a way office with Isaac Adey as first waykeeper, followed by James Adey in 1883 and Isaac again in 1884. Became a post office in 1891 with Isaac as first Postmaster, followed by Jacob Adey in 1898 and Isaac once more in 1900 and Mrs. Robert Adey in 1909. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via Hillview. One split ring proof seen.



LETHBRIDGE

Open	1912	Closed	Still Open	Population	257
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map 16 A 23	
Distribution Office		Same			

Previously called Brooklyn Station, but there was never an office by that name. First Postmaster and telegraph operator was Miss Rogers, followed by Mr. E.R. Rowsell in 1912 and Miss Sarah J. Prince as PM and telegraph operator in 1913. PM in 1913 was Myrtle Oldford who, was also telegraph operator. The office was removed from the railway station to the home of R. Noble on October 01 1938. Mails were by Bonavista Railway. Two split rings seen. BB for Bonavista Bay.



split ring No. 2



split ring No. 1 BB
courtesy Murray Smith

LEWISPORTE BRANCH

Open	1901	Closed	1904	Population	Nil
Bay	Exploits	Location	Lewisporte	Map	9 W 18
Distributing Office		Lewisporte			

Nothing is known of this office and I am ASSUMING that it was the other office referred to under Lewisporte that may have had something to do with the mail boats.

LEWISPORTE NORTH

Open	1905	Closed	1926	Population	515
Bay	Exploits	Location	Lewisporte	Map	9 W/V 18
Distributing Office		Lewisporte			

Another office with absolutely NO information. Two choices: (a) It could have been a continuation of and renaming of the former Lewisporte Branch, except for the population figure. OR (b) It was a forerunner of the EMBREE office which opened in 1933. No proofs or strikes seen.

LEWISPORTE SOUTH

Open	August 16 1909	Closed	1945	Population	31
Bay	Exploits	Location	Head of bay on other side	Map	9 W 18 (South Side)
Distributing Office		Lewisporte			

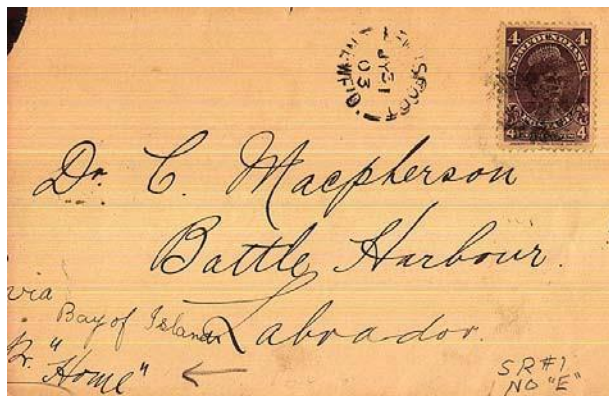
First Postmaster was Mr. S. Janes who, was also courier to Lewisporte. No other information available. One split ring proof seen. SS for South Side and not Steam Ship. The following is NOT a transportation marking. **** *Walsh NSSC disagrees. See NSSC chapter RAILWAY T. P. O. and R. P. O. CANCELS* **** The Author disagrees because (i) In Atlantic Canada Back Road Atlas pg. 100. There is a SOUTH SIDE near Lewisporte. (ii) Proof date coincides with office opening. (iii) A schooner is not a steam ship. Schooners with auxilliary power used Make/Break or gasoline engines and in that era, the wind only. The proof date coincides with the opening of this office.



LEWISPORTE

Open	1901	Closed	Still Open	Population	699
Bay	Exploits	Location	Head of Burnt Bay	Map	9 W 18
Distributing Office		Same			

Called Lewisport without the "E" before 1904. There is much confusion and very little reference to this office. There was apparently a second office which, I assume had to do with the mail boats. To complicate matters further, there is a Lewisporte Sub Office. Was this the second office OR was it a Sub office in a different part of town? Early Postmaster was Miss Elizabeth Miller in 1904. PM in 1908 was Nathaniel Turner. BUT December 19 1912 "Mr. Turner PM at 2ND OFFICE Lewisporte to be also courier between that office and MAIN OFFICE daily trips \$30 per annum". PM in 1931 was Frederick Snow, of which office I don't know. Mails were daily by rail from Notre Dame Junction. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



LEWISTON

Open	1903	Closed	1906	Population	Not known
Bay	Notre Dame ?	Location	Twillingate District		
Distributing Office		Not known			

And yet another one. No information. No proofs or strikes seen.

LIMEVILLE

Open	May 26 1913	Closed	Mid 1914	Population	76
Bay	St. George	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map	5 Z 4
Distributing Office		Port Au Port			

Renamed Aguathuna in mid 1914. First Postmaster was Bride Butler who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Stephenville Crossing station via Port Au Port. One split ring proof exists. St. G for St. Georges (District).



LITTLE BARRISWAY

Open	April 03 1911	Closed	1931	Population	36
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Cape Shore" Avalon Peninsula	Map 20 H 22	
Distributing Office		Placentia			

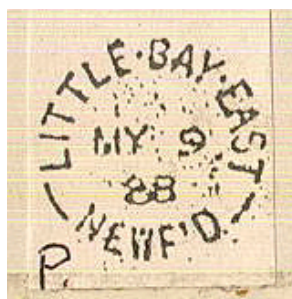
Barrisway is down East speak for Barachois. First Postmaster was Michael Foley. PM in 1931 not listed. Mails were from Placentia by courier. Although not the best, one proof exists. PB for Placentia Bay.



LITTLE BAY EAST

Open	1887	Closed	1971	Population	202
Bay	Fortune	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map 19 F 19	
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1887 with Susan Thornhill as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Susan as first Postmaster, followed by Mrs. Ingoretha Good in 1907. PM in 1931 was Mrs. J. Scott. Mails were weekly from Argientia by S.S. Glencoe. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

LITTLE BAY HB

Open	1903	Closed	1931	Population	145
Bay	Hermitage	Location	Connaigre Peninsula	Map 18 F 14	
Distributing Office		Hermitage			

First Postmaster was Thomas Dominey, followed by Eli Strickland who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Hermitage. No split ring proofs or strikes seen.

LITTLE BAY ISLANDS

Open	July 1874	Closed	Still Open	Population	560
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Green Bay	Map	8 T 15
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office with James Campbell as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1880 with James as first Postmaster, followed by Richard Walsh in 1882, E. Campbell in 1908 and Phyllis Janes in 1931. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. Two split rings seen. There was also a Postal Telegraph Oval in use at this office during 1929.



One Hundred Outposts
Ben Hansen



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

LITTLE BAY NDB

Open	1882	Closed	Still Open	Population	92
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Near Springdale	Map	8 U 15
Distributing Office		Little Bay Islands			

Open as a way office in 1882 with Richard D. Walsh as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Richard D. as first Postmaster, followed by Mrs. R.F. Bouzan in 1908, Miss Garland plus telegraph operator in 1910, Miss Delaney in 1915 and John Flinn plus telegraph operator in 1931. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Little Bay Islands. Three split rings seen. A Postal Telegraph Oval and a dotted line Box Cancel were also in use at this office circa 1930-1933.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



split ring No. 3



Courtesy of Brian Stalker



Courtesy of Brian Stalker

LITTLE BAY PB

Open	May 25 1912	Closed	April 30 1990	Population	216
Bay	Placentia	Location	Near Marystown	Map	19 H 18
Distributing Office		Marystown			

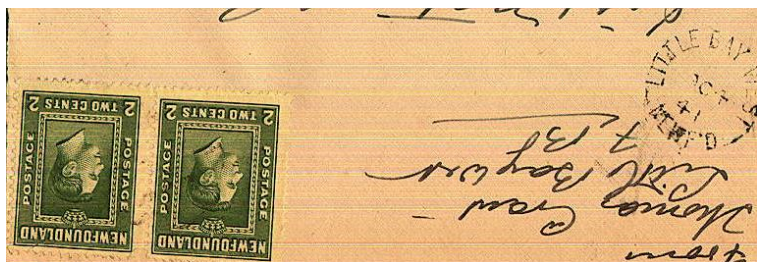
First Postmaster was Miss Elizabeth Hannrahan who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Marystown. No split rings seen, only a NEWF'D CDS.



LITTLE BAY WEST

Open	1899	Closed	November 08 1969	Population	144
Bay	Fortune	Location	Near Harbour Breton	Map	18 F 16
Distributing Office		Harbour Breton			

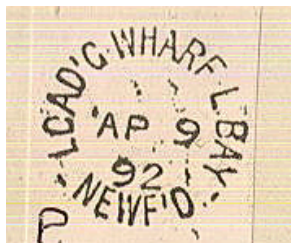
It is interesting to note that Little Bay West is actually East of Little Bay, however it is not as far East as Little Bay East! This office was another to disappear courtesy of the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Phoebe Harding. PM in 1931 was Mrs. A.W. Ridgeley. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Harbour Breton. One split ring seen.



LITTLE BAY (LOADING WHARF)

Open	1891	Closed	1899	Population	129
Bay	Exploits	Location	Loon Bay	Map	9 V/W 19 (Loon Bay)
Distributing Office		Lewisporte			

Renamed Loon Bay in 1899 and continued as an office under that name. Postmaster was William Garland. Mails were from Lewisporte by courier. One split ring exists, but by the name of Loading Wharf. L Bay for Loon Bay.



LITTLE BEAVER COVE

Open	1890	Closed	1916	Population	96
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Port Albert Peninsula	Map 9	U 20 (Port Albert)
Distributing Office		Same			

Renamed Port Albert in 1916 and the office continued under that name until the present day. Open as a way office in 1890 with Thomas Elliot as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Thomas as first Postmaster, followed by John Elliott in 1902 and Herbert Elliot in 1906. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. No proofs or strikes seen.

LITTLE BURNT BAY

Open	1906	Closed	Still Open	Population	77
Bay	Exploits	Location	Near Lewisporte	Map 9	V 18
Distributing Office		Lewisporte			

First Postmaster was Mrs. S. Snow. PM in 1931 was Mrs. E. Pelley. Mails were from Lewisporte by courier. One split ring proof seen, but there had to be an earlier one.



LITTLE CATALINA

Open	November 24 1903	Closed	Still Open	Population	588
Bay	Trinity	Location	Near Bonavista	Map 17	Z 26
Distributing Office		Catalina			

First Postmaster was James Johnson. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Alex A. Johnson. PM in 1942 was Mrs. Eleanor Johnson. Mails were by Bonavista Railway via Catalina. One split ring seen.

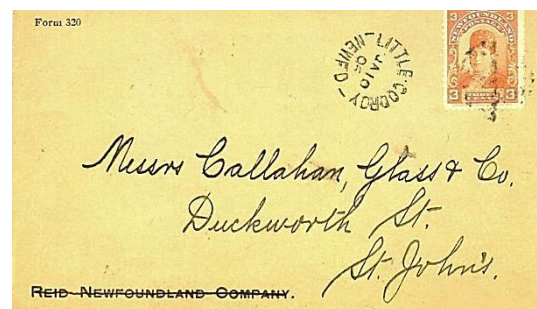
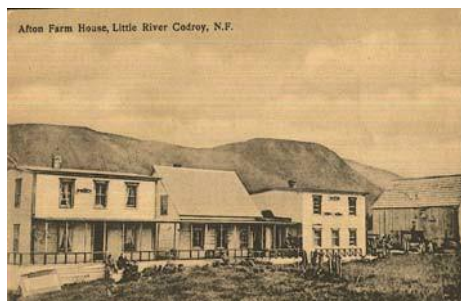


courtesy Malcolm Back

LITTLE CODROY (RIVER)

Open	1884	Closed	1916	Population	210
Bay	Inland	Location	Mouth of Codroy River	Map 11	E 2 (St. Andrews)
Distributing Office		Same			

This office was variously called Little River Codroy, Little Codroy or Codroy, Little River. The renaming of the office to St. Andrews occurred in 1916. Open as a way office in 1884 with Alexander McIsaac as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Alexander as first Postmaster, followed by William Knowling in 1897, John McIsaac in 1897, William Knowling once more in 1901 and John J. Doyle in 1905. Became a MOO August 09 1905. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Little Codroy station. One split ring seen, unfortunately a victim of a rough envelope opening.



LITTLE FOGO ISLAND

Open	1903	Closed	1923	Population	68
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	North of Fogo Island	Map 10	S 21/22
Distributing Office		Fogo			

First Postmaster was John Aylward Jr., followed by John Aylward Sr. in 1904, Miss Mary Tutty in 1908 and Mrs. Julia Donohue in 1911. Mails in Summer were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home via Fogo. In Winter from Lewisporte over the ice by courier via Boyd's Cove and Fogo. No proofs or strikes seen.

LITTLE HARBOUR DEEP

Open	1916	Closed	July 31 1965	Population	43
Bay	White	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 3	Q 12
Distributing Office		Same			

Another location to the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster is not known. PM in 1931 was William Newman. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier over the ice via Hampden and Western Arm.



Crown mail bag seal; and
S.S. Northern Ranger transit mark

LITTLE HARBOUR EAST PB

See LITTLE HARBOUR PB

LITTLE HARBOUR NDB

Open	April 1897	Closed	September 15 1970	Population	92
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Near Twillingate	Map	9 T 19
Distributing Office		Twillingate			

First Postmaster was Miss Emma Warr, followed by Miss Leah Warr in 1903, Miss Kate Warr in 1909 and Ernest Pardy in 1931. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Twillingate. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier over the ice via Boyd's Cove and Twillingate. A dotted line Box Cancel was in use at this office in 1927. One split ring seen. It is possible that there was an earlier device.



courtesy John Oldford

LITTLE HARBOUR PB

Open	1886	Closed	Still Open	Population	276
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Neck" of Avalon Peninsula	Map	16 E 23
Distributing Office		Arnold's Cove			

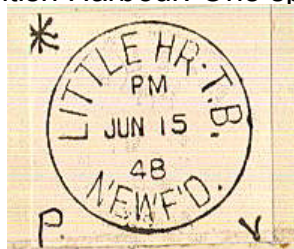
Renamed Little Harbour East (not to be confused with Little Harbour East Fortune Bay). Open as a way office in 1886. Became a post office in 1891. No waykeepers or early Postmasters are listed. PM in 1931 was Mrs. William Dicks. Mails were weekly from Arnold's Cove by motorboat. If the name change occurred in 1909, the following proof belongs to this office. PB for Placentia Bay.



LITTLE HARBOUR TB

Open	June 29 1910	Closed	July 29 1964	Population	89
Bay	Trinity	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map 16 B 24	(Delbys Cove)
Distributing Office	British Harbour				

This location was another listed under Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Philip H. Vokey, followed by Herbert John Vokey in 1911, Mrs. Dorcas King in 1913 and Mrs. John Vokey in 1931. This office had a closed period, the 1931 problem, as usual. It officially (re)opened on June 16 1948 as per CDS proof, with Mrs. Thomas Vokey as PM. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu via British Harbour. One split ring and a NEWF'D CDS seen.



LITTLE HARBOUR WEST

Open	November 30 1911	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map 19 G 19	(Little Harbour)
Distributing Office	St. Joseph's				

Another Location to the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Richard McGrath. PM in 1931 was Mrs. James McGrath. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via St. Joseph's. One split ring proof exists.



LITTLE HARBOUR EAST FB

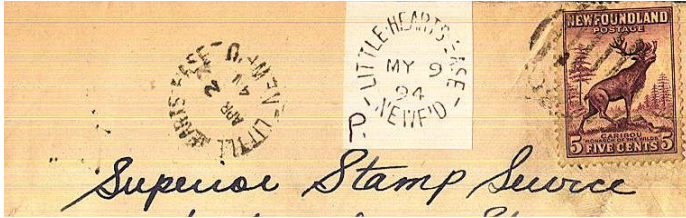
Open	1929	Closed	1952	Population	63
Bay	Fortune	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map 19 F 19	
Distributing Office	Harbour Mille				

Other than it existed, absolutely nothing is known of this office. No proofs or strikes have been seen.

LITTLE HEARTS EASE

Open	1893	Closed	May 22 1992	Population	264
Bay	Trinity	Location	South West Arm Random	Map	16 C 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Since closing, this location has been served by two successive retail offices, both of which are now closed. First Postmaster was Eli Martin, followed by Mrs. James Martin in 1900, Miss Diana Martin in 1909, Mrs. Azariah Martin in 1917, Mrs. Drodge in 1918 and Mrs. Solomon Martin in 1918. PM in 1931 was Eli Drodge. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu. One split ring , proofed in 1909 seen. This same one was still in use in 1966. Obviously there was an earlier device.



split ring No. 2

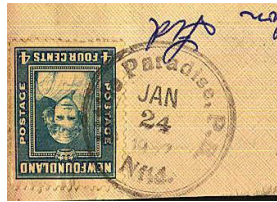


split ring No. 1?: Courtesy of Malcolm Back

LITTLE PARADISE

Open	December 16 1912	Closed	July 31 1968	Population	108
Bay	Placentia	Location	Paradise Sound	Map	19 G 20
Distributing Office		St. Joseph's			

This location also fell to the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Miss Elizabeth Ryan who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via St. Joseph's. This location has been resettled. One family lives there. One split ring seen.



LITTLE PLACENTIA

Open	1883	Closed	1903	Population	400
Bay	Placentia	Location	Argentia	Map	20 G 22
Distributing Office		Same			

Renamed Argentia in 1903. Became a post office in 1883 with Alexander as first Postmaster, followed by John F. Burke in 1893, Mary McGrath in 1895, Kate Dunphy in 1899 and Mrs. John McGrath in 1901. Mails were by Placentia Bay Railway in later years. One split Ring proof exists.



