

POST OFFICES OF PRE-CONFEDERATION NEWFOUNDLAND



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FOREWORD

Purpose of this book is to trace the history of the Newfoundland Post Office through the use of illustrating the various markings used. Also included will be a general outline of the particular office in regards to location by bay and map reference, population, opening and closing, postmasters and general information. Various references will appear in the appendices regarding movement of the mail by the coastal boats and distribution by rail.

Please take note that this entire undertaking is devoted to the post offices of towns and outports only. There will be NO St. John's markings. A very brief outline of the Labrador offices is to be expected.

This is an ongoing project and basically is a WORKBOOK. I expect all of those empty spaces to be filled with YOUR copious notes and graphics AND later relayed to Malcolm Back

Also take note that throughout the book there may be strikes shown, mostly split ring, with Canadian stamps showing Post-Confederation dates. These will be used to illustrate unknown (to me) non proof postmarks. Unknown proofs and strikes may exist in other people's collections. When stated, this means unknown to me.

The isolation of the average Newfoundland outport was to the extent that St. John's and the rest of the world hardly existed in the minds of the people. Their only connection to that outside world were the coastal boats and for the fortunate few, the railway.

The relative scarcity of postmarks from these outports is due to many factors. The size of the community and open period determined the amount of mail dispatched. The amount of covers that survived and how many were left after the diligent philatelists of the world were finished with their scissors and saucer of water was, perhaps the greatest tragedy. The remains (with the postmark) were conveniently consigned to the woodstove. Many inhabitants were illiterate and required the aid of the local Minister/Priest or school teacher (when one was available) to answer any correspondence. Most had no cash money whatsoever, even the 3 or 5 cents required for a postage stamp. The lion's share of the outgoing mail was from the merchant to the bigger merchants of St. John's. One advantage of that was the remaining covers are heavily slanted towards Corner Cards.

Confusion reigns supreme over the naming of Newfoundland outports. From 1904 until 1931, no fewer than 121 locations, most with post offices, changed their names. This, coupled with a few names that have two or more locations can lead to much searching through the various reference sources.

Two questions that have had me baffled since my study of Newfoundland town cancels are:

In 1931, at least half or possibly more post offices closed on the same year. The 1931 Year Book and Almanac does not substantiate this. Was this due to the previous research not being carried any further OR was it due to fiscal restraint on behalf of the government, which went bankrupt shortly before?

Exactly how much of the Newfoundland Post Office records were destroyed by the Canada Post Office after being turned over after Confederation?

AND NOW WE BEGIN! All errors, conjectures and omissions are solely the author's fault and responsibility.

All input into this work before and after is gratefully accepted. Credit will be duly given.

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IMPORTANT

Due to copyright restrictions, I am unable to offer the map sections. Those wishing to use these for reference may do so by buying the book "*ATLANTIC CANADA BACK ROAD ATLAS*" by Map Art Publishing. This is available at any book store in the Atlantic Provinces at \$10- If living outside the area try: Map Art Publishing Corp. 70 Bloor St. East Oshawa Ont. L1H 3M2

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Sorry for the inconvenience.

DEDICATION

Dedicated to the memory of John G. Butt.
His departure has left a significant gap in Newfoundland postal history studies.

John's notes and references and some of his material are the framework on which I am building and expanding to understand the Pre-Confederation Newfoundland Post Office and its impact on the people.

None of this would have happened without the generous contributions and moral support of Sammy Whaley. Sammy had the original John Butt pages and some of the material. I had the knowledge of Newfoundland, extensive research holdings, the prior experience of writing about postal history andThe Time!! ERGO...an exchange was made between Sammy and I. The notes and material (for specific book illustrations) for my penning a tome and with over 1100 different post offices it will indeed be a tome!

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The lion's share of the original research was carried out by Palmer Moffat and contributors in the early editions of the "Newfie Newsletter," a BNAPS study group.

I made good use of additional research from the records of the Colonial Office in London. This was done by Brian Stalker of England who, generously sent me a CD of his copious notes. I am profoundly in debt to Brian for his assistance. Others who assisted greatly in this project were Doug Hannan, Murray Smith, John Oldford and Bob Soper. Thanks Guys !

Last, but by no means least, were the only lads in all of Newfoundland who had a clue where to locate the 5 Fermeuses, 9 Foxes, 9 Bays, all of the Seal Coves and God knows how many Bays. The whole system would have broken down if it were not for the following gentlemen: Andrew Goobie, Frederick Bursey, John Pearse, Frank House, Augustus Campbell, Kenneth Bradley, Abia Purchase, Leslie Coultas, James Jackman, Cyril Lush, Thomas Grant, Ford Manuel, Samson Brushett, George Nicholl, James Crickard and Patrick Whalen. These people were the Assorters at the GPO in St. John's and they knew where the mail was going!

NEWFOUNDLAND MISSING LOCATIONS

These locations have NO proofs or strikes that I have seen. Only marks from Pre-Confederation hammers. i.e. split rings, NEWF'D CDS and Ovals, Box wavy and dotted and double circles and Registered gummed labels. The aforementioned with Post-Confederation dates are perfectly acceptable.

Abrahams Cove	Deer Island BURGEO	Long Cove SWA
Adeytown	Flat Rock BDV	Long Harbour FB
Admirals Beach	Fox Cove Bonavista	Long Pond
Admirals Cove SS	Fox Roost	Loreburn
Alder Harbour	Foxtrap	Lower Amherst Cove
Apsey Brook	Frenchmans Cove BOI	Lower Cove
Apsey Point	Gaultois Islands	Lower Lance Cove
Arch & Garden Coves	Gaulton Island	Lumsden North
Aspen Cove	Glovertown South	Macdale
Avondale North	Goddenville	Maddox Cove
Batteau	Golden Bay	Maidstone Valley
Bauline	Goobies Siding	Mainland
Bay de L'eau	Grand Bay Charm	Main River
Bay D'Espoir	Great Jervois	Man(n) Point
Bay du Nord	Great Paradise	Manuels Brook
Beaumont North	Ha Ha Bay	McCarthy's
Beaver Cove	Harbour Island	Michaels Harbour
Beaverton	Harbour Round	Middle Amherst Cove
Bell Island Front	Hare Bay SWA	Middle Arm GB
Bellevue	Hay Cove	Middle Arm WB
Biscayan Cove	Head of Notre Dame Bay	Monkstown
Blackhead St. John's W.	Holletts Cove	Mooring Cove
Boat Harbour North East	Hopeall	Muddy Hole
Bonne Bay Hare Bay	Horse Cove	Mussel Pond
Bradleys Cove	Howards	New Burn Cove
Briens Stand	Humber Canal	Newtown Holyrood
Brigus Cross Roads	Indian Harbour PB	Noggin Cove
Broad Cove B B	Irishtown	North Arm
Broad Cove Renews	Isle Galet	North East Cove
Broad Cove T B	Ivanhoe	North Island
Broads	Jean De Bay	Offer Wadham Islands
Brooms Cove	Jumpers Brook	Old Bonaventure
BurgEO Placentia Bay	Kearley's Harbour	Old Ferrolle
Burn(s) Cove	Kings Cove St.B.	Outer Cove (Road)
Burnt Island Placentia	Kings Cove SS	Paradise Hr. Main
Cape Shore	Lakeview	Parker's Cove
Cat Harbour Point	Lamaline East	Peckfords
Champneys West	Lancaster	Peddleton
Chance Cove West	Lance Au Barque	Penneys Brook
Chance Harbour	L'Anse Amour	Peters Arm
Clattice South West	L'Anse Au Meadow	Pinns Brook
Clifton	Lear's Cove	Pipers Hole
Clode Sound	Lewisporte Branch	Placentia Junction
Crawleys Island	Lewisporte North	Plate Cove East
Creek	Lewiston	Plate Cove West
Cuckolds Cove	Little Bay HB	Point La Haye
Cul De Sac East	Little Beaver Cove	Point Lance
Cutwell Harbour	Little Fogo Island	Prowseton
Deer Island Burgeo	Little Harbor East FB	Queenstown
Delbys Cove	Little Small Point	Quirpon Great
Dog Bay	Lock's Cove	Ragged Harbour
Duggans Cove	Long Cove TB	Rantern Station

Reefs Harbour
Renews South Side
Riverhead Salmonier
Rock Harbour NP
Roddickton Mills
Rosedale
Sailors Island
Salmon Cove West
Sampsons Island
Sandy Harbour
Sandy Point TB
Scio
Seal Bay
Shalloway Cove
Ship Cove PauP
Ship Cove Tr
Ships Cove
Shoal Bay BB
Shoal Bay TB
Shoe Cove Bight
Smiths Harbour
Snooks Harbour
Somerset
Sops Island
South East Bight
South West Arm NDB
South West Bridge
Spaniards Cove
Spoon Cove CB
Squid Tickle
Stanleyville
Stephenville Cross Rds.
Stock Cove
Sunday Cove Island
Swan Harbour
Sweet Bay N A
Sydney Cove
St. Anns
St. Augustine
St. Michaels
St. Michael's Harbour
St. Patrick
St. Pauls
St. Veronica
Thimble Ticks
Thornlea
Turks Gut
Upper Ferry
Upper Island Cove
Voys Beach
Webbers Bight
Western Head
Western Plate Cove
Whales Brook
Whales Gulch
Woodfords

Woodfords Station

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MAIL DISTRIBUTION

Except for Buchans and Millertown, the interior of Newfoundland was completely uninhabited; few roads. Settlements were on the coast or the railway line. The coastal boats moved the mail efficiently but could not function during the winter months and a courier system was in use for this period. A typical year schedule for these boats was May 01 to December 31. All mail boats had an onboard postal clerk and various T.P.O. handstamps are seen. The following is a description of the coastal boat routes. All schedules are from 1931 Year Book and Almanac.

- **FOGO DISTRICT**

S.S. HOME from St. John's to Fogo Island and Change Islands once a week. Mail clerk was E. J. Dominy.

- **WHITE BAY**

S.S. EARL OF DEVON from Lewisporte to Flowers Cove. Fortnightly trips calling at: Exploits, Little Bay Islands, Nippers Harbor, La Scie, Harbor Round, Pacquet, Woodstock, Mings Bight, Coachmans Cove, Fleur de Lys, Horse Islands, Wild Cove, Seal Cove, Bear Cove, Western Arm, Westport, Browns Arm, Hampden, Sops Arm, Jacksons Arm, Coney Arm, Little Harbor Deep, Great Harbor Deep, Williamsport, Hooping Harbor, Canada Harbor, Englee, Conche, Crouse, St. Juliens, Fischot Islands, Ireland Bight, Goose Cove, St. Anthony, Great Brehat, Griquet, Quirpon, Ship Cove, Raleigh, Cooks Harbor, Green Island Cove, Sandy Cove, Savage Cove and Flowers Cove.

Mails close at Lewisporte on alternate Tuesdays. The mail clerk was H. S. Hillier.

- **BATTLE HARBOR and HUMBERMOUTH**

S.S. SAGONA leaves Humbermouth (Corner Brook) every Wednesday for: Curling, Lark Harbor, Trout River, Bonne Bay, Norris Point, Lomond, Rocky Harbor, Cow Head, Parsons Pond, Daniels Harbor, Port Saunders, Hawkes Harbor, Port au Choix, St. Johns Island, Bartletts Harbour, New Ferrole, Brig Bay, St. Barbe, Flowers Cove, Blanc Sablon, Forteau, L'anse au Loup, West St. Modeste, Red Bay, Henley Harbor, Chateau, Cape St. Charles and Battle Harbor. Mails close at Humbermouth on Tuesdays.

- **NORTHERN COASTAL**

S.S. PROSPERO leaves St. John's on alternate Wednesdays, calling at: Bay de Verde, Trinity, Port Union, Catalina, Kings Cove, Greenspond, Seldom Come By, Fogo, Change Islands, Herring Neck, Twillingate, Moretons Harbor, Exploits, Fortune Harbor, Leading Tickles, Pilleys Island, Little Bay Islands, Springdale, Little Bay, Nippers Harbor, Tilt Cove, La Scie, Coachmans Cove, Harbor Deep, Williamsport, Hooping Harbor, Canada Harbor, Paquet, Seal Cove, Bear Cove, Westport, Hampden, Ship Cove, Raleigh, Englee, Conche, St. Juliens, St. Anthony, Griquet, Quirpon, Cooks Harbor. The mail clerk was Walter Bishop.

- **SOUTH AND WEST COAST SERVICE**

S.S. PORTIA leaves Argentia on alternate Wednesdays calling at: St. Marys, St. Josephs, Burin, Lawn, Lamaline, Fortune, Grand Bank, Garnish, St. Bernards, Bay L'Argent, Rencontre, Belloram, St. Jaques, English Harbor, Mose Ambrose, Boxey, Coombs Cove, Millers Passage, Little Bay West, Jersey Harbor, Harbor Breton, Seal Cove, Pass Island, Hermitage, Gaultois, Pushthrough, McCallum, Rencontre West, Cape La Hune, Ramea, Isle Aux Mortes and Port Aux Basques.

S.S. GLENCOE leaves Argentia on alternate Wednesdays between PORTIA's sailings, calling at: Marystown, Burin, St. Lawrence, Fortune, Grand Bank, Garnish, Point Rosie, St. Bernards, Bay L'Argent, Little Bay East, Harbor Mille, Terrenceville, English Harbor East, Andersons Cove, Stones Cove, Rencontre, Lally Cove, Bay du Nord, Pools Cove, Belloram, St. Jaques, English Harbor, Mose Ambrose, Harbor Breton, Pass Island, Grole, Hermitage, Gaultois, Conne River, Milltown, St. Albans, Pushthrough, Rencontre West, Francois, Ramea, Burgeo, Grand Bruit, La Poile, Rose Blanche, Burnt Island and Port Aux Basques.

Mail clerk was John J. Kemp.

- **BURGEO DISTRICT**

S.S. BASQUES leaves Port Aux Basques every Monday calling at: Fox Roost, Isle Au Mortes, Burnt Island, Rose Blanche, Harbor le Cou, Petites, West Point, La Poile, Grand Bruit, Otters Point, Burgeo, Red Island, Deer Island, Fox Island and Ramea.

- **PLACENTIA BAY**

S.S. ARGYLE leaves Placentia on Monday for Lamaline and on Friday for Sound Island.

A motor boat service leaves Arnolds Cove on Tuesday for: Red Island, Harbor Buffet, Spencers Cove, Haystack, Woody Island, Sound Island, Swift Current and North Harbor. Mail clerk was John Collins.

- **ST. GEORGES DISTRICT**

S.S. BRUNSWICK leaves St. Georges on Monday for: Sandy Point, Abrahams Cove, Gravels, Campbells Creek, Ship Cove, Sheaves Cove, Cape St. George, Red Island, Mainland, Three Rock Cove, Winterhouse, Clam Bank Cove, Black Duck Brook, Long Point, West Bay, Boswarlos, Limeville, Port au Port, Fox Island River, Stephenville, Lower Cove and DeGrau.

- **BAY OF ISLANDS SERVICE**

The Bay Of Islands service, being a smaller area had a daily Monday to Saturday service with a layover on Thursday. Only a typical Monday service will be shown. S.S. GEORGE L. calls at: Curling, Summerside, Petries, Meadows, Benois Cove, Woods Island, McIvers, Coxs Cove, Brakes Cove, Penguin Arm, Goose Arm, North Arm (twice a month), Chimney Cove (once a month).

- **NOTRE DAME BAY**

S.S. CLYDE leaves Lewisporte every Friday calling at: Campbellton, Exploits, Moretons Harbour, Tizzards Harbour, Newstead, Twillingate, Herring Neck, Change Islands, Fogo, Joe Batts Arm, Summerford, Browns Arm, Boyds Cove, Horwood and Beaver Cove. Mails close Thursday 11 AM.

S.S. CLYDE also leaves Lewisporte Mondays calling at: Exploits, Point Leamington, Leading Ticks, Triton, Pilley's Island, Springdale, Port Anson, Lushes Bight, Wards Harbour, Beaumont, Little Bay Islands, Three Arms, Harrys Harbor, Jacksons Cove, Kings Point, Rattling Brook, Burlington, Nippers Harbor, Snooks Harbor, Tilt Cove and Shoe Cove.

Mails close Saturday 9 PM. Mail clerks were Stephen Penney and Lewis Northcott.

- **BONAVISTA BAY**

S.S. MALAKOFF leaves Port Blandford every Monday morning calling at: Charlottetown, Happy Adventure, Salvage, Eastport, Burnside, Glovertown, Flat Island, Gooseberry Island, St. Brendans, Braggs Island, Deer Island, Burnt Island Tickle, Fair Island, Greenspond, Pools Island, Safe Harbour, Valleyfield and Wesleyville.

S.S. MALAKOFF leaves Port Blandford on Fridays calling at: Bunyans Cove, Cannings Cove, Musgravetown, Brooklyn, Portland, Jamestown, Sweet Bay, Princeton, Summerville, Plate Cove, Open Hall, Keels, Broad Cove, Kings Cove, Newmans Cove and Bonavista.

Mails are also dispatched by motor ferry from Gambo every Friday morning in Summer to: Hare Bay, Wellington, Shamblers Cove, Burnt Island Tickle, Greenspond, Pools Island, Wesleyville and Newtown.

- **TRINITY BAY**

S.S. SUSU leaves Clarendville every Monday morning for: Lady Cove, Hickmans Harbor, Deer Harbor, Ivanhoe, Thouroughfare, Britannia, White Rock, Monroe, Burgoynes Cove, Irelands Eye, British Harbor, Bonaventure, Trinity, Port Rexton, Champneys, Port Union, Brownsdale, New Melbourne, New Chelsea, Hants Harbor, Winterton, New Perlican, Hearts Content, St. Jones Without, Southport, Little Hearts Ease, Hodges Cove, Long Beach, Hillview, St. Jones Within, Hickmans Harbor, Lady Cove arriving Clarendville and leaving again Friday calling at same places in reverse order. Mail clerk was Edgar T. King.

THE LANDLINE

WAGON

For Portugal Cove and Bell Island every day except Sunday at 12 noon.

For St. Philips and Freshwater Valley. Daily at 12 noon from May 01 to October 01.

Weekly at 12 noon Nov. 01 to April 30.

For Torbay, Pouch Cove and Cape St. Francis. Daily at 12 noon.

THE RAILWAY

The railway was the fastest and most efficient way of sending the mail. There were two cross country trains per day from St. John's to Port Aux Basques. Both trains carried a mail car. The following were railway mail clerks during the 1920s/1930s: W.P. Squires, Abram Parsons, Alex. Williams, Stan. Adams, John Baird, P.J. Hickey, Gus Norberg, Giles Smith, J.J. Fowler, J. Curtis, W. J. Hogarth, Tobias LeDrew, John Legge, John A. Butt, Chas. Cramm, Jas. J. Davis, Howard Cutler, Eleazar Hicks, Justin McCarthy, James French and Herbert Angel.

The following post offices would have been on the main line at one time or other. Donovans, Paradise, Topsail, Manuels, Foxtrap, Kelligrews, Upper Gullies, Seal Cove (Harbor Main), Woodfords, Holyrood, Harbor Main, Chapels Cove, Avondale, Brigus Junction, Mahers Siding, Whitbourne, Placentia Junction, Rantem Station, Arnolds Cove Station, Goobies Siding, Northern Bight, Clarendville, Port Blandford, Terra Nova, Alexander Bay Station, Gambo, Benton, Glenwood, Notre Dame Junction, Norris Arm, Bishops Falls, Grand Falls, Windsor, Badger, Millertown Junction, Quarry, Gaff Topsail, Howley, Main Dam, Grand Lake, Deer Lake, Little Harbor, Pinns Brook, Pasadena, South Brook, Humbermouth, Corner Brook, Curling, Petries, Spruce Brook, Harrys Brook, Stephenville Crossing, Main River, Nardinnis, St. Georges, Robinsons Station, Cartyville, Crabbes Station/Crabbes East, St. Fintans, Codroy Pond, South Branch, Doyles, Tompkins, St. Andrews, Cape Ray, Port aux Basques.

THE VARIOUS TYPES OF TOWN DATE STAMPS

The evolution of the steel devices closely paralleled that of Canada, with two notable exceptions. This would be understandable as all of Newfoundland's split ring and CDS daters were made by the firm of Pritchard and Andrews who, also manufactured the supply for the Canada Post Office.

The development of the rubber instruments, differed from their mainland counterparts. These came from another company. Whether produced locally or abroad, the manufacturer(s) remain unknown.

• THE STEEL DEVICES

The first series were manufactured from brass and made in England. All strikes remain in the GPO proof book. In design, they were identical to those in use in the other North American "colonies." The exception being no colony name on the bottom. They were issued in pairs, with one having "PAID" on the bottom of the double ring. All were 25 mm in diameter with gothic typeface in a double split ring format.

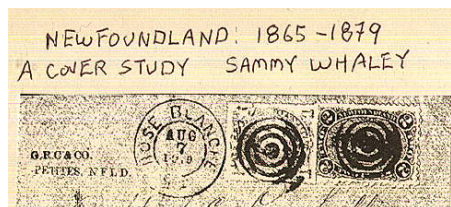
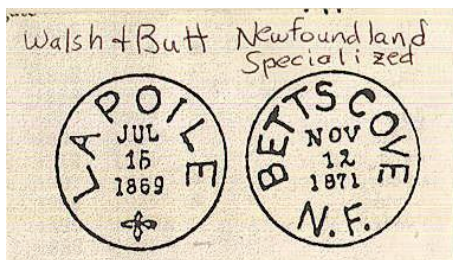
The order was placed for the following towns: Bay Bulls, Beloram, Brigus, Burin, Carbonear, Fogo, Ferryland, Garnish, Greenspond, Harbor Britain, Harbor Grace, Hearts Content, Holyrood, Isle Of Valen, Kings Cove, New Perlican, Oderin, Placentia, Salmonier, St. Marys, St. Johns (Newfoundland), Trepassey, Trinity and Twillingate. The following are known only by proof strikes and may have not been placed into service:

Beloram, Bonavista, Hearts Content, Holyrood, Isle Of Valen, New Perlican, Oderin, St. Marys, Salmonier and Trepassey. Both Bonavista and New Perlican have recently been "rediscovered."



• THE "FANCY" DEVICES

Very little is known concerning these marks other than they do exist. The period of use was from the late 1860s to the early 1870s. Most of these had an ornament in the lower part. The majority of known strikes are usually on stamps only. Six locations are known to have used the "Fancies": Betts Cove, Channell, Ferryland, Fortune, La Poile and Placentia. One other device, that of Rose Blanche, consisted of a double circle and very much resembled the concurrent postmark of St. Pierre and Miquelon.



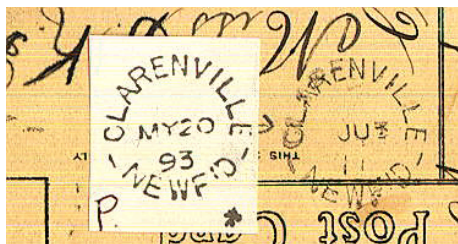
• THE DUPLEXES

Only one Pritchard and Andrews Type “A” duplex was used in St. John’s during the early 1900s and thus has no bearing on this study unless used as a backstamp. During the same period, 1900-1910, other duplexes were issued to some of the outports. This instrument resembled the Canadian Type “B” with an oval obliterator. But, it was definitely not of P&A manufacture. Newfoundland is spelled out in full and there is a three line date indicia as well as a comma after the placename. The manufacturer is unknown, however, I have seen similar style date stamps used from the Boston Mass. area in the same general time frame. This would indicate that they were from American suppliers. Eleven locations plus one more suspect used this style of duplex: Avondale, Campbellton, Corner Brook, Hodges Cove, Lance Cove, Loon Bay, Norris Arm, Norris Point, St. Shotts, Tizzards Harbor and Traytown. Recently, a suspicious looking partial strike from Lushes Bight also indicates that another has been “discovered”. With the possible exception of Corner Brook, most strikes of the others are poor or light.



• THE SPLIT RINGS

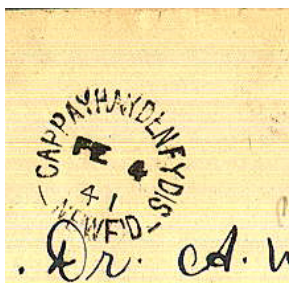
All Newfoundland’s split ring devices made by Pritchard and Andrews and many are in the P&A proof books. A separate proof list also exists in the Colin Bayley collection. The manufacture of this type for Canada was discontinued circa 1933/1934 but continued for Newfoundland up to 1947. Many locations used more than one split ring over the period of time that the office was open. This is borne out by the proof books as well as over 70 others that I have seen. Note that many used the “Bay” designation in one or another.



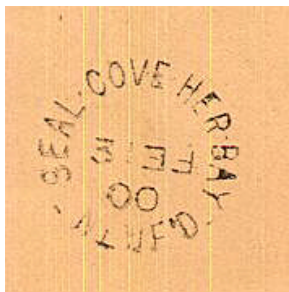
Often there would be a significant difference in short forms, e.g. HR. for Harbour or apostrophe placement etc., as is shown in two different from Richards Harbour. Also, as is shown in nearly all split rings from the same place, the lengths of arc of the split ring.



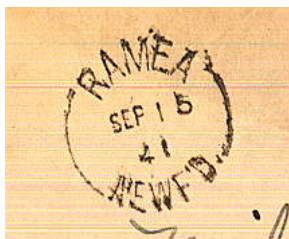
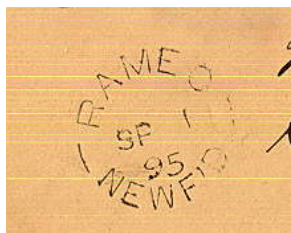
Newfoundland never had counties, only broad based districts for political purposes. The following two examples are: Belburns St. B Dis for St. Barbe District and Cappahayden Fy Dis for Ferryland District.



Another problem was the number of post offices bearing the same name. Seal Cove was a favourite, with four offices having that name. The routing dilemma was solved once more with the bay designations. Seal Cove HR. MAIN was in Conception Bay while Seal Cove HER. Bay was in Hermitage Bay and Seal Cove WB was in White Bay. Simple isn't it ?



There were also the inevitable spelling errors, such as RameO for RameA.

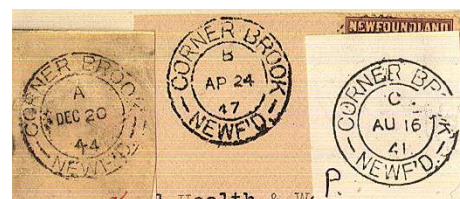


• THE CIRCULAR DATE STAMPS

It would appear that all of Newfoundland's CDS hammers were also made by Pritchard and Andrews, including the Corner Brook double circles. There are 50 NEWF'D CDS in the proof books. All CDS were identical in style to their Canadian counterparts. The bottom of the circle read NEWF'D as in the split rings. Post-Confederation CDS read NFLD on the bottom.



Corner Brook double circle (actually a split ring within a double circle) remains unique. There may have been three separate hammers. It is not known if the letters A, B and C were fixed or interchangeable. The "A" hammer is definitely different from the other two, with narrower spacing between the two circles and longer lengths of arc. The C hammer is a proof strike. All three have been found used on cover, including one with no letter at all.



• THE ROLLERS

All rollers were of the horizontal eight bar P&A style but with NEWF'D after the place name. There are nine locations listed in NSSC. I have seen five more not on that list. It is possible that many if not all locations receiving a NEWF'D CDS hammer also got a roller. Quirpon is in that category.



- **THE RUBBER DEVICES**

Rubber devices that were used in Newfoundland were similar in style to some lesser known date stampers of Canada. The three main types were: a double lined Oval, a rectangular Box and a double lined circle. During the 1920s and 1930s they were sometimes in use more frequently than their split ring counterparts and are frequently seen in coloured ink.

- **THE DOUBLE LINE OVALS**

This style comes in three main types. The earliest had the place name on top and Newfoundland on the bottom. These were in use circa 1900 to 1905.



A second type appeared later and was in use from about 1905 until 1920. This marking had POST OFFICE on the top and location followed by a comma on the bottom.



The third and commonly seen type was the Postal Telegraphs Oval. These show up from many locations that also had a telegraph connection. In the majority of cases, the telegraph operator was also the Postmaster and the rubber instrument was used concurrently with the steel date stamp. These markings are frequently in colour. On top was POSTAL TELEGRAPHS and on the bottom, location, a comma and NFLD. The location name is found in either Gothic or Serif typeface. A few differed, in that the top read H.M. CUSTOMS.

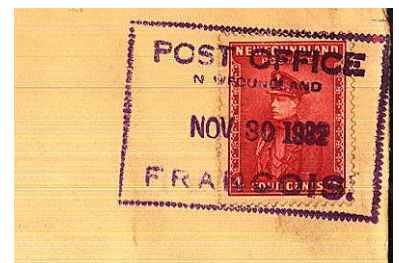


A few locations used this type with a serrated outer rim as shown.



- **THE BOX CANCELS**

All box cancels had similar wording with POST OFFICE NEWFOUNDLAND on the top and location on the bottom. This type of marking was in use basically throughout the 1930s. There were two distinct forms used by a number of the larger offices and a very few locations had both types in use. The first was the Dotted Line rim.



The second was the Wavy Line rim.

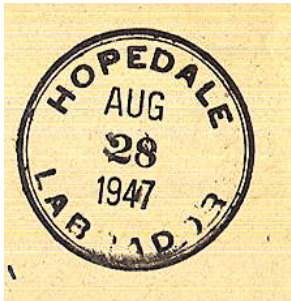
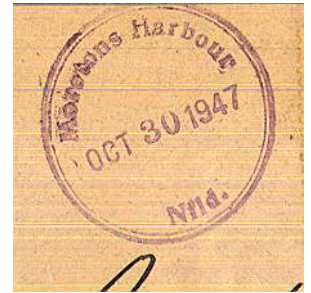
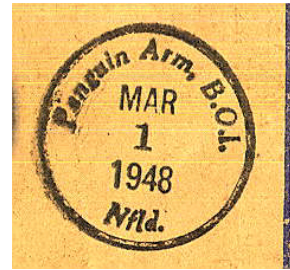
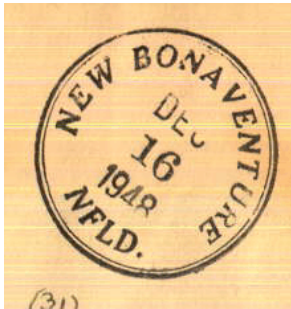


- **THE LARGE DOUBLE CIRCLES**

This rubber device was used in a very large number of locations from 1940 up to and after Confederation in 1949. There are minor differences in overall diameter, probably due to rubber stretch. The major differences are in the typefaces used. There is Gothic upper case and Italics in both upper and lower case. The bottom now reads NFLD in lieu of NEWF'D. Shown below are a few examples of the various typefaces in use.

Italic upper case

Italic lower case



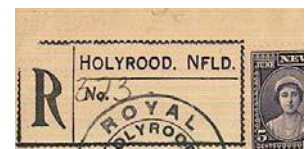
- **THE STRAIGHT LINES**

Some covers and pieces will be seen with only a straight line handstamp with or without a date. The time period can only be guessed at by noting the stamp. It is possible that these devices were used for facing slips or correspondence with the GPO in St. John's.



- **THE REGISTRATION BOXES**

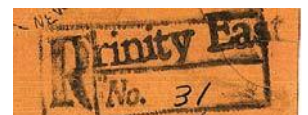
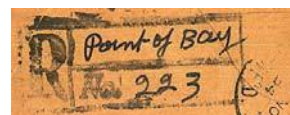
During the earlier years the ubiquitous Canadian style Oval R was in use at the smaller offices. A named, wavy line box was used at St. John's, Harbour Grace and Holyrood and possibly the larger towns.



Most locations used a nude R box with the registration ledger number. This example from Heart's Delight.



The more diligent Postmasters would always ensure (in particular if this was official correspondence) that their office name was included in manuscript or with the straight line device.



- **THE REGISTERED GUMMED LABELS**

System of Registered gummed labels was introduced July 1938 and were sent out to 48 of the larger offices. These labels appeared in two different series; the second series went through at least two different printings for some offices. The first series was a plain white label with location name in serif upper case, an R and ledger number. This issue came in sheet form and were perforated on four sides.



The second series had a blue border with location name in gothic, an R and ledger number. There were more than one printing as the same town is seen with NFLD and without. These issues came in coil form, being perforated at top and bottom.



In Newfoundland Specialized Stamp Catalogue is a page labelled as 1938 REGISTRATION GUMMED LABELS (JULY 14 *) * DATE OF ISSUE TO THESE OFFICES, issued to others when needed. Information* from 1938 postal guide. NSSC provides a list of these post offices. The 48 larger offices receiving the first series are marked with an asterisk on this list.

Registered format envelopes were issued in 1938 to coincide with the gummed labels. These were available in four different sizes. Example shown of the gummed label affixed to a Registered format envelope.



- **THE RAILWAY TICKET DEVICE STAMPS**

At many smaller locations on the railway lines, the ticket agent was also the Postmaster (and could be the telegraph operator as well.) Having access to so many stamping devices an occasional mistake was inevitable. The community of Princeton on the Bonavista line was notorious for use of the "square one". Illustrated are two of the several types: N. RAILWAY and NF. RY.

An excellent source for the listing of these various railway ticket stamps is:

"Travelling Post Office Postmarks of Newfoundland & Labrador" by Brian Stalker.



ABRAHAM'S COVE

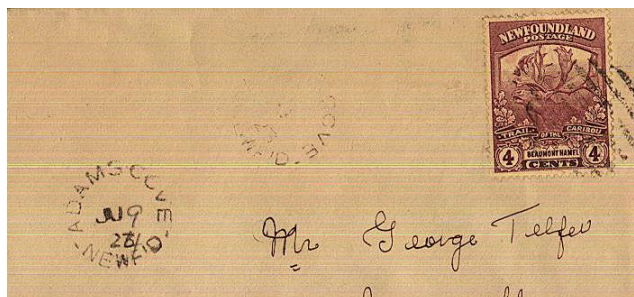
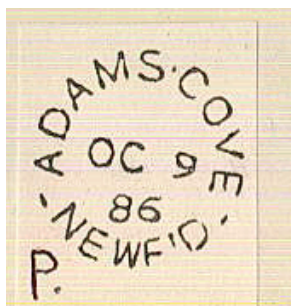
Open	1911	Closed	1945	Population	35
Bay	St. Georges	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map	5 A 3
Distributing Office			Port Au Port		

First postmaster was Charles Duffy. PM in 1931 was Mrs. J.J. Bruce. Official records state that the office at Abrahams Cove was transferred to Campbells Creek (next office over) where, Mrs. Joseph McDonald was PM, on November 04 1941. Early distribution would have been by train at Stephenville Crossing via Port Au Port. Given the length of time the office was open, there may have been two split rings and possibly a double circle device. No strikes have been seen and no proofs are recorded. Nearest post office after closing was Campbell's Creek. In 1949, this location remained in the system as a telephone office only with connection to Port Au Port. After Confederation, this office reopened from 1964 to August 17 1970. A CDS strike is known from this period.

ADAMS COVE

Open	Way Office 1886; Post Office 1891; Closed 1945			Population	223
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay	Map	17 D 26
Distributing Office			Carbonear		

Waymaster and first postmaster was John Evans. PM in 1931 was Nathaniel Diamond. Early distribution by train Conception Bay Railway TPO daily Harbour Grace/Carbonear. Later distribution St.J.& Carb. Mon. Wed. Fri. 4:00 PM. Given the length of open time, there may have been two split rings and possibly a double circle. Illustrated are proof strike and same device in use. Nearest post office would have been Western Bay. After Confederation this office reopened from July 20 1962 until August 6 1970.



ADEYTOWN

Open	1912	Closed	1931	Population	100
Bay	Trinity	Location	Northwest Arm Random	Map	16 C 22
Distributing Office			Clareville		

Previously called LEE BIGHT. Postmasters were always Adeys. PM in 1931 was Mrs. J.L. Adey. Distribution was by train to Clareville and thence via courier. No proof or strike is known although a split ring should exist. Nearest post office would have been Deep Bight.

ADMIRALS BEACH

Open	1906	Closed	1931	Population	31
Bay	St. Mary's	Location		Map	20 J 24
Distributing Office			St. Joseph's Salmonier via S.S. Portia		

First Postmaster was Albin Hearn. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Hannah Hearn. No strikes or proofs are known from this office. This location was in the system as a telephone office only with connections to St. Joseph's Salmonier. Admirals Beach reopened during the Post-Confederation period from May 02 1960 to September 30 1969. A CDS strike and a MOON Y 002 seen.

ADMIRALS COVE SS

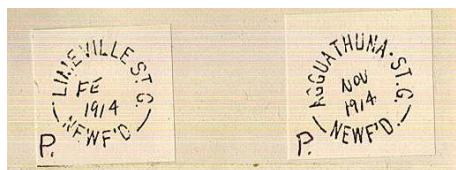
Open	1906	Closed	1931	Population	143
Bay	South Shore	Location	South Avalon "Irish Loop"	Map	21 H 27
Distributing Office		Cape Broyle			

There is some confusion between this office and another with an identical name located a mere 10 miles away. There is an Admirals Cove, Cape Broyle which, is presumably this one and also an Admirals Cove, Fermeuse. The other office is listed as Fermeuse, Admirals Cove so they will be listed that way in this book. The first Postmaster is unknown. The PM in 1931 was John Carew. The distribution was by courier from St. Johns via Cape Broyle. In 1949 this location was in the system as a telephone office only with connection to Cape Broyle as the nearest post office. No known proofs or strikes have been seen. Admirals Cove reopened Post-Confederation from April 13 1951 to August 04 1970. A CDS and a Registration box seen.

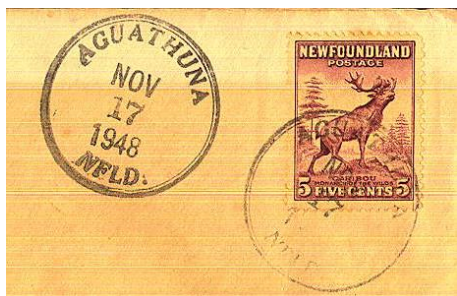
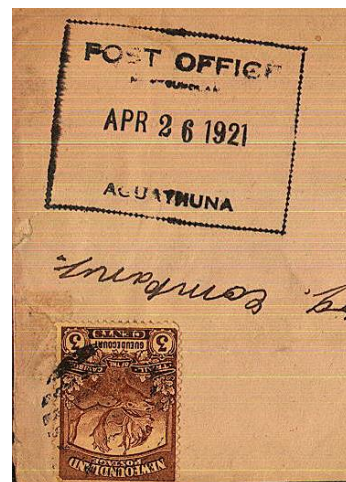
AGUATHUNA

Open	1914	Closed	Still Open	Population	143
Bay	East	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map	5 Z 4
Distributing Office		Port Au Port			

Previously named LIMEVILLE due to large Limestone quarries in the vicinity. A strange situation exists here. Limeville was never recorded as a post office name, however there is a split ring proof of that name dated Feb. 1914. There is a further split ring proof named Aguathuna St. G. dated Nov. 1914. This would lead me to believe that the Limeville St. G. device was in use for nine months. The postmaster in 1931 was Jean K. Walsh who, was also telegraph operator. Distribution was daily via trains 1 and 2 from Stephenville Crossing via Port Au Port. Aguathuna was also a money order office.



split ring No. 2 ?



ALDER HARBOUR

Open	1921	Closed	1931	Population	24
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Rocky Bay Hamilton Sound	Map 10 V 21	(suspected)
Distributing Office			Carmanville		

Precise location of this office is not known. The 1931 postal guide states location as Alder Harbour, Rocky Bay, Fogo district. First PM was Hedley Monland. Postmaster in 1931 was Peter G. Hoddinott. Mail distribution was once a week by S.S. Home via Carmanville. No known proofs or strikes seen.

ALEXANDER BAY STATION

Open	1921	Closed	February 29 1952	Population	16
Bay	Inland	Location	on rail line near Glovertown	Map 16 Z 22	
Distributing Office			Same		

Location was the train station for the entire peninsula from Glovertown to Salvage. First PM was T. E. Tipple. Postmaster in 1931 was F. Newhook. Mail distribution was daily Trs. 1 and 2 . Two split rings are known. First split ring courtesy of Murray Smith. Year date is 33.



split ring No. 2



split ring No. 1 courtesy
Murray Smith

ALLAN'S ISLAND

Open	1919	Closed	May 11 1970	Population	303
Bay	Placentia	Location	South Coast Burin Peninsula; Map 18 K 15		
Distributing Office			Lamaline		

Served by the coastal boat S.S. Portia via Lamaline on a weekly basis. First Postmaster was Edward Walsh who, still held the position in 1931. One split ring is known. A CDS is known from the Post-Confederation period.



ANDERSON'S COVE

Open	July 1885	Closed	August 31 1965	Population	110
Bay	Fortune	Location	Belle Bay	Map F 18	
Distributing Office		same			

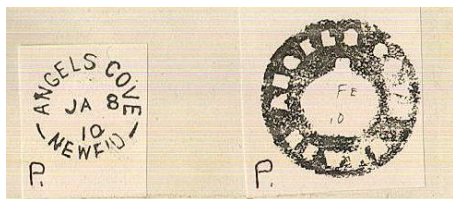
Opened as a way office in July 1885 with Joshiah Thornhill as waykeeper. It became a post office in 1891 with James Thornhill as Postmaster. In 1898, Charles Thornhill became PM. The PM in 1931 was still Charles Thornhill. Distribution was by S.S. Glencoe from Argentia on Wednesdays. The office closure was due to "limited usefulness."
Two split rings are known. These would be very difficult to separate except for the typeface.



ANGELS COVE

Open	1910	Closed	1933	Population	74
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Cape Shore" Placentia	Map 20 J 22	
Distributing Office		Placentia			

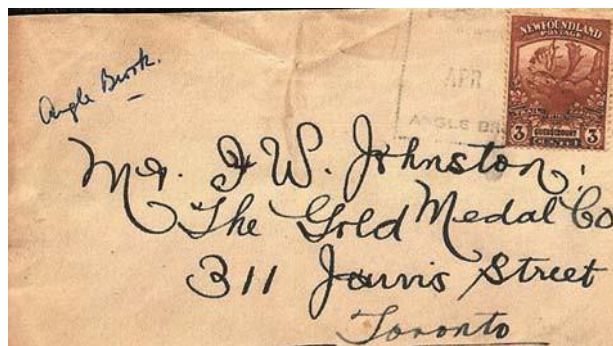
The first Postmaster was Mrs. Patrick Coffey who, also served in that position in 1931. Distribution was by Placentia Bay Railway daily via Placentia and courier. In 1948 this location was still in the system as a telephone office only with connection to Placentia. Nearest post offices were Patrick's Cove and St. Brides. This office reopened from December 12 1952 until February 28 1969. A CDS and Registration box are known from this period.



ANGLE BROOK

Open	1921	Closed	1941	Population	53
Bay	Alexander... / /... Bonavista in part	Location	Glovertown	Map 16 Z 22	
Distributing Office			Glovertown	Angle Brook Road	

This office was hard to pin down for a location until I discovered an Angle Brook Road partway between Glovertown and Glovertown South. First Postmaster was Mrs. Violet Miles. There is no listing in the 1931 guide. The 1949 "Nixie" list states "send matter to Glovertown". Distribution would have been Alexander Bay Station daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Glovertown. A dotted line Box cancel is known. It is strange that a split ring from here is not known.



courtesy Doug Hannan

APSEY BROOK

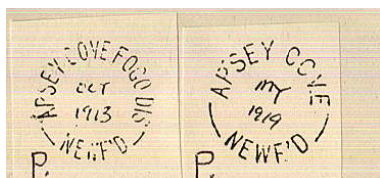
Open	1910	Closed	1914	Population	52
Bay	Trinity	Location	Random Island Smith Sound	Map 16 B/C 23 (Aspey)	
Distributing Office			Clareville daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Shoal Harbour		

Aspey was a Newfoundland word for Aspy or thick with Aspen trees.(Dictionary of Newfoundland English). An Aspey Brook exists today on the North Shore of Random Island. Postmaster was John T. Smith. Nearest post office was Elliot's Cove. In 1949 this location remained in the system as a telephone office only with connection to Clareville. No proofs or strikes exist.

APSEY COVE

Open	1914	Closed	1931	Population	104
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Hamilton Sound Fogo District	Map 10 U 21	
Distributing Office			Ladle Cove		

This office reopened as Aspen Cove on April 09 1954 and remains open. First Postmaster is unknown. PM in 1931 was Eva Chaulk. Distribution was by S.S. Home from St. John's on Wednesdays via Ladle Cove. This office is not to be confused with Aspen Cove Trinity Bay. Two proofs are known from here.



APSEY POINT

Open	1910	Closed	1931	Population	180
Bay	Trinity	Location	5 miles North of Clarenville	Map	Not shown

Was near Milton, about 5 miles North of Clarenville. Again, the Apsey/Aspen problem. First Postmaster was Arthur Stanley. Listed in 1931 guide as Aspen via Georges Brook. First Postmaster was Arthur Stanley. PM in 1931 was John T. Smith. Apsey/Aspen Cove (NOT POINT) Smith's Sound, Trinity Bay AND that is the location of POINT not cove was renamed Aspen by the Nomenclature Board. For approximate location use Georges Brook Map 16 B 22. No known strikes or proofs seen.

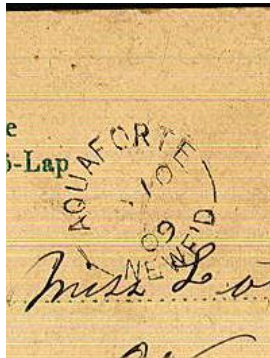
AQUAFORTE

Open	1879	Closed	Still Open	Population	176
Bay	N/A	Location	South Avalon on "Irish Loop"	Map 21	J 26
Distributing Office		Ferryland			

Opened as a way office in 1879 with Peter Winsor as waymaster. It became a post office in 1891 with Henry C. Winsor as PM. Postmaster in 1931 was Mrs. H. WinDsor. PM in 1936 was Mrs. Sarah J. WinDsor. Distribution was by St. John's South Shore Courier via Ferryland. Two split ring devices are known.



partial split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

ARCH AND GARDEN COVES

Open	1924	Closed	1931	Population	37
Bay	Placentia	Location	Garden Cove	Map 16 D 22	
Distributing Office		Sound Island			

First Postmaster was Charles W. Eddy.

In all of my sources of reference material there is absolutely nothing regarding this office save John Butt's original heading. In reading the entry Garden Cove in the (Encyclopedia of Newfoundland and Labrador) the light came on! Not knowing where the "Arch" fits in, Garden Cove is located at the very head of Placentia Bay. In 1931, Garden Cove was still in the system with phone connection only to Sound Island. Distribution was by S.S. Argyle from Placentia on Fridays via Sound Island. Also, on Tuesdays by motorboat from Arnold's Cove via Sound Island. Garden Cove reopened on October 23 1953 and remains open. Many Post Confederation devices known: CDS, MOON 5 digit, MOON Y-3 digit, Registration Box and others. No proofs or strikes seen.

ARGENTIA

Open	1900	Closed	August 03 1960	Population	477
Bay	Placentia	Location	Argentia Peninsula Plac. Bay	Map	G 22
Distributing Office		Same			

In earlier years this was the homeport of the coastal boats S.S. Portia and S.S. Glencoe. All mail bound for the entire South Coast to Port Aux Basques left from here after arriving from St. John's on the Placentia railway. In later years it became the civilian post office of the American naval base. First Postmaster was Mrs. J. McGratt. The PM in 1931 was J.J. McGratt, possibly the same or a child of Mrs. J. The PM and TO on December 01 1937 was D. Ryan. At this time, the office was removed from the railway station to a separate building. Mail was daily by the Placentia railway. Argentia was also a telegraph station.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2 proofed April 09 1938



single large circle in Gothic;
double circle is in Serif type

ARNOLD'S COVE

Open	1893	Closed	Still Open	Population	174
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Neck" of Avalon Peninsula	Map	16 E 22
Distributing Office		Arnold's Cove Station			

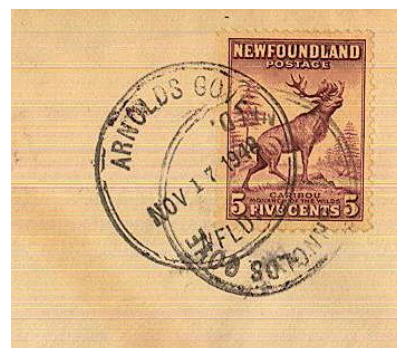
Arnold's Cove was the main distribution point for all offices in upper Placentia Bay and the islands therein. First Postmaster was Jonathan Boutcher. PM in 1931 was Mary Ann Boutcher. One thing that you will notice as we progress through this book is the frequency of Postmasters being a family affair. Distribution was by railway daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Arnold's Cove Station. From the illustrations of the split rings, two of them being proofs, it looks like this place had three different ones.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 3



split ring No. 2; no apostrophe
OR may be split ring No. 1 with
apostrophe broken off



ARNOLD’S COVE STATION

Open	1917	Closed	1945	Population	10
Bay	Inland	Location	“Neck” of Avalon Peninsula	Map	16 E 22
Distributing Office		Same			

Arnold’s Cove Station received mail daily Trs. 1 and 2.
First postmaster was Margaret Rose. PM in 1931 was M.S. Peach.
After 1945 the nearest post office was Arnold’s Cove.
Oddly enough, a split ring strike from this office has not been seen.



railway ticket device

ASPEN COVE

Open	1914	Closed	1931	Population	28
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound Random Island	Map	16 C 23
Distributing Office		Britannia			

First Postmaster was John T. Smith who also held the position at closing in 1931. Distribution was daily from Clarenville Trs. 1 and 2 via Georges Brook. This location is NOT to be confused with Apsey Cove. Nearest post office after closing was Britannia. The cancel for here may have read “ASPEN T.B.” This office reopened April 9 1954 and closed November 21 1961. No proofs or strikes seen.

AVONDALE NORTH

Open	1908	Closed	1931	Population	unknown
Bay	Conception	Location	unknown		
Distributing Office		Avondale			

First Postmaster was Elizabeth O'Brien. PM in 1931 was Mrs. L. Hennesy. Nothing else about this office is known. No proofs or strikes known.

AVONDALE

Open	1899	Closed	Still Open	Population	600
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of Conception Bay	Map	21 G 25
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Edward Kennedy. PM in 1931 was Julia Kennedy.

PM in 1942 was Miss Muriel Hannon. Distribution daily Trs. 1 and 2.

The first split ring is not known and I believe it never existed. Avondale was one of the very few locations to have received the Duplex hammers and they were sent out in 1899. A split ring proof (misspelled) and a mail bag seal were proofed in 1910. Remarkably, this misspelled device continued in use to at least 1943.

Once more, confusion reigns supreme. My reference material tells me that Avondale was called Cats Cove from 1891 to 1908.

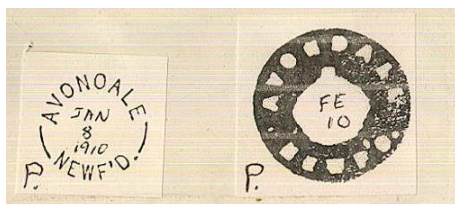
Question No. 1. If the location was called Cats Cove, why the Avondale postmark?

Question No. 2. If the location ceased being called Cats Cove in 1908, why the split ring proof two years later in 1910?

Was the Duplex used up until 1910?



"mystery duplexes";
where did they come from?



misspelled split ring



misspelling still in use

BADGER BROOK

Open	July 19 1901	Closed	1921 (as Badger Brook)	Population	285
Bay	Inland	Location	on rail Line	Map	8 X 14
Distributing Office		Not Known			

In the beginning, Badger Brook was the settlement and Badger was the railway station.

In 1921 Badger Brook became Badger and the office at the station closed. Became an MOO at inception.

First Postmaster was H. Frazer. Distribution was daily Tr. 1 and 2 via Badger (station.)



courtesy of Murray Smith



courtesy of Murray Smith

BADGER

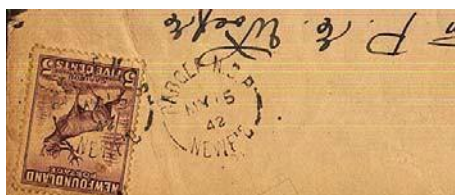
Open Bay	1906 Inland	Closed Location	July 27 1992 (as a post office) Between Grand Falls and Deer Lake on railway line	Population Map 8 X 14	450
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Distributing Office Same

The original Badger was the railway station which closed July 1921 and Badger Brook, the settlement, became Badger. First Postmaster was T. O'Neal (Badger the station.) PM in 1931 (Badger the town) was Bertram Payne who was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1937 was Peter Alexander. Distribution was daily by Trs. 1 and 2. During the earlier years, Badger was an important place for the forest industry. After closing in 1992, the community was further served by two Retail Offices, the latter remains open today.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



Postal Telegraph Oval;
possibly used concurrently
with Dotted Line Box



Dotted Line Box;
possibly used concurrently
with Postal Telegraph Oval



two large double circles;
in Gothic and Serif types

Badger was also a forwarding office. Forwarding to where? The mail for Buchans and Millertown should have been handled from Millertown Junction. The only possibility is sending the mail overland to Springdale for delivery in Green and Notre Dame Bays or, a mail dispersal area for the many lumber camps in the area. Another of the various mysteries to solve.



BADGER'S QUAY

Open	1916	Closed	Still Open	Population	316
Bay	Bonavista	Location	North Shore Bonavista Bay	Map	10 W 23
Distributing Office		Wesleyville			

First Postmaster was Bertha Hoskins. PM in 1931 was Chesley Hoskins who, was also Telegraph Operator. Mail was distributed on Monday by the S.S. Malakoff from Port Blandford via Wesleyville. A second delivery was Friday by motor ferry from Gambo.



BAIE VERTE

Open	1903	Closed	Still Open	Population	27
Bay	White	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	4 S 14
Distributing Office		Coachman's Cove			

Baie Verte was a sleepy little outpost until Asbestos was discovered near there. It is now probably the largest town in Northern Newfoundland after St. Anthony. First Postmaster was H.M. Herbert. PM in 1931 was not listed. This office had a closed period, likely 1931 as it is listed as opening on January 01 1938. PM on January 01 1938 was Miss Marie Batstone. Earlier distribution was bi-weekly Wednesdays (except Winter months) by S.S. Prospero from St. John's via Coachman's Cove. Winter service was by courier from Burlington emanating from Springdale. The Winter mail routes for the White Bay area and indeed all of Northern Newfoundland were very arduous and time consuming. Sometimes it would take upward of two months or more to reach St. John's. ST. BARBE was included in split ring no.1 because ALL of Northern Newfoundland was at one time included in the St. Barbe District.



split ring No. 2



split ring No. 1
courtesy Murray Smith

BAINE HARBOUR

Open	1883	Closed	Still Open	Population	180
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula South Coast	Map	19 G 19
Distributing Office		Marystown			

Baine Harbour opened as a way office in October 1883 with Lemuel Roberts as waykeeper. It became a post office in 1891 with Eli Gardner as the first Postmaster. Postmaster in 1931 was Malcom Smith who, was also telegraph operator. Mail arrived weekly on Wednesdays by S.S. Glencoe from Argentina via Marystown. In 1948 mail arrived weekly from Argentina by M.V. Burin.



split ring No. 1
Placentia Bay T.P.O. backstamp



split ring No. 2 HR



BALD NAP

Open	1882	Closed	1902	Population	27
Bay	Trinity	Location	Not Known		
Distributing Office		Not Known			

Opened as a way office in 1882 with William Guilford as waymaster. It became a post office in 1891 with same William Guilford as Post Master. Nothing else can be found regarding this office.



BALENA

Open	1899	Closed	1916	Population	14
Bay	Fortune	Location			
Distributing Office		Not Known			

First Postmaster was A. D. Neilson. All we know about this location is that it was an American Whaling station. The only post card of Balena just shows a whaling boat in a deserted cove. Mouth of Bay D'Espeir close to McCallum



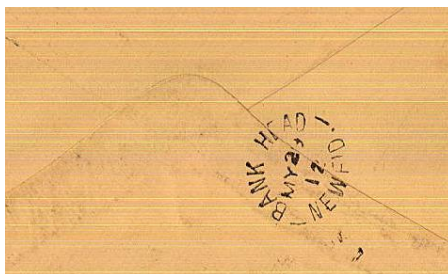
BANK HEAD

Open	1887	Closed	1889	Population	91
Bay	St. Georges	Reopened	1906 / Closed 1931		
Distributing Office		Location	Present Day St. Therasas	Map 11/12	B 4
			same		

Opened as a way office from 1887 to 1889 with Anne Reilly as waykeeper. It reopened in 1906 with Margaret M. Power as Postmaster. Postmaster in 1931 was Margaret M. Cormier (married). I have seen three covers from here and all have the date stamp struck on the back of the cover and not on the front. Bank Head renamed St. Theresa in 1932. Two different split rings are shown.



split ring No. 1;
all one word



split ring No. 2

BAR HAVEN

Open	1912	Closed	September 20 1966	Population	204
Bay	Placentia	Location	Bar Haven Island Placentia Bay	Map 16 E 21	
Distributing Office			Arnold's Cove		

Previously called Baron's or Barren Island. First Postmaster was Mrs. Peter Shea who, still held the position in 1931. Distribution was Tuesdays by motor boat from Arnold's Cove. Bar Haven was one of the Resettled (abandoned) outports. PB for Placentia Bay.



BARENEED

Open	July 1875	Closed	October 15 1970	Population	215
Bay	Conception	Location	Port De Grave Peninsula	Map	21 F 25
Distributing Office		Clarkes Beach			

Opened as a way office in 1875 with Jabez Butler as waykeeper in 1875 and George F. Payne for 1876. Became a post office in 1891 with Isaac Richards as Postmaster and Amy Richards in 1898. PM in 1931 was William Richards. There may have been a closed period, probably 1931. Officially (re)open on May 23 1946 (as confirmed by proof for split ring no. 2) with Chesley Batten as PM. Distribution was daily by Conception Bay railway TPO via Clarkes Beach. Two split rings and a dotted line Box cancel seen.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



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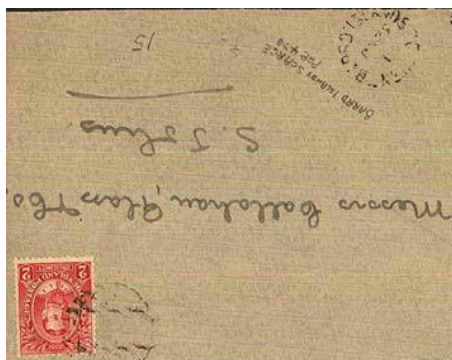


split ring No. 1

BARR'D ISLANDS

Open	1903	Closed	1945	Population	470
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Fogo Island	Map	T 21
Distributing Office		Fogo			

First Postmaster was Thomas Anthony. PM in 1931 was Violet Randell. Distribution in Summer by S.S. Home from St. John's weekly via Fogo. Winter service by courier from Lewisporte railway. Nearest money order office was Joe Batt's Arm.



BARREN / BARON ISLAND

Open	1886	Closed	1912	Population	220
Bay	Placentia	Location	Bar Haven Island Placentia Bay	Map	16 E 21
Distributing Office		Arnold's Cove			

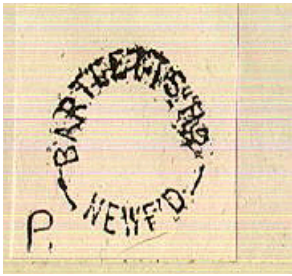
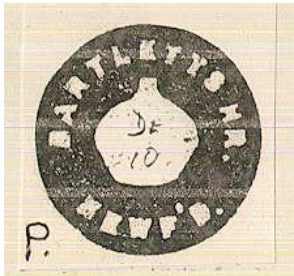
Opened as a way office in 1886 with Elizabeth Shea as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891. This location including the whole island was renamed Bar Haven by the Nomenclature Board in 1912.



BARTLETT'S HARBOUR

Open	1900	Closed	Still Open	Population
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Ferrolle Peninsula	Map
Distributing Office		Port Au Choix		1 L 11

First Postmaster was Thomas W. Rose. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Thos. Caines. Distribution in Summer by S.S. Sagona from Humbermouth weekly. Winter service by courier from Port Au Choix.



BARTON

Open	1918	Closed	1931	Population	45
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound Random	Map	16 B 23
Distributing Office			Clareville		

Previous name for this location was Snook's Brook which was open from 1910 to 1929. Barton was open from 1918 to 1931. There is a proof for Snook's Brook dated Jan. 1909. There is a proof for Barton dated Dec. 1918. Strikes from Snook's Brook are recorded 1910 to 1929. Obviously there is a discrepancy here. The two devices could have been used concurrently. First Postmaster is unknown. PM in 1931 was Mrs. E. Gardner. Distribution was daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Clareville via Georges Brook. Nearest post office after 1931 was Harcourt.



BATTEAU

Open	1893	Closed	1982	Population	unknown
Bay	Table	Location	Domino Island Labrador Coast	No map	
Distributing Office			Labrador TPO		

This location was a Labrador office. There will be very few Labrador listings in this book. Readers are directed to "A Pre-Confederation Postal History of Labrador" by Kevin N. O'Reilly, a BNAPS publication. Batteau, like nearly all Labrador settlements was a Summer office only. First postmaster was Samuel Wilcox in 1893, followed by Patrick Delaney in 1900. Distribution was fortnightly from St. John's via S.S. Kyle and Labrador TPO. Batteau appears to have been open continuously (Summer only) until 1982. No known proofs or strikes seen.

BATTLE HARBOUR

Open	1888	Closed	October 10 1990	Population	110
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Labrador		No Map	
Distributing Office		Same			

Battle Harbour was always the largest settlement on the Labrador coast and the office was open year round. No Postmasters are listed. Distribution in Summer was from St. John's fortnightly by S.S. Kyle. In Winter, four mails are dispatched overland by courier from Quebec via Forteau. Two different dotted line Box cancels are known. One reads Battle Harbour while the other says Battle Hr. Lab. Three different split rings and a NEWF'D CDS were used from here.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



split ring No. 3;
in use 20 months



CDS



Box Cancel No. 1
courtesy Kevin O'Reilly



Box Cancel No. 2
courtesy Kevin O'Reilly

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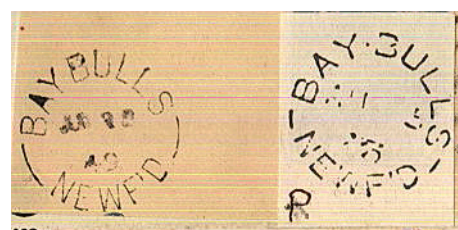
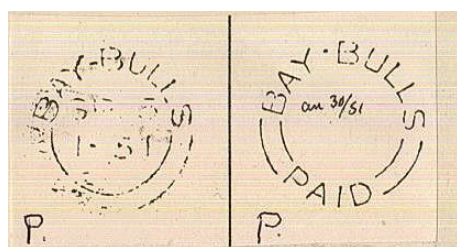
Open May	1889	Closed	April 27 1970	Population	265
Bay	Conception	Location	North East of Bell Island	Map	17 E 27
Distributing Office		Torbay			

Bauline opened as a way office in 1889 with James King as waykeeper. It became a post office in 1891 with Jemima King as Postmaster. Charlotte L. Butler is listed as PM in 1899. PM in 1931 was Michael Folly. Distribution was daily from St. John's at 12 noon by wagon via Portugal Cove. No proofs or strikes seen.

BAY BULLS

Open	1851	Closed	Still Open	Population	800
Bay	Ocean	Location	South of St. John's, "Irish Loop"	Map 21	G 27
Distributing Office		St. John's			

Opened as a post office in 1851. First Postmaster was Martin Williams. PM in 1873 was Harriet J. Williams. PM in 1875 was William Williams. PM in 1885 was Martin Burke. PM in 1893 was Emily Burke. PM in 1931 was Emily O' Brien. Distribution was daily 12 noon from St. John's by wagon. The GPO double split rings have not been seen. Two split Rings known and a Postal Telegraph Oval was in use during the early 1930s.



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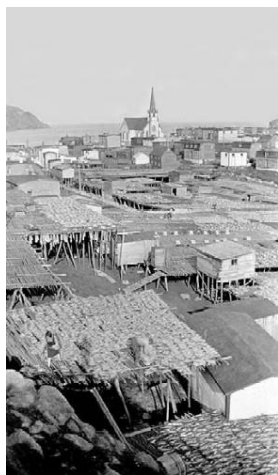


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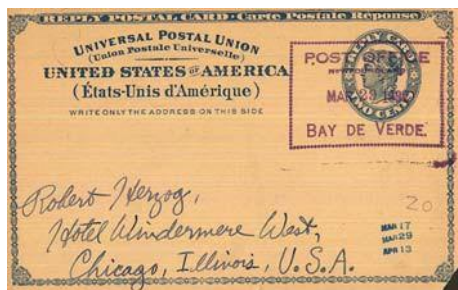
BAY de VERDE

Open	1863	Closed	Still Open	Population	820
Bay	Conception	Location	near Baccalieu Island	Map 17	C 26
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

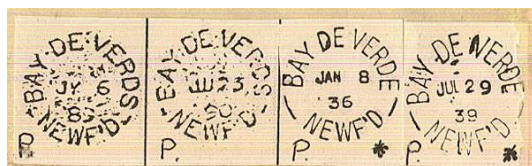
Bay de Verds (sic) opened as a way office in in 1863 with Thomas Hutchings as waykeeper. He was followed in 1864 by Elias Pico and in 1868 by Charles Blunden and in 1884 by Stephen Blunden. This location was upgraded to post office status in 1891 with Keziah Emberley as Post Master. PM in 1931 was Frank Emberley who, was also the telegraph operator. Distribution was daily from Conception Bay Railway to Carbonear via courier. Bay de Verde had a Postal Telegraph Oval, a dotted line Box and 4 split rings.



courtesy Murray Smith



courtesy John Oldford



courtesy Malcolm Back

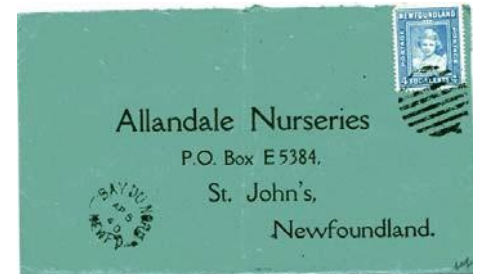
BAY du NORD

Open	1891	Closed	September 16 1968	Population	190
Bay	Fortune	Location	Belle Bay	Map	15 E 17
				(East Bay Head)	
Distributing Office	Not Known				

First Postmaster was Thomas Farrell. PM in 1931 was Martha E. Farrell. Distribution was weekly from Argentia via S.S. Glencoe. It is interesting to note that although a 3rd split ring device was issued in 1936, that the 2nd split ring was in use in 1939. Were they used concurrently? Also, it appears that the date slugs for both were lost.



split ring No. 2

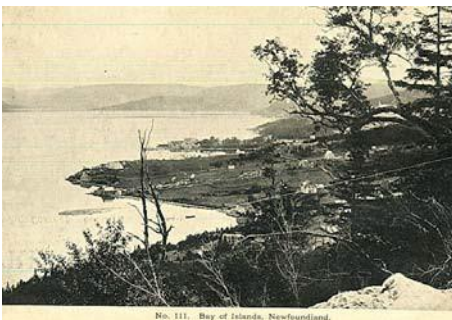


split ring No. 3 courtesy Doug Hannan

BAY ISLANDS / BAY OF ISLANDS

Open	1872	Closed	1909	Population	Not known
Bay	St. Georges District	Location	Not known		
Distributing office	Not known				

The only thing that is known is it opened as a way office in 1872 with William Petipas as waykeeper. It was upgraded to post office status in 1879 with William Bagg as Postmaster in 1882 and E. A. Bagg in 1900. Bay Islands is listed as being St. Georges District. In 1872 that would have been correct as the Humber District did not come into being until later. The problem here is with this location and the one to follow called Bay OF Islands. I have a post card marked Bay Islands dated Dec. 24 1899 with a return address of Rev. Arthur Waghorne Bay OF Islands. Rev. Waghorne is known to have lived in Curling aka Birchy Cove. In 1872 there was very little settlement around the shores of Bay Of Islands with Curling being the largest. During the later years of this office, 1898, the mail would have moved by rail. There somehow has to be a connection between these two offices. Bay OF Islands is listed as a way office only from July 1883 to 1885 only with Thomas Carter as waykeeper. The location could have been from one of the other smaller settlements around the bay. A strike from this location is not known.