LITTLE RIVER

Open	1907	Closed	1919	Population	350
Bay	Inland	Location	Not Known (St. Georges district)		
Distributing Office		Not Known			

Nothing is known of this office. In 1907, St. Georges district also included the later district of Humber. The location was probably on the rail line.



LITTLE SMALL POINT

Open	1911	Closed	1914	Population	Not known
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map 17	D 26 (Small Point)
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

First Postmaster was Robert Peach, followed by Matthew Thistle. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear by courier. No proofs or strikes seen.

LITTLE TRITON

Open	1912	Closed	1926	Population	82
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Triton Island	Map 8	U 16
Distributing Office		Triton West			

This office became Triton East in 1926. First Postmaster was Miss Minnie Vincent, followed by Mrs. Wellington Winsor in 1915. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Triton West. One proof and a strike of the same seen. For continuation see entry on Triton East.
NDB for Notre Dame Bay.



LITTLE HARBOUR ST. GEORGES

Open	1926	Closed	1931	Population	136
Bay	Inland	Location	Deer Lake	Map	7 W 9
Distributing Office		Same			

AKA LITTLE HARBOR DEER LAKE. No Postmasters are listed. The partial strike is a Box Cancel. This location was right on the rail line so, must have had distribution of mails from its own station. This part of St. Georges District later became Humber District. A Postal Telegraphs Oval and a Reid Newfoundland Railway oval ticket are also known. HDL for HARBOR DEER LAKE



LITTLE WARD'S HARBOUR

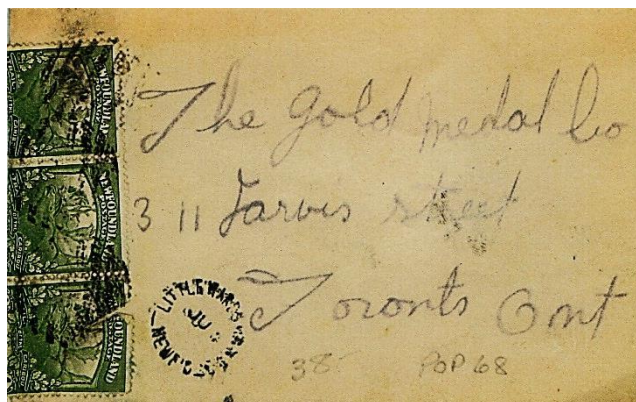
Open	1908	Closed	1931	Population	68
Bay	Green	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Mary Saunders, followed by Michael Toms in 1911 and Mrs. William England in 1931. Two split ring proofs exist, one saying Notre Dame Bay, the other Green Bay. The two are often interchangeable.



split ring No. 1

split ring No. 2



LOADING WHARF

See LITTLE BAY (LOADING WHARF)

LOCK'S COVE

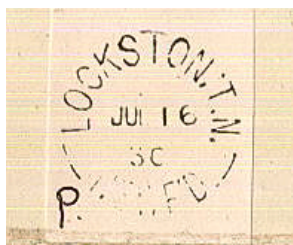
Open	1910	Closed	1947	Population	64
Bay	Hare (Northern)	Location	Near St. Anthony	Map 2	J 14
Distributing Office		Same			

This office was actually called North West Point Hare Bay for postal purposes and as such, there may not have been an actual device reading Locks Cove. Official date of closing was December 31 1947 (as North West Point.) See entry for NORTH WEST POINT HARE BAY. Did you know that in Newfoundland there are two Hare Bays AND that each one has a Lock's Cove?? Fortunately the South Coast Lock's Cove did not have a post office. This office reopened after Confederation from June 01 1955 until September 27 1967 when, it too fell to the axe of Resettlement Programme. No Postmasters are listed. No strikes or proofs seen.

LOCKSTON

Open	1924	Closed	1931	Population	87
Bay	Trinity	Location	Near Trinity	Map 16 A	24
Distributing Office		Trinity			

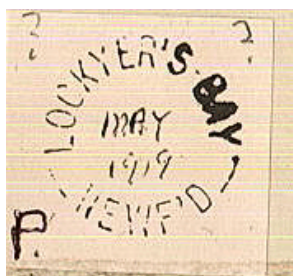
This location was called North West Arm until 1911. but was not a post office under that name. Postmaster in 1931 was William Peddle. Mails were by Bonavista Railway via Trinity. One split ring proof exists. TN for Trinity North.



LOCKYER'S BAY

A proof exists for Lockyer's Bay dated May 1919. This location was not listed as a post office and cannot be found anywhere in maps or records. Both Lockston and Logy Bay can be ruled out as they opened at a later date. There is a Lockers Bay in North Bonavistas Bay near Hare Bay and Dover. There are two choices:

- (a) It was a mistake made by the instrument's manufacturer or
- (b) There was an actual Lockyer's Bay to be opened but did not.

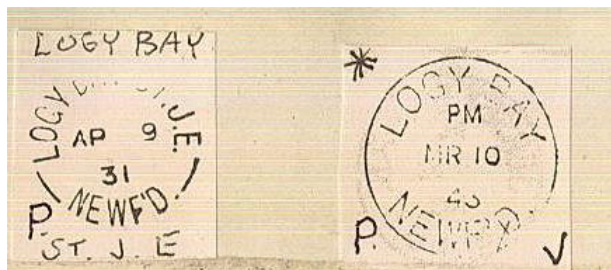


the mystery proof

LOGY BAY

Open	1942	Closed	January 01 1965	Population	224
Bay	Ocean	Location	Near St. John's	Map	17 E 27
Distributing Office		St. John's			

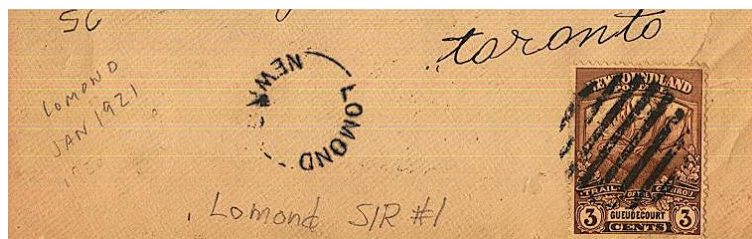
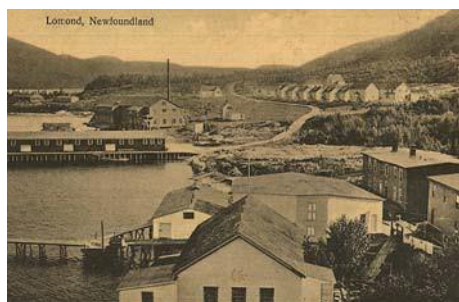
This office opened on November 14 1942 with Mrs. Patrick Dyer as Postmaster. One split ring and one NEWF'D CDS have been proofed. SJE for St. John's East.



LOMOND

Open	1920	Closed	August 31 1967	Population	141
Bay	Bonne	Location	East Arm Bonne Bay	Map	5 Inset V 8
Distributing Office		Same			

This location was called Murphy's Cove until mid-1918, but did not have an office under that name. Population evicted in 1967 to make way for Gros Morne National Park. Area today is a campground. PM in 1931 was Meta Kennedy who, was also telegraph operator. S. Dicks is listed as PM on February 01 1937. PM as of January 01 1939 was Miss Olive Seaward. Office closed on May 9 1942. Office is listed as REOPENING ?? on October 01 1942 with Miss Mabel Reid as PM. Office closed once more on December 15 1945 BUT reopened once more July 18 1946 with Miss Lydia Rumbolt as PM and TO. PM and TO on September 13 1948 was Miss Dorothy Hare. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

LONG BEACH BDV

Open	July 12 1913	Closed	1931	Population	133
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 D 26
Distribution Office		Carbonear			

First Postmaster was George Steele, followed by Mrs. M. Steele in 1914, Mrs. Elizabeth O'Flaherty in 1914 and Miss Katie O'Flaherty in 1918 who, was still serving in 1931. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via courier from Carbonear. One split ring seen. This office also used a dotted line Box Cancel in 1919.



LONG BEACH SS

Open	1897	Closed	1931	Population	40
Bay	Ocean	Location	Near Trepassey	Map	21 L 26
Distributing Office		Trepassey			

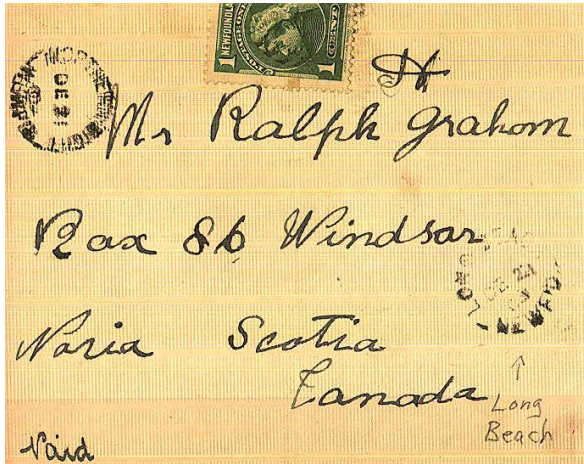
Only Postmaster listed for 1931 was Thomas Neil. Mails were by Southern Shore Railway and/or courier via Trepassey. One split ring proof exists. T for Trepassey.



LONG BEACH SWA

Open	1888	Closed	November 03 1969	Population	132
Bay	Trinity	Location	South West Arm Random	Map	16 C 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office 1888 to 1889 with John Vey as waykeeper. Open as a post office in 1895 with M.H. Vey as first Postmaster, followed by Mrs. George Vey in 1911 and George Vey in 1931. PM on July 26 1948 was Mrs. Julia Vey. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu. Two split rings seen. Split ring No. 1 has no bay designation because it was the earliest of the three Long Beaches. SWA for South West Arm.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

The cover for Split Ring No. 1 was sent from a post office that had no 1 or 2 cent stamps. A manuscript "Paid" in lower left corner and PM's initials MHV(M H Vey) monogram where stamp(s) should be. There are 2x 1 cent stamps folded over the top of the envelope. These were added later, probably at St. John's as it is unlikely that the TPO or RPO clerks carried stamps for that purpose. Another interesting example of the outport/stamp availability problem. Also, this cover bears a Northern Bight transit mark, indicating perhaps that the coastal boat was not running (December) due to freeze up of the bay and Northern Bight was on the rail line.

LONG COVE SWA

Open	March 25 1911	Closed	August 1912	Population	46
Bay	Trinity	Location	South West Arm Random	Map	16 C 23 (general area)
Distributing Office		Hillview			

This location was a way office only and changed it's name to Loreburn in August 1912. The location was just East of St. Jones Within. Waykeeper was Miss Eliza Price. No proofs or strikes seen and as it was a way office, there may have been no instrument issued.

LONG COVE

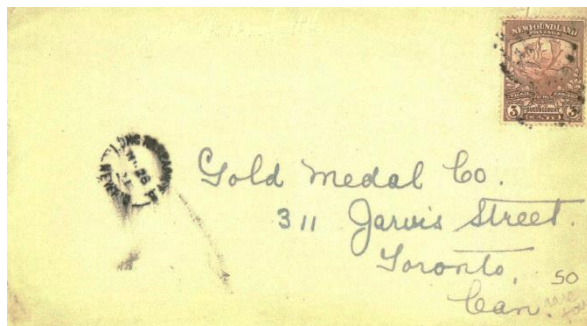
Open	February 18 1911	Closed	1931	Population	126
Bay	Trinity	Location	Head of Trinity Bay	Map	20 F 24
Distributing Office		Norman's Cove			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Thomas White. PM in 1931 was Thomas White. Mails were by Trs. 1 and 2 at Long Harbour station via Norman's Cove. No proofs or strikes seen.

LONG HARBOUR BEACH

Open	July 06 1912	Closed	1931	Population	13
Bay	Fortune	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

It is not known if there was any connection between this office and that of Long Harbour FB as the closing date is not known but, the possibility exists. First Postmaster was Mrs. Courage. PM for 1931 not listed. Mails distribution not known. One split ring proof for 1918 exists so, obviously there was an earlier one. FB for Fortune Bay.



LONG HARBOUR FB

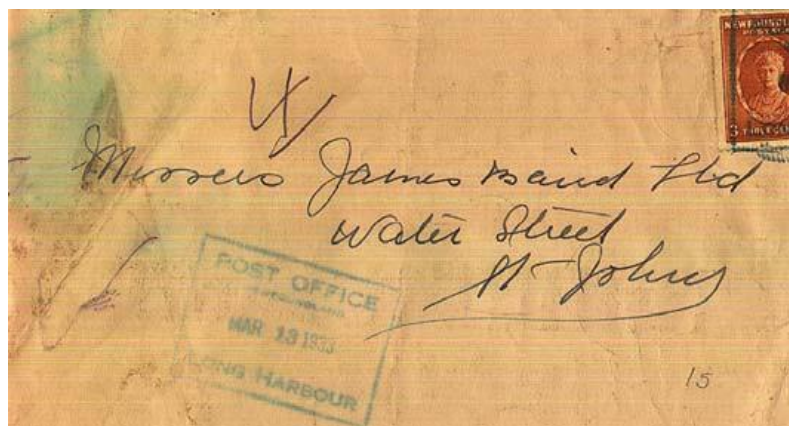
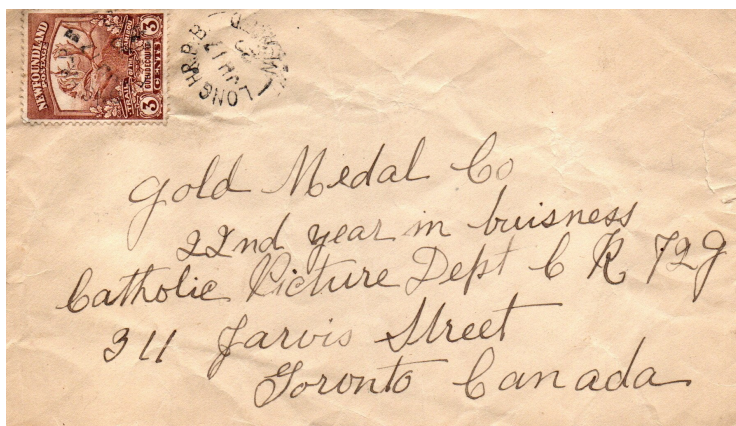
Open	November 28 1901	Closed	Not known	Population	Not known
Bay	Fortune	Location	Not known	Map 19 F 18	(general area)
Distributing Office		Anderson's Cove			

First Postmaster was Mr. P. Ryan. "\$20 for courier to Anderson's Cove." Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Anderson's Cove. No proofs or strikes seen.

LONG HARBOUR PB

Open	1894	Closed	Still Open	Population	397
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Neck" of Avalon Peninsula	Map 20 G 23	
Distributing Office		Same			

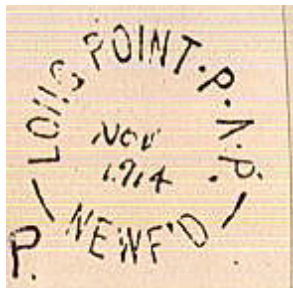
First Postmaster was B. Whelan, followed by Mary J. Murray in 1895 and Thomas Murray in 1931. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Long Harbour station by courier. One split ring seen but, obviously there was an earlier one. PB for Placentia Bay.



LONG POINT

Open	Sept. 21 1914	Closed	1931	Population	54
Bay	Port Au Port	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map	5 Y 4
Distributing Office			Port Au Port		

First Postmaster was Pierre Cretier. PM in 1931 was Frank Formonger. Became a MOO November 4 1914. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Stephenville Crossing station via Port Au Port. One split ring proof exists. PAP for Port Au Port.



LONG POND

Open	1923	Closed	1931	Population	615
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay South	Map	21 F 26 (Manuels)
Distributing Office			Manuels		

First Postmaster not listed. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Robert Jefford. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 at Manuels station. No proofs or strikes seen.

LOO COVE

Open	August 01 1910	Closed	1920	Population	137
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map	10 W 23 (Port Nelson)
Distributing Office			Greenspond		

Renamed Port Nelson in late 1920 and served under that name until September 03 1958. Postmaster was Miss Mary white who, was also listed as courier. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Greenspond. One split ring proof exists. BB for Bonavista Bay.

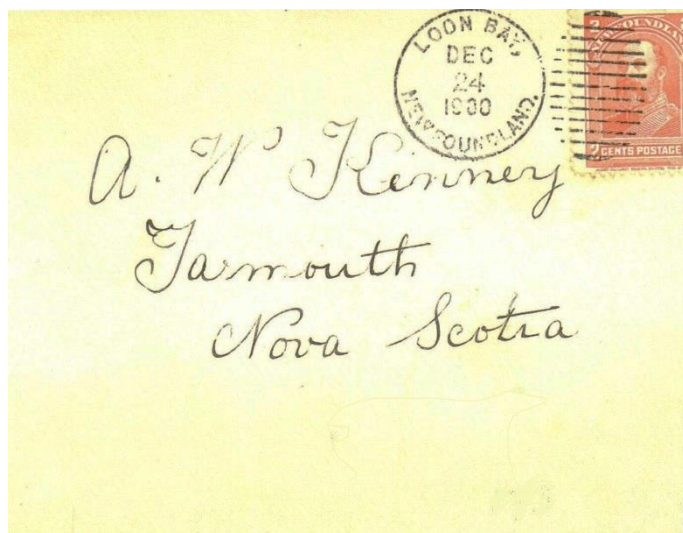


LOON BAY

Open	1898	Closed	Still Open	Population	129
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Near Lewisporte	Map 9	V/W 19
Distributing Office		Campbellton			

Previously called Loading Wharf Little Bay and served under that name from 1891. First Postmaster was Robert Roberts, followed by Miss Dulcie Manuel in 1910 and Miss Ethel Manuel in 1915. PM in 1931 was Minnie Travers. Became a MOO on September 12 1910. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Campbellton. One split ring has been seen from here. NDB for Notre Dame Bay.