BAY ROBERTS

Open	1857	Closed	Still Open	Population	2000
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	21 F 25
Distributing Office	Same				

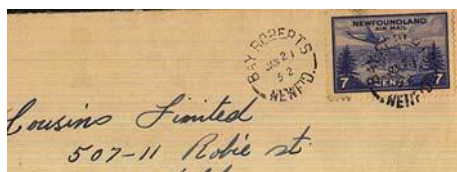
Opened as a way office in 1857 with James Fitzgerald as waykeeper and J. Eliza Moors in 1871. It was upgraded to post office status in 1879 with William Frazer as Post Master. Successive PM's were Hector Frazer in 1890 and D. G. Frazer in 1891. PM in 1931 was Nathan French with W. F. Brennan as assistant. Distribution was daily from St. John's by Conception Bay Railway. Four split rings and a dotted line Box cancel are known. A double circle may exist.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2;
CB for Conception Bay



split ring No. 4



split ring No. 3



BAY de L'EAU

Open	1911	Closed	1931	
Bay	Fortune	Location	Upper Fortune Bay	Map 19 F 19
Distributing Office	English Harbour East			

First Postmaster was Thomas J. Burton who, also held the position in 1931. Distribution was weekly by S.S. Glencoe from Argentia via English Harbour East. Bay de L'Eau eventually became one of Newfoundland's "Resettlement" outposts. No known proofs or strikes seen.

BAY du NORD

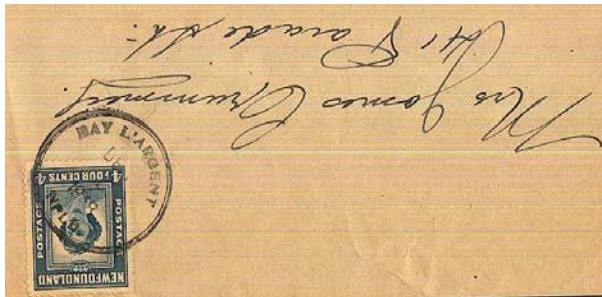
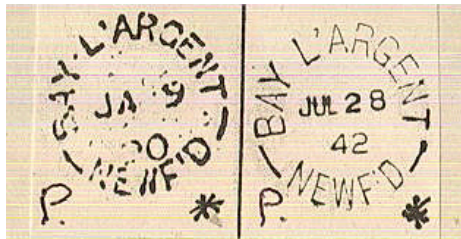
Open	1903	Closed	1931	Population	80
Bay	Hermitage	Location	Not Known		
Distributing Office	Not known				

No, you are not seeing double. There actually was another Bay du Nord in the next bay over. I cannot locate this place but there is a North Bay of Hermitage Bay. First Postmaster was James Thomey. PM in 1931 was Jas. J. Kearley. Distribution would have been weekly by S.S. Glencoe from Argentia via Hermitage or Pushthrough. There are no known proofs or strikes but this one probably read Bay Du Nord Hermitage or Her, or H.

BAY L'ARGENT

Open	1883	Closed	November 23 1992	Population	300
Bay	Fortune	Location	Burin peninsula North side	Map	19 F 19
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1883 with P. G. Snow as waykeeper and Harriet Grandy in 1884. Became a post office in 1891 with Mary M. Grandy as Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Clyde Banfield who, was also telegraph operator. Distribution was weekly by S. S. Glencoe via Argentinia. Since closing in 1992, there have been a succession of 3 Retail offices, the latter of which is still open.



BEAR COVE

Open	1909	Closed	August 29 1969	Population	100
Bay	White	Location	East side of White Bay	Map 3 S 12	
Distributing Office		Seal Cove			

First Postmaster was Mary Wells Toop. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Simon Rice. There must have been a closed period, probably 1931. Office (re)open on July 9 1946. This office supposedly replaced that of Western Arm from June 14 1946 until November 28 1946. Distribution in Summer was fortnightly by S.S. Earl Of Devon from Lewisporte. Winter route was from Lewisporte by courier via Burlington and Seal Cove.



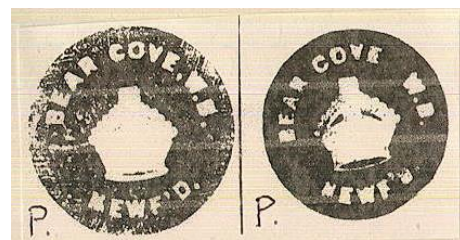
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split ring No. 2



courtesy Doug Hannan



BEAU BOIS BISHOPS COVE

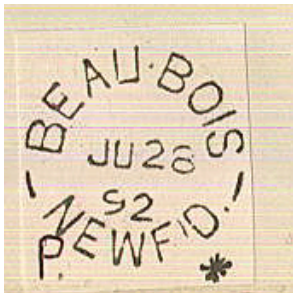
Absolutely no documentation exists for this office except a proof.
If there was such a location it would have been on Conception Bay.



BEAU BOIS

Open	1879	Closed	1931	Population	68
Bay	Placentia	Location	Mortier Bay near Marystown	Map	19 H 18
Distributing Office			Marystown		

Open 1879 as a way office with George Dobrell as waykeeper. Upgraded to post office in 1891. PM in 1931 was Mary Ann Dober (looks like same name.) Distribution was weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Marystown. Pronounced BOE BOYS by the locals.



BEAUMONT NORTH

Open	1920	Closed	1933	Population	150
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	North of Beaumont	Map	8 U 16
Distributing Office			Pilley's Island		

Previously called Ward's Harbour. First Postmaster was Winnie England. PM in 1931 is not listed. Distribution in Summer was weekly from Lewisporte by S. S. Clyde via Beaumont. Winter mails were courier from Pilley's Island via Beaumont. There are no known proofs or strikes.

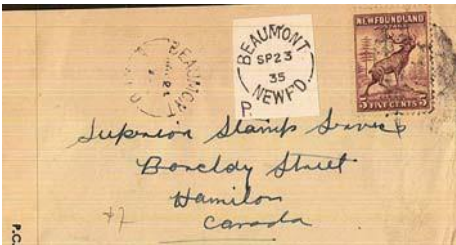
BEAUMONT

Open	1920	Closed	Still Open	Population	450
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Entrance to Hall's Bay	Map	8 U 15
Distributing Office			Pilley's Island		

Previously called Cutwell, opened 1920. First Postmaster was Winifred Roberts. PM in 1931 was H.R. Short who, was also the telegraph operator. Distribution in Summer was weekly on Mondays from Lewisporte via S.S. Clyde. Winter mails, courier from Pilley's Island. Obviously there was an earlier split ring and possibly a double circle.



serrated oval



BEAVER COVE

There is apparently one strike known for this office and it is in Fogo or Fogo District. “Nixie” list says send matter to Fredericton. There is a Beaver Cove next to Fredericton. Map 9 V 20

BEAVERTON

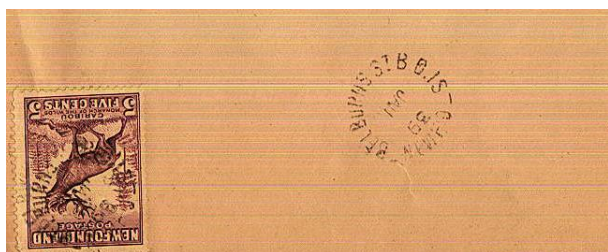
Open	1909	Closed	1928	
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Farewell Peninsula	Map 9 U 20 (Port Albert)
Distribution Office		Not known		

Little Beaver Cove was an early name for Port Albert and that is the closest that I can get. First Postmaster was John A. Day. Nothing else is known. No proofs or strikes are known.

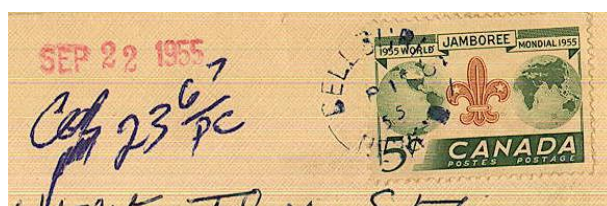
BEL(L)BURNS

Open	1911	Closed	Still Open	Population	89
Bay	Gulf St. Lawrence	Location	West coast Northern Peninsula	Map 3 Q 9	
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was John D. House who, still held the position in 1931. Distribution in Summer was weekly on Wednesdays by S.S. Sagona from Humbermouth via Daniels Harbour. Mails in Winter came by courier whenever they could from the Deer Lake railway station and up “the Great Northern mail road” (parts of which still exist today) and ending at Flowers Cove. This route was arguably the longest and most arduous of courier routes in Newfoundland. This location had two split rings. ST B DIS for St. Barbe District.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

BELL ISLAND FRONT

Open	1937	Closed	Still Open	Population	285
Bay	Conception	Location	Ferry Landing Bell Island	Map Not shown	
Distributing Office		Same			

This office is at a small settlement where the Bell Island ferry lands. No Postmasters are known. A strike or proof have not been seen. The postmark could be either a split ring or a “NEWF'D” CDS.



BELL ISLAND MINES

Open	1908	Closed	March 02 1951	Population	0
Bay	Conception	Location	Mine Location Wabana	Map	17 E 26 (Wabana)
Distributing Office		Bell Island			

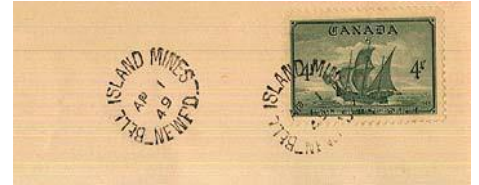
This was the post office for the mines complex. First postmaster is not known. PM in 1931 was Bride Jackman and Kathleen Davis as assistant. PM in 1941 was Nicholas Alcock. Distribution was Bell Island via Portugal Cove ferry. There are three known split rings with the first reading BELL ISLE MINES. There was also a dotted line Box which are not illustrated. Two double circles are recorded. One in Gothic "ISLD" and the other in serif typeface.



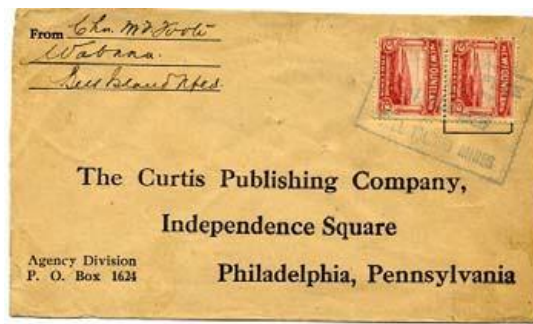
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Wavy Line box
courtesy Doug Hannan



Dotted Line box
courtesy John Oldford

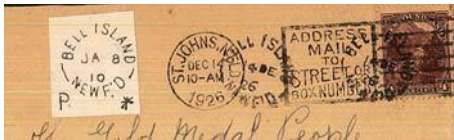


split ring No. 2
Bell Island Mines
Bell Island Newf'd

BELL ISLAND

Open	1910	Closed	Still Open	Population	Not Known
Bay	Conception	Location	Wabana	Map 17 E 26	(Wabana)
Distributing Office		Same			

Postmaster at name change not known. PM in 1931 was David J. Jackman. Distribution from St. John's daily via Portugal Cove ferry. Bell Island (town) was renamed Wabana in 1951. It has since changed back to Bell Island in 1979 and remains open today. This location had at least two split rings, both a dotted line and wavy line Box and a straight line handstamp.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



Dotted Line box Straight Line

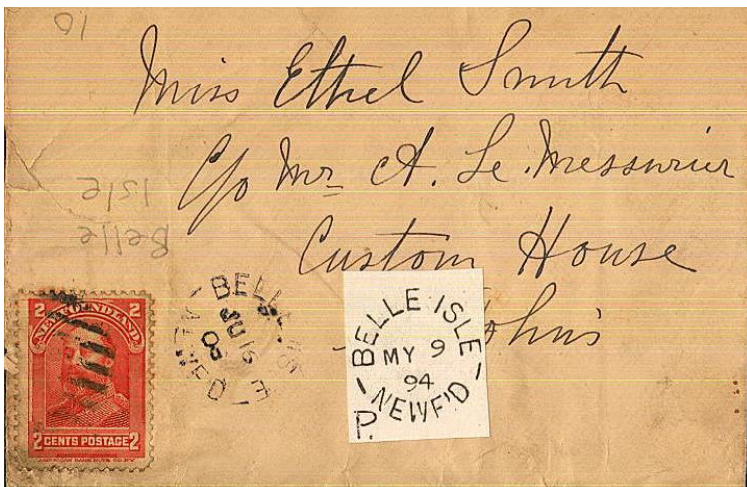


Wavy Line box
courtesy Doug Hannan

BELLE ISLE

Open	1887	Closed	1910	Population	Not Known
Bay	Conception	Location	Wabana	Map 17 E 26	(Wabana)
Distributing Office		St. John's			

Opened as a way office in 1887 with Matthew Jackson/Jackman as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with same Matthew as Postmaster. Name of location was changed to BELL ISLAND in 1910. Distribution was daily from St. John's by wagon Via Portugal Cove and ferry. There is obviously an earlier split ring.



BELLEORAM

Open	1879	Closed	Still Open	Population	750
Bay	Fortune	Location	North side Fortune Bay	Map	19 F 17
Distributing Office		Same			

Opened in 1879 as a way office with William H. Cluett as waykeeper. Julia Cluett was waykeeper in 1885. Became a post office in 1891 with Julia Cluett as Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Jessie Miles who, was also telegraph operator. PM on November 21 1939 was R. Harris. Mails were delivered weekly from Argentia via

S.S. Glencoe. Obviously, it was the original intention to make Bel(le)oram a post office in 1851. This did not occur. Oddly enough, Belleoram is not listed as having a Postal Telegraph Oval or either Box cancel.



split ring No. 1 (no E)



split ring No. 2



uncommon Coastal West T.P.O. as backstamp



BELLEVUE EAST

Open	1920	Closed	1948	Population	204
Bay	Trinity	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not Known			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Jane Murphy who, also held the position in 1931.

Mails were delivered daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Rantem Station. A split ring is known. TB for Trinity Bay.



BELLEVUE

Open	1897	Closed	Still Open	Population	185
Bay	Trinity	Location	Tickle Bay Head of Trinity Bay	Map 16	E 23
Distributing Office		Whitbourne			

Bellevue was called Tickle Harbour prior to 1897. First Postmaster was Margaret Lynch. PM in 1931 was not listed. PM on May 5 was Mrs. Leo Brazil. Mails were delivered daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Rantem Station . No proofs or strikes seen.

BENOIT’S COVE

Open	1887	Closed	Still Open	Population	200
Bay	Bay Of Islands	Location	South coast BOI	Map 6	X 6
Distributing Office		Curling/Corner Brook			

Opened as a way office in 1887 with J. S. Evitt as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891. Postmaster in 1931 was Alonzo Gallant. PM in 1937 was Miss Frances Dormody. Officially closed on April 10 1937 AND Officially (re)opened August 1 1944. Distribution was daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Curling railway station. A split ring from this location has not been seen.



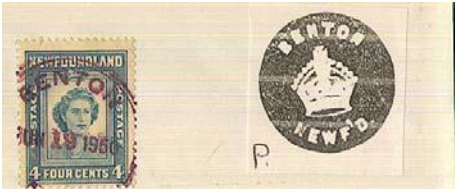
BENTON

Open	1896	Closed	Still Open	Population	45
Bay	Inland	Location	On rail line	Map 9	X 20
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster in 1896 was William O'Reilly. PM in 1898 was E. W. Taylor. PM in 1931 was railway agent (not named.) Distribution was daily Trs. 1 and 2. Obviously there was an earlier split ring.



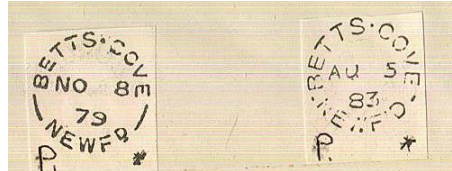
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BETTS COVE

Open	1871	Closed	1919	Population	18
Bay	Green	Location	Baie Verte peninsula	Map 8	T 15 (not settlement)
Distributing Office		Not known			

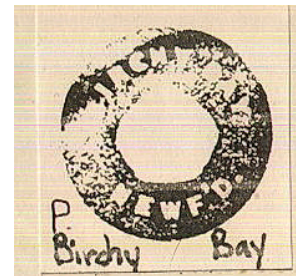
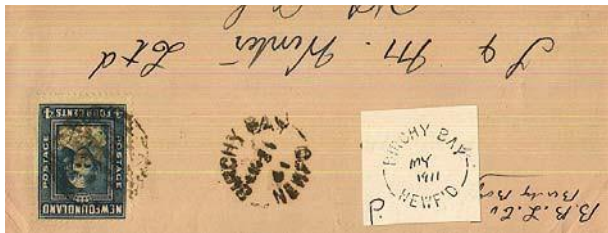
This was one of the first Copper Mines in Newfoundland. Opened in July 1875 (although first marking indicates 1871) as a way office with Edward W. McCurdy as waykeeper. Upgraded to post office status in 1877. William Cunningham was Postmaster in 1882. This office was one of the few to receive a "Fancy" device. The mine along with the settlement was abandoned when richer deposits were found up the coast at Tilt Cove. There should be a split ring for this office.



BIRCHY BAY

Open	1905	Closed	Still Open	Population	65
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Between Lewisporte & Twillingate	Map 9	V 19
Distributing Office		Lewisporte			

First Postmaster is not known. PM in 1931 was Mrs. J. Canning. PM on July 5 1948 was Miss Ella Canning. Mail arrived weekly by courier from Lewisporte. Birchy bay had two split rings.



BIRCHY COVE

Open	1918	Closed	1931	Population	88
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map	17 Z 25
Distributing Office	Bonavista				

Opened in 1918 with Herbert Ryan as Postmaster. This office must have reopened as PM listed in 1939 was Minnie Ryan. Mails delivered from Bonavista via Bonavista Bay railway.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Mail from *Birchy Cove* For *Bonavista*

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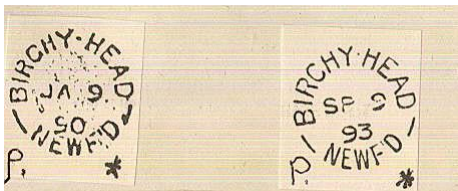
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BIRCHY HEAD

Open	1887	Closed	Still Open	Population	65
Bay	Bonne	Location	Head of Bonne Bay	Map	6 V 7
Distributing Office	Bonne Bay (Woody Point)				

Opened in 1887 with Henry Halfyard as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Henry as Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Thomas Caines. PM in 1942 was Mrs. James Gooseney. Distribution in Summer was weekly by S.S. Sagona from Humbermouth via Bonne Bay. In Winter by courier from Deer Lake station via Bonne Bay. Two split rings are known .

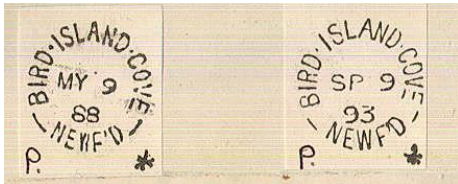


courtesy Doug Hannan

BIRD ISLAND COVE

Open	1887	Closed	1904	Population	450
Bay	Trinity	Location	Not known (Elliston mentioned)	Map 17 Z 26	
				(North Bird Island ?)	
Distributing Office	Not known				

NSSC says closed 1907. Palmer Moffat master list says closed 1904. Opened in 1887 as a way office with Arthur Tilley as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with the following as PM. Helen Tilley and Benjamin Baker 1894. Helen Tilley again in 1896 and Benjamin Baker again in 1898. Wouldn't you love to know the full story on that one ? If in fact the location of Elliston is correct, then the distribution would have been from Bonavista. There is one suspicious aspect here. Elliston opened in 1904. The year Bird Island Cove shut down. I conclude that this location was renamed Elliston, although the Nomenclature Board listing does not substantiate this. There were two split rings proofed.



BISCAY BAY

Open	1910	Closed	1931	Population	58
Bay	Trepassey	Location	South Avalon Peninsula	Map 21 K 25	
Distributing Office	Trepassey				

First Postmaster was Thomas Ryan. PM in 1931 was John Ryan. Mail delivery was daily from St. John's by rail via Trepassey station. This office reopened after Confederation from April 2 1953 to April 30 1970.



BISCAYAN COVE

Open	1921	Closed	1931	Population	74
Bay	Conception	Location	Cape St. Francis	Map 17 D 27	
Distributing Office	Pouch Cove				

This location is at the extreme North end of the Avalon Peninsula. First Postmaster was Ambrose Rose who, still held the position in 1931. Distribution was daily 12 noon from St. John's by wagon via Pouch Cove. No proofs or strikes seen.

BISHOP'S COVE

Open	1885	Closed	July 21 1970	Population	58
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 E 25
Distributing Office		Spaniards Bay			

Opened April 1885 as a way office with David Barrett as waykeeper and Herbert Barrett in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with Herbert Barrett as Postmaster. PM in 1898 was Israel Smith. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Eliza Clarke. Officially listed as (re)opening August 1 1944. Distribution was daily by Conception Bay railway via Spaniards Cove. There were two split rings, one proofed in 1892 and the other in 1944.



BISHOP'S FALLS STATION

Open	1912	Closed	1931	Population	none
Bay	Inland	Location	Rail line Bishop's Falls	Map	8 X 16
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was J. C. Hampton. PM in 1931 was Thomas Glavine. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2.



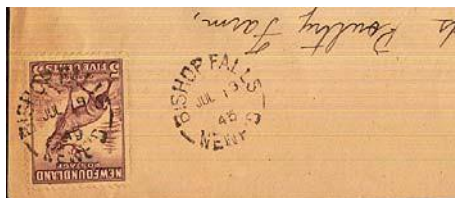
BISHOP'S FALLS

Open	1904	Closed	Still Open	Population	1,800
Bay	Inland	Location	On Exploits River	Map	8 X 16
Distributing Office		Same			

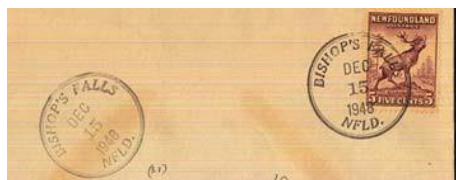
First Postmaster was Mrs. C. Squires. PM in 1931 was W. Milley who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1942 was Miss Sarah Verge. PM and To on September 18 1948 was C.L. Pickett. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Bishops Falls Station. Two split rings are known as well as a dotted line Box and a wavy line Box. Shown below are all except the wavy line Box.



Split ring No. 1 (has 'S')



split ring No. 2 (no S)



BLACK DUCK BROOK

Open	1901	Closed	August 17 1970	Population	16
Bay	Port Au Port	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map	5 Z 4
Distributing Office		Port Au Port via Lourdes			

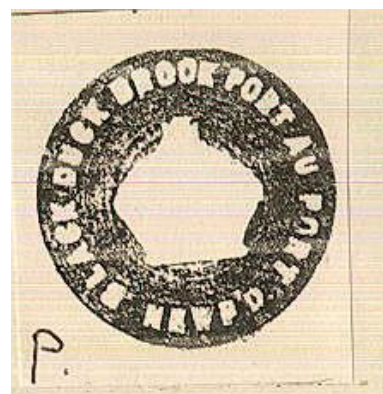
First Postmaster was Mary Boyce. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Joseph A. Young. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Stephenville Crossing station via Port Au Port. There was an earlier split ring, too light to copy, that read BLACK DUCK BK ST G.



split ring No. 1 (BK ST G)
courtesy John Oldford



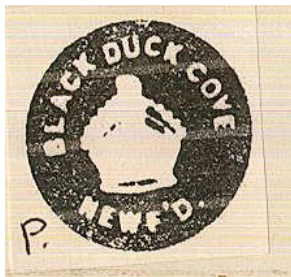
split ring No. 2



BLACK DUCK COVE

Open	1947	Closed	Still Open	Population	50
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 1	K 11
Distributing Office		Flowers Cove			

This office opened July 26 1947 upon the closure of the St. Barbe office the previous day. First Postmaster was Abraham Dredge. Mails weekly by courier from Corner Brook via Flowers Cove.



BLACK ISLAND

Open	1903	Closed	November 07 1964	Population	118
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Bay of Exploits	Map 9	U 18
Distributing Office		Exploits			

First Postmaster was Thomas E. Harris. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Peter Frampton. PM on April 1 1948 was Mrs. Wallace Rideout. Mails in Summer were weekly by S.S. Clyde from Lewisporte via Exploits. During Winter a courier was in use over the ice from Exploits. One split ring has been seen.



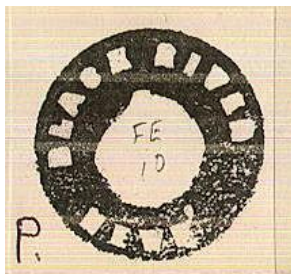
BLACK RIVER

Open	1886	Closed	1931	Population	36
Bay	Placentia	Location	Head of Placentia Bay	Map 16	D 22
Distributing Office		Not known			

Opened as a way office in 1886 with A. M. Blackadar as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891. PM in 1931 was Mrs. T. Barrington. Mails were delivered weekly by motor boat from Arnold's Cove. Two split rings are known for this location.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



BLACKHEAD BAY DE VERDE

Open	1858	Closed	1945	Population	183
Bay	Conception	Location	Bay de Verde	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

Open as a way office in 1858 with John Curtis as waykeeper. Following waykeepers were William Butt in 1863, Matthew Hudson in 1871 and John C. Moors in 1873. Became a post office in 1881 with John C. Moore (same name) as the first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Clement Hudson. Mails in earlier years would have been by “Conception Bay Packets.” Later distribution would be by Conception Bay railway by courier via Carbonear.



one split ring seen

BLACKHEAD ST. JOHN'S WEST

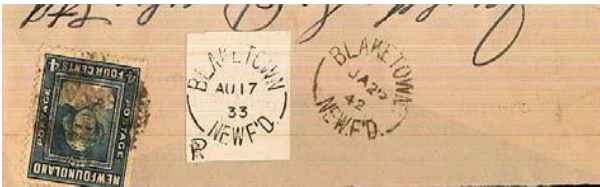
Open	1913	Closed	1931	Population	56
Bay	By ocean	Location	Cape Spear Road	Map	21 F 27
Distributing Office		St. John's			

First Postmaster is not known. PM in 1931 was William Healey. Mails were likely daily by courier from St. John's. No proofs or strikes seen.

BLAKETOWN

Open	1899	Closed	Still Open	Population	184
Bay	Trinity	Location	Inland from head of Trinity Bay	Map	20 F 24
Distributing Office		Whitbourne			

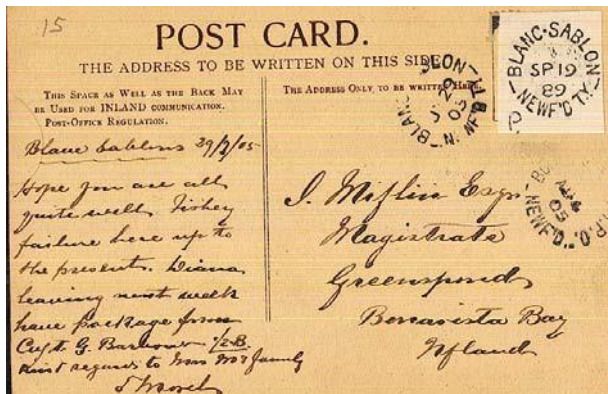
First Postmaster was Nathaniel Osbourne. PM in 1931 was Blanche Mercer. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Whitbourne via courier. Obviously there was an earlier split ring.



BLANC SABLON NEWF'D TY

Open	1893	Closed	1931	Population	46
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Labrador / Quebec border	Map	J 10
Distributing Office		Same			

This happened as a result of the Labrador boundary dispute between Newfoundland and Quebec. Up until 1927 Newfoundland claimed a lot of the lower Quebec North Shore and quite a few Newfoundlanders had settled there. The boundary is now just 2 miles east of Blanc Sablon. The first Postmaster was Edwin W. Grant. Mails in Summer were weekly by S. S. Sagona from Humbermouth. In Winter there were four dispatches from Quebec by courier and dog team. These occurred January 01 and 15, February 01 and March 01. One split ring is known. This marking is unique in that it proclaimed Blanc Sablon as Newfoundland territory.



BLOOMFIELD

Open	1913	Closed	Still Open	Population	350
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Head of Bay, Musgravetown	Map	16 A 22
Distributing Office		Lethbridge			

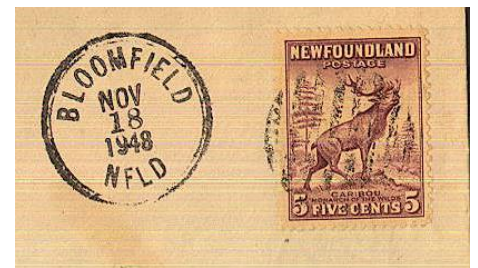
First Postmaster was George Reader who, still held the position in 1931. PM in 1939 was William Reader as of January 16. Distribution was by Bonavista railway via Lethbridge. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2 (no BB)



BOAT HARBOUR NORTH EAST

Open	1926	Closed	1931	Population	25
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map 19 G 19	(Brookside)
Distributing Office		Not known			

Later renamed Brookside. First Postmaster was Mrs. Elias Smith who, still held the position in 1931. An office called Brookside closed in 1911. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via St. Josephs. Nothing further is known of this office. No proofs or strikes seen.

BOAT HARBOUR P. B.

Open	1911	Closed	June 30 1988	Population	110
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map 19 G 19	
Distributing Office		St. Josephs			

Postmaster on opening is not known. PM in 1931 was Joseph Matterface. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via St. Josephs. This office was renamed Boat Harbour West in 1955. It closed as such on June 30 1988 and subsequently has had two retail offices, the latter of which is still open. One split ring and a Registration box are known. The Registration boxes of Pre-Confederation Newfoundland resembled those of Canada except for wavy line frames and the lower right leg of the "R." All of these devices except those of the larger towns were blank. Many examples are in manuscript.



BONA

Open	1903	Closed	1906	Population	34
Bay	Placentia	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Postmaster was Joseph Casey. With a population of 34 and the office open for only three years, absolutely nothing is known of this location. The records give no indication of an extension of service beyond 1906 or a reopening. However, the following marking for Bona is dated February 1930 with the correct stamp issue, therefore indicating a reopening sometime after 1906. PB for Placentia Bay. There is a LITTLE BONA and a GREAT BONA. Which settlement had the post office?



BONAVENTURE

Open	1891	Closed	1945	Population	73
Bay	Trinity	Location	South coast Bonavista Pen.	Map	16 B 24
					(Old Bonaventure)
Distributing Office	Same				

First Postmaster was William Field. PM in 1931 was not listed. PM in 1942 was Miss Elizabeth Vivian. Mails were weekly by S.S. Susu from Clarendville. This office was renamed to Old Bonaventure and reopened from 1964 until August 11 1970. One split ring is known. A double circle device was also in use.



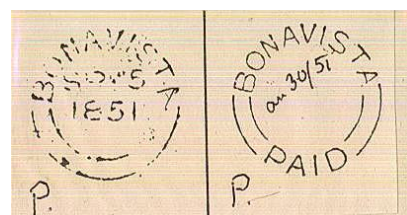
BONAVISTA

Open	1851	Closed	Still Open	Population	4,100
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Tip of Bonavista Peninsula	Map	17 Z 25
Distributing Office	Same				

Opened as a post office . The following were Postmasters. John Lawrence 1851, David Candow and Helen Martin both in 1877, James Mifflin in 1882 and Jabez Saint in 1891. PM in 1931 was Bert Little. Earlier mails were by coastal packet. Later mails were daily by Bonavista Bay Railway. There was a dotted line Box cancel used here. All other known devices are illustrated. For many years, the Bonavista post office was in the Court House. For many years the Bonavista double split ring was thought not to exist or was never issued. Recently, a partial strike was found on cover.



Newfoundland Postal Money Order
REMITTER'S RECEIPT
No. 5161
Nov 14 1941
Payable at: St. Johns
Payee: Teelons.
Amount: \$ 1.50
Remitter: Gertrude Ryan
Issuing Office: Bonavista
Date Stamp: 25



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2 proofed Nov. 1914; were devices 2 and 3 used concurrently?



split ring No. 3; obliterator looks like 'mail bag crown'



double circles in Gothic and in Serif

BOND’S PATH

Open	1926	Closed	1930	Population	Not known
Bay	Placentia			Map 20 K 24	(Path End)
Distributing Office		St. Mary’s			

This location required a bit of detective work. Bond’s Path went from St. Mary’s to Path End. There was also a Path End post office for 1931 only. Luckily, both Postmasters had the same name. Problem Solved. First Postmaster was Mrs. J. Lynch. Postmaster in 1931 was Mrs. F. Collins. Also, luckily, not one but two proofs show up for Bond’s Path. This is my lucky day. I have just looked further along and a proof exists for Path End St. M. for Aug. 09 1930. I am going to stick my neck out on this one and say that Bond’s Path and Path End were one and the same.



BONNE BAY HARE BAY

Open	1900	Closed	1901	Population	Not known
Bay	Hare (South Coast One)		Location Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Virtually nothing is known of this office. There is a Hare Bay (this one) on the South Coast. There is also a Hare Bay on the extreme North end of Newfoundland near St. Anthony. And wouldn’t you know it...BOTH Hare Bays had a settlement called Lock’s Cove. When it comes to Newfoundland, truth is stranger than fiction. No proofs or strikes seen.

BONNE BAY

Open Bay	July 1872 Bonne	Closed Location	Still Open At entrance to Bonne Bay	Population 1,200 Map 5 (Inset) U 7 (Woody Point)
Distributing Office	Same			

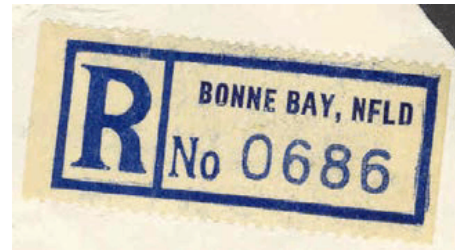
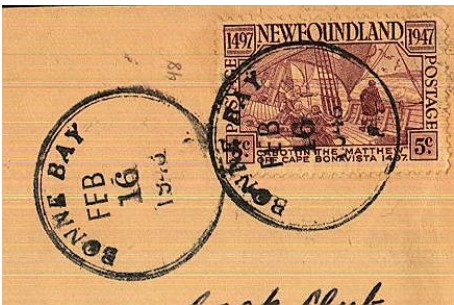
To begin with, the name of the settlement is Woody Point. Along with the other section of town called Curzon Village, these two constitute the post office called Bonne Bay. Bonne Bay opened as a way office in 1872 with John R. Roberts as waykeeper. It became a post office in 1884. It must be realized that during this period, Bonne Bay, Bay of Islands, indeed, the whole West Coast of Newfoundland were virtually unknown territory to most Newfoundlanders, including the powers that be in St. John's. Postmaster in 1931 was A. R. Roberts. PM in 1938 was Mrs. Ruby Roberts (wife?) who assumed position on December 01 of that year. J.A. Follett was appointed PM on March 16 1942 BUT Miss May Kennedy was appointed Acting PM on March 30. Mails in Summer were weekly by S.S. Sagona from Humbermouth. In Winter, mails were by courier from Deer Lake Station and up the "Great Northern Mail Road." (parts of which still exist).



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



courtesy John Oldford

BOOT HARBOUR

Open Bay	1892 Notre Dame	Closed Location	1945 Not known (Twillingate District)	Population 110
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First Postmaster was Frederick Thistle. Pm in 1931 is not listed. One split ring has been seen.



courtesy Doug Hannan

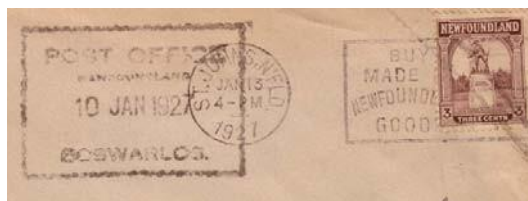
BOSWARLOS

Open	1907	Closed	1944	Population	136
Bay	Port Au Port	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map	5 Z 4
Distributing Office			Port Au Port		

First Postmaster is not known. PM in 1931 was Jacob Hewitt. Officially (re)opened July 01 1944 BUT closed again on September 02 1944. Mails were daily from Stephenville Crossing station Trs. 1 and 2 via Port au Port. Very little can be found regarding this location. Boswarlos reopened after Confederation in 1963 and closed on August 20 1970. One misspelled (BoswarlAs) seen from this office.



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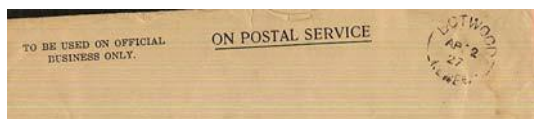


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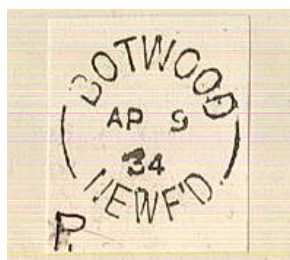
BOTWOOD

Open	1913	Closed	Still Open	Population	1,100
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Exploits Bay	Map	9 W 17
Distributing Office			Same		

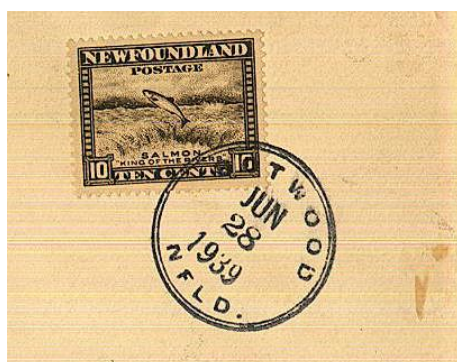
This office was previously called Botwoodville until 1912. Postmaster in 1931 was Lilian Payne who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Bishops Falls station. This location was an airbase for Trans-Atlantic seaplane operations. There was also a dotted line Box cancel in use at this office.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



courtesy Jim Leutje

BOTWOODVILLE

Open	1892	Closed	1913	Population	1,100
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Exploits Bay	Map	9 W 17
Distributing Office		Same			

Changed it's name to Botwood in 1913. First Postmaster was Jacob Bendell. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Bishops Falls station. This location was also a Telegraph station.



BOWATERS CORNER BROOK

Open	1946	Closed	1949	Population	none
Bay	Bay Of Islands	Location	Corner Brook	Map	6 X 7
Distributing Office		Corner Brook			

This office was located on the plant premises of the Bowaters Pulp Mill for the convenience of the workers and staff. The Postmaster is not known but may have been the company itself which, was often the case for offices in industrial situations. In Post-Confederation times, this office would have been a "Sub." A split ring has been recorded for this office but not seen. The double circle from Bowaters is a common mark from Newfoundland.



BOXEY

Open	1890	Closed	June 10 1970	Population	181
Bay	Fortune	Location	North coast of Fortune Bay	Map 18	G 16
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Clara M. Miles. PM in 1931 was Adam Miles. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. Note that the same split ring is still in use after 57 years.



BOYD'S COVE

Open	1895	Closed	1982	Population	297
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Near Twillingate	Map 9	U 19
Distributing Office		Same			

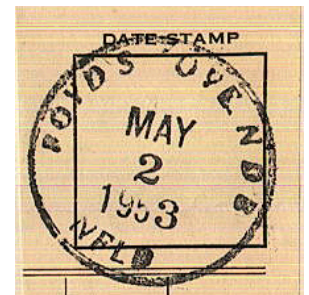
First Postmaster was Joseph Newman. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Patrick Clair. Miss Alma Waterman was appointed PM on June 01 1939. PM in 1936 was Miss Lucy Head. William Waterman was appointed on September 04 1937. PM in 1942 was Miss Elsie Freake. Mails were weekly by S.S. Clyde from Lewisporte. Two split rings and a double circle are known. The illustration of split ring No. 1 is a bad strike but enough of the arc shows that it differs from No. 2.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



BRADLEY'S COVE

Open	1926	Closed	1931	Population	99
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map 17	D 26
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

First Postmaster was Harold Whalen. PM in 1931 was Nehemiah Whalen. Mails were Carbonear by Conception Bay railway via courier. No proofs or strikes from this office seen.

BRAGG'S ISLAND

Open	1913	Closed	July 31 1955	Population	209
Bay	Bonavista	Location	North Bonavista Bay	Map	10 X 23

First Postmaster was Mrs. D. Glover who, still held the position in 1931. Miss Irene Feltham was appointed PM on April 30 1939, but this was rescinded and Frederick Winter took over the position on May 01 1939. PM on April 06 1946 was Miss Marie Parsons. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. Bragg's Island was one of the abandoned outposts under the Newfoundland Resettlement Programme. One split ring seen.



courtesy Doug Hannan

BRAKES COVE

Open	1920	Closed	February 15 1938	Population	61
Bay	Bay Of Islands	Location	Middle Arm	Map	6 W 7
Distributing Office		Cox's Cove			

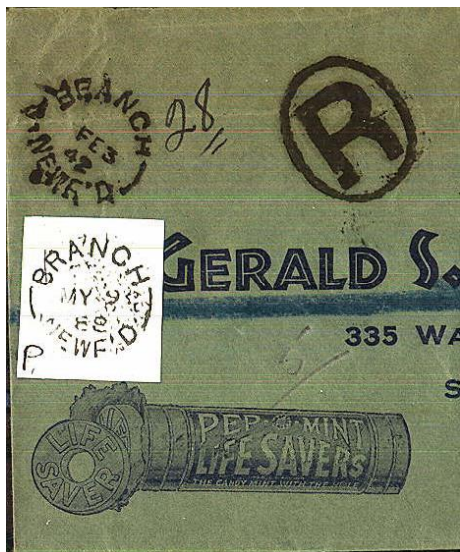
First Postmaster was Mrs. E. Delaney who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were twice weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. A proof is known from Sept. 1937. Obviously there was an earlier split ring.



BRANCH

Open	1875	Closed	June 01 1988	Population	386
Bay	St. Marys	Location	South end "Cape Shore"	Map	20 K 23
Distributing Office		St. Brides			

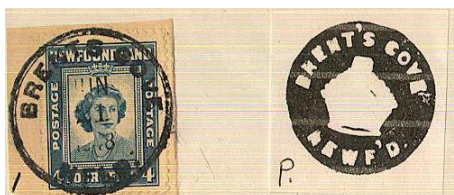
Opened as a way office July 1875 with John W. English as waykeeper. and Margaret English in 1876. Became a post office in 1891 with John. W. English as Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Agnes English who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from Placentia by courier. After closing in 1988, Branch continued postal service with a succession of three retail offices, the latter of which is still open. It appears that this office was using the same split ring for 54 years.



BRENT'S COVE

Open	1887	Closed	Still Open	Population	140
Bay	Ocean	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	4 S 15
Distributing Office		La Scie			

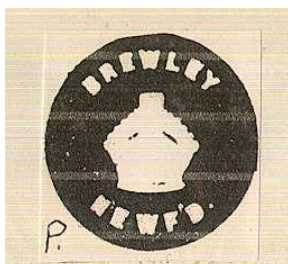
Opened in 1887 as a way office with John Carroll as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Lizzie Sullivan. Mails in Summer were weekly by S.S. Prospero via La Scie. In Winter by courier from Lewisporte via La Scie.



BREWLEY

Open	1903	Closed	June 19 1952	Population	88
Bay	Placentia	Location	North end Merasheen Island	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office			Arnold's Cove		

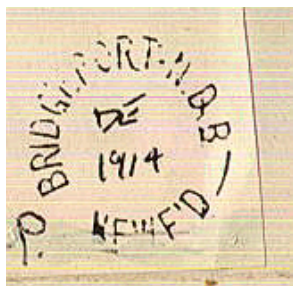
This office must have had a closed period as it was listed as a new office opened July 1 1938 with Mrs. J.J. Travers as PM, followed by Mrs. Ellen Lake on April 17 1940. Another piece of linguistic detective work on this one. If a Newfoundlander said Brewley, how would he spell it ? BRULE. On the North end of Merasheen Island was Great and Little Brule. First Postmaster was Mrs. William Emberley who, in 1931 still held the position. Mails were weekly on Tuesdays by motor boat from Arnold's Cove. Brewley is another victim of the Resettlement Programme. One split ring seen. PB for Placentia Bay.



BRIDGEPORT

Open	1914	Closed	Still Open	Population	225
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	New World Island	Map	9 U 19
Distributing Office			Moreton's Harbour		

Previously called Chance Harbour and was changed by the Nomenclature Board because of another Chance Harbour (also with a post office) in the same Notre Dame Bay. Hey! It's Newfoundland. First Postmaster was Elsie Jones. PM in 1931 was Reginald Noel. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Moreton's Harbour. During Winter by courier from Lewisporte railway via Moreton's Harbour.



BRIENS STAND

Open	1907	Closed	1933	Population	Not known
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay South	Map	Not shown but 21 G 26
Distributing Office			Holyrood or possibly same		

Another detective story. On an old map I located a "Briens" on the railway line just past Holyrood. This location is designated as HM (Harbour Main). The Harbour Main area is the head of Conception Bay. Same area. I must conclude that this is the answer for the location of this office. First Postmaster was Mary Kielly. PM in 1931 was F.M. Lacour. Mails would have been daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Holyrood or at location if catchpost was used on the Newfoundland railway system. I am not sure on this aspect. No proofs or strikes seen.

BRIG BAY

Open	1903	Closed	June 11 1965	Population	98
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 1	L 11
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Thomas H. Sheppherd. PM in 1931 was Jonas G. Jackman. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. In Winter were from Deer Lake railway station by courier over the "Great Northern Mail Road." In 1965 this office merged with that of Plum Point to become Plum Point. A proof is known from 1915, so obviously there was an earlier split Ring and the Pritchard & Andrews proof books are missing EVERYTHING from 1894 until 1904.



BRIGHTON

Open	1911	Closed	Still Open	Population	158
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Triton Island	Map 8	U 16
Distributing Office		Pilley's Island			

Originally called Dark Tickle and had a post office under that name from 1903 to 1911. The first Postmaster was Owen Fudge. PM in 1931 was Mrs. S.R. Fudge. PM in on October 01 was Miss Audrey Bridger. Mails in Summer were weekly by S.S. Clyde from Lewisporte via Pilley's Island. During Winter by courier from Springdale via Pilley's Island. Two split rings known.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

BRIGUS CROSS ROADS

Open	1895	Closed	1931	Population	25
Bay	Conception	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Brigus Junction			

First Postmaster was John Byrne. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Annie Hayes. Mails were daily by Conception Bay Railway via Brigus Junction.



courtesy NSSC

BRIGUS GULLIES

Open	1899	Closed	1931	Population	134
Bay	Conception	Location	Not known		

First Postmaster was Mrs. Lizzie Roberts in 1899. Mrs. Charlotte Roberts presided in 1900. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Herbert Curnew. Mails were daily by Conception Bay Railway via Brigus Junction.

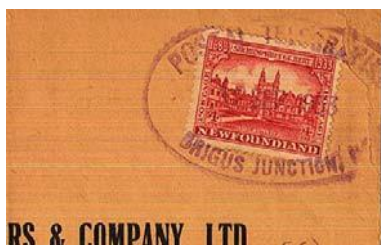
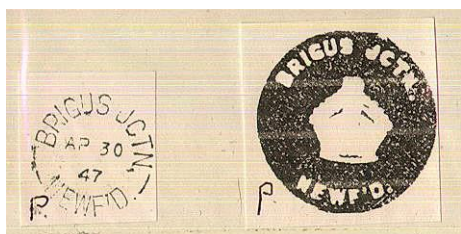


courtesy Brian C Bursey

BRIGUS JUNCTION

Open	1920	Closed	Still open	Population	108
Bay	Inland	Location	Avalon Peninsula	Map 21 G 25	
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was George Hobbs. PM in 1931 was Jerome Williams who, was also the telegraph operator. This office closed on January 31 1946 but reopened on December 16 1946. The Brigus Junction office was removed from the railway office and closed on January 31 1946. On December 16 1946 it was reopened but location is not given. Mails were daily by Trs. 1 and 2. Obviously there was an earlier split ring.

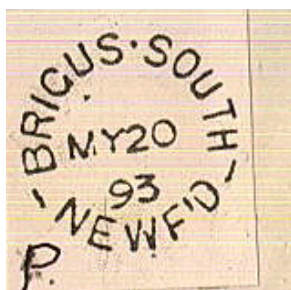


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BRIGUS SOUTH

Open	1893	Closed	1931	Population	93
Bay	Ocean	Location	South shore "Irish Loop"	Map 21 H 27	
Distributing Office		Cape Broyle			

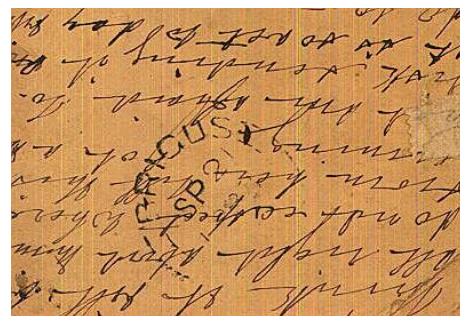
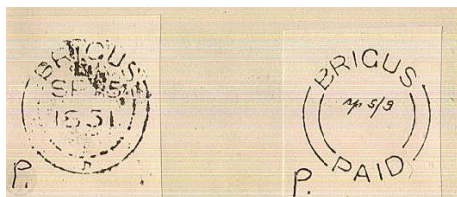
This office was not located anywhere near all of the other Brigus' (Brigi ?). First Postmaster was John Battock. PM in 1899 was W.J. Battock (may have been the same). PM in 1931 was John Gregory. Mails were by the South Shore courier via Cape Broyle.



BRIGUS

Open	1851	Closed	Still Open	Population	886
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	21 F 25
Distributing Office		Same			

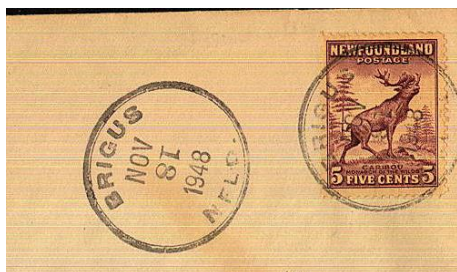
One of the oldest settlements in Newfoundland, Brigus opened as a post office in 1851. The first Postmaster was Wm. T. Stentafor. Sarah Stentafor was PM in 1857 and Hilda Bartlett in 1900. PM in 1931 was Alice Bartlett who, was also telegraph operator. Early mails were by Conception Bay Packet. Later distribution was daily by Conception Bay Railway via Brigus Junction.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



misspelled 'DRIGUS'
split ring circa 1911

BRISTOL'S HOPE

Open	1911	Closed	1934	Population	149
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 E 25
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

This location was previously called Mosquito Cove and operated a post office under that name from 1900 to 1911. First Postmaster was John Peddle. PM in 1931 was Mrs. John Tomey. Mails were daily by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear.



BRITANNIA COVE

Open	1881	Closed	1923	Population	101
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound Random Island	Map	16 C 23
Distributing Office		Same			

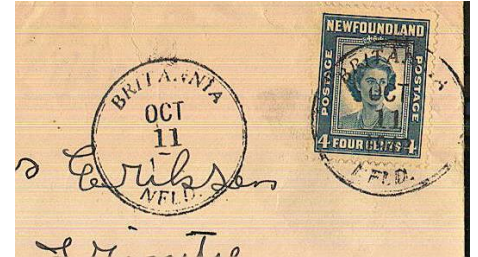
Open as a way office in 1881 with L. Taverner as waykeeper. Pierce Currie became second waykeeper in 1883. Upgraded to post office status in 1884 with Currie as first postmaster. The name of the office was changed to Britannia in 1923. This was basically the same office for the time frame 1881 to 1965.



BRITANNIA

Open	1923	Closed	September 28 1965	Population	101
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound Random Island	Map	16 C 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Britannia Cove with a post office under that name from 1881 to 1923. First Postmaster was Laurence Leawood who, was also telegraph operator. He still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. Britannia closed in 1965 because a post office opened at Lower Lance Cove, the next nearby settlement.



BRITISH HARBOUR

Open	1884	Closed	September 09 1968	Population	156
Bay	Trinity	Location	Random Passage	Map	16 B 24
Distributing Office		Same			

Open in 1884 as a way office with Arthur Gardiner as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Arthur as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was E. Anderson who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. In 1968, British Harbour became a victim of the Resettlement Programme and was totally abandoned.



split ring No.1 split ring No. 2



courtesy of Doug Hannan

BROAD COVE BAY de VERDE

Open	1886	Closed	September 23 1991	Population	407
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 D 26
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

Open 1886 as a way office with Jabez LeGrow as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Jabez as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Fred LeGrow. PM in 1938 was Miss Mildred Butt as of August 6. Mails were daily by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear station and courier. There is a problem sorting out this location from the five other Broad Coves. Broad Cove North Shore, Broad Cove Bay de Verde, Broad Cove Carbonear are all in one and the same office. Split ring No. 1 reads N.C. but was replaced by N.S. (North Shore) three years later. This location closed in 1991 and was replaced with a retail office which remains open.



split ring No. 2 split ring No. 1



split ring No. 3



BROAD COVE BONA VISTA BAY

Open	1887	Closed	1931	Population	165
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Newman Sound	Map	16 Z 23 (area)
Distributing Office		Happy Adventure			

The hammer face could read Broad Cove (Newman Sound.) This would locate it just to West of Happy Adventure. Open as away office in 1887 with Patrick Lawton as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Patrick as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Theresa Weeks. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Happy Adventure. No proofs or strikes seen.

BROAD COVE RENEWS

Open	1888	Closed	1914	Population	93
Bay	Ocean	Location	South Avalon "Irish Loop"	Map	21 K 27 Cappahayden
Distributing Office		Ferryland			

Changed to Cappahayden in 1914. Open as a way office in 1888 with Timothy Lawlor as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1895 with Jane Murphy as first Postmaster. PM in 1899 was Elizabeth Murphy. Mails would have been from St. John's by the South Shore courier via Ferryland. No proofs or strikes seen but would probably read Broad Cove Renews or SS.

BROAD COVE TRINITY BAY

Open	1884	Closed	1894	Population	Not known
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smiths Sound	Map	Not known
Distributing Office		Not known			

Open as away office in 1884 with James Pilley as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891. Closed in 1894. Nothing else is known of this office. There is a Broad Cove on Smiths Sound on the topo map. It is the present day location of Harcourt. Eureka ! The office of Sandy Point Smiths Sound opened in 1894, the year Broad Cove closed. Sandy Point closed in 1912. From the proceedings of the Nomenclature Board "Sandy Point Smiths Sound Trinity Bay to be Harcourt". Harcourt opened in 1912. No proofs or strikes seen.

BROAD COVE ST. JOHN'S WEST

Open	1888	Closed	1889; Reopened 1896; Closed 1906	Population	631
Bay	Conception	Location	Avalon Peninsula	Map	21 F 27 St. Philips
Distributing Office		St. Johns			

Opened as a way office in 1888 with David Tucker as waykeeper. Closed in 1889. Reopened in 1896 as a post office with David Tucker as Postmaster. Name of location changed to St. Philips in 1906. Mails daily by wagon from St. John's.



BROADS

Open	1910	Closed	1931	Population	150
Bay	Conception	Location	Not known	Map	17 Area
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Jacob Moores who, still had the appointment in 1931. Nothing else is known of this office. No proofs or strikes seen.

BROOKFIELD

Open	1907	Closed	Still open	Population	207
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map	10 W 24
Distributing Office		Wesleyville			

First Postmaster was Nathan Kean. PM in 1931 was Rosie Blackwood who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1936 was Miss Joyce Reader. PM and TO in 1942 was Miss Wilhelmina Stockley. Mails in Summer were weekly by motor ferry from Gambo via Wesleyville. In Winter by courier from Gambo via Wareham.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

BROOKLYN

Open	1879	Closed	July 28 1986	Population	187
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Goose Bay Bonavista Bay	Map	16 A 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Open in 1879 as a way office with M.D. Stares as Waykeeper. Became a post office in 1885 with Stares as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Albert C. Pye. PM in 1936 was Mrs. B.M. Ricketts. PM in 1937 was Mrs. Alfonzo Stares. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



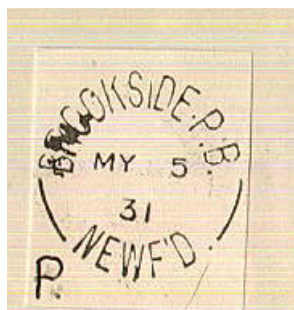
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BROOKSIDE

Open	1931	Closed	April 30 1970	Population	25
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 G 19
Distributing Office		St. Josephs			

Previously named Boat Harbour North East. First Postmaster was Mrs. Elias Smith, the last PM of Boat Harbour North East. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Portia via St. Josephs. PB for Placentia Bay.



BROOM'S COVE

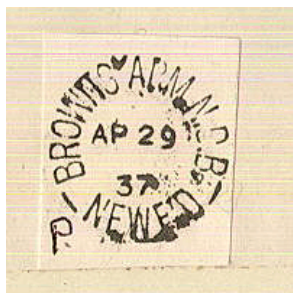
Open	1911	Closed	1920	Population	55
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Eleanor Coleman. Nothing else is known of this office including proofs or strikes.

BROWNS ARM

Open	1929	Closed	August 03 1970	Population	132
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Bay of Exploits	Map	9 W 18
Distributing Office		Lewisporte			

No Postmasters are listed in 1931 guide, as a matter of fact there is no Browns Arm listed either. This office is listed as Officially open on April 1 1937 (1st OR 2nd time ?) with R.H. Cornick as Postmaster. In later guides 1948 and 1950, mails are delivered Fridays from Lewisporte by courier. A proof is shown for 1937. Obviously there was an earlier split ring OR the open date is in error.



BROWN'S COVE

Open	1929	Closed	1931	Population	40
Bay	White	Location	Head of White Bay	Map	7 U 11
Distribution Office		Same			

First and only Postmaster was Maud Langford. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl Of Devon. In Winter by courier from Deer Lake railway station via Hampden.



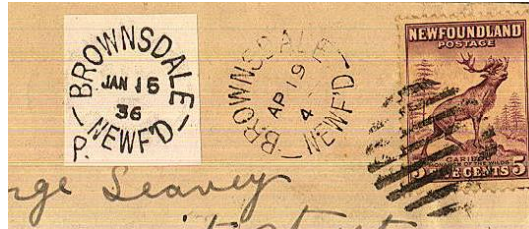
BROWNSDALE

Open	1911	Closed	Still Open	Population	157
Bay	Trinity	Location	South Side Trinity Bay	Map	17 C 26
Distributing Office		Hants Harbour			

Previously called Lance Cove Trinity Bay South. A post office under that name was open from 1900 to 1911 when the name was changed by the Nomenclature Board. First Postmaster was Lydia Strong. PM in 1931 was Mrs. C. Armstrong. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via Hants Harbour. Two split rings known from this office. TB for Trinity Bay.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



courtesy John Oldford

BRUNETTE

Open	1882	Closed	December 17 1957	Population	221
Bay	Fortune	Location	Island in Middle of Fortune Bay	Map	18 H 15
Distributing Office		Not known			

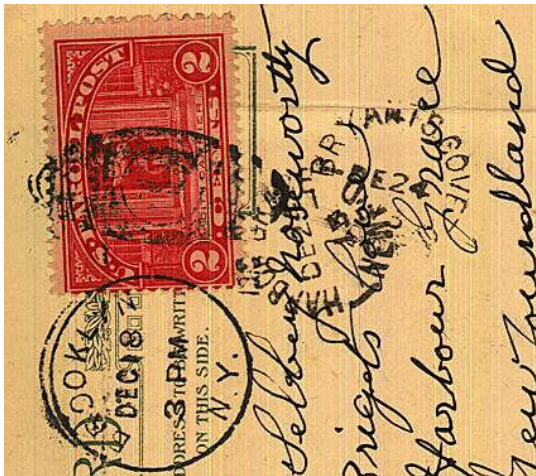
Opened as a way office in 1882 with Ambrose Thornhill as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Ambrose as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Mrs. M. Hillier. It is uncertain how mails were delivered as Brunette is not listed as a port of call for either the Portia or the Glencoe. Being a rather out of the way place, there had to be a local delivery system in place. Probable dispatch points were Fortune or Grand Bank. One split ring seen and it was still in use 52 years later. No post-confederation CDS was proofed, so it is possible that this sole device was used up until the last day.



BRYANT'S COVE

Open	1896	Closed	1931	Population	329
Bay	Conception	Location	Harbour Grace area	Map	17 E 25
Distributing Office			Harbour Grace		

First Postmaster was Selby Noseworthy. PM in 1931 was A. Noseworthy. Mails were daily by Conception Bay Railway via Harbour Grace. This office reopened September 15 1959 and closed August 27 1970.



BUCHANS MINES

Open	1932	Closed	1945	Population	Nil
Bay	Inland	Location	Buchans	Map	7 Y 11

There is no information on this office. The Postmaster was likely listed as the Company. No proofs or strikes seen although my research source says strikes listed from 1932 to 1945. On speculation, the device could have been a split ring or a NEWF'D CDS.

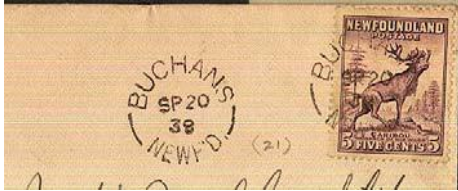


courtesy Bob Soper

BUCHANS

Open	1928	Closed	December 09 1992	Population	1104
Bay	Inland	Location	Red Indian Lake	Map	7 Y 11
Distributing Office		Millertown Junction			

Buchans was the site of a large base metals mine. First Postmaster was George Murphy who, was still in that position in 1931. Mails were daily by Trs. 1 and 2 from Millertown Junction. This location reopened as a retail office on October 19 1992 and remains open. One split ring is known as well as both dotted and wavy line Box and a double circle.



NEWFOUNDLAND MONEY ORDER ADVICE
 No 2897 Buchans

Paying Office, State or Province, *Western Bay*

Payee *Mrs. Geo. Cranley*

Remitter *Geo. Cranley*

Amount *Eighty* Dollars *80* Cents

Signature of P.M. *G. Murphy*



courtesy Doug Hannan



courtesy John Oldford



courtesy John Oldford

BURGEO PLACENTIA BAY

Open	1888	Closed	1911	Population	38
Bay	Placentia	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Opened as a way office in 1888 with James Chambers as way keeper. Became a post office in 1891 with John Chambers as Postmaster and James again in 1896. This office was renamed Chambers by the Nomenclature Board in 1911 and an office under that name continued until 1931. There are no references to either name in "nixie" list and no location can be found for either name. Only one reference for Chambers says Placentia Bay TPO. As is expected, a proof or strike of either location not seen.

BURGEO

Open	1856	Closed	Still Open	Population	823
Bay	Ocean	Location	South Coast	Map	12 F 8
Distributing Office		Same			

Became a post office in 1856 with Richard Bradshaw as the first Postmaster. In 1864, Francis A. Parsons became PM. Starting in 1883 John C. Cunningham held the position. In 1931, T.L Banfield was PM and telegraph operator. Mails were twice a week from either direction. From Argentia by S.S. Glencoe or Port Aux Basques by S.S. Portia. In earlier times, the mail boat was S.S. Sagona as per heading on Split ring No. 1. The double split ring was not one of the originals. Two split rings and a Postal Telegraph Oval are known from Burgeo.



split ring No
split ring No.1



split ring No. 2

BURGOYNE'S COVE

Open	1900	Closed	Still Open	Population	70
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smiths Sound Random	Map	16 B 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Open in 1899. First Postmaster was Matthias Pitcher. PM in 1931 was Elizabeth Steele. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. It is possible that there was an earlier split ring.



BURIN BAY ARM

Open	1897	Closed	March 30 1990	Population	91
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 J 18
Distributing Office		Burin			

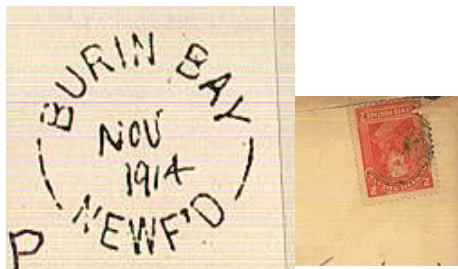
Open 1897 with Philip Hollett as Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Richard Broydell. This office had a closed period, likely 1931. Reopened November 01 1937 with Mrs. R.P. Broydell as PM. Mails were twice weekly by S.S. Portia and S.S. Glencoe via Burin. Location has since reopened with two retail offices, the latter which remains open. One split ring seen.



BURIN BAY

Open	1914	Closed	1945	Population	297
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map 19 J 18	(not precise)
Distributing office		Burin			

Open in 1914 with Mrs. Harriett Hoban as Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Richard Rowe. Mails were twice weekly by S.S. Glencoe or S.S. Portia via Burin.



BURIN NORTH

Open	1892	Closed	February 11 1959	Population	359
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map 19 J 18	approximate
Distributing Office		Burin			

Open in 1892 with Julia O'Neil as Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Ellen M. Coady. Mails were twice weekly by S.S. Portia and S.S. Glencoe via Burin. This office merged with Burin on February 11 1959. As well as the illustrated marks, a wavy line Box cancel was also in use at this office. Note that the CDS is a pre-confederation hammer (NEWF'D).