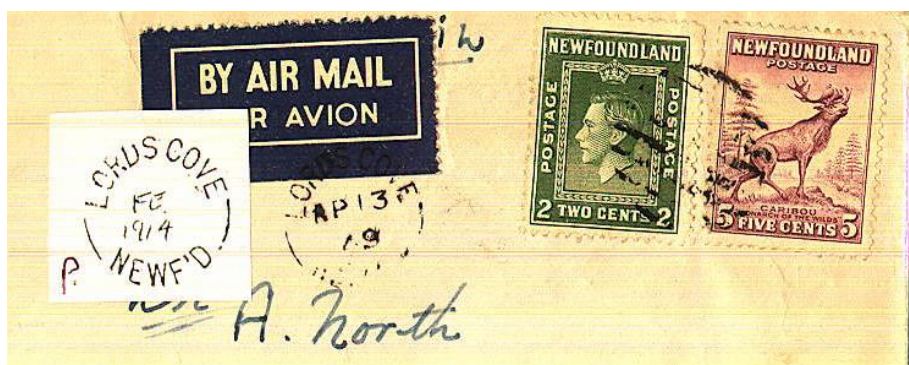
Also in use was the 1900 duplex.



LORD'S COVE

Open	1890	Closed	May 11 1970	Population	287
Bay	Ocean	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map 18	K 16
Distributing Office		Lamaline			

Open as a way office in 1890 with Thomas Isaacs as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Thomas as first Postmaster, followed by Mrs. Thomas Isaacs in 1897, Miss Elizabeth Harnett in 1903, James Walsh in 1904, Susannah Walsh in 1908, Catherine Walsh in 1910, Miss Sylvia Walsh in 1916 and Mrs. Mary Walsh in 1917. PM in 1931 was still Mary Walsh. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Lamaline. One split ring proofed in 1914 seen so, obviously there was an earlier one. The illustrated marking was in use until 1956.



split ring No. 2

LOREBURN

Open	August 08 1912	Closed	1931	Population	46
Bay	Trinity	Location	South West Arm Random	Map 16 C 23	(general area)
Distributing Office		Hillview			

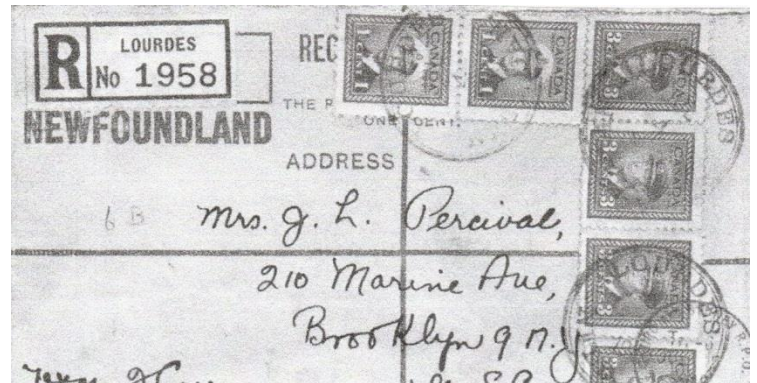
Previously called Long Cove South West Arm and was open under that name as a way office only from March 25 1911 until August 08 1912. Loreburn was located just to the East of St. Jones Within. First Postmaster was Miss Eliza Price, followed by Mrs. Simeon Price in 1913 who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via Hillview. No proofs or strikes seen.

LOURDES

Open	1940	Closed	Still Open	Population	222
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map 5 Z 3	
Distributing Office		Port Au Port			

Previously called CLAM BANK COVE and closed in 1937 under that name. No Postmasters are listed for this office. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Stephenville Crossing station via Port Au Port. One split ring proof exists. HOWEVER, the proof date reads 1931 ?? No Postmaster is listed for Lourdes in 1931.

P AU P for Port Au Port.



LOW POINT

Open	1898	Closed	1931	Population	68
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map 17 C 26	
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

First Postmaster was Martin Power, followed by Mrs. Peter Power in 1906, Mrs. Edward Power in 1910, Miss Mary Ann Power in 1911 and Miss Agnes Ahearn in 1912. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Patrick English. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. No proofs or strikes seen.

LOWER AMHERST COVE

Open	1919	Closed	1931	Population	59
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Near Bonavista	Map 17 Z 25	
Distributing Office		Catalina			

Postmaster in 1931 was Mrs. Herbert Cole. Mails were by Bonavista Railway via Catalina. No proofs or strikes seen.

LOWER BACON COVE

Open	May 25 1912	Closed	1937	Population	61
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of Conception Bay	Map 21 F 26	(Bacon Cove)
Distributing Office		Avondale			

First Postmaster was John Cole. PM in 1931 was James Burke. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Avondale station via Avondale. One split ring proof seen. As this marking was proofed in 1919, there had to be an earlier one.



split ring No. 2

LOWER COVE

Open	1917	Closed	1931	Population	36
Bay	St. George	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map 5 A 3	
Distributing Office		Port Au Port			

First Postmaster was William Henry Jesso. PM in 1931 was Mrs. D. Campbell. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Stephenville Crossing station Via Port Au Port. No proofs or strikes seen.

LOWER ENGLISH HARBOUR and LOWER ENGLISH HARBOUR EAST

I am going to have to change the format for the following enigma. Another in the very long list of Newfoundland mysteries!

Both locations were on Fortune Bay which explains the “Lower” as the original English Harbour was on Trinity Bay.

These are facts: There are on Fortune Bay (a) English Harbour East and (b) English Harbour West. There are no Lovers listed on maps or records other than these two obscure entries.

Lower English Harbour was supposedly open from 1898 to 1946.

Lower English Harbour East was supposedly open 1891 to 1897 only. It reopened from 1932 until the present day. Ergo... Lower English Harbour East is PROBABLY English Harbour East.

English Harbour West (also Fortune Bay) was open 1891 to the present day. The dates do NOT fit for Lower English Harbour.

I am throwing in the towel on this one. If you can sort it out let me know!

LOWER ISLAND COVE

Open	July 1886	Closed	Still Open	Population	811
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 C 26
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

Open as a way office in 1886 with George Cooper as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1889 with George as first Postmaster, followed by Mary J. Lewis in 1896, E. Garland in 1899 and George Cooper in 1900. PM in 1931 was Chas. W. Bursey who, was also telegraph operator.

Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



serrated



courtesy Murray Smith

LOWER LANCE COVE

Open	1891	Closed	Not known	Population	184
Bay	Trinity	Location	Random Island	Map	16 C 23
Distributing Office		Britannia			

Reopened after Confederation from September 29 1965 until April 15 1988. No Postmasters are listed. Mails would have been via Britannia. No proofs or strikes seen.

LOWER SMALL POINT

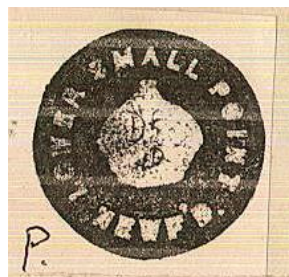
Open	July 04 1910	Closed	1931	Population	256
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map 17	D 26 (Small Point)
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

First Postmaster was Robert Peach. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Lizzie Thistle. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. Two split rings seen. BDV for Bay de Verde (District).
If office closed in 1931, why a proof for 1932 ? A reopening ?



split ring No. 1

split ring No. 2



LUMBERGRASS

Open	1897	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Not known	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Peter Trimlett, followed by Patrick Murphy in 1907 who, still held the position in 1931. Mails distribution not known. One split ring seen.



courtesy Murray Smith

LUMSDEN NORTH

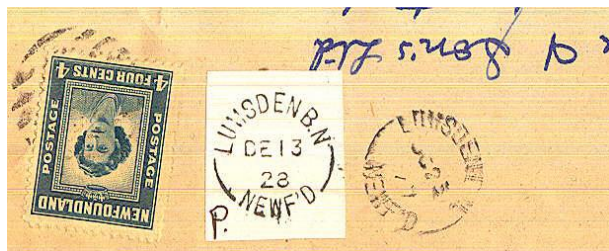
Open	1921	Closed	1923	Population	269
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley		
Distributing Office		Lumsden			

No Postmaster is listed. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home on way to Fogo via Lumsden. Previously called Cat Harbour North. No proofs or strikes seen.

LUMSDEN

Open	1920	Closed	Still Open	Population	429
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map	10 V 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Cat Harbour and served as an office under that name from 1900 until 1920, even though the name was changed officially in mid-1917. First Postmaster was Henry Robins. PM in 1931 was Hilda Goodyear who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home on way to Fogo. One split ring seen, proofed in 1928 so, there should be an earlier one. BN for Bonavista North.



split ring No. 2 ?



LUSHES BIGHT

Open	1900	Closed	December 17 1969	Population	223
Bay	Green	Location	Long Island		
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Samuel Parsons, followed by George Parsons in 1905 and Samuel Parsons once more in 1911. PM in 1931 was Ethel Ball. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. Two split rings seen. I have also seen copies of incomplete and weak strikes on two different covers, of a larger circle with Newfoundland spelled out in full. This appears to be a rubber device.



split ring No. 1 'S
courtesy Murray Smith



split ring No. 2



courtesy Doug Hannan



courtesy Doug Hannan

MACDALE

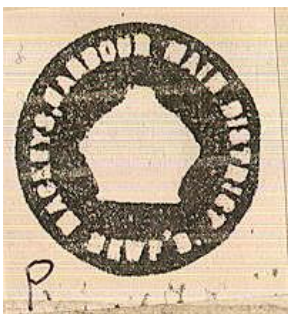
Open	June 24 1919	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster not listed. PM in 1931 was Allan McArthur. Mails distribution not known but probably from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. No proofs or strikes seen.

MACKEYS

Open	1928	Closed	1929	Population	116
Bay	Conception	Location	Not known (Harbour Main District)		
Distributing Office		Not known			

No Postmasters are listed. Mails distribution not known.



MADDOX COVE

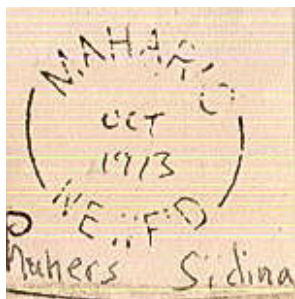
Open	April 29 1913	Closed	1931	Population	119
Bay	Ocean	Location	Near St. John's	Map 21 F 27	
Distributing Office		St. John's			

First Postmaster was Mrs. James Walsh, followed by Martin Madden in 1919 and still in 1931. Mails were by courier from St. John's. No proofs or strikes seen.

MAHER'S SIDING

Open	June 23 1913	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Conception	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Thomas Noseworthy. PM in 1931 was Michael Ryan. Mails distribution not known but obviously by rail. The split ring is spelled different and no mention of a siding.



Straight line
courtesy Murray Smith

MAIDSTONE VALLEY

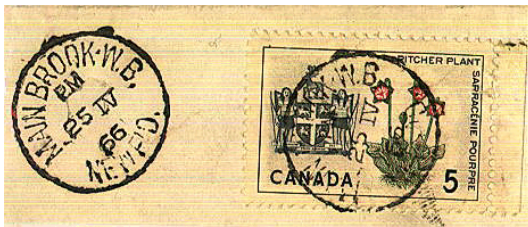
Open	March 06 1911	Closed	1931	Population	58
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	South West Coast	Map	11 B 4
Distributing Office		St. Fintans			

First Postmaster was Jerry M. Pike. PM in 1931 was Evelyn Pike. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via St. Fintans. No proofs or strikes seen.

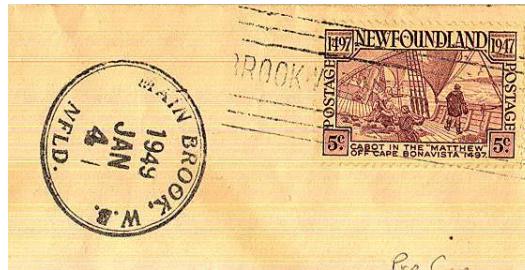
MAIN BROOK

Open	1948	Closed	Still Open	Population	60
Bay	White	Location	Northern Peninsula	Map	2 K 14
Distributing Office		Same			

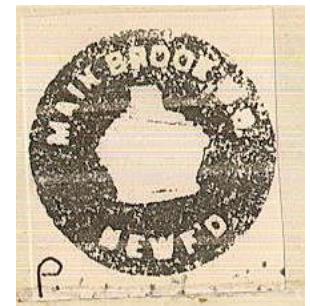
Main Brook was officially opened on February 14 1948. (In the dead of Winter on the Northern Peninsula ???) No Postmasters are listed. Mails were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. No split rings for this office. Used a NEWF'D CDS. WB for White Bay.



Pre-Confederation hammer
but Post-Confederation date



Pre-Confederation roller



MAIN DAM

Open	1926	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Inland	Location	Part of Deer Lake	Map	7 W 9/10 (Main Dam Road)
Distributing Office		Deer Lake			

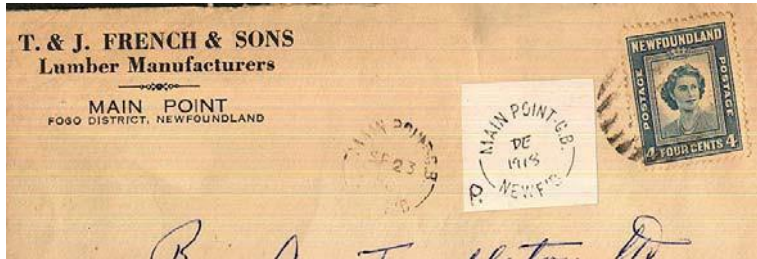
This was probably a construction site or company town for the canal as part of a Hydro project. First Postmaster not known. PM in 1931 was W. Gilley. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Deer Lake station. No proofs seen.



MAIN POINT

Open	1919	Closed	October 01 1988	Population	47
Bay	Gander	Location	Fogo District	Map	9 V 20
Distributing Office		Gander Bay			

Since this office closed, there has been a succession of two retail offices, both of which are now closed. First Postmaster is not known. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Fred Bowen. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home on way to Fogo via Gander Bay. One split ring seen. GB for Gander (not Green) Bay. This designation must have thrown a curve into the GPO sorters when it first arrived as GB in Newfoundland always meant GREEN Bay.



MAIN RIVER

Open	1899	Closed	1926	Population	21
Bay	St. George	Location	Stephenville Crossing	Map	6 A 5 (general area)
Distributing Office		Stephenville Crossing (after 1903)			

There is much confusion among this office, Nardinis (1904-1913); Stephenville Crossing (1903 opening). First Postmaster was Antonio Nardini. Was he the same as opened Nardinis in 1904 ? Was one of the offices on the other side of Main Gut of St. Georges River than was Stephenville Crossing (North Side)? Another of the more questions than answers. The choice is yours. If you know please , enlighten me! All I have seen were Mail Bag Crown Seals.



MAINLAND

Open	1916	Closed	August 17 1970	Population	140
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map	5 Z 2
Distributing Office		Port Au Port			

Since this office closed, it has had a succession of two retail offices, both of which have since closed. First Postmaster is not known. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Anatole Lainey. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Stephenville Crossing station via Port Au Port. No proofs or strikes seen.

MAKKOVIK

Open	1893	Closed	Still Open	Population	66
Bay	Labrador Sea	Location	Coastal Labrador	Map	Not on maps
Distributing Office		Same (Labrador TPO)			

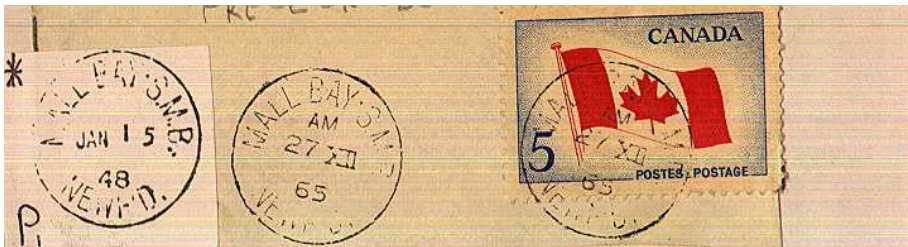
First Postmaster was William Dunn. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Kyle. In winter very sporadic by dog team from Quebec. One split ring seen.



MALL BAY

Open	1898	Closed	November 19 1969	Population	102
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Near St. Mary's	Map	20 J 24
Distributing Office		St. Mary's			

First Postmaster was Mary O'Rourke, followed by Mary Bonia who, still held the post in 1931. There was obviously a closed period here, again, the dreaded 1931. Mall Bay is officially listed as (re)opening on November 14 1947. Note that a NEWF'D CDS was used in lieu of split ring. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 at Whitbourne by courier via St. Mary's. No split rings seen, only a NEWF'D CDS. SMB for St. Mary's Bay.



MANFULS POINT

Open	1919	Closed	1931	Population	61
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

An alternate location of Green Bay is cited which, narrows it down a bit but exact location remains unknown. First Postmaster not listed. PM in 1931 was Joseph Studley. Mails distribution not known. One split ring proof exists. NDB for Notre Dame Bay.



MAN(N) POINT

Open	1907	Closed	1931	Population	122
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Not known	Fogo District	
Distributing Office	Not known				

First Postmaster not listed. PM in 1931 was Frank Sims. Mails distribution not known.
No proofs or strikes seen.

MANUEL'S BROOK

Open	February 07 1918	Closed	Not known	Population	Not known
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Open in February (NOT a good time to open for Notre Dame Bay.) First Postmaster was Horace White. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

MANUELS

Open	1886	Closed	1956	Population	194
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay South	Map 21 F 26	
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1886 with Sarah J. Kennedy as first waykeeper, followed by Mrs. Sarah Roach. Became a post office in 1891 with Mrs. Sarah as first Postmaster, followed by Patrick Roach in 1908, Frank Mays in 1912 and Miss Winnie Duff in 1915. PM in 1931 was Kittie McGrath who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Manuels station. Three split rings seen.

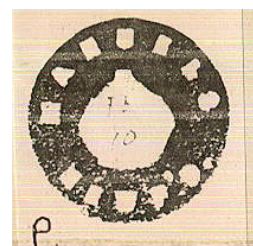


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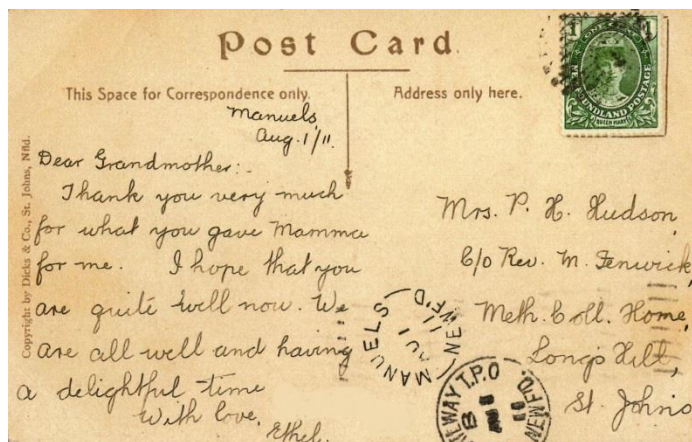
split ring No. 2



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split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

MARCH'S POINT

Open	April 10 1909	Closed	1931	Population	122
Bay	St. George	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map 5	A3
Distributing Office		Port Au Port			

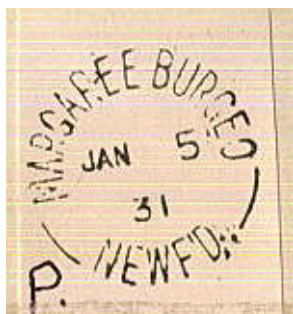
First Postmaster was James Carter, followed by Mrs. March in 1910 and Mrs. Cecilia Young in 1917. PM in 1931 was Thomas Young. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Stephenville Crossing station via Port Au Port. One split ring is shown.



MARGAREE

Open	1931	Closed	1931	Population	103
Bay	Ocean	Location	Near Port Aux Basques	Map 11	F 3
Distributing Office		Channel			

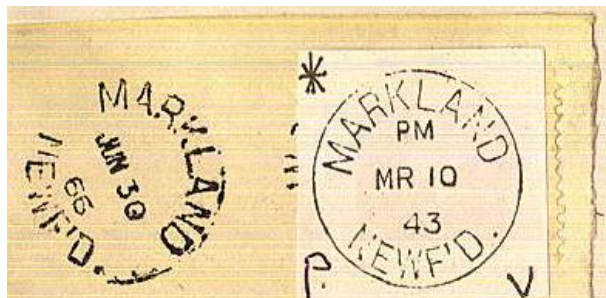
Strange that there was an office here as the one at Fox Roost was open. The two communities are more or less one and the same. First and probably only Postmaster was Mrs. Edgar Kendall. Mails from Channel by both steamer and railway. Burgeo was the District. Why two mail bag seals? The second could possibly be confused with Margaree Nova Scotia (Cape Breton) and is likely the origin of the name.



MARKLAND

Open	1943	Closed	December 01 1969	Population	635
Bay	Inland	Location	Near Whitbourne	Map 20	G 24
Distributing Office		Whitbourne			

Officially opened on January 18 1943 with William Antle as PM, followed by Miss Julie Antle on July 1 1943. PM on November 01 1946 was Miss Doris Antle. Mails were Trns 1 and 2 from Whitbourne by courier. It is possible that this office was not provided with a split ring although, the 66 strike could be mistaken for one.



MARQUISE SOUTH

Open	June 23 1913	Closed	1945	Population	67
Bay	Placentia	Location	Argentia	Map 20	G 22 (airport)
Distributing Office		Argentia			

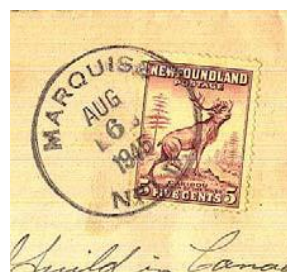
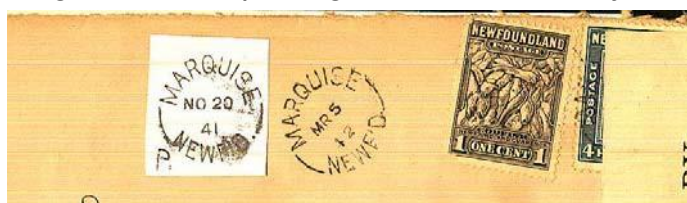
The location of this office was the same as Marquise but at the other end of the airfield. Opened as a way office in June and became a post office two months later in August. First Postmaster was Mr. Thomas Cooney. PM in 1931 was M.J. Maher. Mails were daily by Placentia Bay Railway via Argentia. One split ring seen. PB for Placentia Bay.



MARQUISE

Open	1901	Closed	1945	Population	283
Bay	Placentia	Location	Argentia	Map 20	G 22 (airport)
Distributing Office		Argentia			

The location of this office became the airfield for the American Argentia Naval Base. First Postmaster was James Davis, followed by Mrs. Maggie Davis in 1908 who, still held the position in 1931. A closed period is in evidence, probably 1931. Office is officially listed as (re)open on September 29 1941 (borne out by date of Split Ring No. 2 proof,) with Samuel Adams as PM. Mails were daily by Placentia Bay Railway via Argentia. One split ring seen but, obviously there was an earlier one.



MARYSTOWN SOUTH

Open	July 12 1913	Closed	December 18 1959	Population	365
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 H 18 (general area)
Distributing Office		Marystown			

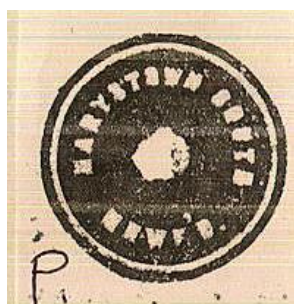
First Postmaster was Miss Josephine Flynn who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Marystown. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



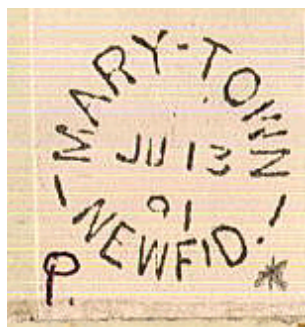
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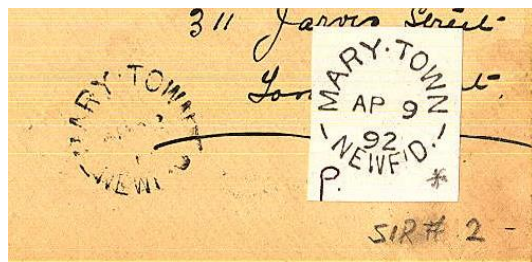
MARYSTOWN

Open	1890	Closed	Still Open	Population	910
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 H 18
Distributing Office		Same			

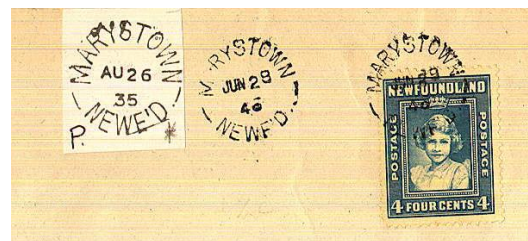
Open as a way office in 1890 with James Grover as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with William Burfitt as first Postmaster and Louisa Burfitt in 1900. PM in 1931 was Edmund P. Reddy who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. Three split rings seen.



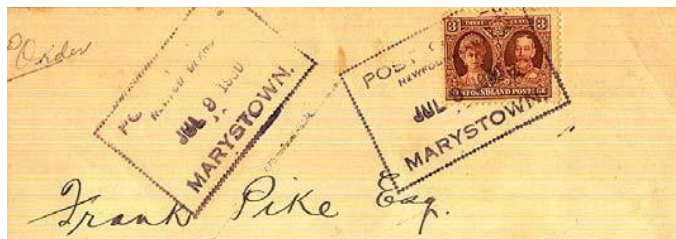
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MARYVALE

Open	1920	Closed	November 01 1964	Population	313
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of Conception Bay	Map	21 F 25
Distributing Office		Clarkes Beach			

Previously called Turks Gut and served under that name from 1905 until late 1919. However the Turks Gut marking has been seen as late as 1925, indicating perhaps that the two were used concurrently. Postmaster in 1919 was Dennis Shen. No PM listed for 1931. PM in 1942 was Mrs. Mary Fowler. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Clarkes Beach. One split ring seen, proofed in 1942 so, there was an earlier one.



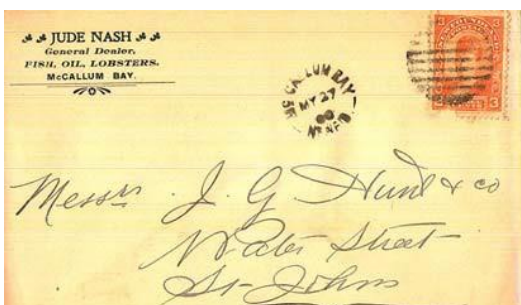
split ring No. 2



McCALLUM / McCALLUM BAY

Open	1899	Closed	1931	Population	63
Bay	Hermitage	Location	South Coast	Map	18 F 14
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Bonne Bay HB and served under that name from 1891 until 1899. The name was changed to McCallum in 1931 and the office is still open under that name. First Postmaster was Mrs. Emily Nash, followed by Miss Lucy Nash in 1909, Mrs. Lucy Simms (married ?) in 1910, Mrs. Morgan Nash in 1914 and Miss Bessie Lee in 1917. PM in 1931 was Lucy Simms once more. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. One split ring seen. Uncertain as to a McCallum (only) split ring or was the (Bay) device used up until 1949.



McCARTHY'S

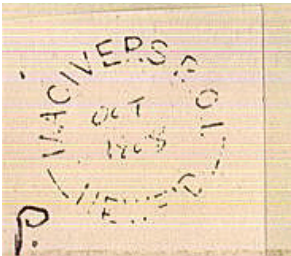
Open	1919	Closed	1929	Population	117
Bay	St. George	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Another of the “mysteries.” Office was in St. Georges District. No Postmasters listed. Mails distribution not known. No strikes or proofs seen.

McIVERS

Open	1908	Closed	January 17 1970	Population	182
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Humber Arm	Map 6	X 7
Distributing Office		Same			

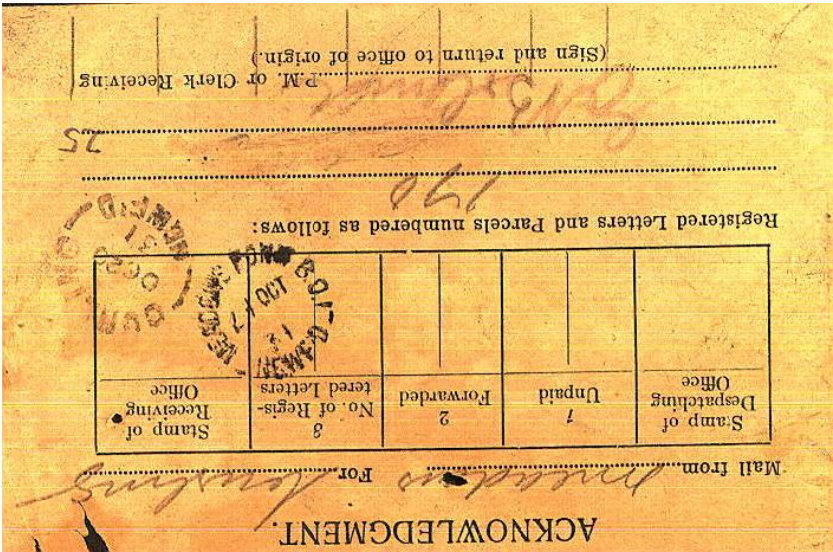
McIvers appears to have had a closed period as it is listed as opening with Mrs. William B. Lovell as Postmaster on March 01 in the 1938 postal guide. First Postmaster was George Park. PM in 1931 not listed. Mails were twice a week from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. One split ring seen. BOI for Bay of Islands.



MEADOWS POINT

Open	1904	Closed	January 17 1970	Population	199
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Humber Arm	Map 6	X 7
Distributing Office		Curling			

Open as Meadows, this office was renamed Meadows Point in 1912. First Postmaster was Albert Brake. PM in 1931 was Albert E. Brake (same ?) Mails were from Curling by courier. One split ring seen.



MELROSE

Open	1906	Closed	Still Open	Population	225
Bay	Trinity	Location	Near Bonavista	Map	17 A 26
Distributing Office		Catalina			

Previously called Ragged Harbour and served under that name from 1901 until 1906. First Postmaster not known. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Patrick Doody. Mails were by Bonavista Railway via Catalina. One split ring seen.



courtesy Doug Hannan

MERASHEEN

Open	1885	Closed	August 28 1968	Population	318
Bay	Placentia	Location	Merasheen Island	Map	20 G 21
Distributing Office		Same			

This location was abandoned under the Resettlement Programme. Open as a way office in 1885 with Mary Hennessy as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Mary as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Laura Ennis. Mails were weekly from Arnold's Cove by motorboat. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



MERCER'S COVE

Open	1907	Closed	1931	Population	171
Bay	Conception	Location	Near Bay Roberts	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Bay Roberts			

First Postmaster was D.J. Fraser, followed by John Mercer in 1909, Miss Bessie Mercer plus courier to Bay Roberts in 1912 and Moses Mercer in 1914. PM in 1931 was Flora P. Bradbury. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Bay Roberts. One split ring seen.



MICHAEL'S HARBOUR

Open	Sept 02 1904	Closed	1931	Population	35
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Indian Arm	Map	9 V 18
Distributing Office		Campbellton			

Open as away office but changed to a post office. First Postmaster was Ezekial Budden who, still held the position in 1931. Mails weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Campbellton. No proofs or strikes seen.

MIDDLE AMHERST COVE

Open	1929	Closed	1933	Population	50
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bona vista Peninsula	Map	17 Z 25
Distributing Office		Bonavista			

Postmasters not listed. Mails by Bonavista Railway via Bonavista. No proofs or strikes seen.

MIDDLE ARM BOI

Open	June 1908	Closed	1923	Population	100
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Near Corner Brook	Map	6 W 7 (general area)
Distribution Office		Humbermouth			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Benjamin Brake, followed by Joseph Park in 1911. Mails were twice weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. One split ring proof exists.



MIDDLE ARM GB

Open	August 26 1916	Closed	Not known	Population	146
Bay	Green	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	8 T 14
Distributing Office		Burlington			

I have three different closing dates for this office: 1922, 1933 or October 31 1989. Regardless, this office was open Post-Confederation to the 1989 date. First Postmaster was Mrs. Rideout "husband to be Summer courier to Burlington \$1 weekly per trip". PM in 1931 was Mrs. Frances Rideout (same?). Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by. S.S. Clyde. In Winter by courier via Springdale. No proofs or strikes seen.

MIDDLE ARM WB

Open	1909	Closed	1917	Population	34
Bay	White	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	4 S 13 (general area)
Distributing Office		Western Arm			

First Postmaster was Frank Pelley. Mails were by courier from Western Arm. No proofs or strikes seen.

MIDDLE BARACHOIX

Open	1915	Closed	1931	Population	116
Bay	St. George	Location	Near St. Georges	Map	6 A 5 (general area)
Distributing Office		St. Georges			

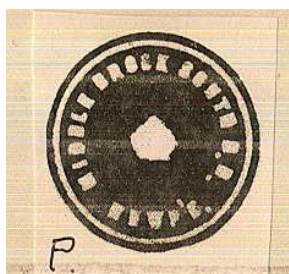
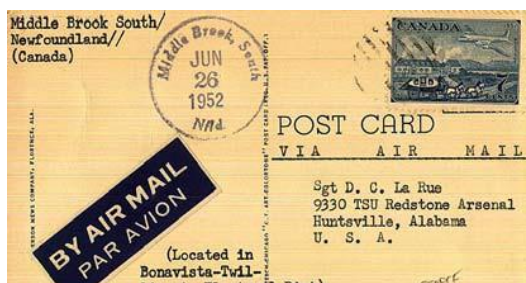
Postmaster in 1931 was Robert Shears. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from St. Georges station. One split ring proof exists.



MIDDLE BROOK SOUTH

Open	1943	Closed	March 20 1962	Population	Not known
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

This was obviously an attempt to reopen the Middle Brook office. No Postmasters are known. Mails distribution also not known. A split ring should exist but, has not been seen.



MIDDLE BROOK

Open	1899	Closed	1939	Population	358
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Not known (Gambo District)		
Distributing Office		Likely Gambo			

First Postmaster was George Pritchett, followed by Mrs. Collins who, still held office in 1931. Mails distribution not known. One split ring seen but, there must have been an earlier one. BB for Bonavista Bay.



MIDDLE GUT

Open	April 01 1913	Closed	1931	Population	73
Bay	Placentia	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Mrs. William St. Croix. PM in 1931 was William St. Croix. Mails distribution not known. One split ring proof exists. PB for Placentia Bay.



MILES COVE

Open	1947	Closed	Still Open	Population	54
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Sunday Cove Island	Map 8 U 15	
Distribution Office		Roberts Arm			

This office was officially opened on December 2 1947. No Postmasters are listed. Mails distribution was likely from Roberts Arm by courier. It is unclear whether this office used a split ring or a NEWF'D CDS.