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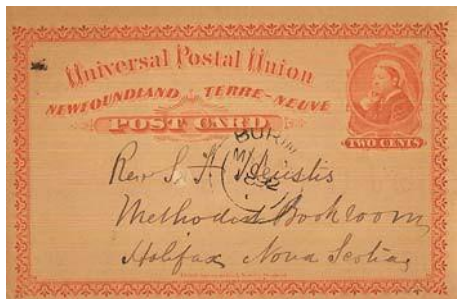
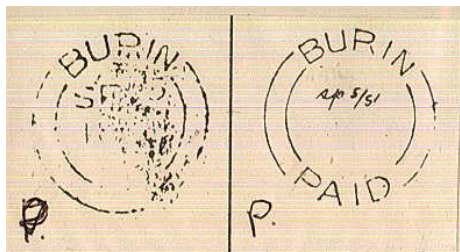
courtesy Brian Stalker



BURIN

Open	1851	Closed	Still Open	Population	2637
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 J 18
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a post office in 1851 with Thomas Birkett. Thomas Winter was PM in 1864 and Jesse Winter in 1896. PM in 1931 was Millicent E. Reid. PM on November 16 1939 was E.D. Chislett. Mails were twice weekly by either S.S. Portia or S.S. Glencoe. In addition to the illustrated marks, a Postal Telegraph Oval has been recorded.



BURIN Postal
Telegraph Oval

courtesy John Oldford

BURLINGTON

Open	1914	Closed	Still Open	Population	230
Bay	Green	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	8 T 14
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Northwest Arm Green Bay and was an office under that name from 1900 to 1914. First Postmaster was George Robbins. PM in 1931 was L. V. Rowsell who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. Other than the following illustrations, Burlington also had a Postal Telegraph Oval device. GB for Green Bay.



split ring No. 1 (GB)



split ring No. 2



BURN(S) COVE

Open	1922	Closed	1931	Population	80
Bay	Ocean	Location	South Shore "Irish Loop"	Map	21 H 27 (Burnt)
Distributing Office		St. John's			

First Postmaster was Mrs. T. Burke who, still maintained the position in 1931. Mails were daily from St. John's by the Southern Shore railway which extended to Trepassey. This office opened after Confederation on January 26 1953 and is still open. No strikes or proofs seen.

BURNSIDE

Open	1920	Closed	Still open	Population	178
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Eastport Bay	Map	10 Y 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Squid Tickle and operated under that name from 1907 until 1920. First Postmaster was Adelaide Burden. PM in 1931 is not listed. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. This one split ring was in use up until 1957. BB for Bonavista Bay.



BURNT BAY

Open	October 1889	Closed	1904	Population	Not known
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Not known	Map 9 V 18	
				(Little Burnt Bay)	
Distributing Office	Not known				

There was a little Burnt Bay office in use from 1907 to 1931. There was also the general area and bay called Little Burnt Bay. Logically, we could say that the two offices were one and the same, however logic does not work when it comes to Newfoundland place names. First Postmaster was Nathaniel Turner. There were two proofs, one for 1891 and a second for 1892. It is noted that the cover (front) is dated September 92 (2 reversed). The second device, proofed in April of 92 should have been used but the strike is from the first device. Were the two being used concurrently?



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



split ring No. 1

BURNT HEAD

Open	1895	Closed	1931	Population	193
Bay	Trinity	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office	Not known				

Research notes indicate that this location was on Trinity Bay but Port de Grave District which would put it on Conception Bay. First Postmaster was John Bishop. PM in 1931 was Henry Bishop. One split ring seen.



courtesy Jim Leutje

BURNT ISLAND BONAVIDA

Open	1889	Closed	1949	Population	50
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Head of Bonavista Bay	Map	10 Y 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1889 with Garrett Kelly as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891. PM in 1931 was Blanche Kelly. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. One split ring seen.



BURNT ISLANDS BURGEO & LAPOILE

Open	October 1874	Closed	November 19 1990	Population	433
Bay	Ocean	Location	Southwest Coast	Map	11 F 3
Distributing Office		Same			

Open October 1874 as a way office with George Tweedle as waykeeper. Second waykeeper was Philip H. Brock in 1883. Became a post office in 1891 with Arthur Watts as Postmaster in 1893. Following PM's were J.N. Arnold in 1894, Sarah A. King in 1898 and Hannah Jane Eastman in 1899. PM in 1931 was George Keeping. Mails were twice weekly by both S.S. Glencoe from Argentia and S.S. Potia from St. John's. Both boats travelled to Port Aux Basques and back alternately. After closing as a post office, this location has had a succession of four retail offices, the latter of which is still open. One split ring seen.



BURNT POINT

Open	1885	Closed	Still Open	Population	311
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 C 26
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1885 with Thomas Tucker as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Thomas as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Mrs. E.B. Tucker. J.M. Tucker appointed PM on November 01 1936. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway from Carbonear via courier. Two split rings are known for this office.



GUARDIAN 4 BURNT POINT, CONCEPTION BAY, NEWFOUNDLAND



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

BURNT ARM S.S. EXPLOITS

Open	1912	Closed	1931	Population	117
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Head of Bay of Exploits	Map	9 W 17
Distributing Office		Laurenceton			

First Postmaster was Florence Peyton. PM in 1931 was Luke Dean. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Laurenceton. The term S.S. Exploits refers to South Side Exploits. This was not the name of a boat. NDB for Notre Dame Bay.



BURNT ISLAND PLACENTIA BAY

Open	1921	Closed	1940	Population	95
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 G 20
Distributing Office		St. Joseph's			

No Postmasters are known from this office. Mails would have been weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glendale via St. Joseph's. No proofs or strikes have been seen. Only two strikes have been recorded, one in 1921 and another in 1940. No strikes seen by me.

BURYING PLACE

Open	1893	Closed	1945	Population	100
Bay	Green	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	4 S 15
Distributing Office		La Scie			

This location was also known as Indian Burying Place. First Postmaster was John May. PM in 1931 was James Proule. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero via La Scie. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via La Scie. One split ring seen.



Indian Burying Place Green Bay

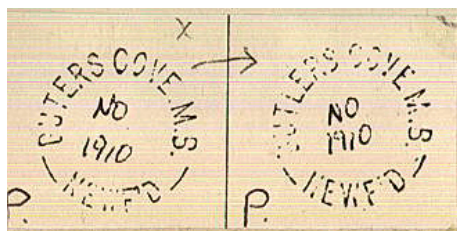


courtesy Murray Smith

BUTLER'S COVE

Open	1911	Closed	1929	Population	175
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	No location
Distributing Office			Marystown		

First Postmaster was Benjamin Hollett. A proof strike for 1910 was made with a spelling mistake and a revised one followed. The MB offers a clue to the location and MAY be Mortier Bay, the area near Marystown. This office was renamed CRESTON BURIN in 1930. MS for Marystown South.



BUTTER COVE

Open	1912	Closed	1926	Population	67
Bay	Trinity	Location	South West Arm	Map 16	C 24
Distributing Office			Little Heart's Ease		

First Postmaster was Mrs. Joshua Spurrell. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via Little Heart's Ease. One split ring seen.



CALVERT

Open	1931	Closed	Still open	Population	416
Bay	Ocean	Location	Southern Shore "Irish Loop"	Map 21	J 27
Distributing Office			Same		

Previously called Caplin Bay and operated as a way and post office under that name from 1882 until name change in 1931. The first Postmaster under the name of Calvert was Michael Ryan. Mails were daily from St. John's by the Southern Shore railway and/or courier. One split ring seen. FD stands for Ferryland District.



CAMPBELL'S CREEK

Open	1910	Closed	August 17 1970	Population	86
Bay	St. Georges			Map 5	A 4
Distributing Office		Port Au Port			

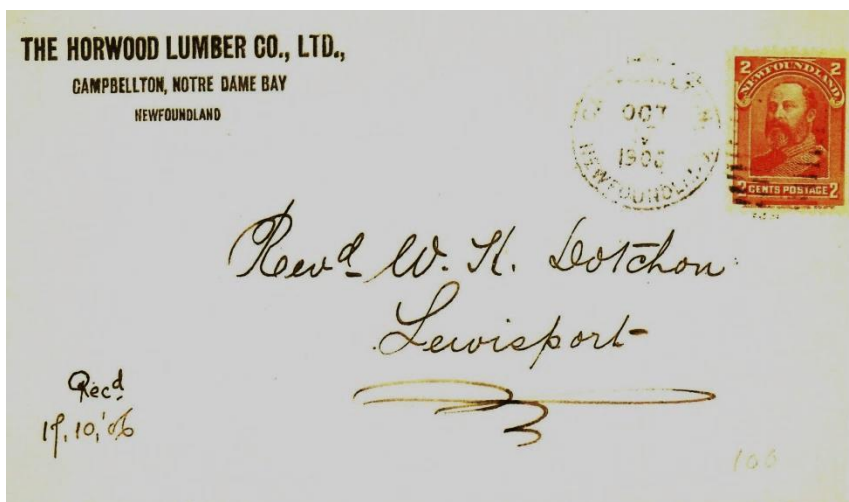
First Postmaster was Mrs. James March. No PM listing for 1931. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 Stephenville Crossing station via Port Au Port. Split ring No. 1 is very indistinct. Other marking is split ring No. 2 which was proofed in 1942.



CAMPBELLTON

Open	1900	Closed	Still open	Population	460
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Indian Arm Bay of Exploits	Map 9	V 18
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Alfred Young. PM in 1931 was Malvina Evans who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1942 was H. Elliot. Mails in Summer were weekly by S.S. Clyde from Lewisporte. In Winter were from Lewisporte via courier. Obviously there was an earlier split ring.



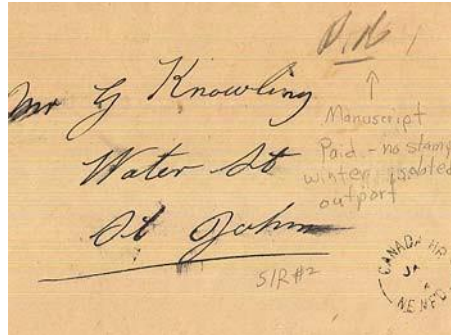
CANADA HARBOUR

Open	1910	Closed	September 17 1970	Population	55
Bay	White			Map 4	N 14
Distributing Office		Same (Hampden in Winter)			

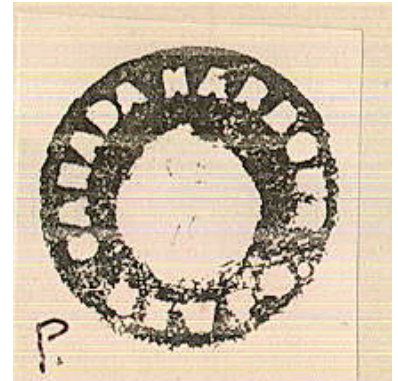
First Postmaster was John Reeves. PM in 1931 was Michael Clark. On September 30 1940, Miss Adele Dempsey was appointed PM. This was changed next day to Miss Josephine Fitzpatrick, appointed October 01 ! Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Hampden by courier. Two split rings have been seen from here. On cover for split ring no. 1, some joker has written "Please Rush" (from Northern Newfoundland in the dead of Winter ??). Split ring no. 2 shows an interesting occurrence that probably happened more than once. The post office had run out of stamps. It was January. The new supply would show up on the first boat (May ? June ?). A manuscript Pd was added in lieu of the stamp. In 1970, Canada Harbour became yet another victim of the "Resettlement Programme".



split ring No. 1



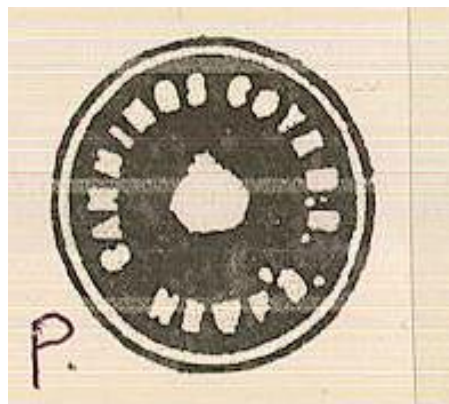
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CANNING'S COVE

Open	1912	Closed	September 17 1991	Population	188
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Clode Sound	Map 16 A	23
Distributing Office	Same	(Musgravetown in Winter)			

First Postmaster was John Simmonds. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Heber Chapman. Officially (re)opened August 25 1944. Mails in Summer were weekly by S.S. Malakoff from Port Blandford. In Winter from Port Blandford railway station via Musgravetown. After closing in 1991, there were a succession of 3 retail offices, the latter of which is still open. One split ring seen. BB for Bonavista Bay.



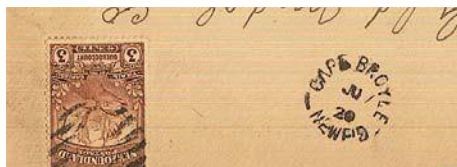
CAPE BROYLE

Open	1879	Closed	Still Open	Population	487
Bay	Ocean	Location	Southern Shore "Irish Loop"	Map 21	H 26
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1879 with Martin Cashin as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Martin as first Postmaster and Bridget Cashin in 1893. PM in 1931 was Kate Walsh. PM in 1942 was Miss Madeline O'Brien. Mails were daily from St. John's by Southern Shore Railway and/or courier. Three split rings seen. The second not being proofed.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 3



split ring No. 2



CAPE CHARLES

Open	1888	Closed	September 1992	Population	106
Bay	Ocean	Location	Labrador Coast	Off the map	
Distributing Office		Labrador TPO			

Very little is known of ALL Labrador post offices. Nearly all reference material completely ignores the fact that Labrador exists, let alone belonging to Newfoundland. This location was a Summer office only for most of its existence. Postmaster in 1942 was Thomas J. Pye. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. If there was Winter delivery, it would be by dog team from Quebec. This office was renamed Lodge Bay in 1992 and was still open in 2003. One split ring seen. There must have been an earlier one. If, like some of the other Labrador split rings, it would have read "Cape Charles Lab. Newf'd".



CAPE COVE

Open	1912	Closed	1931	Population	58
Bay	Ocean	Location	Fogo Island	Map	10 T 22
Distributing Office		Fogo			

First Postmaster was R.C. Cluett who, still held the position in 1931. Mails in Summer were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home via Fogo. One split ring seen.



CAPE FREELS

Open	1885	Closed	May 31 1968	Population	219
Bay	Ocean	Location	New Wes Valley area	Map	10 V 24
Distributing Office		Wesleyville			

Open as away office in 1885 with William Hann as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with William as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Mrs. M. Humphries. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Wesleyville. Cape Freels was abandoned in 1968, another Resettlement Programme orphan. One split ring seen that was proofed in 1935, so an earlier one must exist. BB means Bonavista Bay.



CAPE ISLAND

Open	1909	Closed	January 31 1953	Population	120
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley area	Map	10 W 24
Distributing Office		Wesleyville			

First Postmaster was Charles Vincent. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Charles Vincent. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Wesleyville. This location was abandoned also by Resettlement Programme. One split ring was in use.



CAPE LA HUNE

Open	1882	Closed	April 07 1964	Population	199
Bay	Ocean	Location	South Coast	Map	13 F 11
Distributing Office		Same			

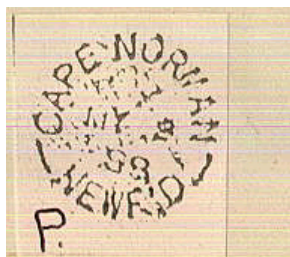
Open in 1882 as a way office with Robert Keeping as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Robert as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Arthur Matchim who, was also telegraph operator. Miss Gladys Edwards was PM and TO in February 1937. PM and TO as of November 18 1938. was A. Williams. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. One split ring seen and a serrated Post Office Oval exists, part of which is shown.



CAPE NORMAN

Open	1885	Closed	1923	Population	20
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Northern tip of Newfoundland	Map	2 H 15
Distributing Office		Flowers Cove and/or St. Anthony			

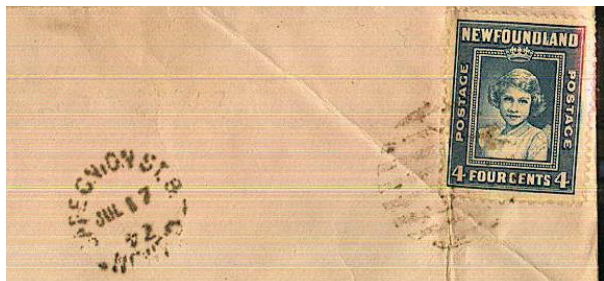
This location is at the extreme Northern tip of Newfoundland. Its sole existence was the operation of the lighthouse there. There are no harbours and the land is open, windswept and barren. All that remain today are the lighthouse and a small cemetery. Open as a way office in 1885 with John Brewer as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with John as Postmaster. Later PM's not known. Mails were likely sporadic. The nearest post office was Flowers Cove, many miles down the coast. St. Anthony did not really get going as a settlement until the 1920s. Fortunately a proof is known and also another strike that I know of.



CAPE ONION

Open	1911	Closed	May 06 1970	Population	164
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Northern tip of Newfoundland	Map 2	H 16
Distributing Office		Same			

This location more often than not will use its alternate name of Ship Cove. For postal purposes the name was selected because of the many other Ship Coves. First Postmaster was Abel Decker who also held the position in 1931. One split ring seen. St. B. stands for St. Barbe (district).



CAPE RACE

Open	1907	Closed	1945	Population	46
Bay	Ocean	Location	South tip of Avalon Peninsula	Map 21	L 26
Distributing Office		Trepassey			

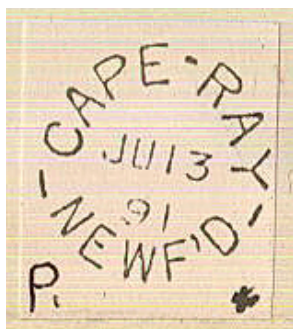
A small location with a famous lighthouse. Open in 1907 with Hannah G. Myrick as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Rose Myrick who was also telegraph operator. Cape Race is listed as closing on April 30 1941. Mails were infrequent from Southern Shore railway via Trepassey and courier. One split ring seen.



CAPE RAY

Open	1891	Closed	July 30 1991	Population	165
Bay	Cabot Strait	Location	Southwest tip Newfoundland	Map 11	F 2
Distributing Office		Port Aux Basques			

First Postmaster was William Poole. PM in 1931 was Joseph Janes. Mails were daily by ferry and Trs. 1 and 2 via Port Aux Basques/Channel. This location resumed postal service with the opening of a retail office April 16 1991 and is still open. Three split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



split ring No. 3

CAPE SHORE

Open	1911	Closed	1931	Population	156
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Tip of Bonavista Peninsula	Map 17 Y 25	(lighthouse)
Distributing Office	Bonavista				

Cape Shore is the location of the Bonavista Lighthouse. First Postmaster was Joseph Mifflin. PM in 1931 was George Fifield. Mails were from Bonavista railway station via courier. No proofs or strikes seen.

CAPE ST. GEORGE

Open	1909	Closed	July 30 1991	Population	256
Bay	St. Georges	Location	Tip of Port Au Port Peninsula	Map 5 A 2	
Distributing Office	Port au Port				

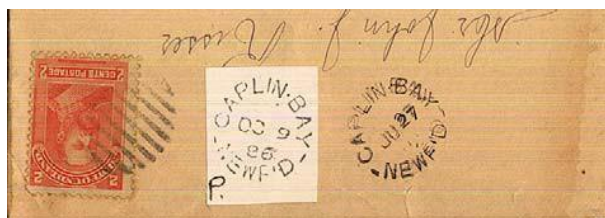
First Postmaster was John Cormack. PM in 1931 was Mrs. J. Kierfait. Mails were from Stephenville Crossing railway station via Port au Port and courier. One split ring and a NEWF'D CDS seen. There was obviously, an earlier split ring.



CAPLIN BAY

Open	1882	Closed	1931	Population	393
Bay	Ocean	Location	Southern Shore (Irish Loop)	Map 21 J 27	(Calvert)
Distributing Office	Same				

Name was changed to Calvert in 1931. Open as a way office in 1882 with William Johnson as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with William as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Michael Ryan. Mails were from St. John's first by courier and later by Southern Shore railway. One split ring seen.



CAPLIN COVE BAY de VERDE

Open	1887	Closed	Still Open	Population	202
Bay	Ocean	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 C 26
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

Open as a way office with Caroline Garland as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with George P. Garland as first Postmaster and Thomas Cull in 1896. PM in 1931 was Louisa Cull. Mails were from Carbonear railway station via courier. Three split rings seen. The third having BdeV because of another Caplin Cove operating during the time period.



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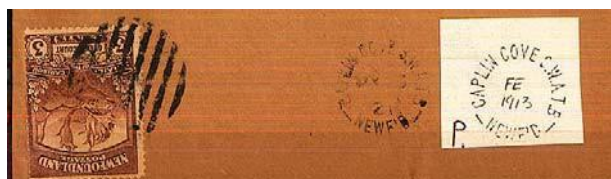


split ring No. 3

CAPLIN COVE RANDOM

Open	1910	Closed	1931	Population	61
Bay	Trinity	Location	Southwest Arm	Map	16 C 23
Distributing Office		Little Hearts Ease			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Joseph Whalen who, still held the position on closing in 1931. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via Little Hearts Ease. One split ring seen. SWA TB means South West Arm Trinity Bay.



CAPPAHAYDEN

Open	1914	Closed	Still open	Population	73
Bay	Ocean	Location	Southern Shore "Irish Loop"	Map	21 K 27
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Elizabeth Murphy who, was still in the position in 1931. PM in 1942 was Miss Rita Murphy. Mails were from St. John's by Southern Shore railway and/or Courier. Two split rings seen. FYDIS means Ferryland District.



split ring No. 1

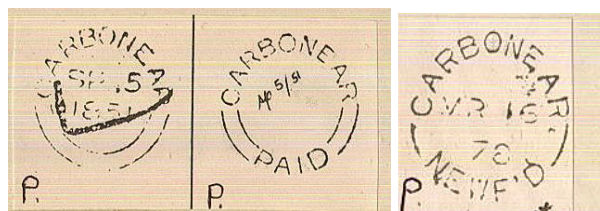


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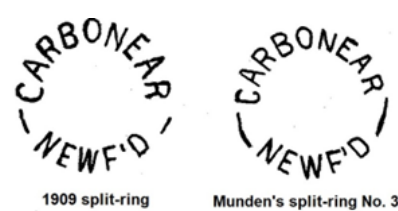
CARBONEAR

Open	1851	Closed	Still open	Population	3367
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 E 25
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a post office in 1851. First Postmaster was Thomas Hanrahann. Succeeding PM's were John McCarty 1855, Mrs. Mary Casey 1859, Nicholas Nichole 1864 and Tryphena Nichole in 1884. Tryphoena Nicholl (alternate spelling) was killed in the post office fire on June 25 1904. The office was totally destroyed but she saved two people before succumbing herself. PM in 1931 was Thomas Powell and assistant James A. Pike. Mails during earlier years were by Conception Bay Packet. In later years by Conception Bay Railway. As well as the following illustrated, there were also a serrated Post Office Oval and a wavy line Box cancel.



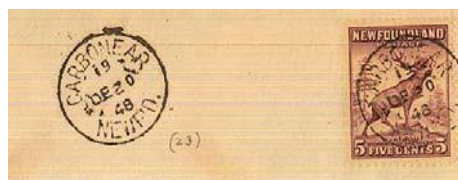
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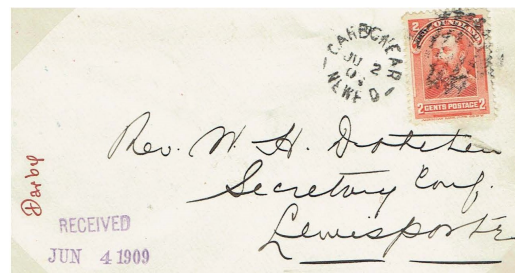
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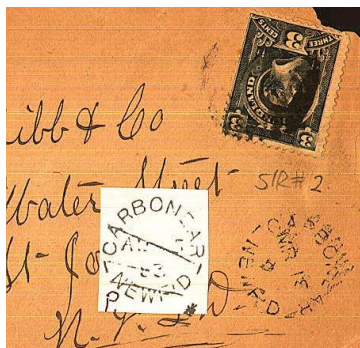
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NEWF'D CDS



A new Split ring In use ~1904-1914? Brian Stalker



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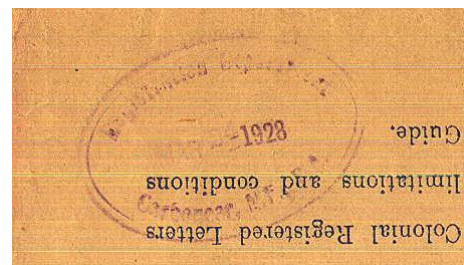
Courtesy of Brian Stalker



Courtesy of David Piercey



serrated oval



Registration Department



Updates courtesy of Brian Stalker and David Piercey: October 2025



Back-stamps on Registered Cover from Ottawa to Rev. Rust at Carboney



Courtesy of Brian Stalker



Straight line



CARD'S HARBOUR

Open	1946	Closed	March 31 1974	Population	129
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Triton Island	Map	8 U 16
Distributing Office			Triton		

Officially open on December 02 1946 with Mrs. Annie Williams as Postmaster. Mails were weekly on Tues from Triton via courier. One split ring is known.



courtesy John Oldford

CARMANVILLE

Open	1907	Closed	Still Open	Population	684
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Hamilton Sound	Map	10 V 21
Distributing Office			Same		

First Postmaster was Ellie Carnell. PM in 1931 was Mrs. A. Pennell who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1938 was Miss Anna McGrath. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home. Two split rings seen. This office also had a Dotted line Box cancel. Shown are two different printings of the second series of Registered gummed labels.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



courtesy John Oldford



Beird Ltd
Carmenville Wavy line box

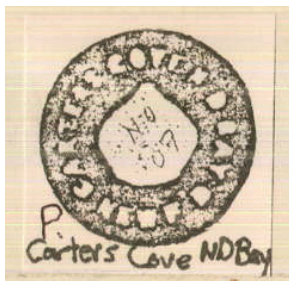
CARTER'S COVE

Open	1908	Closed	Still Open	Population	97
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	New World Island	Map	9 U 19
Distributing Office		Moreton's Harbour			

First Postmaster was Edward G. Farr who, still held position in 1931. PM in 1936 was Mrs. E. Farr. PM in 1937 was Raymond Farr. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Moreton's Harbour. Two split rings seen.



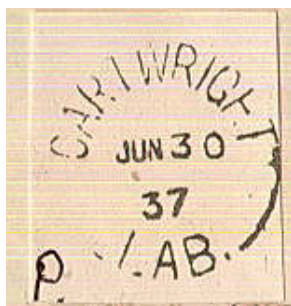
split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



CARTWRIGHT

Open	1893	Closed	Still Open	Population	148
Bay	Sandwich	Location	Labrador	Map	Not on maps
Distributing Office		Same			

Names of Postmasters not known. Mails were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Kyle. Split Ring shown was No.2. No. 1 read CARTWRIGHT LAB NEWF'D.



split Ring No. 2



split ring No. 1

CARTYVILLE

Open	1900	Closed	June 06 1991	Population	61
Bay	Inland	Location	On rail Line St. Georges	Map	11 B 4
Distributing Office		Robinsons Station			

First Postmaster was Thomas W. Evans. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Irene Swyers. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Robinsons Station. One split ring seen. There is a possibility of an earlier one.



CAT HARBOUR POINT

Open	1918	Closed	1924	Population	149
Bay	Ocean	Location	Northern Bonavista Bay	Map 10 V 23	
				(Queen's Head)	
Distributing Office		Cat Harbour			

Changed its name to Lumsden North in 1924. First Postmaster was George Gibbons. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home via Cat Harbour. No proofs or strikes seen.

CAT HARBOUR

Open	1876	Closed	1920	Population	268
Bay	Ocean	Location	Northern Bonavista Bay	Map 10 V 23	
Distributing Office		Same			

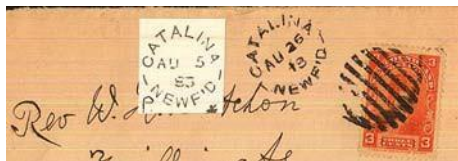
Changed its name to Lumsden in 1920. Open in 1876 with Henry Robbins as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Henry as waykeeper. Later PM was Hilda Goodyear. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home on way to Fogo.



CATALINA

Open	1860	Closed	Still Open	Population	882
Bay	Trinity	Location	North Bonavista Peninsula	Map 17 Z 26	
Distributing Office		Same			

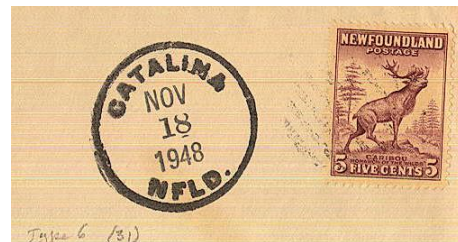
Open as a way office in 1860 with John Jeans as way keeper. William Collieridge in 1871 and Stephen Janes in 1874. Became a post office in 1878 with Stephen as first Postmaster. Following in succession were PM's: Tryphena Janes 1882, Tryphena Turner (married ?) 1885, Mr. Turner 1888, Cecilia Martin 1888, Joseph Guy 1891, Juliana Guy 1893, Joseph Guy 1893, Mrs. Joseph Guy 1896 and Aaron Bugden 1898. There was obviously a problem here somewhere. PM in 1931 was R. J. Miles. PM in 1942 was Miss L.E. Pelley. Mails were daily by Bonavista Bay Railway. There was a special "fancy" device in use here but I have not seen it. A Postal Telegraph Oval device was also in use at this office.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



CAT'S COVE

Open	1864	Closed	1908	Population	601
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of Conception Bay	Map	21 G 25
Distributing Office		Same			

Cat's Cove was changed to Avondale in 1908. Open as a way office in 1864 with Thomas O'Brien as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Thomas as first Postmaster. PM in 1893 was Edward O'Brien. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Cat's Cove (Avondale) station. One split ring seen and an early manuscript marking.



courtesy Doug Hannan

CAVENDISH

Open	1907	Closed	Still Open	Population	231
Bay	Trinity	Location	Lower Trinity Bay	Map	16 E 24
Distributing Office		Heart's Content			

First Postmaster was Mrs. E.L. Jerrett. PM in 1931 was Mrs. C. Critch. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via Heart's Content and courier. One split ring seen. Obviously there was an earlier one.



CENTRE COVE

Open	1914	Closed	1931	Population	20
Bay	Trinity	Location	Bull Bay Arm		
Distributing Office		Possibly Arnolds Cove station			

First Postmaster was L.T. Piercey. PM in 1931 was Blanche Rockwood. No proofs seen. This location eventually became SUNNYSIDE. BB ARM for Bull Bay Arm.



courtesy Murray Smith

CHAMBERS

Open	1911	Closed	1931	Population	38
Bay	Placentia	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Previously known as Burgeo (Placentia.) First Postmaster was Susanna Chambers. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Thos. Davis. One split ring seen. PB for Placentia Bay.



courtesy Doug Hannan

CHAMPNEYS WEST

Open	1911	Closed	1931	Population	209
Bay	Trinity	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map 17 A 25	
Distributing Office		Port Rexton			

First Postmaster was James Freeman who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were daily by Bonavista Bay Railway via Port Rexton. This office reopened after Confederation from September 26 1955 to July 31 1969. No strikes or proofs seen.

CHAMPNEYS (EAST)

Open	1911	Closed	July 31 1969	Population	261
Bay	Trinity	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map 17 A 25	
Distributing Office		Port Rexton			

First Postmaster was Martin White. PM in 1931 was M.B. Dewling. Mails were daily by Bonavista Bay Railway via Port Rexton. One split ring seen and it lacks the (East) designation. TB means Trinity Bay.



CHANCE COVE WEST

Open	1911	Closed	1931	Population	381
Bay	Trinity	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was James Freeman. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Josiah Warren.
No proofs or strikes seen.

CHANCE COVE (EAST)

Open	1892	Closed	Still Open	Population	293
Bay	Trinity	Location	"Neck" of the Avalon Peninsula	Map 16 E 23	
Distributing Office		Ranem Station			

First Postmaster was Soloman Miller. PM in 1931 was Emanuel Smith. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Ranem Station. Chance Cove (East) had a succession of four split rings with the fourth one misspelled (CHOVE) and corrected a month and a half later. It is not known if the misspelled one was put into use.



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CHANCE HARBOUR

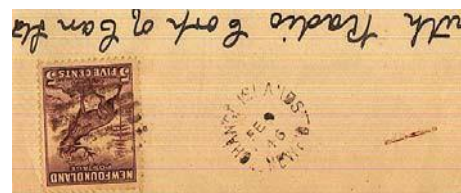
Open	1912	Closed	1916	Population	48
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Elsie Jones. Nothing is known of this location, although there is a Chanceport for Notre Dame Bay near Moreton's Harbour at Map 9 U 19. No proofs or strikes seen.

CHANGE ISLANDS

Open	1878	Closed	Still Open	Population	976
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Between Twillingate and Fogo	Map	9 T 20
Distributing Office		Same			

Open in 1878 as a way office with Alfred Pike as waykeeper. Justinian Dowell was waykeeper in 1885. Became a post office in 1889 with Justinian as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was A.E. Hynes who, was also telegraph operator and Randolph Hoffe as messenger. Mails in Summer were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home. In Winter from Lewisporte over the ice by courier.



split ring No. 2 "G"
no dot between name parts



split ring No. 1 "G"
and dot between name parts



split ring No. 1 "G" and dot
between name parts

CHANNEL

Open	1864	Closed	August 21 1961	Population	1212
Bay	Cabot Strait	Location	Southwest tip of Newfoundland	Map	11 F 2
Distributing Office		Same			

This location has been called Port Aux Basques since the 1500s but Channel was the largest and earliest settlement/post office. Open as a way office in 1864 with H.T. Reid as waykeeper and John Hooper in 1865. Became a post office in 1870 with John as first Postmaster. PM in 1873 was William S. Green and Nathan Smith in 1874. PM in 1931 was Eli Manuel. Mails were daily by Trs. 1 and 2 and boat from the Mainland. Channel office merged with Port Aux Basques on August 21 1961 to become Channel-Port Aux Basques. A circular “fancy” and three split rings seen from here.