MILLER'S PASSAGE

Open	May 26 1906	Closed	August 23 1968	Population	142
Bay	Fortune	Location	Connaigre Peninsula	Map	18 F 16
Distributing Office		Harbour Breton			

Another victim of the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was J.B. Gorman, followed by Mrs. Jennie Sheppard in 1908 and Mrs. Richard Sheppard who, still held the office in 1931. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Harbour Breton. One split ring proof exists for 1931. There had to be an earlier one. FB for Fortune Bay.



split ring No. 2



courtesy John Oldford



MILLERTOWN JUNCTION

Open	August 11 1900	Closed	June 09 1970	Population	101
Bay	Inland	Location	On rail line Grand Falls District	Map	8 X 13
Distributing Office		Same			

This location was originally called Joe Glodes Pond but there was never a post office by that name. First Postmaster was A.A. Arnold. PM in 1931 was A.J. Kirby who, was also telegraph operator. On October 28 1938, the office was removed from the railway agent and Mrs. A.J. Kirby was appointed PM. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. One split ring proof has been seen for 1910 so, there must have been an earlier one.



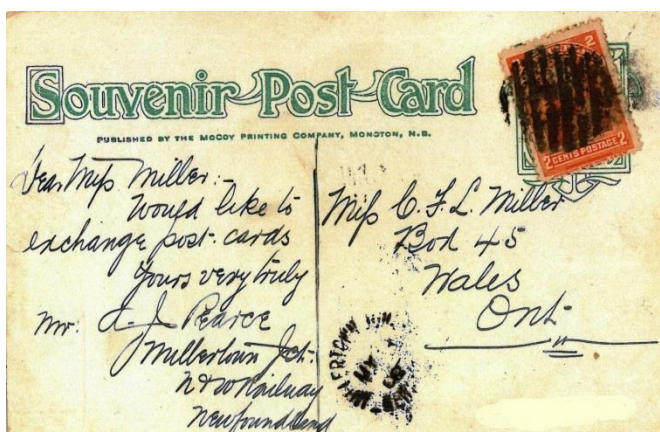
split ring No. 2 ?



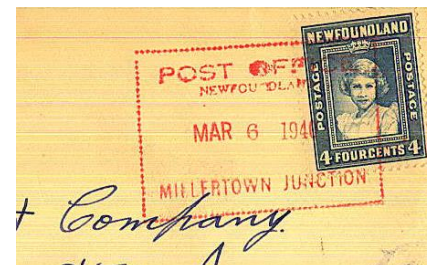
Wavy line



railway ticket device
courtesy John Oldford



split ring No. 1



Dotted line

MILLERTOWN

Open	November 12 1900	Closed	Still Open	Population	380
Bay	Inland	Location	Red Indian Lake	Map	7 Y 12
Distributing Office		Millertown Junction			

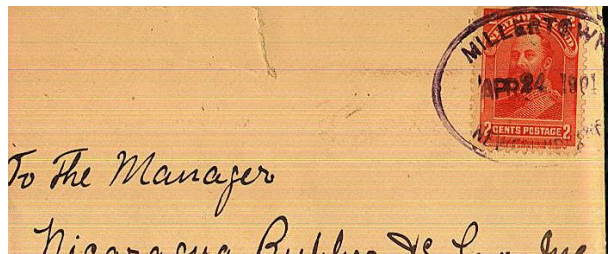
First Postmaster was Alex Wood, followed by E.B. Colbourne in 1902, G. Skeffington in 1908, Miss Rowsell in 1912 as well as telegraph operator, Miss Gertrude Duff in 1913 as well as TO and Margaret Duff also TO in 1931. PM and TO in 1936 was B.C. Keats. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Millertown Junction. Two split rings seen and a NEWF'D CDS as well as a host of other cancels. This office also used both a dotted line and a wavy lined Box Cancel circa 1928 until 1932. GF for Grand Falls (District).



split ring No. 1



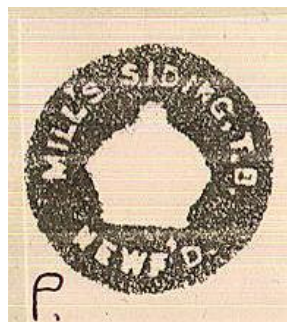
split ring No. 2



MILL'S SIDING

Open	1926	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Trinity	Location	Northwest Arm Random	Map 16 B 22	
				(Shoal Harbour)	
Distributing Office	Clareville				

Postmaster was Elsie Maidment. Mails distribution not known but obviously by rail.
One split ring proof exists. TB for Trinity Bay.



MILLTOWN

Open	April 26 1904	Closed	Still Open	Population	178
Bay	D'Espoir	Location	Head of Bay d'Espoir	Map 14 D 15	
Distributing Office	Same				

First Postmaster was Francis Edouare, followed by Miss Hele Kendall in 1909. PM in 1931 was Maria Strickland. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. One split ring proof seen. BDES means Bay D'Espoir. the NP ??



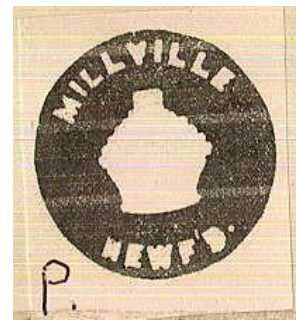
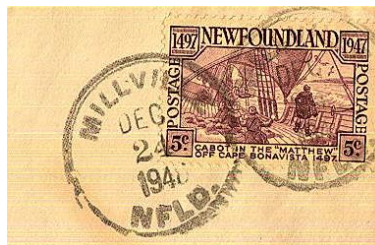
MILLVILLE

Open	1898	Closed	August 12 1970	Population	77
Bay	Cabot Strait	Location	South West Coast	Map	11 D 2
Distributing Office		Doyles Station			

First Postmaster was Alexander Gale, followed by James Murphy in 1900 and Alexander Gale once more in 1909, still in office in 1931. Officially (re)open on July 1943 with A.G. Gale as PM. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Doyles Station. This office used a duplex around 1900 and until now, this hamper has been unrecorded. No split rings seen, only a NEWF'D CDS.



3 line dater,
comma after name,
NEWFOUNDLAND
in full = 1900 duplex
courtesy John Oldford



MILTON

Open	1910	Closed	July 07 1970	Population	87
Bay	Trinity	Location	Northwest Arm Random	Map	16 B 22 (Hefferton Causeway)
Distributing Office		Clareville			

Previously called King's Cove TB and served under that name from 1909 until 1910. First Postmaster not listed. PM in 1931 was George Adams. Mails distribution not known. One split ring seen.



MING'S BIGHT

Open	1928	Closed	July 31 1990	Population	117
Bay	White	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map 4 S 14	
Distributing Office		Same			

This office closed in 1990 and was followed by a succession of three retail offices, the latter of which is still open. First Postmaster was Ephriam Whalen. Mails were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. One split ring proof is seen. Obviously there was an earlier one.



split ring No. 2 ?



MOBILE

Open	1886	Closed	July 31 1991	Population	150
Bay	Ocean	Location	"Irish Loop" Southern Shore	Map 21	G 27
Distributing Office		Same			

Since closing, this location has had two retail offices, the latter of which is still open. Open as a way office in 1886 with Daniel Fitzgerald as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Daniel as first Postmaster, followed by John Fitzgerald in 1905 who, still held office in 1931. Mails were from St. John's by rail and/or courier. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

MONKSTOWN

Open	December 13 1897	Closed	2006	Population	85
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	20 F 21
Distributing Office		Swift Current			

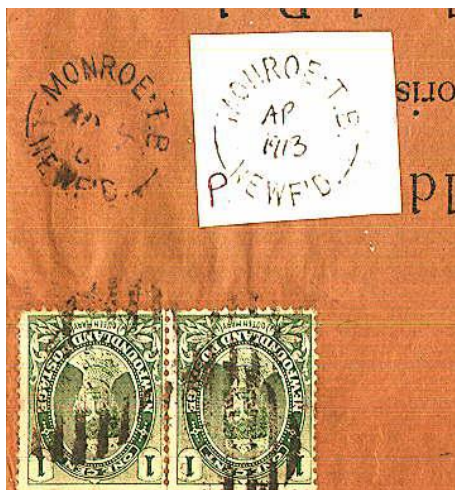
First Postmaster was Miss Spry, followed by James Monk in 1904, J. William Ford in 1906 and Mrs. James Monk in 1913. PM in 1931 was Mrs. William Monk. Mails were weekly from Arnold's Cove by motorboat via Swift Current. No split ring proofs or strikes seen. This office also used an Oval name only in 1901.



MONROE

Open	1912	Closed	February 19 1971	Population	90
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound Random	Map	16 B 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Upper and Middle Rocky Brook and served under that name from 1909 until 1912. First Postmaster was Mrs. Manuel Stone. PM in 1931 was Maggie Stone (same?) who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on July 1 1948 was Miss Belle Stone. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu. One split ring seen. Proofed in 1913 and still in use in 1950.



MOORING COVE

Open	December 15 1913	Closed	1931	Population	107
Bay	Not known	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Frank Power. PM in 1931 was Adela Power. Nothing else is known of this office. No proofs or strikes seen.

MORETON'S HARBOUR

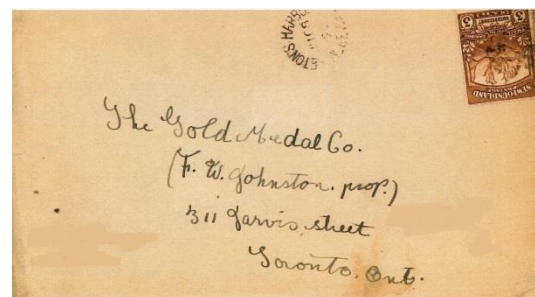
Open	1882	Closed	Still Open	Population	325
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	New World Island	Map	9 U 19
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1882 with Mark Osmond as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Mark as first Postmaster, followed by Miss Hannah Knight in 1905, Miss Chaulk in 1910 and Miss Maisie Bailey in 1913. PM in 1931 was Ella Butt who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. Two split rings seen. The first has no "E" in Moretons.

The second with HBR and NDB for Notre Dame Bay.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2 "E"



MORRISVILLE

Open	1920	Closed	July 31 1969	Population	77
Bay	d'Espoir	Location	Head of Bay d'Espoir	Map	14 D 15
Distributing Office		Milltown			

First Postmaster not listed. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Norman Rose. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. One split ring seen. HB for Hermitage Bay.



MORTIER

Open	November 29 1912	Closed	1937	Population	141
Bay	Placentia	Location	Near Burin	Map	19 J 18
Distributing Office		Burin			

First Postmaster was Mrs. George Power who, also held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Burin. One split ring seen.



One Hundred Outports Ben Hansen

courtesy Doug Hannan

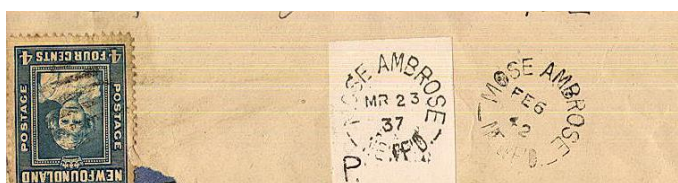
MOSE AMBROSE

Open	1886	Closed	June 10 1970	Population	96
Bay	Fortune	Location	Connaigre Peninsula	Map	18 G 16
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1886 with Bessie Yarn as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Bessie as first Postmaster, followed by Bessie Petite (married ?) in 1892 and Mrs. James Yarn in 1912 who, still held the position in 1931. PM in 1942 was Miss Bessie Yarn. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. A split ring proof exists for 1937 so, an earlier device is to be expected.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

MOSQUITO (COVE)

Open	1890	Closed	1911	Population	253
Bay	Conception	Location	Near Carbonear	Map 17E 25	(Bristols Hope)
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

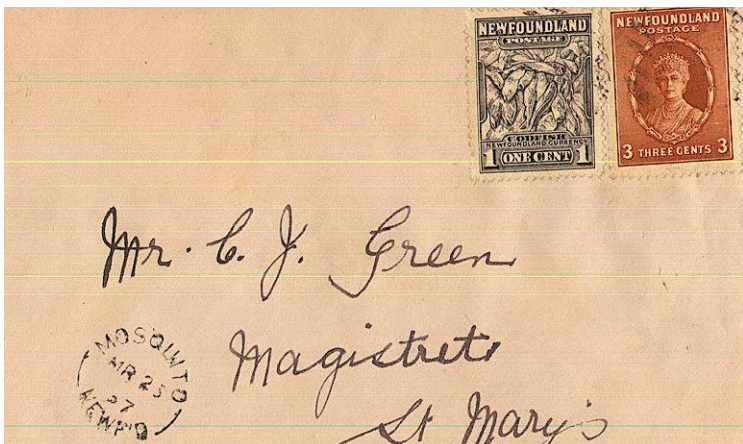
Renamed Bristol's Hope in 1911 and continued to serve under that name until 1934. Open as a way office in 1890 with Mrs. Ann Wells as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Mrs. Ann Wells as first Postmaster, followed by Simon Wells in 1909, Mrs Ann Wells once more in 1909 and John Peddle from 1909 up until name change. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. One split ring proof exists for 1894. It is possible that there may have been an earlier one.



MOSQUITO

Open	April 1897	Closed	December 08 1961	Population	62
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Great Colinet Island	Map 20 J 24	
Distributing Office		St. Joseph's			

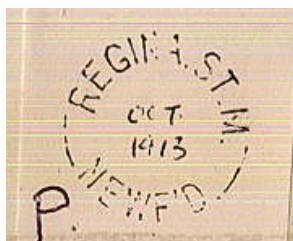
Being on an island, this location was also included in the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Mrs. Bernard Doody. April 22 1897 "Mosquito mails to be dispatched from St. Joseph's instead of Riverhead St. Mary's. Mr. James Butland to be courier at \$50 per annum for weekly mails from Mosquito to St. Joseph's and Mall Bay". PM in 1931 was Mrs. S. Doody. Mails weekly from St. Joseph's by courier. One split ring seen. Not sure if this was the only one.



MOTHERHICKS

Open	1914	Closed	1916	Population	62
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Great Colinet Island	Map 20 J 24	(general are)
Distributing Office		Mosquito			

The origin of the name ? There was a Mother Rex. How does one say EX in Newfspeak ? HICKS ! This office was renamed Regina in 1913 and served under that name until 1945. It reopened after Confederation, changing the name again to Reginaville and eventually closed due to the Resettlement Programme on October 31 1961. Postmaster was Mrs. Maria Power who, was also courier to Mosquito. Because of the following proof for Regina dated October 1913, it is highly unlikely that an instrument reading Motherhicks ever existed. STM for St. Mary's (Bay).



MOUNT CARMEL

Open	1932	Closed	Still Open	Population	325
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Mouth of Salmonier River	Map 20 H 24	
Distributing Office		Whitbourne			

No Postmasters listed. Mails Trs. 1 and 2 at Whitbourne station via courier. Although the first proof reads a date of 1930, no information is listed in the 1931 postal guide. STM for St. Mary's (Bay).



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



MUDDY HOLE

Open	1921	Closed	1931	Population	91
Bay	Hermitage	Location	South Coast	Map 18 F 13	
Distributing Office		McCallum			

Although closed in the 1930's, this location eventually, became a victim of the Resettlement Programme. Postmaster in 1931 was Benjamin W. Morris. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. No proofs or strikes seen.

MUSGRAVE HARBOUR

Open	1876	Closed	Still Open	Population	387
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Near Fogo Island	Map	10 U 22
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1876 with John B. Wheeler as way keeper. Became a post office in 1891 with John B. as first Postmaster. 1910 "Mr. J.B. Wheeler to retire on pension of \$180 from July 01". PM in 1910 was Miss Wellon and also TO, 1911 Miss Annie Abbott and also TO, 1913 Miss F.M. Penney and 1915 Oliphant Greene. PM in 1931 was Maxwell Hayward who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on November 26 1948 was George F. Taylor. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home on way to Fogo. Two split rings seen.



Split ring No. 1



Split ring No. 2



MUSGRAVE TOWN

Open	1882	Closed	Still Open	Population	442
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Clode Sound	Map	16 A 22/23
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1882 with Gideon Way as first Waykeeper (literally !) followed by Mary Ann Sinyard in 1885, L&A Brown (company ?) in 1885 and Amy Brown in 1886. Became a post office in 1891 with Amy as first Postmaster and Robert S. Oldford in 1896. PM in 1931 was Doris Saint who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1938 was R. Noble. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. One split ring was in use. Incredible is a strike of the same instrument, battered and worn, 66 years later!



MUSSEL HARBOUR ARM

Open	March 04 1908	Closed	1920	Population	220
Bay	Placentia	Location	Long Island	Map 20 F 22	(Kingwell)
Distributing Office		Harbour Buffet			

Renamed Kingwell in mid-1920 and served as an office under that name until July 31 1967 when it also went with the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Josiah Slade who, was also courier to Harbour Buffet. PM in 1916 was Mrs. Emma Slade. Mails were weekly from Arnold's Cove by motor boat via Harbour Buffet. One split ring proof exists. PB for Placentia Bay.



MUSSEL POND

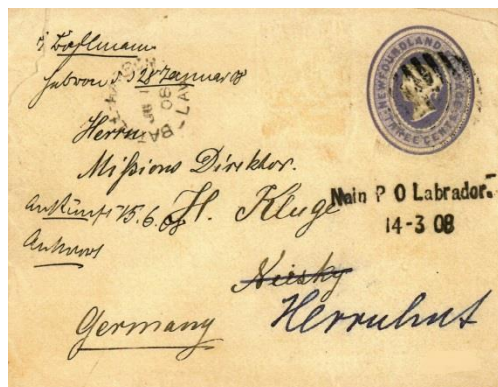
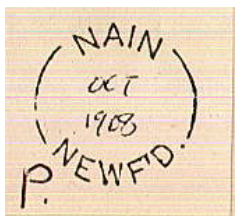
Open	May 16 1906	Closed	1931	Population	170
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was James Butland, followed by John T. Power who, still held the office in 1931. No proofs or strikes seen.

NAIN

Open	1901	Closed	Still Open	Population	287
Bay	Labrador Sea	Location	Northern Labrador	Map Not shown	
Distributing Office		Same			

This is the farthest North post office in Newfoundland & Labrador today. First Postmaster was E.A. Payne. No PM listed for 1931. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Kyle. In Winter by dog team from Quebec via Forteau and Hopedale. One split ring proof exists. There was a second split ring reading NEWF'D LABRADOR. The majority of mail from here would also have Labrador North TPO.



straight line

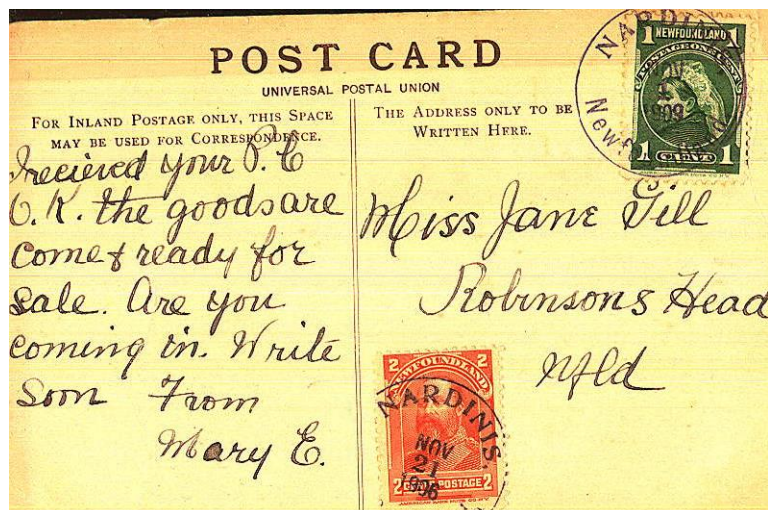


courtesy Kevin O'Reilly

NARDINI'S

Open	1904	Closed	1913	Population	14
Bay	St. George	Location	Stephenville Crossing	Map	6 A 5 (general area)
Distributing Office			Stephenville Crossing		

Very little is known about this office other than it had a special postmarking device which was probably a privately made one, albeit very much resembling the 1900 Duplex without the obliterator bars! The Postmaster is not known but could have been Antonio Nardini or a relative. There is also confusion between this office and Main River, which also refused to use a "normal" split ring. More information is include in the entry for Main River. No split ring markings have been seen from this office.



NEW BONAVENTURE

Open	1911	Closed	August 11 1970	Population	73
Bay	Trinity	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map	16 B 24
Distributing Office			Same		

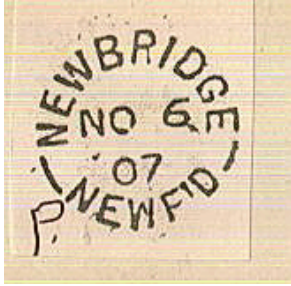
First Postmaster was George Field, followed by Miss Cathie Bailey in 1912. PM for 1931 not listed. Became a MOO December 02 1911. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. No split ring proofs or strikes have been seen.



NEW BRIDGE

Open	July 1904	Closed	1931	Population	91
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Salmonier Arm	Map 20	H 24
Distributing Office		Whitbourne			

This office closed Dec. 28 1905 because three post offices already in area. First Postmaster was Mrs. Roger Barret. April 15 1907 "Post office having been closed for some time because liquor was sold in the house, now discontinued. PO to be reopened". First Postmaster second time was Mrs. Sarah Barret, followed by John MacDonald in 1904 and James Moriarity. PM in 1931 was Mrs. James Moriarity. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Whitbourne station via courier. Only the proof for the second opening seen.



split ring No. 2



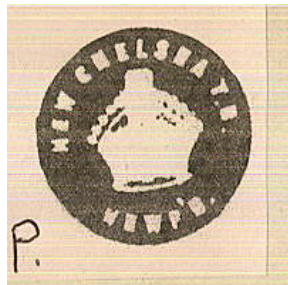
NEW CHELSEA

Open	1911	Closed	July 11 1988	Population	326
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map 17	C 25
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Seal Cove and served under that name from 1891 until 1911. First Postmaster was Mrs. Jessie Buckler, followed by Hubert J. Single in 1912, Mrs. Willis March in 1913 and Mrs. Arthur Trim in 1914. PM in 1931 was Millie Belbin. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu. One split ring proof for 1944 seen. Obviously there was an earlier one. TB for Trinity Bay.



split ring No. 2



NEW FERROLE

There is a split ring proof for New Ferrole dated September 1908. There is absolutely nothing on this location in any of my research materials. New Ferrole is on the Great Northern Peninsula. Map 1 L 11. The 1931 postal guide states that the S.S. Sagona from Humbermouth calls at New Ferrole on way to the Labrador Straits.



NEW HARBOUR BB

Open	January 01 1911	Closed	October 17 1911	Population	122
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map	10 X 23
Distributing Office		Greenspond			

Renamed Newport on October 17 1911 and served under that name until August 01 1952 when, it joined the long list of the Resettlement Programme. Postmaster was Mrs. Henry T. Collins who, was also courier to Shambler's Cove. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Greenspond and Shambler's Cove. One split ring proof exists.



NEW HARBOUR HB

Open	1913	Closed	1937	Population	113
Bay	Hermitage	Location	South Coast	Map	13 F 12
Distributing Office		Rencontre West			

An alternate name for this location was Parson's Harbour but, that name was never used for postal purposes until after Confederation. Eventually, this settlement also succumbed to the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was John H. Peters. PM in 1931 was Lucy Peters. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Rencontre West. One split ring proof seen. HB for Hermitage Bay.



Parson's Harbour aka
New Harbour Hermitage Bay



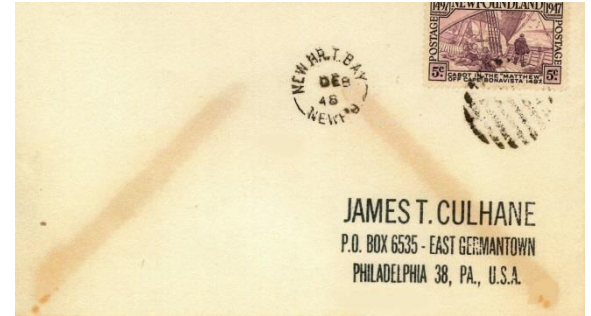
Open 1869
Bay Trinity
Distributing Office

Open 1869
Bay Trinity
Distributing Office

Closed Still Open
Location Head of Trinity Bay
Whitbourne

Population 685
Map 20 F 24

Open as a way office in 1869 with Charles Newhook as first waykeeper, followed by James Newhook in 1882 and Thomas Newhook in 1887. Became a post office in 1889 with Thomas as first Postmaster and Henry T. Collins in 1911. PM in 1931 was John Newhook. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Whitbourne station. TB for Trinity Bay.



courtesy John Oldford

split ring No. 2

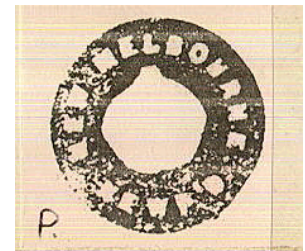
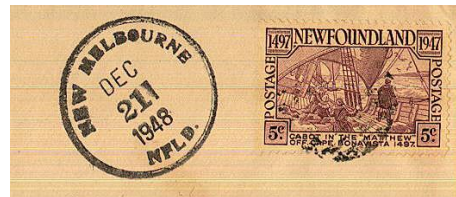
NEW MELBOURNE

Open May 13 1904
Bay Trinity
Distributing Office

Closed	Still Open
Location	Conception Bay North
Same	

Population 263
Map 17 C 25

Previously called Russell's Cove and served under that name from 1891 until 1904. First Postmaster was Amelia Button, followed by Mrs. Lucy Button in 1910. PM in 1931 was Flossie Goodwin who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu. One split ring seen.

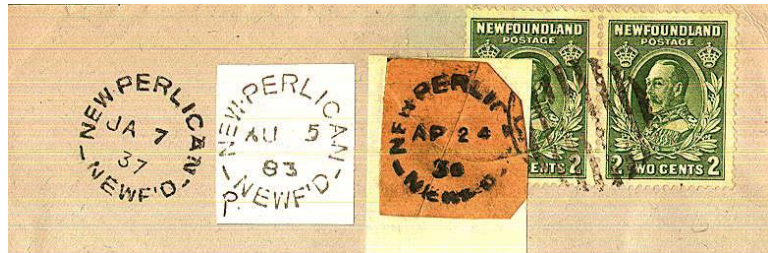
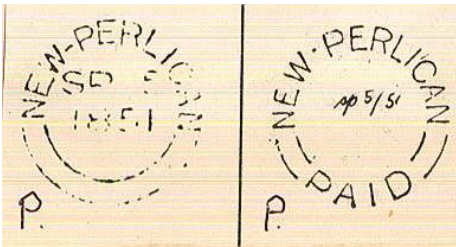


courtesy John Oldford

NEW PERLICAN

Open	1854	Closed	Still Open	Population	667
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 D 25
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1854 with Francis Howell as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1865 with Peter Matthews as first Postmaster, followed by Miss Bannister in 1906 who, was also telegraph operator. PM and telegraph operator in 1931 was Francis Bannister. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. Formerly, the GPO double split rings were thought not to have been used, but recently a cover has come to light with that marking on it. It appears that only one split ring was in use and that from 1883 until 1950 for a total of 67 years!



NEW BAY No. 1

Open	1882	Closed	1911	Population	280
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	New Bay	Map	9 U 17 (general area)
Distributing Office		Fortune Harbour			

The original location for this office was Moores Cove. It moved to Cottrells Cove in 1909. This office became Cottrells Cove post office in 1911. July 27 1909 "PO to be moved from Moores Cove New Bay to Cottrells Cove, near the public wharf, for the greater convenience of the public. Mr. Albert Yates to be PM". Open as a way office in 1882 with Edwin Moore as first waykeeper, followed by Peter Moore in 1884. Became a post office in 1891 with Peter as first Postmaster and Elizabeth Moore in 1900. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Fortune Harbour.



NEW BAY NO. 2

Open 1929 Closed 1934

A proof exists for New Bay L. dated 1929. Palmer Moffat's list shows recorded strikes for 1929 and 1934. This was NOT New Bay No. 1, which became Cottrells Cove. Nothing else is known. L for Lewisporte (the distribution point). A new location or the reopening of Moores Cove ??



NEW BURN(T) COVE

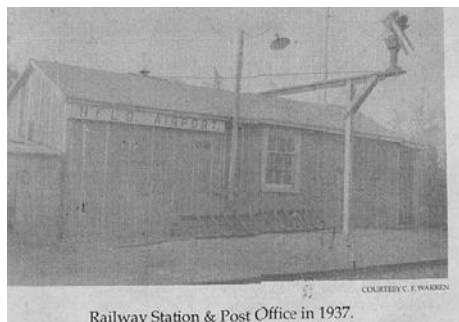
Open	October 26 1910	Closed	1933	Population	70
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound	Map	16 B 23
Distributing Office		Burgoynes Cove			

First Postmaster was William Duffet who, still held office in 1931. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu via Burgoynes Cove. No proofs or strikes seen. According to Moffat list, the mark should read NEWBURN (no T).

NEWFOUNDLAND AIRPORT

Open	1937	Closed	1940	Population	150
Bay	Inland	Location	Gander	Map	9 X 20
Distributing Office		Same			

On July 01 1938, the office facilities were removed from the railway station and set up on location at the airfield. This office was renamed Gander in 1940. First Postmaster was the Railway agent A.L.(Bert) Stone followed by Everett Milley after the move to the airfield. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. One split ring seen.



Railway Station & Post Office in 1937.

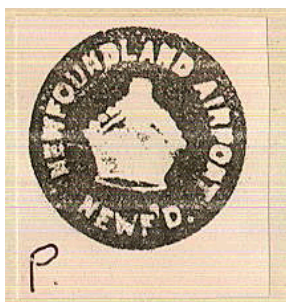


mailed from airfield location



mailed from RWY station location

Post Office information from ref:
 "Life At The Crossroads Of The World"
 History of Gander Newfoundland.
 Gander Seniors Club.
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NEWMAN'S COVE

Open	1887	Closed	Still Open	Population	382
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Near Bonavista	Map	17 Z 25
Distributing Office		Same			

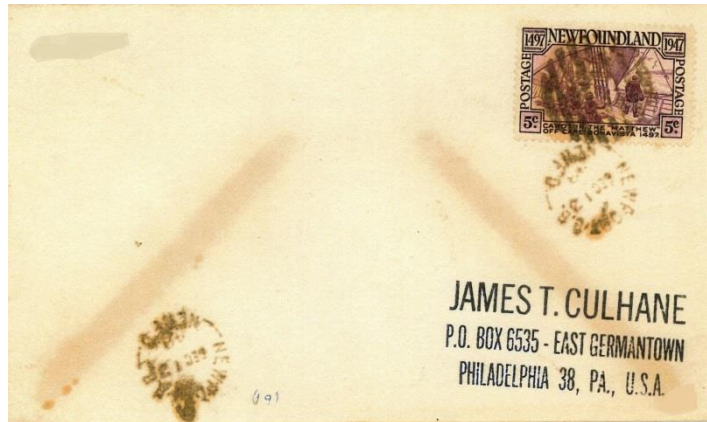
Open as a way office in 1887 with Joseph Tilley as first waykeeper, followed by Gilbert Tilley. Became a post office in 1891 with Gilbert as first Postmaster, followed by Mrs. M. Tilley in 1900, Annie Skeffington in 1902, Herbert Tilley in 1902, Frederick Tilley in 1905, Miss May Skeffington in 1910 and Frederick Tilley once more in 1910 who, also held office in 1931. Miss Bessie Tilley PM 1942. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. It appears that only one split ring was in use at this office.



NEWPORT

Open	October 17 1911	Closed	August 01 1952	Population	122
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map	10 X 23
Distributing Office		Greenspond			

Previously called New Harbour (BB) and served under that name from January 1 1911 until October 17 1911 (See previous entry on NEW HARBOUR BB). This location was yet another victim of the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Mrs. Henry T. Collins who, was also courier to Shambler's Cove. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Jacob Collins. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Greenspond and Shambler's Cove. One split ring proof exists.



NEWSTEAD

Open	1925	Closed	1974	Population	150
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Bay of Exploits	Map	9 V 19
Distributing Office		Same			

This location was called New Harbour until 1914. FORTUNATELY for us, it did not have a post office under that name (it would have made 4 of them, not quite a Newfoundland record but approaching one!). This office and that of Comfort Cove have always been intertwined as the locations are one and the same. A later attempt at mail service was an opening of a retail office which, is still open, called Comfort Cove-Newstead. Postmaster in 1931 was Malvina Eveleigh. PM on February 21 was Georgina Harnett. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Campbellton. Two split rings are seen from this office. Of interest is the strike of the first split ring on cover after the second one was proofed. Were they used concurrently?

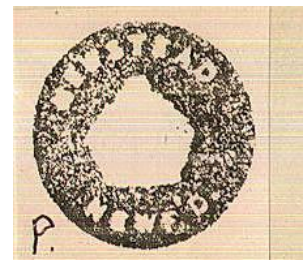
Strikes from 1946 and 1948 show split ring No. 1 still in use. Was split ring no.2 not used ?



split ring No. 1



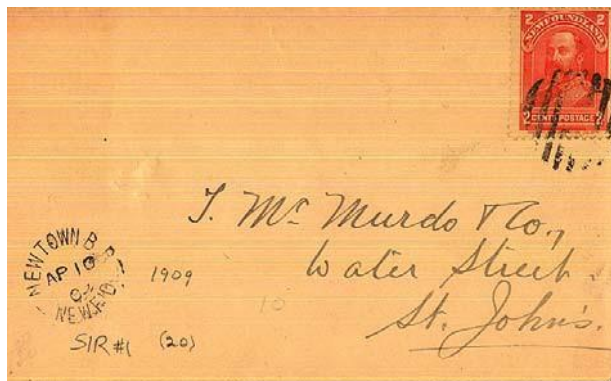
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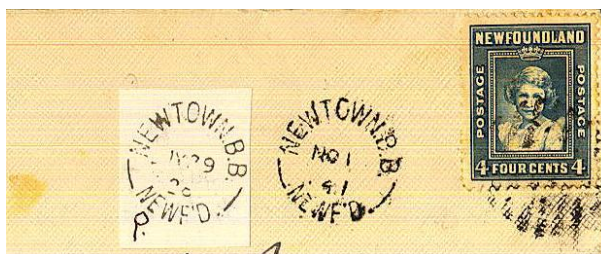
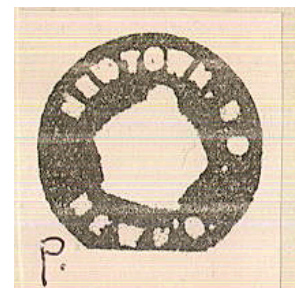
NEWTOWN BB

Open	1903	Closed	Still Open	Population	520
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map	10 W 24
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Moses Davis, followed by Jacob Hefferton in 1908 and Miss Rachel Davis in 1912. PM in 1931 was Joshua Bannister who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly by motor ferry from Gambo. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

NEWTOWN CB

Open	1905	Closed	1931	Population	113
Bay	Inland	Location	Near Holyrood	Map	21 G 26
Distributing Office		Holyrood			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Walter Kennedy, followed by Mrs. Mary Frances Targett in 1908, Miss Laura Kennedy in 1910 and James Targett in 1913. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Lewis. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Holyrood station. No proofs or strikes seen.