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note CHANNEL spelling

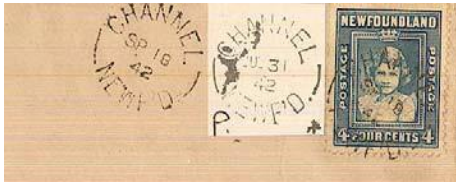
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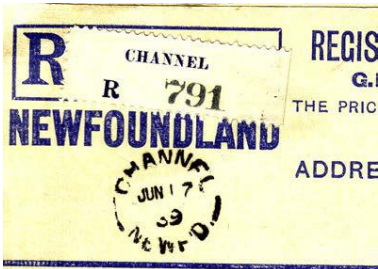
split ring No. 3



courtesy John Oldford



NEWF'D roller



courtesy Jim Leutje

CHAPEL ARM

Open	1906	Closed	Still Open	Population	282
Bay	Trinity	Location	Head of Trinity Bay	Map	20 F 24
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Ellen Power. PM in 1931 was Isabella Warren. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Long Harbour Station. One split ring seen.



CHAPEL(S) COVE

Open	1891	Closed	Still Open	Population	275
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of Conception Bay	Map	21 F 26
Distributing Office		Woodford's Station			

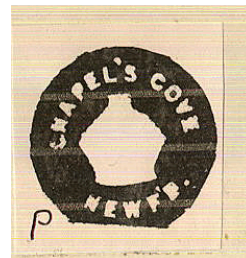
First Postmaster was James Hawco. PM in 1931 was Nicholas Coran. This office must have had a closed period, possibly from 1931. Office (re)opened August 1 1942 after the Woodfords office was shifted to Chapel Cove with Mrs. Thomas Terry as PM. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Woodford's Station. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



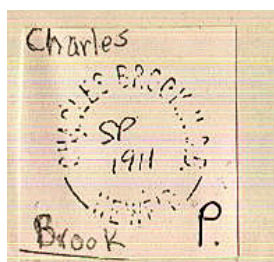
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CHARLES BROOK

Open	1912	Closed	1939	Population	30
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Bay of Exploits	Map	9 V 17
Distributing Office		Point Leamington			

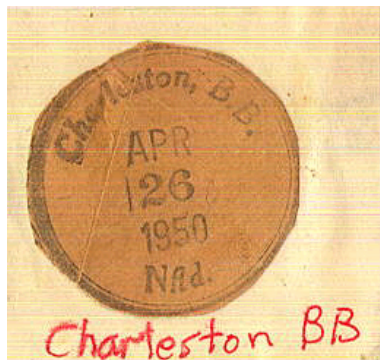
Charles Brook ceased postal service on November 30 1939. First Postmaster was Mrs. Josiah Purchase. PM in 1931 was Violet March. Last PM was Miss E. Hutchings. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Point Leamington and courier. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier. One split ring proof seen. NDB means Notre Dame Bay.



CHARLESTON

Open	1920	Closed	March 06 1989	Population	124
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map	16 A 23
Distribution Office		Sweet Bay			

First Postmaster was Laura Prince. PM in 1931 was Herbert Quinton. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Sweet Bay. One split ring seen. BB for Bonavista Bay.



CHARLOTTETOWN

Open	1891	Closed	Still Open	Population	202
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Clode Sound	Map	16 A 22
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Charlotte Spracklin. PM in 1931 was Lizzie Spracklin. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. Two split rings seen. CS means Clode Sound.



split ring No. 1

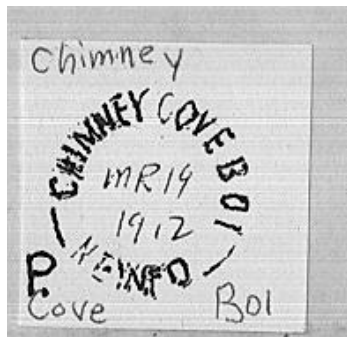


split ring No. 2

CHIMNEY COVE

Open	1901	Closed	1931	Population	61
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	North of Bay of Islands	Map 6	V 6
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Peter Buffett who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were once a month from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. One split ring proof seen. BOI for Bay Of Islands.
If the opening date of 1901 is correct, then there had to be an earlier split ring.



split ring No. 2 ?

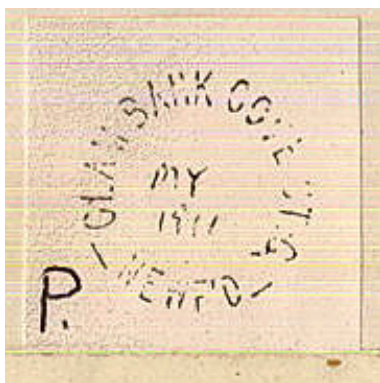
CLAM BANK COVE

Open	1901	Closed	1937	Population	115
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Port au Port Peninsula	Map 96 Z 3	(LOURDES)
Distributing Office		Port au Port			

First Postmaster was John W. McIsaac. PM in 1931 was Rev. M. O'Reilly. Became Lourdes in 1937. Two split rings seen. STG for St. Georges (District).



split ring No. 1
courtesy Murray Smith



split ring No. 2

CLARENVILLE SOUTH

Open	1903	Closed	1945	Population	126
Bay	Trinity	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Clarenvile			

It is not known whether this was an office in South side of Clarenvile or a separate location. First Postmaster was Walter Tilley. PM in 1931 was L. R. Janes. Mails were daily from Clarenvile. There was obviously an earlier split ring.



CLARENVILLE

Open	1891	Closed	Still Open	Population	523
Bay	Trinity	Location	Head of Random Sound	Map 16 C 22	
Distributing Office		Same			

This office was always the hub and main distribution point for all of Trinity Bay and the entire Bonavista Peninsula. First Postmaster was Janet Tilley. In 1893 PM was Jennie Tilley and 1894 Jennie Pittman (married). PM in 1931 was Flossie Balsom who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. Two split rings seen.



Clarenvile post office circa 1940



Dotted line box



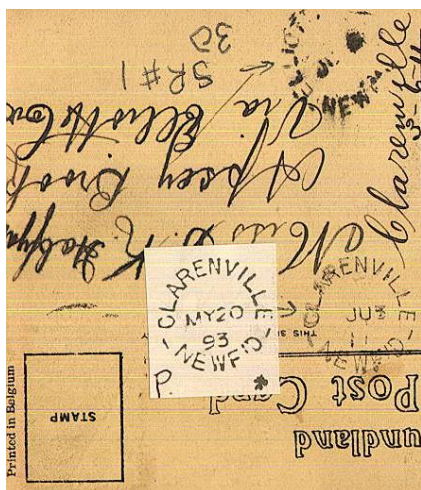
Wavy line box



2 of 4 different printing orders made for second series Registered gummed labels



2 of 4 different printing orders made for second series Registered gummed labels



split ring No.1



split ring No. 2



CLARKES BEACH

Open	1891	Closed	Still Open	Population	526
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	21 F 25
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was William Newell. PM in 1931 was Harris Dawe who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were daily by Conception Bay Railway.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



Dotted line box

CLATTICE HARBOUR

Open	1909	Closed	October 25 1966	Population	193
Bay	Placentia	Location	Paradise Sound Burin Pen.	Map	F 20
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Mary Connors. PM in 1931 was Mary Bennett. Mail delivery not known. This location was another outpost to be depopulated from the Resettlement Programme. It appears that one split ring was used as I have the same on a 1954 piece.



CLATTICE SOUTH WEST

Open	1926	Closed	1931	Population	193
Bay	Placentia	Location	Paradise Sound Burin Pen.	Map	19 F 21
Distributing Office		Not known			

First and only Postmaster was Mrs. James Hipditch. Mail delivery not known. There are no strikes or proofs for this office.

CLIFTON

Open	1926	Closed	1930	Population	38
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound Random	Map	16 B 23
Distributing Office		Burgoynes Cove			

First Postmaster was the telephone operator. No name listed. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via Burgoynes Cove. No proofs or strikes seen.

CLODE SOUND

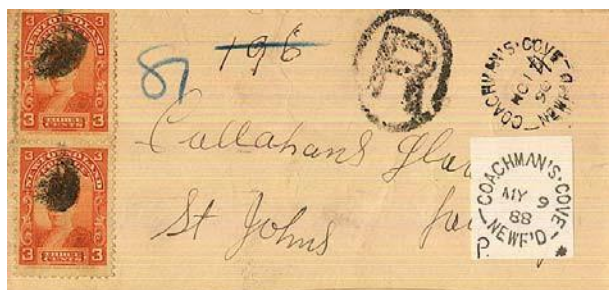
Open	1890	Closed	1906	Population	539
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Head of Clode Sound	Map	16 A 21 (Port Blandford)
Distributing Office		Same			

This office was renamed Port Blandford sometime between 1906 and 1908. Open as a way office from 1890 with Weston Spracklin as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Weston as first Postmaster. PM in 1899 was Francis Stares. No Proofs or strikes seen.

COACHMAN'S COVE

Open	1883	Closed	July 31 1992	Population	294
Bay	Ocean	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	4 R 14
Distributing Office		Same			

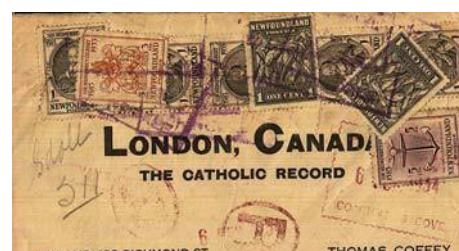
First Postmaster was William Breen. PM in 1931 was Nellie Norris who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on November 11 1937 was Thos. Lundrigan. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero. In Winter from Deer Lake Station by courier via Hampden and Western Arm. Two split rings for this location seen.



split ring No. 1
year date must be reversed



split ring No. 2



Dotted line box

COAKERVILLE

Open	1912	Closed	1915	Population	4
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was C. Bryant. Nothing is known about this office. Fortunately a proof exists.



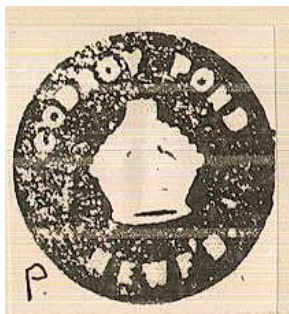
CODROY POND

Open	1912	Closed	August 31 1964	Population	54
Bay	Inland	Location	South Western Newfoundland	Map 11 C 4	
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Michael Cormier. PM in 1931 not listed. It looks like this office closed in 1917 and reopened in 1945. This is supported by no strikes having been seen between those dates plus a proof for 1945. Mails would have been daily when open as this location was on the rail line.



First opening Second opening



CODROY

Open	July 1875	Closed	Still Open	Population	135
Bay	Cabot Strait	Location	South West tip Newfoundland	Map 11 D 2	
Distributing Office		Doyles Station			

Open as a way office in 1875 with James Hutchings as waykeeper. John Gillis as waykeeper in 1885. Became a post office in 1891 with John as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Mrs. J. Samms who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Doyles Station via courier.



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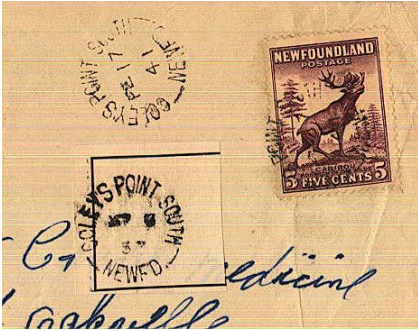
split ring No. 2



COLEY'S POINT SOUTH

Open	1920	Closed	Still Open	Population	Not known
Bay	Conception	Location	Bay Roberts area		
Distributing Office		Bay Roberts			

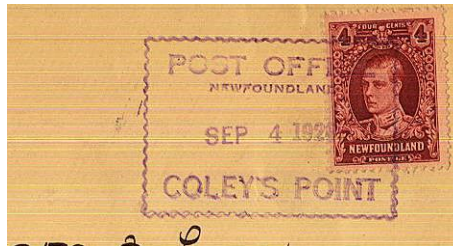
First Postmaster was W.H. Littlejohn. PM in 1931 was Joseph Bradbury. Mails were daily by Conception Bay Railway via Bay Roberts. One split ring seen which was still in use in 1953.



COLEY'S POINT

Open	1889	Closed	1938	Population	825
Bay	Conception	Location	Bay Roberts area	Map 21 F 25	
Distributing Office		Bay Roberts			

Open as a way office with Mary A. French as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Selina French as first Postmaster and Isaac Dawe in 1898. PM in 1931 was George Bishop who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were daily by Conception Bay Railway via Bay Roberts. One split ring seen.



COLINET

Open	1903	Closed	July 31 1991	Population	120
Bay	St. Marys	Location	Head of St. Mary's Bay	Map 20 H 24	
Distributing Office		Whitbourne			

First Postmaster was Mrs. John Didham. PM in 1931 was Ann Didham. Mails were by courier from Whitbourne station. After closing, Colinet has been served by two retail offices, the latter of which is still open. There were three split rings. The first has not been seen.



split ring No. 2

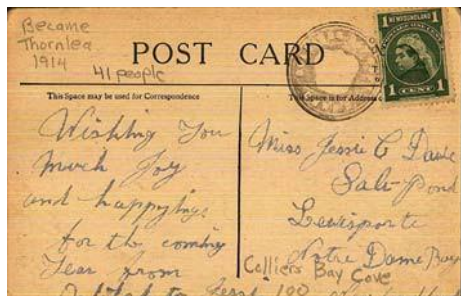


split ring No. 3

COLLIERS BAY COVE

Open	1885	Closed	1913	Population	41
Bay	Trinity	Location	"Neck" of the Avalon	Map 20 F 23	(Thornlea)
Distributing Office			Norman's Cove		

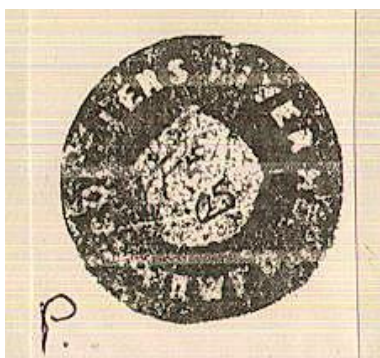
Name was changed to Thornlea in 1913. Open as a way office with Uriah Thorne as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Uriah as first Postmaster. No other details are listed for here or Thornlea. No proofs or strikes seen. Unfortunately there is no date on this card. going by the stamp we have a range of 1898-1901. Was there not a split ring device at this office when this card was mailed?



COLLIERS RIVERHEAD

Open	1905	Closed	Still Open	Population	Not known
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of Conception Bay	Map 21 F 25	
Distributing Office			Brigus Junction		

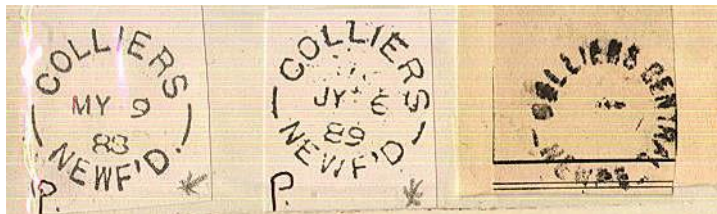
First Postmaster is not known. PM in 1931 was Mrs. William Cole. Mails were from Brigus Junction station by courier. One split ring seen.



COLLIERS (CENTRAL)

Open	April 1886	Closed	December 14 1950	Population	Not known
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of Conception Bay	Map 21 F 25	
Distributing Office			Brigus Junction		

This office was called Colliers Central after another office opened at Colliers Riverhead in 1905. Open as a way office with John Cole as waykeeper. Became a post office 1891 with John as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Denis B. Conway. Mails were from Brigus Junction station by courier. Three split rings seen, one with Central added.



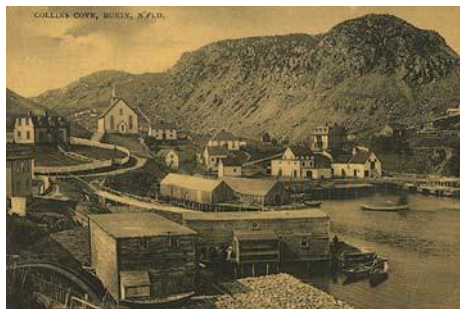
split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2 split ring No.3



COLLINS COVE

Open	1933	Closed	1936	Population	Not known
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Town	Map	19 J 18
Distributing Office		Burin			

Located at the end of the road in Burin town, it was very near other offices. This office officially closed on November 30 1936 with Miss M.E. Reid as Postmaster. One split ring seen.



courtesy Doug Hannan

COME BY CHANCE CROSSING

Open	1910	Closed	1931	Population	Nil
Bay	Placentia	Location	Railway Line "Neck" of Avalon	Map	16 D 22

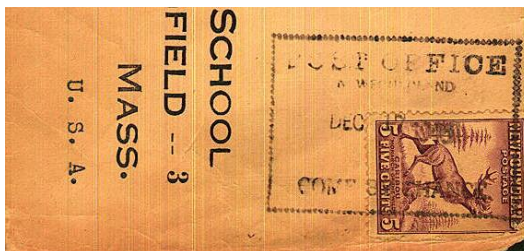
This office was the Come By Chance railway station. First and only Postmaster was A.R. Hutchings. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 daily. All mail was likely outgoing only. No split ring seen.



COME BY CHANCE (VILLAGE)

Open	1906	Closed	Still Open	Population	72
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Neck" of Avalon Peninsula	Map	16 D 22
Distributing Office		Come By Chance Station			

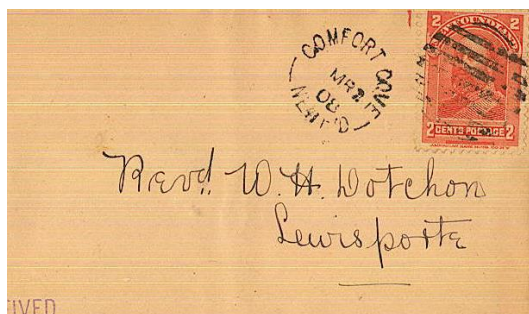
First Postmaster was Stephen Adams. PM in 1931 was not listed. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Come By Chance Station. One split ring proof seen but, obviously an earlier one was in use.



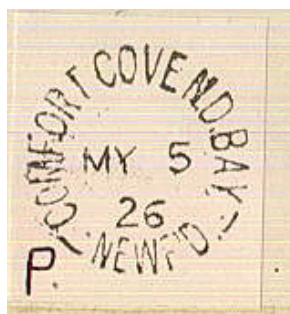
COMFORT COVE

Open	1901	Closed	1931	Population	186
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Bay of Exploits	Map	9 V 19
Distributing Office		Campbellton			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Reuben Cull. PM in 1931 was Joseph Eveleigh. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Campbellton. Two split rings seen. ND for Notre Dame.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

CONCEPTION (HARBOUR)

Open	April 1884	Closed	Still Open	Population	812
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of Conception Bay	Map	21 F 25
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office with John Herman as waykeeper and Johanna O'Toole in 1886. Became a post office in 1891 with Johanna as first Postmaster. PM in 1893 was John Herman and 1898 was Patrick Buck. PM in 1931 was Shan St. John who, was also telegraph operator. Harbour was added to the name on the first split ring and was also used on a Post-Confederation CDS hammer. Mails were daily by Conception Bay Railway.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2;
no Harbor

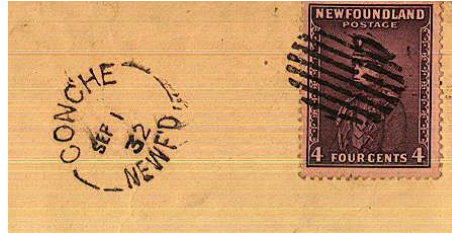
CONCHE

Open	1883	Closed	Still Open	Population	403
Bay	White	Location	East side Great Northern Pen.	Map 4	M 15
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office with Ellen E. Dower as waykeeper. Kate Dower in 1884. Became a post office in 18991 with Kate as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Ed Walker who, was also telegraph operator. Postmaster and TO in 1938 was W.B. Perrus. PM and TO on July 12 1948 was Miss Ellen McGrath. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier across the ice via Hampden and Western Arm. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



CONEY ARM

Open	1921	Closed	1931	Population	48
Bay	White	Location	Inner White Bay	Map 3	S 11
Distributing Office		Same			

First and only Postmaster was Mary Sackery. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake Station by courier across the ice via Hampden and Western Arm. One split ring seen. Note "CoOney" for spelling. WB means White Bay.



CONN(E)

Open	1913	Closed	1931	Population	116
Bay	Fortune	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Nothing is known of this location except the Postmasters name and fortunately a proof. Although population figures are reported to be 116, the total population never exceeded 40 according to Encyclopedia of Newfoundland and Labrador. This location had nothing whatsoever to do with Conne River. First Postmaster was Fred Hatch who, also held the position in 1931. One split ring proof seen.



CONNAIGRE

Open	August 1886	Closed	1931	Population	102
Bay	Fortune	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

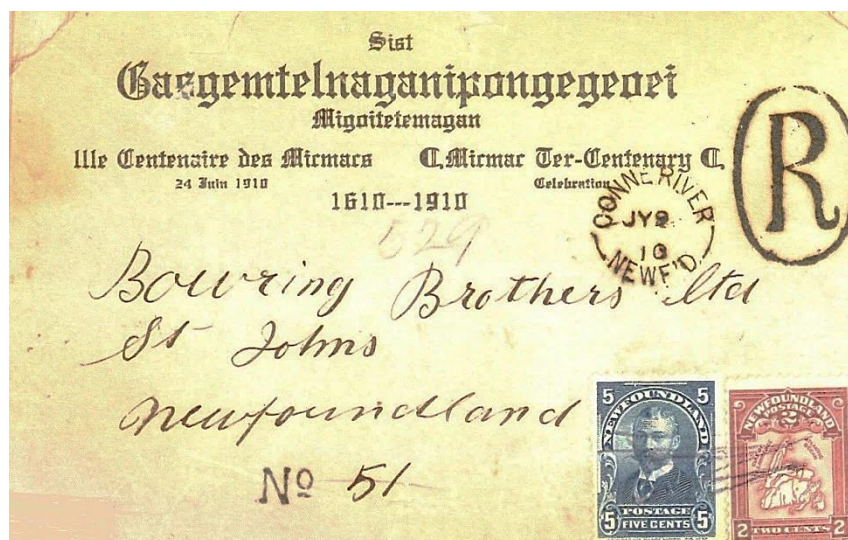
There is a Connaigre Peninsula and a Connaigre Bay but the exact location of this settlement remains a mystery. Open as a way office with Sarah Harris as waykeeper. Became apost office in 1891 with Sarah as first Postmaster and Mary Ann Harris in 1894. PM in 1931 was Andrew Harris. Mails would have been weekly by either S.S. Glencoe or S.S. Portia Via ???. One split ring seen.



CONNE RIVER

Open	1909	Closed	1937	Population	161
Bay	Bay d'Espoir	Location	Head of Bay d'Espoir	Map 14 D 15	
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Nicholas Jeddore who, was still in that position in 1931. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. One split ring from here.



COOK'S HARBOUR

Open	1918	Closed	Still Open	Population	231
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Northern tip of Newfoundland	Map 2	H 15
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Hilda March. PM in 1931 was Bessie Campbell who, was also telegraph operator. PM in 1938 was Miss Mabel Genge. PM in 1942 was Hubert Field. Mails were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero. One split ring seen. A dotted line Box has been recorded.



circa 1949

Lives & Landscapes Elmer Harp



courtesy Jim Leutje



COOMB'S COVE

Open	1885	Closed	Still Open	Population	229
Bay	Fortune	Location	Connaigre Peninsula	Map 18	G 16
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office with Clara Mary Vallis as waykeeper followed by Margaret Fiander in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with Margaret as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Alfred Bartlett. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. One split ring seen.



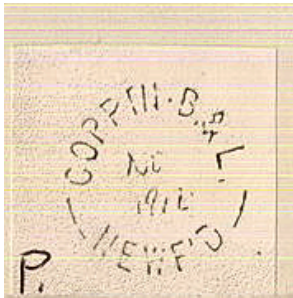
One Hundred Outposts
Ben Hansen



COPPETT

Open	1911	Closed	1931	Population	67
Bay	Ocean	Location	South Coast	Map	13 F 10
Distributing Office		Ramea			

First Postmaster was Sarah Young. PM in 1931 was Elizabeth Bowles. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Ramea. Only a proof has been seen and it is misspelled. It is not known if this mistake was corrected. B&L means Burgeo and La Poile which was the district.



CORBIN (BURIN)

Open	1909	Closed	May 13 1970	Population	95
Bay	Ocean	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 J 18
Distributing Office		Burin			

First Postmaster is not known. PM in 1931 was John Grant. There must have been a closed period as this office is listed as (re)opening November 15 1946. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Burin. Two split ring proofs have been seen. This office was renamed Corbin PB on June 1 1967. As this is the first of the TWO Corbins, no bay designation is shown in the first split ring but shows up in the second.



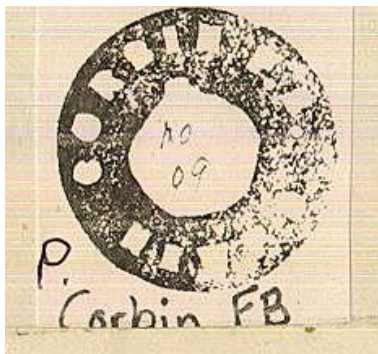
split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



CORBIN (FORTUNE BAY)

Open	1910	Closed	1931	Population	95
Bay	Fortune	Location	Connaigre Peninsula	Map	19 F 17
Distributing Office					
St. Jaques					

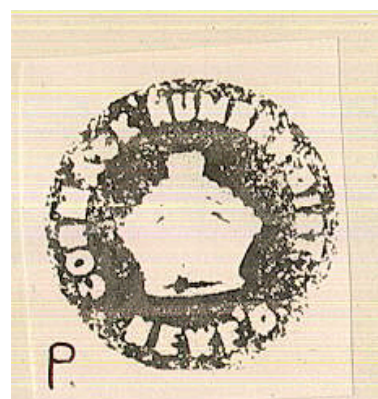
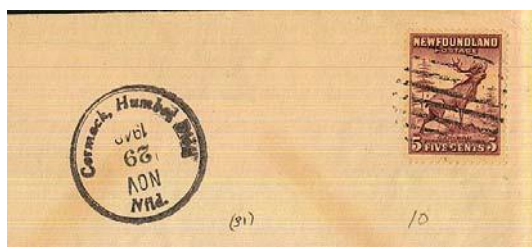
First Postmaster was Mrs. M. Poole. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Martin Savoury. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. One split ring seen. FB for Fortune Bay.



CORMACK

Open	1948	Closed	May 4 1970	Population	Not known
Bay	Inland	Location	Humber Valley	Map	7 V 9
Distributing Office					
Deer Lake					

This location was set aside for Newfoundland veterans of WW II who wanted to get away from fishing and try farming. It is one of very few areas on the "ROCK" that has enough topsoil to farm. This office was officially open on June 16 1948 with Mrs. Margaret Duffney as PM. Became a MOO on November 1 1948. Cormack used a NEWF'D CDS as it's main hammer. Dist for district.



CORNER BROOK

Open	1888	Closed	Still Open	Population	6374
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Mouth of Humber River	Map	6 X 7
Distributing Office		Same			

The city of Corner Brook is the amalgamation of the former settlements of Curling, Corner Brook and Humbermouth. Open as a way office in 1888 with Cristopher Fisher as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1897 with John A. Farrell as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was James A. Boland and assistants E. Powell, W. Hackett and Clement Hann. Mails were daily by Trs. 1 and 2. The first marking device was a duplex. Two split rings seen. The double circle CDS may have been three separate instruments as a proof strike has been seen of "C". They also vary somewhat in thickness between rims, lengths of arc as well as the A, B and C. Also a strike with no letter is included. Where they three different devices or just one or two with removable slugs?



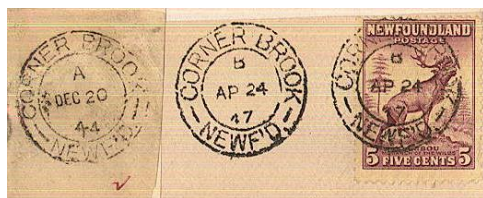
1900 duplex



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



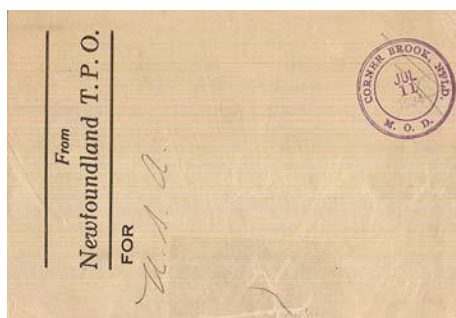
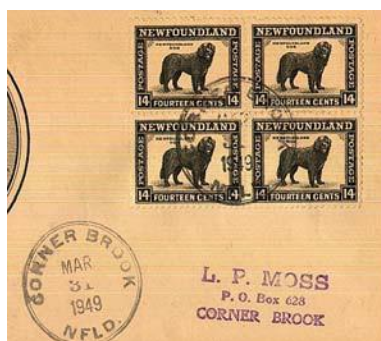
the 'A' and 'B' double circle CDS



the 'C' and nude double circle CDS



Wavy line box;
circa 1923 - 1933



First series of Registered gummed labels. No blue border; Serif typeface.

Bowaters was officially listed as a Sub-office of Corner Brook. It opened on December 16 1946. Postmaster was Bowaters NFLD Pulp and Paper.

A split ring or CDS has not been recorded.



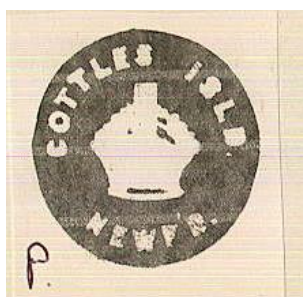
railway ticket cancel
courtesy John Oldford



COTTLES ISLAND

Open	July 1882	Closed	1981	Population	121
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	New World Island	Map 9 U 19	
Distributing Office		Summerford			

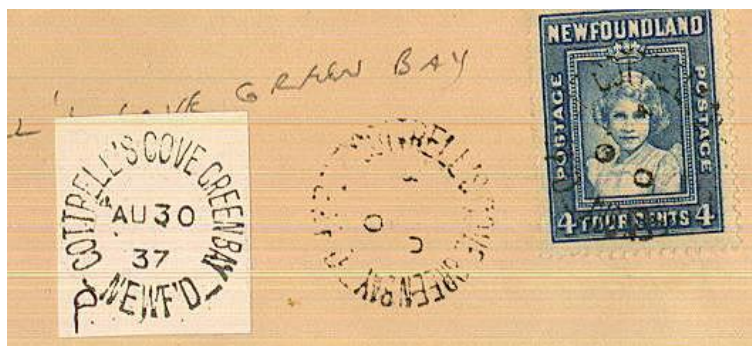
This office was renamed Cottlesville in 1981 and continues to this day under that name. Open as a way office with John Tavner as first waykeeper followed by Daniel Turner in 1883. Became a post office in 1891 with Daniel as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Andrew Anstey. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Summerford. In Winter from Lewisporte by the Twillingate courier via Summerford. This location had three split rings.



COTTRELL'S COVE

Open	1900	Closed	April 01 1989	Population	122
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	New Bay	Map 9 U 17	
Distributing Office		Same			

This office reopened as a retail office from April 3 1989 to August 31 1998. First Postmaster was Albert Yates who, still held the position in 1931. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. In winter from Lewisporte by courier over the ice via Exploits. One split ring seen but there had to be an earlier one.



COUNTRY ROAD

Open	1910	Closed	1934	Population	315
Bay	Conception	Location	Near Bay Roberts	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Bay Roberts			

This office reopened from October 19 1950 to July 21 1986. First Postmaster was Mrs. E. Samways. PM in 1931 was Myrtis Snow. Mails were daily by Conception Bay Railway via Bay Roberts.



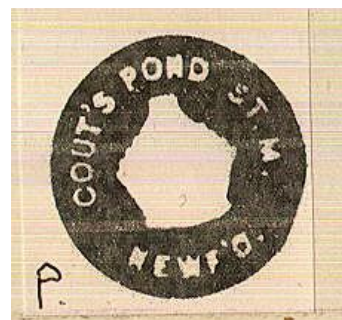
courtesy Doug Hannan

COUT'S POND

Open	1931	Closed	1931	Population	75
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First and only Postmaster was Maurice Cochrane. Mails are not known.

There is a COOTE POND St. Mary's Harbour near the town of St. Mary's so I am assuming that this was the location. Fortunately two proofs exist.