NEWTOWN NDB

Open	December 04 1908	Closed	October 17 1911	Population	Not known
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Sunday Cove Island	Map	8 U 15 (Port Anson)
Distributing Office		Not known			

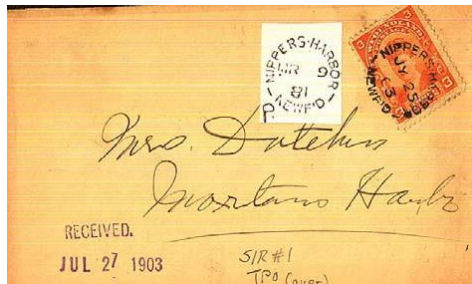
Renamed Port Anson on October 17 1911. Open as a way office. Not known if or when it was upgraded to post office status. No waykeepers or Postmasters listed. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen from here.

NIPPERS HARBOUR

Open	April 1870	Closed	Still Open	Population	283
Bay	Green	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map 8 T 15	
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1870 with Frederick A. Thomas as first waykeeper, followed by Francis A. Thomas in 1873, W.J. Eaton in 1875, J.M. Jackman in 1882 and S.A. Blackler in 1884. Became a post office in 1885 with S.A. Blackler as first Postmaster, followed by William Cunningham in 1886, S.A. Blackler once more in 1889, Benjamin C. Bailey in 1891 and Herbert C. Batstone in 1909. PM in 1931 was John S. Roberts who, was also telegraph operator. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon.

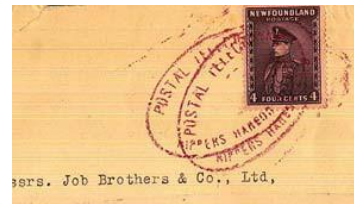
In Winter from Springdale by courier. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



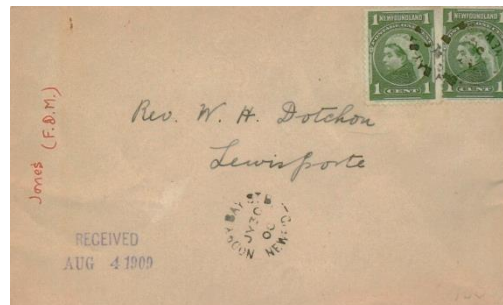
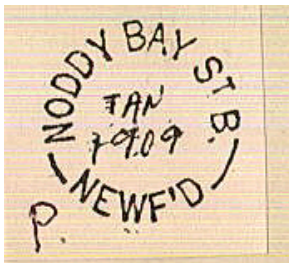
split ring No. 2



NODDY BAY

Open	December 16 1908	Closed	1931	Population	47
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Northern tip of Newfoundland	Map 2 H 16	
Distributing Office		Griquet			

First Postmaster was Isaac Bartlett who, still held the position in 1931. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon via Griquet. In Winter from Deer Lake station up the Great Northern Mail Road via Flowers Cove and St. Anthony. One split ring proof exists. ST. B. for St. Barbe (District).



NOGGIN COVE

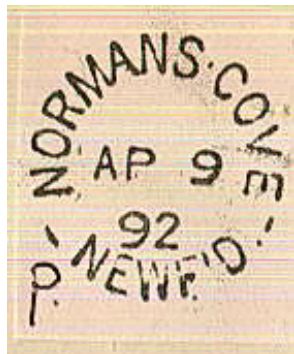
Open	November 18 1911	Closed	1931	Population	144
Bay	Hamilton Sound	Location	Near Carmanville	Map 10 V 21	
Distributing Office		Carmanville			

First Postmaster was William Goodyear who, was nominated but unable to take up appointment. First Postmaster was Miss Evangeline Gillingham, followed by Mrs. Olivia Pennell who, still held office in 1931. Mails in Summer were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home on way to Fogo via Carmanville. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Campbellton, Gander Bay and Carmanville. No proofs or strikes seen.

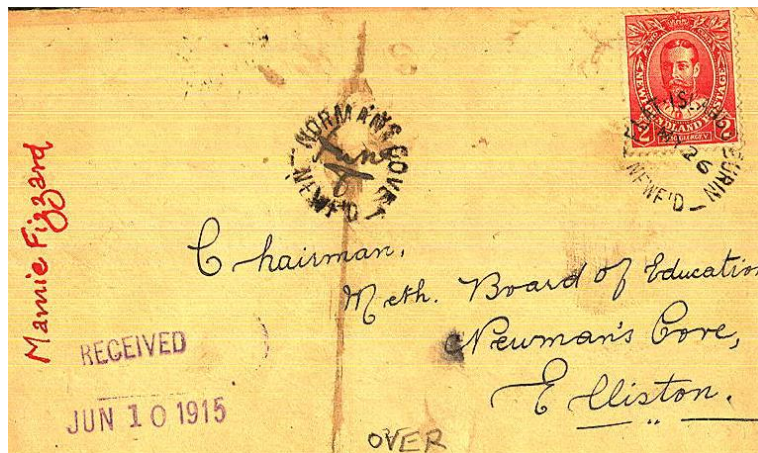
NORMAN'S COVE

Open	1891	Closed	Still Open	Population	375
Bay	Trinity	Location	Head of Trinity Bay	Map	20 F 24
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Lydia G. Elford, followed by Eva Stowe in 1893, James Thorne in 1903, Mrs. Phoebe Thorne in 1904, William T. Turner in 1905 and Mrs. Eva Stowe again in 1906. PM in 1931 was Noah M. Smith. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Long Harbour station. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1

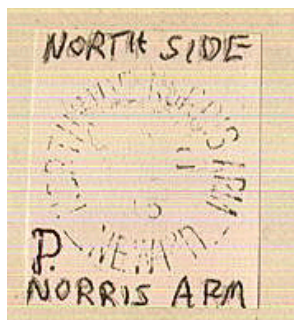


split ring No. 2

NORRIS ARM NORTH SIDE

Open	1942	Closed	July 2 1991	Population	300
Bay	Exploits	Location	Near Botwood	Map	9 W 17
Distributing Office		Norris Arm			

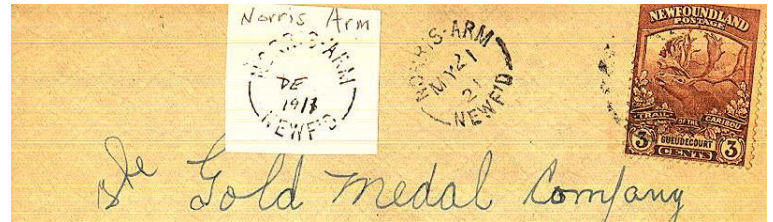
Renamed Alderburn in 1913 but, there never was a post office by that name. Postmasters are not listed. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Norris Arm station. Proof hard to read but says NORTH SIDE NORRIS ARM.



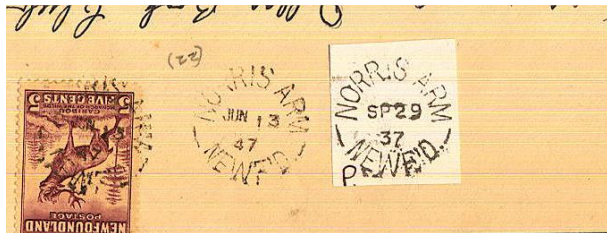
NORRIS ARM

Open	1899	Closed	Still Open	Population	729
Bay	Exploits	Location	Near Botwood	Map	9 X 17
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Charles Pittman, followed by Miss Edith Miller in 1900, Charles Pittman once more as well as telegraph operator and H.F. Colbourne in 1911. PM in 1931 was R. Crowell who, was also telegraph operator. Office was removed from the railway agent to private dwelling and Miss Jessie Miles appointed PM and TO on September 01 1937. PM and TO in 1942 was Miss Jessie Miles. Became a MOO April 04 1902. Mails were daily by Trs. 1 and 2. The first marking device was a Duplex. Two split rings seen. A Postal Telegraph Oval was also in use at this office from 1930 to 1931.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



H.M.Customs



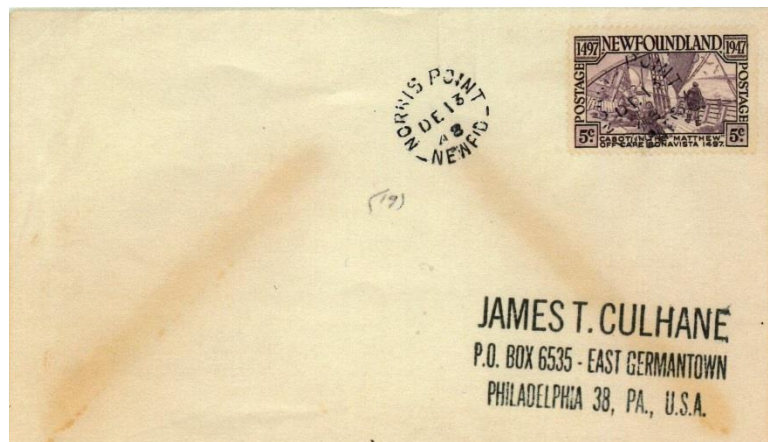
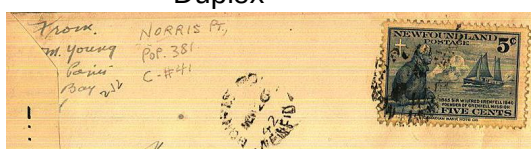
NORRIS POINT

Open	1899	Closed	Still Open	Population	381
Bay	Bonne	Location	Gros Morne National Park	Map	5 Inset U 7
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was John A. Squires. PM in 1931 was Mary Kennedy who, was also telegraph Operator. PM in 1938 was Miss Maude Kennedy. Became a MOO May 2 1911. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier. One split ring seen.



Duplex



NORTH ARM

Open	1917	Closed	1931	Population	205
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	North Arm	Map 6	W 7 (general area)
Distributing Office		Humbermouth			

No Postmasters are listed. Mails were fortnightly from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. One split ring seen. BOI for Bay Of Islands. No proofs or strikes seen.

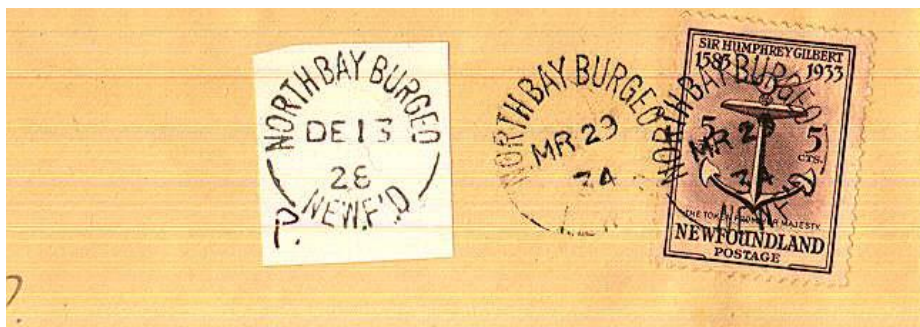
NORTH BAY BURGEO

Open	1929	Closed	1947	Population	72
Bay	La Poile	Location	South West Coast	Map 12	E 6
Distributing Office		La Poile			

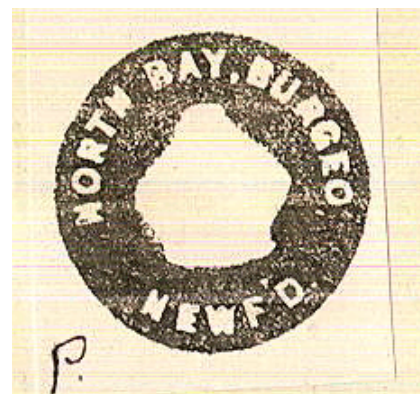
First Postmaster not listed. PM in 1931 was Julia Farrell. James Taylor was mail carrier to La Poile. This office permanently closed on May 10 1947 upon the death of the Postmaster. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via La Poile. One split ring has been seen from here. A book, "THE NORTH BAY NARRATIVE" by Walter Staples ISBN 0-914339-70-2, gives an excellent history of this community.



Julia (Stone) Farrell
Postmistress
until her death in 1947



courtesy Malcolm Back



NORTH EAST COVE

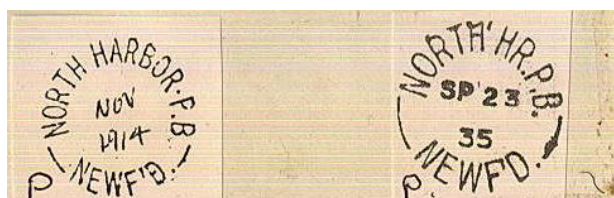
Open	May 11 1906	Closed	1935	Population	20
Bay	White	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 4 P 13	
Distributing Office			Great Harbour Deep		

First Postmaster was William Cassell. PM in 1931 was Jos. L. Northcott. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon via Great Harbour Deep. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier over the ice via Hampden and Western Arm. No proofs or strikes seen.

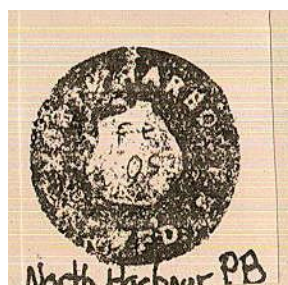
NORTH HARBOUR PB

Open	1901	Closed	October 31 1990	Population	148
Bay	Placentia	Location	Head of Placentia Bay	Map 16 D 22	
Distributing Office			Arnold's Cove		

Since closing, this location is now served by a retail office which is still open. First Postmaster was Josiah Palford, followed by Mr. W.H. Eddy in 1904 and Jessie Eddy in 1908. PM in 1931 was Violet Eddy who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on October 01 1948 was Miss Inez B. Eddy. Mails were weekly from Arnold's Cove by motor boat. Two split rings seen. PB for Placentia Bay.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



NORTH HARBOUR SMB

Open	1899	Closed	Still Open	Population	187
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Head of St. Mary's Bay	Map 20 H 24	
Distributing Office			Colinet		

First Postmaster was Patrick Bonia who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Whitbourne station via Colinet. One split ring seen. St. M's for St. Mary's.



NORTH ISLAND

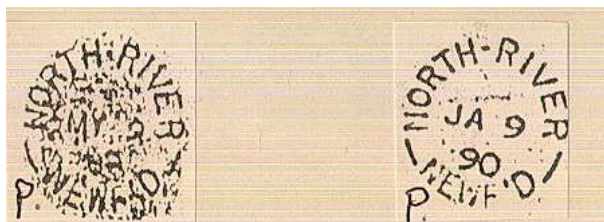
Open	Sept. 08 1911	Closed	1931	Population	80
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Hedley H. Patted. PM in 1931 was Thomas Butt. Mails distribution not known. No strikes or proofs seen.

NORTH RIVER

Open	1885; Closed	Not known.	Open June 17 1904; Closed 1931	Population	234
Bay	Conception	Location	Port de Grave District	Map 21 F 25	
Distributing Office		Clarks Beach			

Open as a way office in 1885 with John Brian as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with John as first Postmaster followed by Bridget Brian in 1892. Closed but date not known. Opened in 1904 with Miss Madeline Seaward to be Postmaster and courier. PM in 1931 was Mary Long. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Clarks Beach. Two split ring proofs exist, both from the first opening.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



NORTH WEST ARM GB

Open	1900	Closed	March 14 1913	Population	230
Bay	Green	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map 8 T 14	(Burlington)
Distributing Office		Not known			

Renamed Burlington on March 14 1913. No Postmasters are listed. Mails distribution not known.

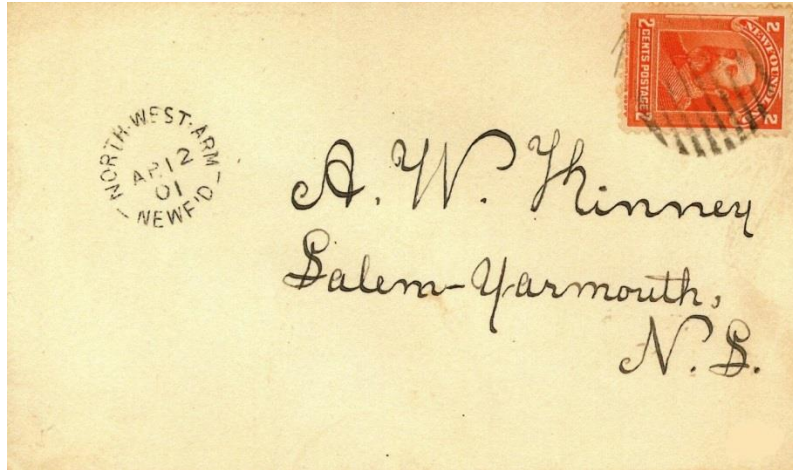
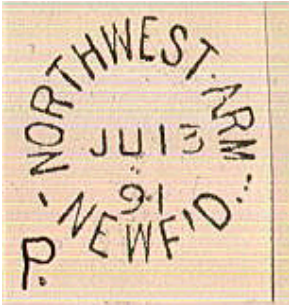


courtesy Murray Smith

NORTH WEST ARM

Open	1886	Closed	October 17 1911	Population	143
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Osmonton Arm	Map 9 V 17	(general area)
Distributing Office		Leading Ticks			

Renamed Osmonton on October 17 1911. Open as a way office in 1886 with James Higgins as first waykeeper, followed by Mrs. Frederick Martin in 1888. Became a post office in 1891 with Mrs. Frederick Martin as first Postmaster, followed by Frederick Martin in 1893, Miss Maria E. Robbins in 1900, George Robbins in 1908 and Miss Clara M. Andrews in 1910. Became a MOO on December 18 1902. Mails distribution not known. One split ring proof exists.



NORTH WEST BROOK

Open	1906	Closed	March 10 1990	Population	57
Bay	Trinity	Location	Southwest Arm	Map 16 C 22	
Distributing Office		Hillview			

Since closing, this location has had a succession of three retail offices, the latter of which remains open. First Postmaster was Eleazer Benson, followed by Joshua Benson in 1911. PM in 1931 was Amos Snelgrove. This office had a closed period and reopened October 14 1947 with Mrs. Cyril Vokey as PM. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu via Hillview. Three split ring proofs exist. SW for Southwest and TB for Trinity Bay.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2 split ring No. 3



NORTH WEST POINT

Open	1894	Closed	1947	Population	Not known
Bay	Hare (North one)	Location	Northern tip of Newfoundland	Map 2	J 14 (general area)
Distributing Office		Conche			

An alternate name for this location was LOCKS COVE. Postmaster in 1894 was Thomas Rose, followed by Peter McGrath in 1899 and William Elliot in 1900. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Rachel Elliot. Official closing date was December 31 1947. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon via Conche. In Winter from Deer Lake station, up the Great Northern Mail Road via Flowers Cove and Conche. One split ring seen.



NORTH WEST RIVER

Open	April 16 1910	Closed	Still Open	Population	182
Bay	Hamilton Inlet	Location	Inland Labrador	Map	(not shown)
Distributing Office		Rigolet			

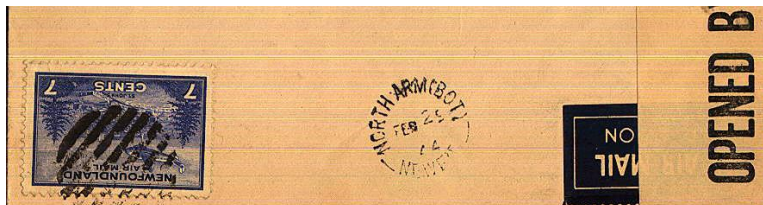
First Postmaster was W. J. Carson. Mails were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Kyle via Rigolet. One split ring seen. This office also used the large double circle, although it is a bad strike.



NORTHERN ARM BOTWOOD

Open	1899	Closed	September 21 1970	Population	205
Bay	Exploits	Location	Near Botwood	Map 9 W 17	
Distributing Office		Botwood			

First Postmaster was Luke Manuel, followed by Mrs. Priscilla Manuel in 1917. PM in 1931 was Job Manuel. Mrs. John Perry PM in 1941. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Botwood.



NORTHERN ARM WOODFORDS

Open	1883	Closed	1947	Population	Not known
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of Conception Bay	Map 21 G 26	(general area)
Distributing Office		Woodfords			

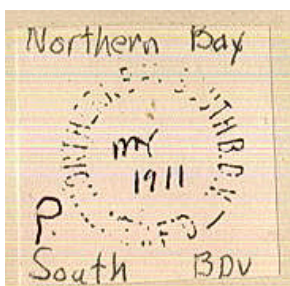
Open as a way office in 1883 with Catherine Woodford as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891. No Postmasters listed. Mails were by railway from Woodfords station. One split ring seen.



NORTHERN BAY SOUTH

Open	December 29 1910	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map 17 D 26	(general area)
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

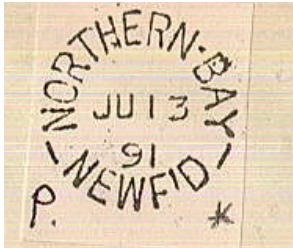
First Postmaster was Miss Ethel Jacobs who, still held the office in 1931. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. One split ring proof exists. BDV for Bay De Verde (District).



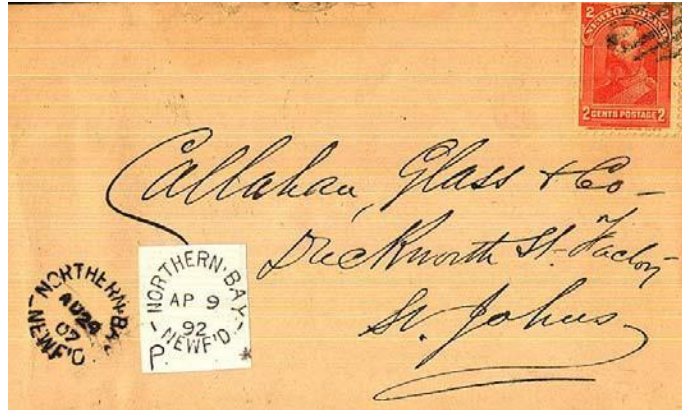
NORTHERN BAY

Open	1875	Closed	Still Open	Population	229
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 D 26
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

Open as a way office in 1875 with Joseph Hogan as first waykeeper, followed by Mrs. Mary Hogan in 1877. Became a post office in 1891 with Mary as first Postmaster, followed by Stephen Johnson in 1902, William Hogan in 1907, James March in 1907 and Mrs. J. March in 1908 who was still in office as well as being telegraph operator in 1931. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

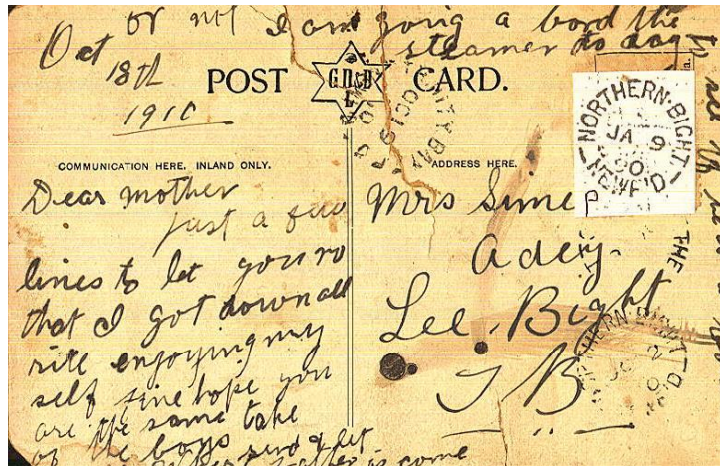
NORTHERN BIGHT

Open	1879	Closed	March 14 1913	Population	184
Bay	Trinity	Location	Southwest Arm Random	Map	16 C 22 (Hillview)
Distributing Office		Same			

Renamed Hillview on March 14 1913. Open as a way office in 1879 with James Frost as first waykeeper followed by Edward Benson in 1883. Became a post office in 1891 with Edward as first Postmaster, followed by Rachel Benson in 1893, Mrs. Eli Frost in 1895, Mrs. Bertha Benson in 1897, Mrs. E. Cross in 1899, Mrs. Bertha Churchill in 1901, Reuben Martin in 1909, Mrs. E. Martin in 1910 and Mr. Frost in 1912 who, was also telegraph operator. A list that long in that short a time seems quite ludicrous. It was too long a list in too short a time to be politically motivated. There was always the other reason. Too many nosy busybodies wanted in on the latest gossip! Became a MOO in June 1997. Mails were not known as this period predated the 1931 mail boat schedules. Northern Bight/Hillview has always been an important transfer point in the system.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

NORTHERN HARBOUR

Open	1900	Closed	1901	Population	47
Bay	Not known	Location	Twillingate District	Map	No listing
Distributing Office		Not known			

First and probably only Postmaster was Edward Downton. Mails distribution not known.
No proofs or strikes seen.

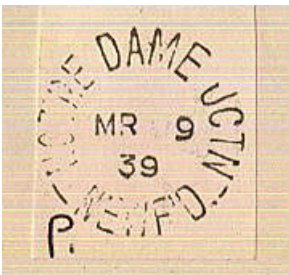
NORWOOD

A proof exists for a NORWOOD Newf'd split ring for 1904. All research indicates that no such place exists in Newfoundland. The only possible explanation is a mistake on the part of Pritchard and Andrews, the manufacturers of the postmarking instruments. The only Norwoods were Nova Scotia, Yarmouth County and Ontario, Peterborough County. ref. Canada Post Offices 1755/1895 Frank Campbell.

NOTRE DAME JUNCTION

Open	1904	Closed	May 20 1960	Population	27
Bay	Inland	Location	Near Lewisporte	Map	9 W 18
Distributing Office		Same			

This was the location of the railway spur line to Lewisporte and as such, was possibly the most important transfer point in all of the system. ALL mail to and from the North of Newfoundland passed through here via the two Lewisporte mail boats S.S. Clyde and S.S. Earl of Devon. First Postmaster was Donald Paramiter followed By Mrs. P. Hannon in 1905 and James Titford in 1905 who was given \$40 for 3 years. PM in 1931 was not listed. This office was removed from the railway office to a different location on July 01 1943. One split ring proof seen for 1939. Obviously an earlier marking exists.



split ring No.2 ?



NUTAK

Open	1937	Closed	August 30 1956	Population	20
Bay	Labrador Sea	Location	Northern Labrador	Map	Not Shown
Distributing Office		Labrador North TPO			

This was the second farthest North post office in the system. No Postmasters are listed. Mails in Summer were occasional and Winter probably nonexistent. One split ring strike seen.



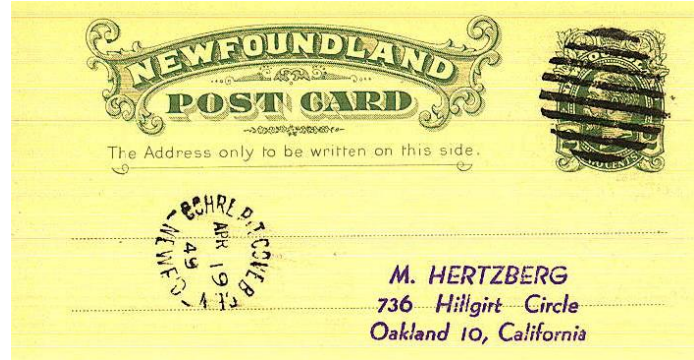
OCHRE PIT COVE

Open	1882	Closed	Still Open	Population	251
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 D 26
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

Open as a way office in 1882 with Josiah Garland as first waykeeper, followed by Bridget Perfect in 1888. Became a post office in 1891 with Bridget as first Postmaster, followed by Mrs. George Benson in 1898, William G. Benson in 1899, Bridget Perfect once more in 1901 and William G. Benson again in 1908. PM in 1931 was Delphine White. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. Two split rings seen. B DE V for Bay De Verde (District).



split ring No. 1

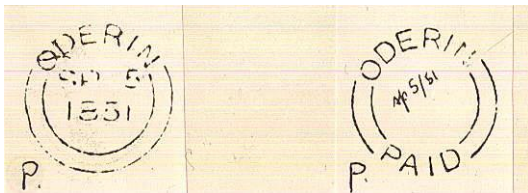


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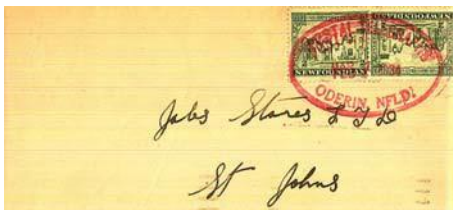
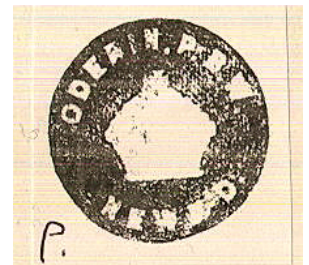
ODERIN

Open	1856	Closed	October 26 1966	Population	241
Bay	Placentia	Location	Oderin Island	Map	19 G 19
Distributing Office		St. Joseph's			

Another in the long list of the Resettlement Programme. Open as a way office in 1856 with James Murphy as first waykeeper, followed by Kate Maddox in 1874, Kate Quirk (married ?) in 1882 and Mary Maddox in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with Mary as first Postmaster, followed by Mary Braithwaite in 1908 and Mrs. Ann Lake in 1912. PM in 1931 was Annie Flynn*. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via St. Joseph's. It is possible that the GPO double split rings were not issued to the office. Three split rings were in use. PBW for Placentia Bay West.



split ring No. 3



split ring No.1 split ring No. 2 split ring No. 3

*Spelling of Flynn corrected by Colleen Brennan: October 2025

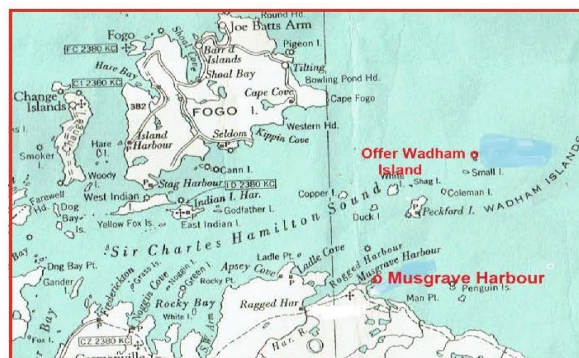
OFFER WADHAM ISLANDS

Open	1898	Closed	1942	Population	9
Bay	Ocean	Location	Off Musgrave Harbour	Map	10 U 23
Distributing Office		Possibly Musgrave Harbour			

First Postmaster was Charles Prowse, followed by Hugh Moulard in 1900, Willis Abbott in 1909 and Miss Annie Abbott in 1910. PM in 1931 was George Abbott. Mails were from St. John's by S.S. Home on way to Fogo via Musgrave Harbour. No proofs seen.



Illustration at 200%



Split ring cancel added courtesy of Brian Stalker: October 2025

OLD BONAVENTURE

Open	December 15 1911	Closed	1931	Population	107
Bay	Trinity	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map	16 B 24
Distributing Office		Same			

This office reopened after Confederation from 1964 until August 11 1970. First Postmaster was Miss Frances Bailey. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Alonzo G. Bailey. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. No proofs or strikes seen.

OLD FERROLLE

Open	1921	Closed	1923	Population	20
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Not known	Map	1 J 12 to L 11
Distributing Office		Not known			

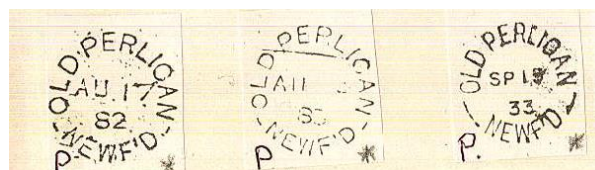
Nothing else is known of this short-lived office. No Postmasters are listed. Mails distribution would have been by S.S. Sagona out of Humbermouth. No proofs or strikes seen.

OLD PERLICAN

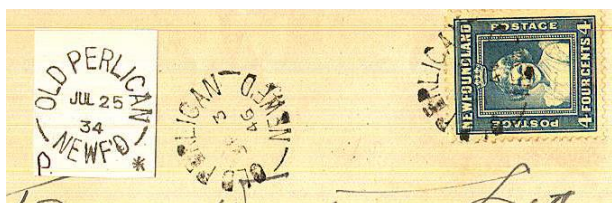
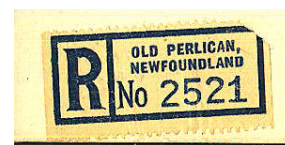
Open	1856	Closed	Still Open	Population	706
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 C 26
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1856 with William Christian as first waykeeper, followed by George Tuff. Became a post office in 1883 with George as first Postmaster, followed by John Cox in 1898, George March in 1901 and Tryphena March in 1908. PM in 1931 was Ethel Coombs who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. Four split rings seen.

The straight line is a Pre-Confederation marking.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2 split ring No. 3



split ring No. 4



courtesy John Oldford



Pre-Confederation Roller



OLD SHOP

Open	January 07 1911	Closed	Still Open	Population	111
Bay	Trinity	Location	Head of Trinity Bay	Map	20 F 24
Distributing Office		Whitbourne			

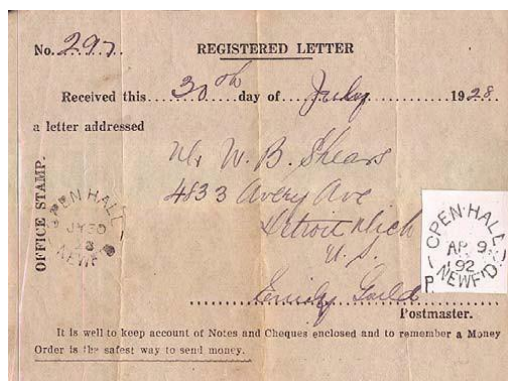
First Postmaster was James Reid. PM in 1931 was Mrs. John Day. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Whitbourne station. One split ring seen. There may have been an earlier one. TB for Trinity Bay.



OPEN HALL

Open	1883	Closed	Still Open	Population	252
Bay	Bonavista	Location	North shore Bonavista Pen.	Map	16 Z 24
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1883 with George Shears as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with George as first Postmaster who, was still in office on December 1904 and granted a salary increase. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Emily Gould, whose signature is seen below. Became a MOO on February 16 1909. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



Split ring No. 1 Courtesy of Malcolm Back: October 2025



split ring No. 2

ORANGE BAY

A listing exists for an ORANGE BAY post office from 1924 to 1940. This location was on the Northern Peninsula and had 100 inhabitants. No other records are seen. No Postmaster is listed in the 1931 postal guide. No proofs are listed and no strikes are recorded in the Palmer Moffat list. No references to Orange Bay are in the Encyclopedia of Newfoundland and Labrador. There is no Orange Bay on the 1: 50,000 topo maps of the Northern Peninsula sheets. Another of the unending Newfoundland mysteries! ORANGE BAY has since been discovered.

It was an early alternate name for the Great Harbour Deep AREA, so there must have been another settlement besides GREAT HARBOR DEEP and NORTH EAST ARM AKA HARBOR DEEP. The plot thickens.



This may be the only known strike