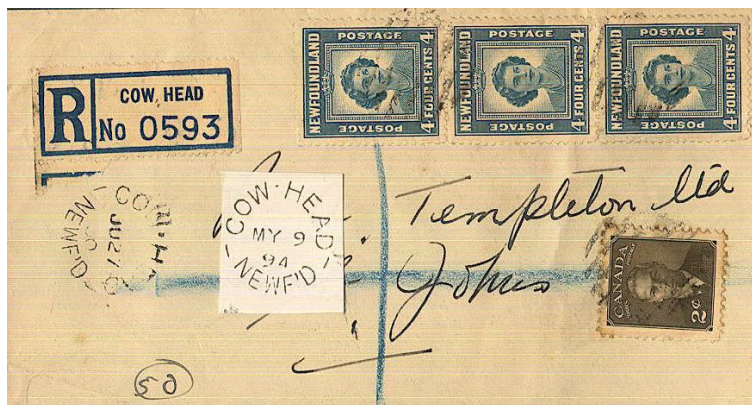


courtesy John Oldford

COW HEAD

Open	1888	Closed	Still Open	Population	141
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 5 INSET	S 8
Distributing Office		Same			

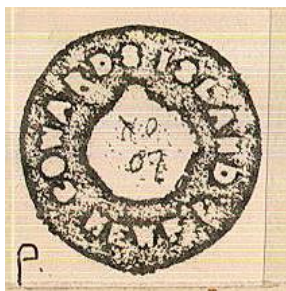
Open as a way office with Joseph Cooper as waykeeper followed by John Payne Jr. in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with John as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Mrs. J.S. Payne who, was also telegraph operator. It appears that the one split ring was in continuous use up until Confederation. Just North of town is a two kilometer part of the old Great Northern Mail Road. I have walked this road through the Fir and Black Spruce. It gives one an eerie feeling to wonder what hardships these couriers went through in a Winter blizzard after 75 kilometers from Deer Lake and another 180 kilometers to Flowers Cove.



COWARDS ISLAND

Open	1904	Closed	October 07 1957	Population	141
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

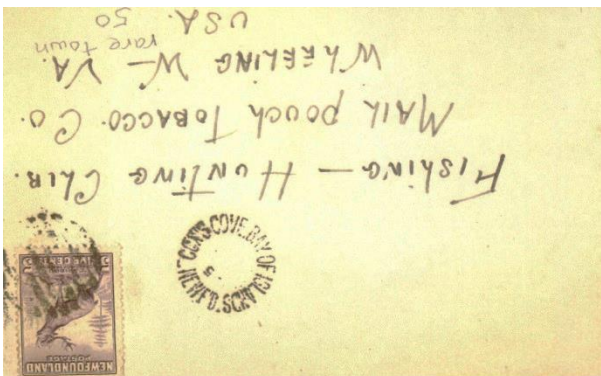
First Postmaster was Job Lane. PM in 1931 was Helah Morgan. Mails are not known but would have been weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. This location was abandoned during the Resettlement programme. One split ring seen.



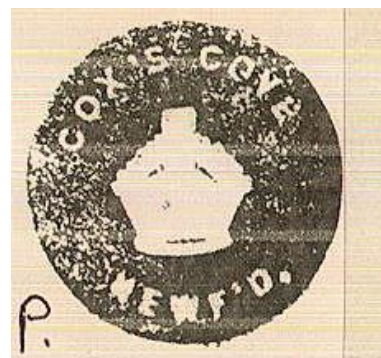
COX'S COVE

Open	1915	Closed	Still Open	Population	201
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Middle Arm	Map	6 W 7
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Mrs. George Cox who, still held the position in 1931. Must have had a closed period, probably 1931. Officially reopened February 1 1937 with Maxwell Cornick as PM. George Bragg was PM and TO on October 07 1937. Mrs. Olive Sheppard became PM on April 19 1939. Mails were twice a week from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. One split ring seen. It reads COX'S COVE BAY OF ISLANDS. Obviously there was an earlier split ring.



courtesy Murray Smith



CRABB(E)S

Open	1906	Closed	1932	Population	312
Bay	St. Georges	Location	Southwest coast	Map	11 B 4 (St. Davids)
Distributing Office		Crabb(e)s Station			

This office was renamed St. Davids in 1932. All of the various Crabb(e)s were named for a major river which flows through the area. First Postmaster was Isabella Pike. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Mildred Renouf. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Crabb(e)s Station. A Postal Telegraph Oval has been recorded for this office.



split ring No. 1



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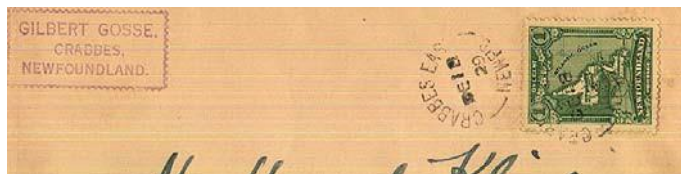


railway ticket device used for postal purposes
courtesy John Oldford

CRABBES STATION / CRABBES EAST

Open	1911	Closed	1932	Population	52
Bay	Inland	Location	On rail line	Map 11 C 4	(St. Fintans)
Distributing Office		Same			

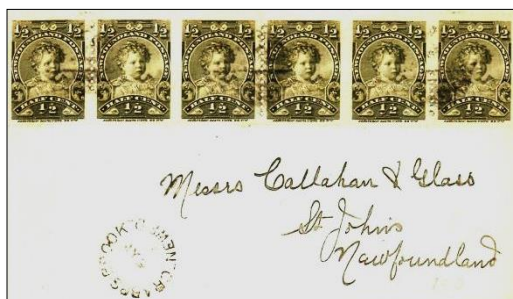
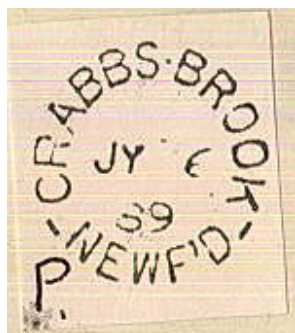
Crabbes Station became Crabbes East sometime between 1911 and 1929. To confuse matters even more, Crabbes East became St. Fintans in 1932. Postmaster on opening was James Pike who was also PM in 1932 as well as being telegraph operator. A split ring for each name is available.



CRABBS BROOK

Open	1883	Closed	1906	Population	188
Bay	St. Georges	Location	Not known	Map 11 C 4	(area)
Distributing Office		Crabb(e)s Station			

This office was renamed Crabb(e)s in 1906. Open as a way office with Moses Huelen as the first waykeeper and Mrs. J. Pike in 1889. Became a post office in 1891 with Mrs. Pike as first Postmaster and Isabella Pike in 1893 and up to name change in 1906. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Crabb(e)s Station.



CRAWLEY'S ISLAND

Open	1909	Closed	1931	Population	39
Bay	Placentia	Location	Long Harbour	Map 20 G 23	
Distributing Office		Long Harbour			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Peter Keating. PM in 1931 was Peter Keating. Mails were from Long Harbour Station via Long Harbour. No proofs or strikes seen.

CREEK

Open	1899	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Not known	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Mrs. D. Gillis. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Daniel Campbell. Nothing else is known. No strikes or proofs. The only clue are the PM's surnames. Definitely Cape Breton immigrant country. St. Georges District from Heatherton to Highlands and over to Loch Leven on Map 11.

CRESTON

Open	1930	Closed	July 31 1991	Population	406
Bay	Placentia	Location	Marystown	Map	19 H 18
Distributing Office			Marystown		

First Postmaster was Benjamin Hollett. Miss Marion Hollett became PM on April 30 1939. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Marystown. One split ring seen and is likely the only one. This office previously called BUTLERS COVE and existed as an office under that name from 1911 until 1929.



CROSS ROADS STEPHENVILLE CROSSING

This location was the forerunner of White's Road which became Noel's Pond after Confederation.



CUCKOLDS COVE

Open	1919	Closed	1920	Population	135
Bay	Trinity	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office			Not known		

Cuckold's Cove was the "back harbour" of Trinity. Nothing else is known of this short-lived office. A split ring strike is reported.

CUL DE SAC WEST

Open	1897	Closed	1937	Population	96
Bay	Ocean	Location	South West coast	Map	13 F 11
Distributing Office			Cape La Hune		

First Postmaster was Arthur Spencer. PM in 1931 was George are Spencer. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Cape La Hune. One split ring seen. No West designation because it was the original of the two Cul De Sacs.



courtesy Murray Smith

CUL DE SAC EAST

Open	1926	Closed	1931	Population	47
Bay	Hermitage	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Mrs. A.J. Oxford. PM in 1931 was Mrs. George Cake. No proofs or strikes are recorded for this office.

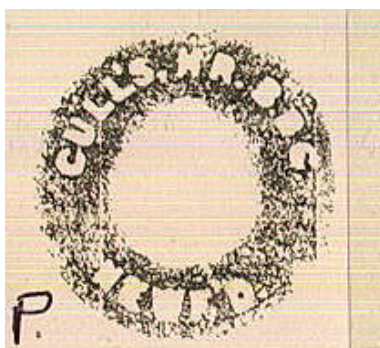
CULL'S HARBOUR

Open	1924	Closed	1931	Population	22
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Alexander Bay	Map 16 Z 22	
Distributing Office		Alexander Bay Station			

First Postmaster was Alice White. PM in 1931 was Mary E. Whelan. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Alexander Bay Station via Glovertown. One split ring seen. BBC means Bonavista Bay Centre.



courtesy John Oldford



CUPIDS

Open	1888	Closed	Still Open	Population	562
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of Conception Bay	Map 21 F 25	
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office with Jane LeDrew as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1895 with John Bishop as first Postmaster followed by Moses LeDrew in 1896 and John LeDrew in 1898. PM in 1931 was Carrie W. Dawe. PM in 1942 was Miss Beulah Dawe. Mails were daily by Conception Bay Railway. Two split rings seen.



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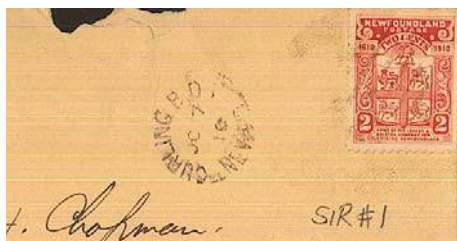
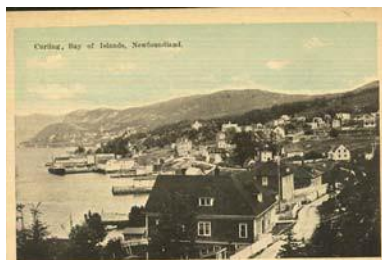


split ring No. 2

CURLING

Open	1908	Closed	May 01 1958	Population	981
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Part of Corner Brook	Map 6	X 7 (not shown)
Distributing Office		Same			

An early alternate name was Birchy Cove. That name was not used postally because.... You guessed it, another post office in Newfoundland had the same name. This office changed its name to Curling-Corner Brook in 1958 and closed in 1972. First Postmaster was Mrs. E. Boland. PM in 1931 was Eleanor Boland. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. Three split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



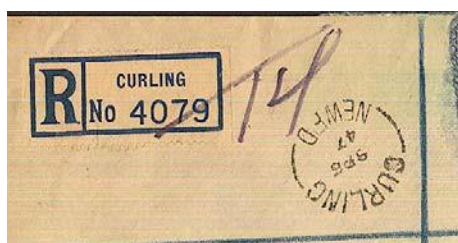
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split ring No. 3



First series Registration
gummed label
courtesy Jim Leutje



railway ticket device
used for postal purposes
courtesy John Oldford

CURRENT ISLAND

Open	1891	Closed	1937	Population	70
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 1	K 11
Distributing Office		Flowers Cove			

First Postmaster was James Williams. PM in 1931 was Frederick Williams. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona via Flowers Cove. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier up the Great Northern Mail Road. One split ring exists. There MAY be another. Flowers Cove Transit mark.

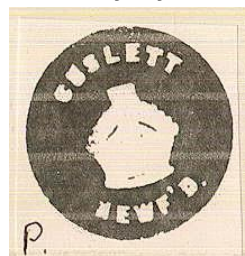


courtesy Doug Hannan

CUSLETT

Open	1894	Closed	February 26 1969	Population	108
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Cape Shore" Avalon Pen.	Map 20	J 22
Distributing Office		Placentia			

First Postmaster was Joseph McGrath. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Peter McGrath. This office must have had a closed period, probably one of very many offices closed in 1931. Listed as (re)opening May 27 1947 with Mrs. Peter McGrath as PM once more. Mails were weekly from Placentia Bay Railway by courier via placentia. Three split ring proofs seen.



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

CUTWELL (HARBOUR)

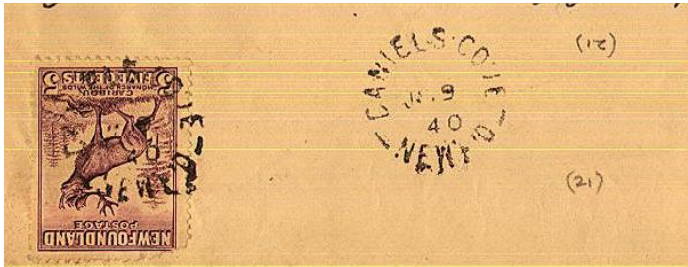
Open	1920	Closed	1920	Population	456
Bay	Green	Location	Long Island	Map 8	U 15
Distributing Office		Same			

This office was renamed Beaumont by the Nomenclature Board the same year it opened. It is possible that a CUTWELL marking does not exist. First and only Postmaster was Winnifred J. Roberts (see Beaumont). Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. No proofs or strikes seen.

DANIEL'S COVE

Open	1897	Closed	August 24 1959	Population	73
Bay	Trinity	Location	Tip of Conception Bay North	Map	17 C 26
Distributing Office		Brownsdale			

First Postmaster was John Howard. PM in 1931 was Margaret Howard. PM in 1942 was Cyril Howard. PM on November 18 1948 was Miss Frances Kelly. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via Brownsdale. One split ring seen.



DANIEL'S HARBOUR

Open	1901	Closed	Still Open	Population	210
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map	3 Q 9
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Nathaniel Brophy. PM in 1931 was Ada House who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on December 1 1948 was Miss Olive House. Mails in Summer were From Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier up the Great Northern Mail Road. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



DANIEL'S POINT

Open	1898	Closed	1931	Population	117
Bay	Trepassey	Location	"Irish Loop" South Avalon	Map	21 K 25
Distributing Office		Trepassey			

First Postmaster was Alice Finlay. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Thomas Finlay. Mails were by Southern Shore Railway and/or courier from Trepassey Station. One split ring seen.



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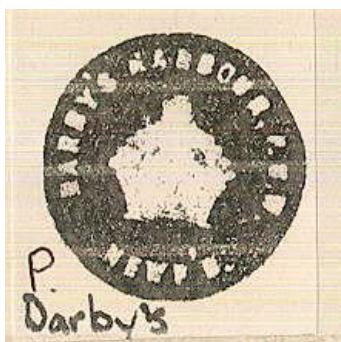
partial strike of the 1900 style Duplex that was unique to Newfoundland. Daniels Point is an UNRECORDED location. courtesy Murray Smith



DARBY'S HARBOUR

Open	1929	Closed	1940	Population	21
Bay	Placentia	Location	Paradise Sound	Map	19 F 20
Distributing Office		St. Joseph's			

No Postmasters are listed for here. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via St. Josephs. One split ring proof is available. PBW means Placentia Bay West.



DARK COVE

Open	1919	Closed	1931	Population	329
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Head of Bonavista Bay	Map	10 Y 21 (Gambo)
Distributing Office		Gambo			

Dark Cove is part of Gambo. First Postmaster was Miss Saunders. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Jas. Saunders. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Gambo station. One split ring was proofed. Proof is in error, should read BB for Bonavista Bay in lieu of TB for Trinity Bay.



DARK TICKLE

Open	1903	Closed	1911	Population	80
Bay	Green	Location	Triton Island	Map	8 U 16
Distributing Office			Pilley's Island		

This office was renamed Brighton by the Nomenclature Board in 1911. First and only Postmaster was Joseph Fudge. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Pilley's Island. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Point Leamington and Triton. No split ring strikes or proofs seen, only a bag seal. NDB for Notre Dame Bay.



DAVIS COVE

Open	1929	Closed	1971	Population	104
Bay	Placentia	Location	West Channel Placentia Bay	Map	20 F 21
Distribution Office			Sound Island		

First Postmaster was Mrs. Annie Caul. Mails were weekly from Arnold's Cove by motorboat via Sound Island. One split ring in use here. PBW was Placentia Bay West.



DAWSON'S COVE

Open	1911	Closed	1931	Population	145
Bay	Hermitage	Location	Connaigre Bay	Map	18 F 15
Distributing Office			Hermitage		

First Postmaster was Essau Wills. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Charles Crewe. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Hermitage. Two split ring proofs exist. HB means Hermitage Bay.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



(BAY) D'ESPOIR

Open	1900	Closed	1923	Population	265
Bay	Fortune	Location	Not Known	No Map	
Distributing Office		Not known			

Little is known of this location; an alternate name was Ship Cove (along with 5 others of the same name).

DE GRAU

Open	1918	Closed	1931	Population	102
Bay	St. George's	Location	Port au Port Peninsula	Map 5 A 2	
Distributing Office		Port au Port			

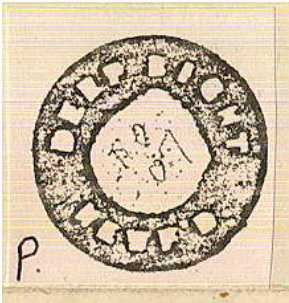
First Postmaster was Ralph La Costa. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Jos. M. Benoit.
Mails were from Stephenville Crossing station daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Port au Port. One split ring exists.



DEEP BIGHT

Open	1907	Closed	April 20 1970	Population	79
Bay	Trinity	Location	Northwest Arm Random	Map 16 C 22	
Distributing Office		Hillview			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Charles Hansford who, still held the position in 1931.
Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via Hillview. One split ring is shown.



DEER HARBOUR

Open	1895	Closed	October 13 1967	Population	153
Bay	Trinity	Location	Random Island	Map	16 C 24
Distributing Office		Not known			

Deer Harbour was abandoned in 1967 as a result of the Resettlement Programme. First Post master was Jemima King who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu . One split ring seen. Double circle is Clarenville.



DEER ISLAND

Open	1900	Closed	Aug. 31 1955	Population	109
Bay	Bonavista	Location	North Trinity Bay	Map	10 X 23 (listed as Island)
Distribution Office		Same			

Another of the abandoned settlements of the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Arthur King. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Daniel Feltham. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. Two split ring proofs are shown. There is very little difference between the two other than the apostrophe in NEWF'D. Obviously there was an earlier split ring. BB for Bonavista Bay.



split ring No. 2 split ring No. 3



courtesy Doug Hannan

DEER LAKE

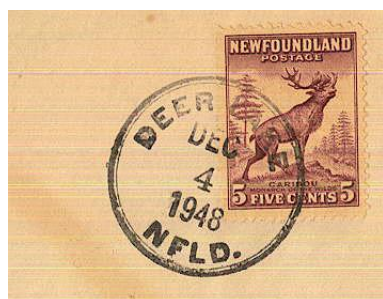
Open	1898	Closed	Still Open	Population	1758
Bay	Inland	Location	Humber District	Map	7 W 9
Distributing Office		Same			

Deer Lake was the distribution point for all mail matter going North during the Winter. First Postmaster was Mrs. J. Penny. PM in 1931 was W. J. Dewey who, was also telegraph operator. C.B. Pritchett was appointed PM and TO on February 1 1948. Assistants were Hazel Pennell and E.M. Wilcox. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. One split ring seen but there had to be an earlier one.

There was also a Postal Telegraph Oval and an Oval HM Customs in use here.



split ring No. 2



railway ticket cancel
courtesy John Oldford



Forward Winter mail
for Northern Peninsula



DELBY'S COVE

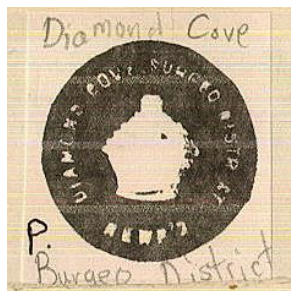
Open	1911	Closed	1931	Population	30
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound	Map	16 B 24
Distributing Office		British Harbour			

First Postmaster was John McGrath Sr. PM in 1931 was Richard John Wiseman. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via British Harbour. No proofs or strikes seen.

DIAMOND COVE

Open	1928	Closed	1931	Population	146
Bay	Ocean	Location	"Front" cove of Rose Blanche	Map 11 F 4	
Distribution Office			Rose Blanche		

First and only Postmaster was Mrs. W. G. Brown. Mails were weekly from Port Aux Basques by S.S. Basques via Rose Blanche. One split ring proof exists.



DILDO SOUTH

Open	1910	Closed	1937	Population	99
Bay	Trinity	Location	Head of Trinity Bay	Map 20 F 24	(South Dildo)
Distributing Office			Whitbourne		

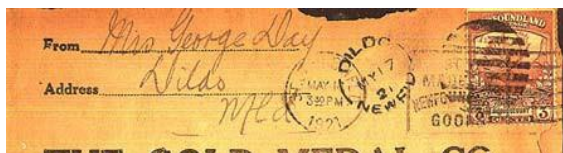
This office reopened after Confederation from May 23 1958 until October 31 1990. Two retail offices opened after, the latter of which is still open. First Postmaster was Mrs. Solomon Reid. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Martin Reid. Mails were from Whitbourne daily Trs. 1 and 2 via courier. The cancelling device reads South Dildo TB for Trinity Bay.



DILDO

Open	August 1883	Closed	Still Open	Population	491
Bay	Trinity	Location	Head of Trinity Bay	Map 20 F 24	
Distributing Office			Whitbourne		

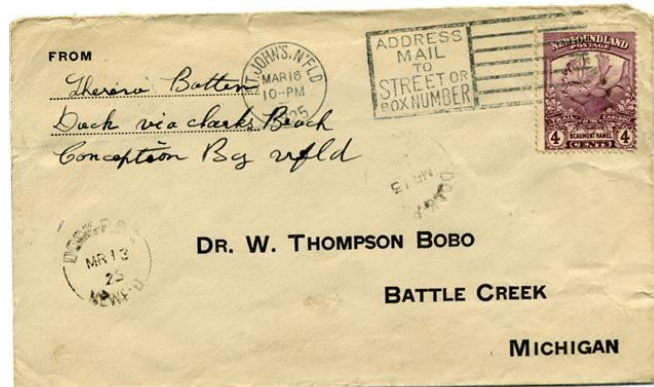
Open as a way office with Albert Smith as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Emma Moore as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was E. George. Mails were from Whitbourne daily Trs. 1 and 2 via courier. One split ring seen. This same device was still in use in 1953. An eight bar obliterator is also included.



DOCK

Open	1917	Closed	1931	Population	125
Bay	Conception	Location	Near Clarkes Beach	Map	21 F 25
Distributing Office		Clarkes Beach			

This office was in Port de Grave District, putting it at the head of Conception Bay but, a precise location cannot be determined. First Postmaster was Mrs. James Batten. PM in 1931 was A. J. French. Mails likely would have been by Conception Bay Railway. One split ring seen.



courtesy Doug Hannan

DOG BAY

Open	1902	Closed	1911	Population	128
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was John C. Cator. Nothing else is known of this office. No strikes or proofs seen.

DOG COVE

Open	1919	Closed	1931	Population	48
Bay	Bay de Vieux	Location	South West Coast		
Distributing Office		Ramea			

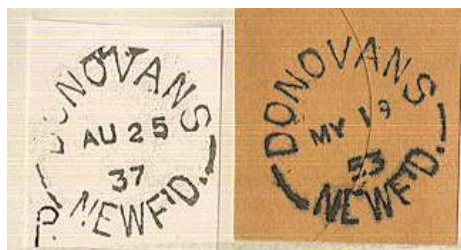
First Postmaster was Mrs. George Baggs who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Ramea. One split ring proof exists but there must have been earlier one as well. B&L means Burgeo and LaPoile.



DONOVANS

Open	1916	Closed	February 17 1975	Population	Not known
Bay	Inland	Location	Conception Bay South	Map 21 F 27	(Paradise)
Distributing Office		Same			

Renamed Paradise in 1975 and remains open to this day. First Postmaster was Ellen Turner. PM in 1931 was Mrs. William Power. PM on June 1 1948 was James Soper. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Donovans station. One split ring proof exists but obviously there was an earlier one.



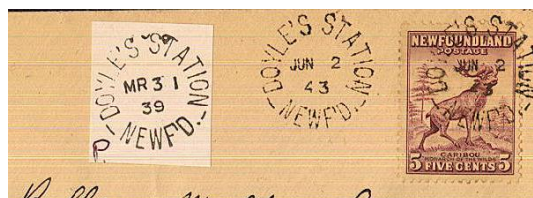
DOYLE'S STATION

Open	1903	Closed	1946	Population	Nil
Bay	Inland	Location	Codroy Valley	Map 11 D 2	(Doyles)
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was J.J. Doyle. PM in 1931 was C.J. Doyle. Raymond Doyle was appointed PM on January 16 1939. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. A split ring proof exists for 1939.



Doyles OR Doyles Station
split ring No. 1 ?



split ring No. 2



DOYLES

Open	1939	Closed	Still Open	Population	70
Bay	Inland	Location	Codroy Valley	Map	11 D 2
Distributing Office		Same			

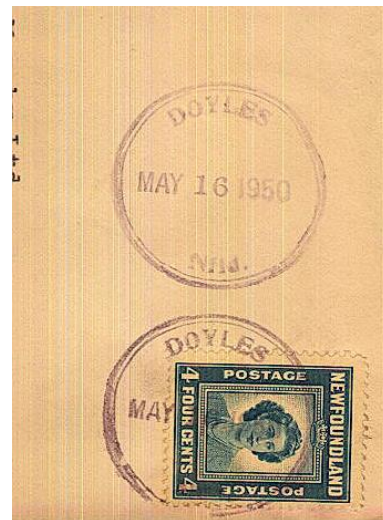
There is confusion between the operating dates of Doyles and Doyles Station. The opening date for Doyles states 1937. The first proof states 1939. I have a strike of DOYLES GT. CODROY for 1913. Is this to mean Doyles Station? Postmaster (for Doyles) in 1942 was Blanche Doyle. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Doyles Station. There should be a split ring circa 1939 BUT one for Doyles Station was proofed .



Doyles 1908



Doyles OR Doyles Station?



courtesy John Oldford

DROOK

Open	1908	Closed	1931	Population	36
Bay	Trepassey	Location	"Irish Loop" Southern Shore	Map	21 L 25 (Drook Cove, Point)
Distributing Office		Trepassey			

First Postmaster was Mrs. St. Croix. PM in 1931 was Winnie St. Croix (same ?) Mails were from St. John's by Southern Shore Railway and/or courier via Trepassey. St. M. for St. Marys.



DUFF'S

Open	1928	Closed	1931	Population	35
Bay	Conception	Location	Not known (Holyrood area)	Map 21	G 21 (approximate)
Distributing Office		Not known			

First and only Postmaster was Mrs. John Corbett. Mails are not known but Duffs was a small railway station near Holyrood. One split ring proof. HR. M means Harbour Main.



DUGGAN'S COVE

Open	1915	Closed	1928	Population	59
Bay	Not known	Location	South West Coast (Not known)		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Mrs. G. Andrews. Mail distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

DUNFIELD

Open	1920	Closed	August 11 1970	Population	222
Bay	Trinity	Location	Near Trinity	Map 17 A	25
Distributing Office		Trinity			

First Postmaster was Harriet Clarke. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Stephen Spurrell. PM on April 1 1948 was Miss Bertha Woolridge. Mails were by Bonavista Railway via Trinity. One split ring seen. Obviously there was an earlier device. TB for Trinity Bay.



DUNVILLE

Open	1896	Closed	Still Open	Population	261
Bay	Inland	Location	Near Placentia	Map 20 G	23
Distribution Office		Same			

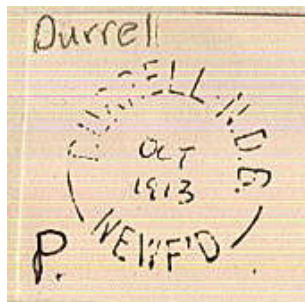
First Postmaster was Joachim Connors. PM in 1931 was Thomas Connors. Mails were by Placentia Bay Railway at Dunville station. Not certain if there was another split ring.



DURELL'S

Open	1913	Closed	May 30 1990	Population	469
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Twillingate Island	Map	9 T 19
Distributing Office		Twillingate			

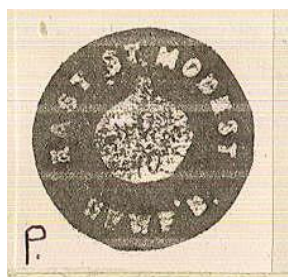
Reopened April 24 1990 as a Retail office and is still open. First Postmaster was John Minty who, still held the position in 1931. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Twillingate. One split ring proof is known NDB for Notre Dame Bay.



EAST ST. MODEST(E)

Open	1890	Closed	1944	Population	50
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	South Labrador coast	Map	1 H 11 (West St. Modeste)
Distributing Office		Same			

This office merged with West St. Modeste after the community was abandoned in 1944. Postmasters not known. Mail in Summer was weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. In Winter by dog team from Quebec via Forteau. One split ring seen. A strike is illustrated in Kevin O'Reilly's "A Pre-Confederation Postal History Of Labrador" on pg. 11.



courtesy Doug Hannan

EASTPORT

Open	1919	Closed	Still Open	Population	345
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Newman Sound	Map	16 Z 23
Distributing Office		Same			

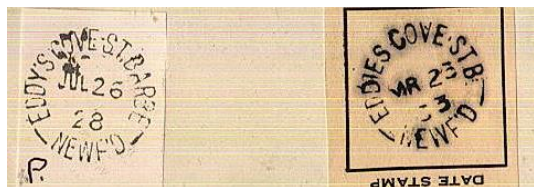
First Postmaster was Lewis Squires who, still held the position in 1931. Harold Squires was appointed PM on January 10 1939. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. One split ring seen and was still in use in 1962. BB for Bonavista Bay.



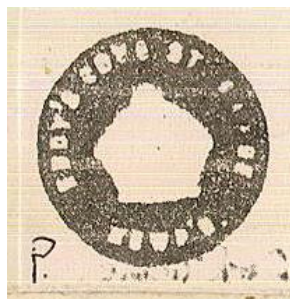
EDDIES/EDDY'S COVE

Open	1929	Closed	Still Open under EddIEs	Population	78
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 2	J 13
Distributing Office		Flower's Cove			

First Postmaster was Mrs. James Gaulton who, also held the position in 1931. Benjamin C. Way was appointed PM on December 01 1936. PM on November 01 1937 was Miss Eliza Paul. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona via Flower's Cove. In Winter fro Deer Lake station by courier up the Great Northern Mail Road via Flowers Cove. Two different split rings exist, one with the spelling change. St. B for St. Barbe (district.)



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



ELLIOTT'S COVE

Open	1886	Closed	May 20 1970	Population	57
Bay	Trinity	Location	Northwest Arm Random	Map 16	C 23
Distributing Office		Lady Cove			

Open as a way office in 1886 with Aaron Smith as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Aaron as first Postmaster. PM in 1899 was Thomas Smith and in 1931 was Mrs. Louise Smith. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Malakoff via Lady Cove. Three split rings seen.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 3



split ring No. 2

ELLISTON

Open	1904	Closed	Still Open	Population	863
Bay	Trinity	Location	Tip of Bonavista Peninsula	Map 17	Z 26
Distributing Office		Bonavista			

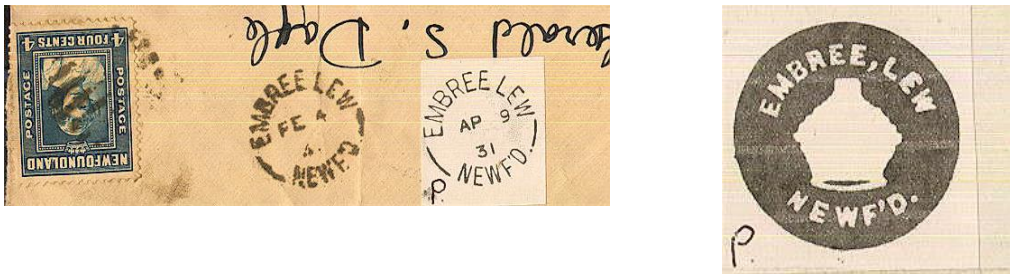
First Postmaster was Alfred Crewe who, was also in the position in 1931. Mails were by Bonavista Railway via Bonavista. One split ring seen. The same instrument was in use in 1969.



EMBREE

Open	1933	Closed	Still Open	Population	43
Bay	Bay of Exploits	Location	Near Lewisporte	Map	9 V 18
Distributing Office		Lewisporte			

Previously called Salt Pond. No Postmasters are known from this location. Mails were by railway to Lewisporte via courier. One split ring was in use up to 1955. LEW for Lewisporte.



ENGLEE

Open	1891	Closed	Still Open	Population	522
Bay	White	Location	Canada Bay	Map	4 M 14
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Charles Hopkins. PM in 1931 was Olive Gillard. PM, as of December1 1938 was W.E. Noseworthy. PM in 1942 was R.J. Fox. Mails in Summer were fortnightly From Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station over the ice via Hampden and Western Arm. Two split rings seen. They look very similar but pay attention to the spacing between “F” and “D” in NEWF'D and the letter”G.” This location also had a NEWF'D CDS.



ENGLISH HARBOUR EAST

Open	1932	Closed	Still Open	Population	189
Bay	Fortune	Location	Head of Fortune Bay	Map	19 F 19
Distributing Office		Same			

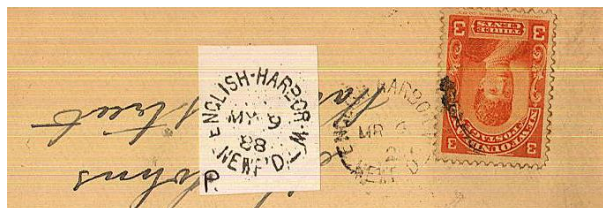
Postmasters are not known (after 1931.) Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. One split ring seen which was in use until at least 1953.



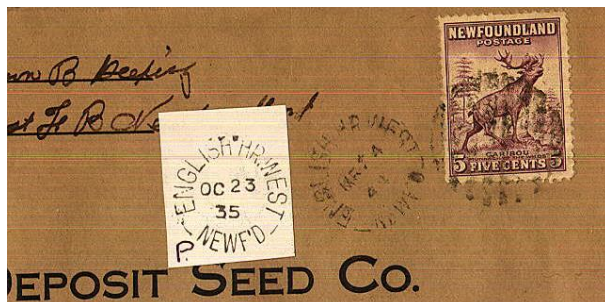
ENGLISH HARBOUR WEST

Open	April 1866	Closed	Still Open	Population	334
Bay	Fortune	Location	Connaigre Peninsula	Map	19 G 17
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1866 with Albert Stirling as first waykeeper followed by Mrs. Seline Stirling in 1874 and William Evans in 1882. Became a post office in 1891 with William as first Postmaster. PM in 1893 was Emma J. Evans. Pm in 1931 was Mrs. R. Day who, was also telegraph operator. Two split rings seen, both with proof dates.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

ENGLISH HARBOUR

Open	July 1883	Closed	July 31 1969	Population	277
Bay	Trinity	Location	Trinity Bight	Map	17 A 25
Distributing Office		Port Rexton			

Open as a way office with Henry G. Batston as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Henry as first Postmaster. PM in 1898 was Martin Bugden. Pm in 1931 was Mrs. John Batston. Mails were by Bonavista Railway via Port Rexton. Three split rings seen. Why the third one was proofed one month later than the second remains a mystery as the second is in use in 1944.



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split ring No. 1 split ring No. 3

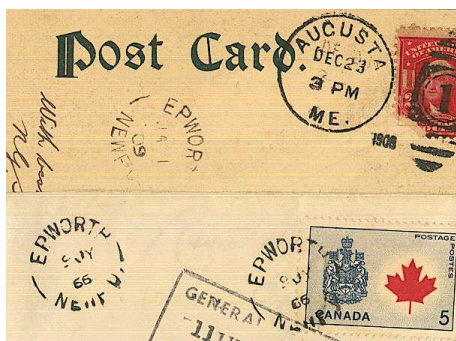
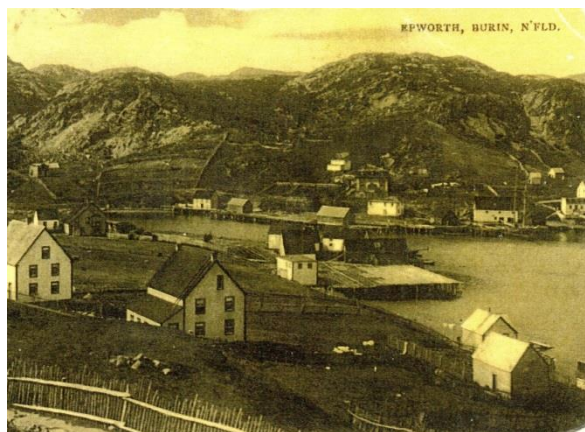


split ring No. 2

EPWORTH

Open	1901	Closed	Still Open	Population	189
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 J 18
Distributing Office		Burin			

First Postmaster not known. PM in 1931 was Susie Baker. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Burin. Previously was Spoon Cove Burin from 1890 to 1901. One split ring seen. As the same device was used in 1909 and 1966, it is safe to assume that only one existed.



EXPLOITS HARBOUR

Open	April 1871	Closed	1912	Population	520
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Exploits Islands	Map	9 U 18
Distributing Office		Same			

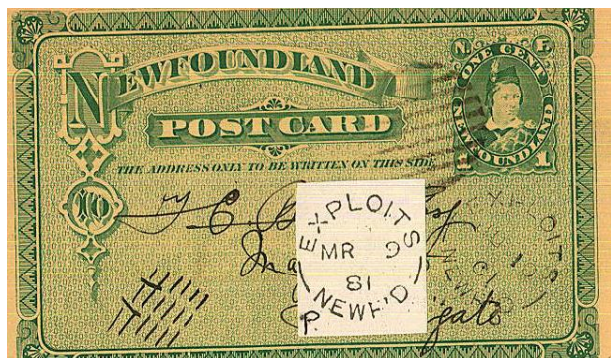
Both Offices of Exploits and Exploits Harbour were located on the Exploits Islands. There were two large Islands with a "Tickle" (Newfspeak for channel) running between. The two offices were on opposite sides of the Tickle. Exploits Harbour opened much earlier but closed sooner. Open as a way office with Thomas A. Wisner as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1889 with Thomas as first Postmaster. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by boat in Summer and from Lewisporte by courier over the ice in Winter. One split ring seen.



EXPLOITS

Open	1912	Closed	August 06 1968	Population	296
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Exploits Islands	Map	9 U 18
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster is not known. PM in 1931 was William N. Winsor. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier over the ice. Two split rings seen. All of Exploits Islands were abandoned in 1968.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



FAIR HAVEN

Open	1947	Closed	Still Open	Population	142
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Neck" of Avalon Peninsula	Map	20 F 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Famish Cove and was a post office under that name from 1903 to 1947. Postmaster was Mrs. Joseph Collett. PM on December 08 1948 was Mrs. Ernest Collett. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Tickle Harbour station. This location used the NEWF'D CDS hammer.

Note also a manuscript Registration box. PB means Placentia Bay.



FAIR ISLAND

Open	1889	Closed	December 21 1961	Population	212
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Wareham-Centreville	Map	10 X 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office with James Brown as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with James as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Kenneth Hounsell who, was also telegraph operator. PM and To on September 22 1948 was Miss Inez B. Eddy. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. One split ring was used for the entire life of this office. Fair Island was abandoned in 1961 with the island's population moving to the Wareham-Centreville area.



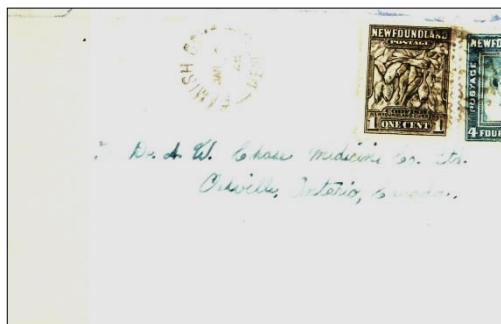
FAMISH COVE

Open	1903	Closed	1947	Population	119
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Neck" of Avalon Peninsula	Map	20 F 23
Distribution Office		Same			

Renamed Fair Haven in 1947. First Postmaster was John Cramm. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Joseph Collett. Mails were daily by Trs. 1 and 2 from Tickle Harbour station. One split ring exists.



courtesy Murray Smith



FARMER'S ARM

Open	1900	Closed	1914	Population	293
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Mrs. M.E. Boyd. Other than it existed, virtually nothing is known of this office.



courtesy Doug Hannan

FELIX COVE

Open	1914	Closed	1931	Population	77
Bay	St. Georges	Location	Port au Port Peninsula	Map	5 A 4
Distributing Office		Port au Port			

First Postmaster was Daniel Hall. PM in 1931 was Rita Gillis. Mails were from Stephenville Crossing station daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Port au Port. A split ring proof exists for this office. STG for St. George.



FEMME

Open	1912	Closed	June 12 1957	Population	76
Bay	Fortune	Location	Bay de L'Eau	Map	19 F 19
Distributing Office			English Harbour East		

First Postmaster Wilson Dodge. PM in 1931 was Mrs. William Dodge. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via English Harbour East. One split ring seen.



FERMEUSE RIVERHEAD

Open	1903	Closed	1940	Population	232
Bay	Ocean	Location	"Irish Loop" Southern Shore	Map	21 J 26 (approximate)
Distributing Office			Fermeuse		

First Postmaster was John Morry. PM in 1931 was Mrs. J. Kenny. Mails were daily by Southern Shore Railway and/or courier via Fermeuse.



courtesy Doug Hannan

FERMEUSE SOUTH SIDE

Open	1891	Closed	Not known		
Bay	Ocean	Location	"Irish Loop" Southern Shore	Map	21 J 27 (Kingmans)
Distributing Office			Fermeuse		

First Postmaster was John O'Shaughnessy . PM in 1931 was Mrs. J. O'Shaughnessy. Mails were daily by Southern Shore Railway and/or courier via Fermeuse.



FERMEUSE ADMIRAL'S COVE

Open	1909	Closed	1931	Population	139
Bay	Ocean	Location	"Irish Loop" Southern Shore	Map 21	J 27
Distributing Office	Fermeuse				

This office reopened after Confederation under the name of Port Kirwan from July 04 1962 to September 30 1970. First Postmaster was Mrs. F.M. O'Neil who, was still in that position in 1931. Mails were daily by Southern Shore Railway and/or courier via Fermeuse.



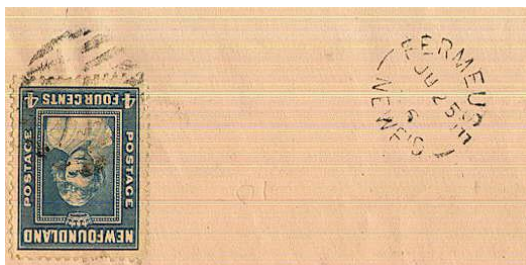
FERMEUSE

Open	1872	Closed	Still Open	Population	1951
Bay	Ocean	Location	"Irish Loop" Southern Shore	Map 21	J 26
Distributing Office	Same				

Open as a way office with John King as first waykeeper, followed by John Connell in 1873 and William Trainor in 1882. Became a post office in 1891 with William as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was not listed. Mails were daily by Southern Shore Railway and/or courier. Two split rings seen. Major difference is spelling Fermuse as opposed to FermEuse.



Ssplit ring No. 1 split ring No. 2 ?



FERROLLE

Open	1912	Closed	1931	Population	31
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 1	L 11 (New Ferolle)
Distributing Office	Same				

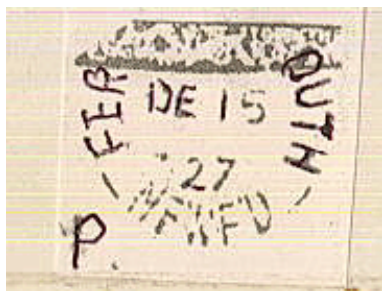
First Postmaster was Patrick Rumboldt who, still held the position in 1931. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. In Winter from Deer Lake station up the Great Northern Mail Road by courier. One split ring proof seen. STS OF B (I is missing) means Straits of Belle Isle.



FERRYLAND SOUTH

Open	1928	Closed	1929	Population	Not known
Bay	Ocean	Location	"Irish Loop" Southern Shore	Map 19	J 27
Distributing Office		Ferryland			

First and only Postmaster was Richard Barnstable. Mails were daily by Southern Shore Railway and/or courier via Ferryland. One incomplete proof exists.

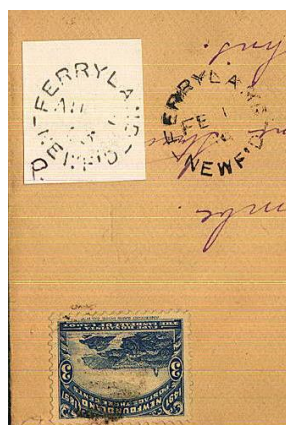
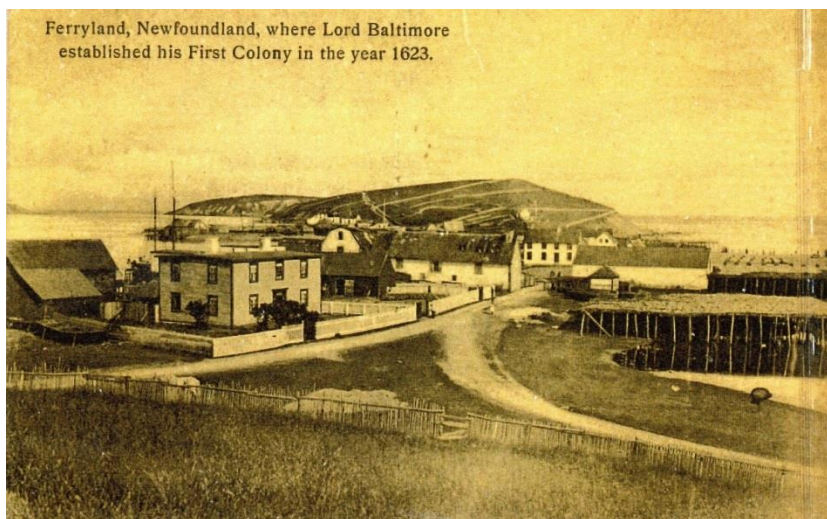


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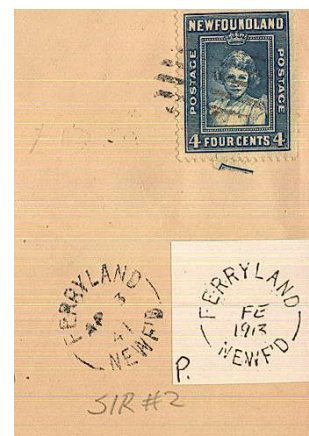
FERRYLAND

Open	1851	Closed	Still Open	Population	549
Bay	Ocean	Location	"Irish Loop" Southern Shore	Map 21	J 27
Distributing Office		Same			

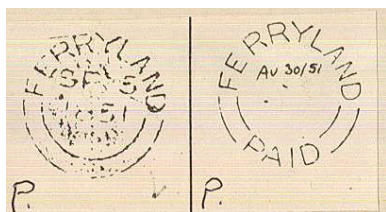
First Postmaster was John Morry. PM in 1900 was Thomas G. Morry. PM in 1931 was Clara Costello. Mails were daily by Southern Shore Railway and/or courier. Two split Rings are illustrated.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



FISHOT ISLANDS

Open	1910	Closed	1980	Population	67
Bay	White	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map	2 K 15
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Bridget Cromley who, still held the position in 1931. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter by courier from Deer Lake station over the ice via Hampden and Northwest Arm and Conche. Two split rings exist.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

FLAT ISLANDS BONAVIDA

Open	July 1882	Closed	September 15 1978	Population	417
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Bay	Map	10 Y 23 (Great Black)
Distribution Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1882 with John Bartlett as waykeeper and J. Sampson in 1883, Zebedee Bailey in 1884, Mary Hicks in 1887 and Hannah Simpson in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with Hannah as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Alfreda J. Butt. PM in 1942 was C.L. Pickett. PM on May 01 1948 was Dawson Hiscock. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff.

One misspelled Split ring No "S" in Islands exists. This misspelling was actually used for many years.



misspelled ILAND



FLAT ISLANDS BURIN

Open	April 1876	Close	September 02 1952	Population	113
Bay	Placentia	Location	Off Burin Peninsula	Map 19 H 19	(Davis Island)
Distributing Office		St. Josephs PB			

Renamed Davis Island and later still became Port Elizabeth, finally closing under that name on August 18 1969. Open as a way office with F. Stowe as waykeeper and Henry M. Crann in 1879. First Postmaster was Henry. PM in 1931 was Muriel Bailey who, was also telegraph operator. Postmaster and TO in 1948 was Miss Eleanor D. Moulton. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via St. Josephs. One split ring seen.



FLAT ROCK BDV

Open	1920	Closed	1931	Population	206
Bay	Conception	Location	Near Carbonear	Map 17 E 25	(Freshwater)
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

First Postmaster was W. Butt. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Arthur Pottle. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. No proofs or strikes seen. BDV for Bay de Verde (District).

FLAT BAY ST. GEORGES

Open	1916	Closed	April 20 1970	Population	97
Bay	St. Georges	Location	Stephenville area	Map 6 A 5	
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was David Benoit. who, was also PM in 1931. Officially (re)opened on December 01 1943. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Flat Bay station. One split ring seen.



FLAT ROCK ST. JOHN'S EAST

Open	1890	Closed	April 27 1970	Population	478
Bay	Ocean	Location	Near Torbay	Map	17 E 27
Distributing Office		Torbay			

Open as a way office with James Burke as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with James as first Postmaster, followed by Kate Allan in 1899. PM in 1931 was still Kate Allan. Mails were daily at 12 noon from St. John's by wagon via Torbay. It would appear that one split ring was in use during the entire period. St. J for St. John's.



FLEUR de LYS

Open	1907	Closed	Still Open	Population	289
Bay	White	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	4 R 14
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was John S. Walsh. PM in 1931 was Helena Traverse. Miss Theresa Lewis was appointed PM on July 01 1939. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier via Hampden and Western Arm. One split ring seen but obviously there was an earlier one. WB for White Bay.



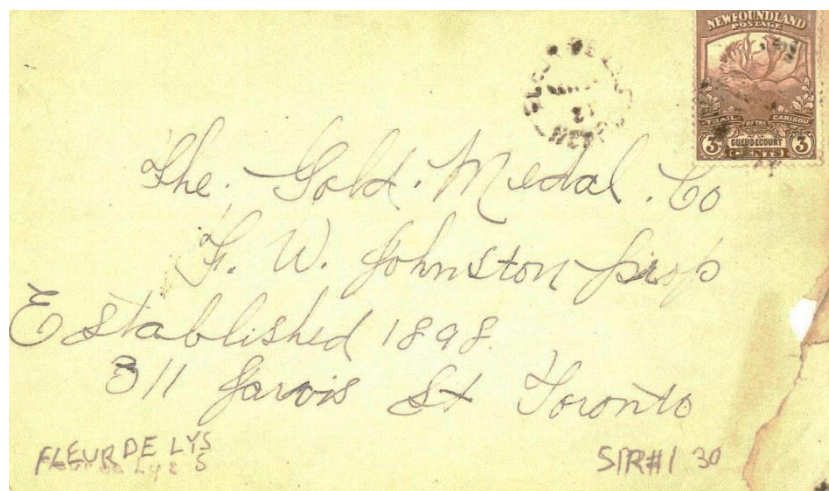
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1 of 2 different
Registration gummed label



2 of 2 different
Registration gummed label



FLOWERS COVE

Open	1883	Closed	Still Open	Population	284
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 1	J 12
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office with James Wilcox as first waykeeper and Richard Norman in 1886. Became a post office in 1891 with Henry Norman as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Sarah Way. PM and TO H.J. Carter "will take up duties on arrival of Northern Ranger". Ship arrived September 04 1937. PM in 1942 was Miss Olive House. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier up the Great Northern Mail Road. The post card gives an indication of Winter mail time. Posted at Flowers Cove Dec. 16 1896, arrival backstamp St. John's March 08 1897. Two split rings exist for this location.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



FOGO

Open	1851	Closed	Still Open	Population	1037
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Fogo Island	Map 10	T 21
Distributing Office		Same			

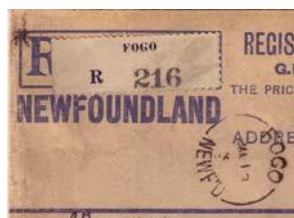
Open as a post office with James Fitzgerald as first Postmaster. PM in 1891 was Ambrose Fitzgerald. PM in 1931 was James E. Fitzgerald. Mails in Summer were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier over the ice via Twillingate and Change Islands. Two split rings seen.



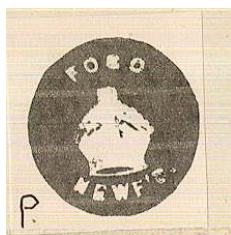
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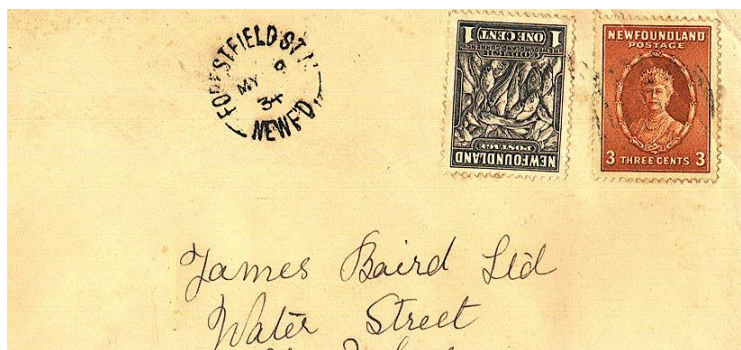
courtesy Jim Leutje



FOREST FIELD

Open	1930	Closed	1937	Population	26
Bay	St. Marys	Location	Salmonier Arm	Map 21	H 25
Distributing Office		Holyrood			

Reopened after Confederation from February 20 1951 until March 29 1968. First Postmaster was David Power. Mails were from Holyrood by courier. A split ring proof is seen. St. M for St. Marys.



FORTEAU

Open	1892	Closed	Still Open	Population	229
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	South Labrador	Map 1	H 11
Distribution Office		Same			

No Postmasters names are available for Labrador. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. In Winter sporadically by dog team from Quebec. Two split rings exist. The earlier read NEWFD on the bottom. Readers are reminded that further information is available in "A Pre-Confederation Postal History of Labrador" by Kevin O'Reilly Pgs. 4, 5 and 6.



circa 1949 Elmer Harp
Lives & Landscapes



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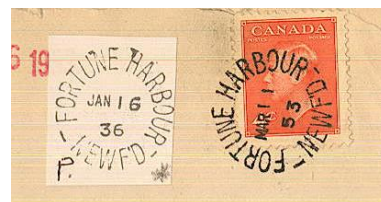
FORTUNE HARBOUR

Open	July 1874	Closed	September 21 1970	Population	365
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Bay of Exploits	Map	9 U 17
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office with Richard Hamilton as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Richard as first Postmaster. PM in 1898 was Mathias Glavine. PM in 1931 was Mrs. M. Smith who, was also telegraph operator. PM in 1938 was Miss Gladys M. Edwards. PM and TO in 1942 was Wm. J. Carey. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier over the ice via Exploits. Three split rings seen. It would be difficult to separate the 2nd and 3rd ones.



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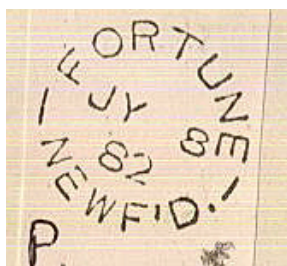
split ring No. 3



FORTUNE

Open	1864	Closed	Still Open	Population	960
Bay	Fortune	Location	Tip of Burin Peninsula	Map	18 J 15
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1864 with G.T. Haddock as first waykeeper, followed by Henry J. Haddon in 1871 and John E. Lake in 1882. Became a post office in 1887 with John as first Postmaster. PM in 1898 was Amelia Bennett. PM in 1931 was Hattie Bennett who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. Fortune was one of very few offices to have used the "fancy" circular devices. Two split rings seen. The second was still in use in 1966.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



courtesy "Newfoundland: 1865 - 1879
A Cover Story by Sammy Whaley

FOSTER'S POINT

Open	1901	Closed	1945	Population	92
Bay	Trinity	Location	Random Island	Map 16 C 23	(Weybridge)
Distributing Office		Lady Cove			

Renamed Weybridge , but no office existed under that name. First Postmaster was Mrs. J. Leawood. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Ellis Reid. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu via Lady Cove. One split ring seen.



FOX COVE BONAVIDA

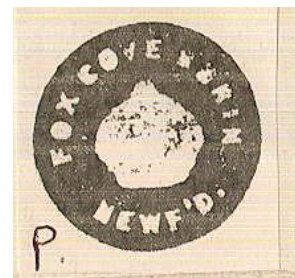
Open	1906	Closed	1912	Population	225
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New West Valley area	Map 10 W 24	(Templeman)
Distributing Office		Wesleyville			

Renamed Templeman in 1912 and is still open under that name. First Postmaster was Henry Melindy. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Wesleyville. No proofs or strikes seen but may have read BB for Bonavista Bay.

FOX COVE BURIN

Open	1904	Closed	May 20 1970	Population	157
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map 19 J 18	
Distributing Office		Burin			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Christopher Antle. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Felix Antle. There must have been a closed period as an official entry lists this office as (re)opening on August 19 1942. It may have closed in 1931 along with all of the others from that year. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Burin. One split ring proof exists.



one of the few NEWF'D CDS hammers and a "Last Day Cover"

FOX COVE

Open	1882	Closed	1931	Population	151
Bay	Fortune	Location	Burin peninsula	Map 19 G 17	(general area)
Distributing Office		Garnish ??			

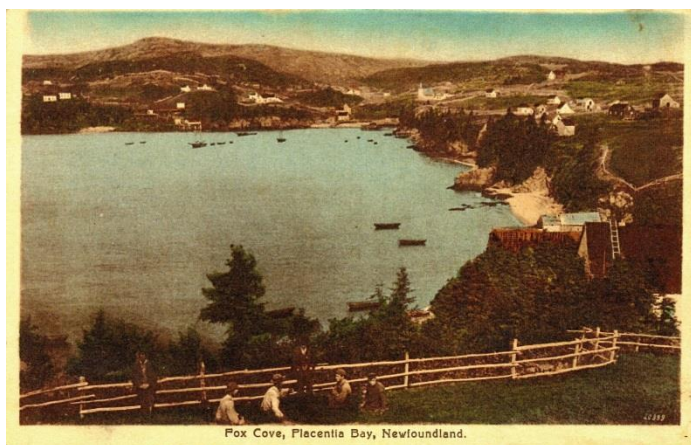
Open as a way office in 1882 with Charles Clinton as first waykeeper, followed by Alice Hearn in 1887 and Mrs. Alice Fewer (married ?) in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with Alice as first Postmaster, followed by Selina Power in 1898 and George Power in 1900. PM in 1931 was Mrs. E. Brace who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Garnish. One split ring proof exists.



FOX HARBOUR PLACENTIA

Open	April 1889	Closed	Still Open	Population	432
Bay	Placentia	Location	Placentia Sound	Map 20 G 23	
Distributing Office		Placentia			

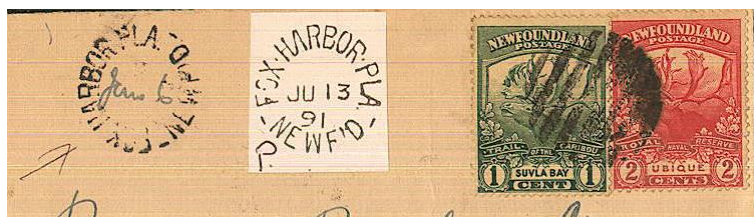
Open as a way office in 1889 with Mrs. Bridget Duke as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Bridget as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Mrs. E. Brace. Mails were by Placentia Bay Railway via Placentia. One split ring seen.



One Hundred Outposts Ben Hansen



Pre-confederation straight line



FOX HARBOUR TRINITY

Open	1886	Closed	1913	Population	97
Bay	Trinity	Location	Southwest Arm Random Sound Map 16 C 24 (Southport)		
Distributing Office		Same			

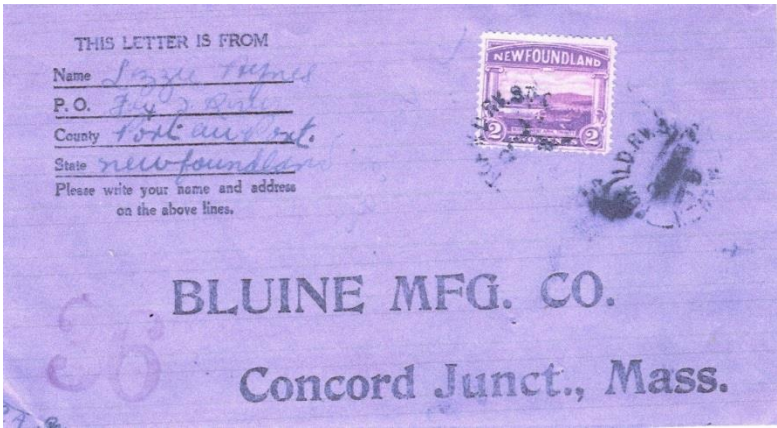
Renamed Southport in 1913 and continued to operate under that name until 1931. Open as a way office in 1886 with Eliza Seward as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Eliza as first Postmaster followed by Minnie Alcock in 1894 and Sophie Adney in 1899. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu. One split ring proof exists.



FOX ISLAND RIVER

Open	1911	Closed	July 15 1969	Population	53
Bay	Port Au Port	Location	Port Au Port	Map 5	Z 4
Distributing Office		Port Au Port			

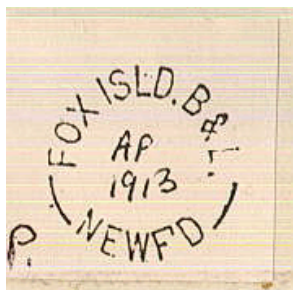
First Postmaster was Samuel R. Parsons. PM in 1931 was Joseph Hynes. Mails were from Stephenville Crossing station Trs. 1 and 2 via Port Au Port. ST. G for St. Georges (district).



FOX ISLAND

Open	1902	Closed	1931	Population	203
Bay	Ocean	Location	South Coast Ramea area	Map 13 F 10	
Distributing Office		Ramea			

Reopened after Confederation under the name of Bonald's Island from April 19 1954 until July 08 1957. First Postmaster was Charles Warren. PM in 1931 was Samuel F. Hayman. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Ramea. One proof is seen from 1913, there must have been an earlier device. B&L for Burgeo and La Poile (district.)



FOX ROOST

Open	1899	Closed	1931	Population	80
Bay	Ocean	Location	Port Aux Basques area	Map 11 F 3	
Distributing Office		Port Aux Basques			

Fox Roost is Newspeak for "Fosse Rouge" or Red Gully according to Farley Mowat. First Postmaster was Morgan Walters. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Morgan Walters. Mails were from Port Aux Basques Trs. 1 and 2. No proofs or strikes seen.



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FOXTRAP

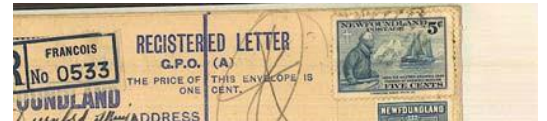
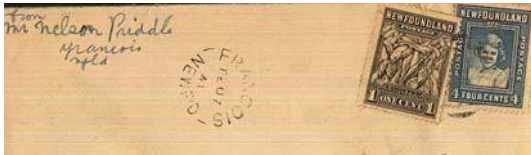
Open	1907	Closed	1931	Population	596
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay South	Map 21 F 26	
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Richard Dearin. PM in 1931 was Mrs. George Jones. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Foxtrap station. No proofs or strikes seen.

FRANCOIS

Open	1896	Closed	Still Open	Population	327
Bay	Ocean	Location	South Coast	Map	13 F 12
Distributing Office		Same			

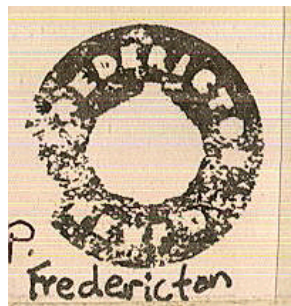
Pronounced "Fransway" by locals. First Postmaster was George Kinslow. PM in 1931 was Violet Touchings who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1936 was Miss May Touchings. On October 15 1937, Miss Gladys Roberts was appointed PM and TO. PM and TO in 1942 was Miss M. Bagg. The itinerant Albert Sodero was also listed as PM and TO in August of 1942. This man apparently held office in several South Coast locations during the 30's and 40's. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. One split ring seen and was still in use in 1956.



FREDERICTON

Open	1901	Closed	April 01 1989	Population	172
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Hamilton Sound	Map	9/10 V 20/21
Distributing Office		Carmanville			

Reopened with two successive retail offices, the latter of which closed in 2004. First Postmaster was Frederick Scott. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Charles Wheaton. PM in 1937 was Miss B. Pond. PM in 1937 was S. Wheaton. PM in 1942 was Miss Ruby C. Wheaton. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home via Carmanville.



FRENCHMAN'S COVE BAY OF ISLANDS

Open	1899	Closed	1972	Population	122
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Humber Arm	Map	6 X 6
Distributing Office		Humbermouth			

Reopened with a retail outlet which is still open. First Postmaster was George Wheeler. PM in 1931 was Mrs. George Wheeler. PM in 1937 was Mrs. William Wheeler. Mails were twice weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. No proofs or strikes seen.

FRENCHMAN'S COVE BURIN

Open	1911	Closed	May 02 1988	Population	213
Bay	Fortune	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 H 17
Distributing Office		Garnish			

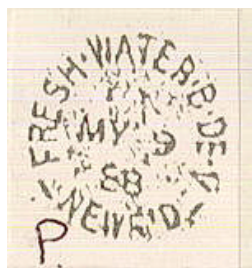
This location has had a succession of five retail offices, the latest of which is still open. First Postmaster was Cecilia Cluett who, still held the position in 1931. PM on April 01 1948 was Mrs. John Nolan. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. One split ring was in use here. G for Garnish.



FRESHWATER BAY DE VERDE

Open	1891	Closed	August 06 1970	Population	372
Bay	Conception	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was William S. Davis. PM in 1931 was Alex Parsons who, was also telegraph operator. Two split rings seen. B DE V for Bay De Verde (district).



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



courtesy Malcolm Back

FRESHWATER CARBONEAR

Open	1879	Closed	1949	Population	560
Bay	Conception	Location	Near Carbonear	Map	17 E 25
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

This was the first of the myriad Freshwaters and as such it has no bay designation on the instrument. Open as a way office in 1879 with William Lamb as waykeeper and William S. Davis in 1887. Became a post office in 1891 with Davis as first Postmaster. PM in 1898 was Matthew Callahan. PM in 1931 was not listed. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. One split ring seen.



FRESHWATER PLACENTIA BAY

Open	1941	Closed	Still Open	Population	213
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Suburb" of Placentia	Map	20 H 22
Distributing Office		Placentia			

An opening date of 1911 is shown in NSSC. The surviving postmarked material does not substantiate this. All known strikes begin in 1941 plus a proof for 1942. No Postmasters are listed so the office was not in existence in 1931. Postmaster in 1942 was Thomas Meade. Mails would have been by Placentia Bay Railway via Placentia/Argentia. One proof seen. This split ring was still in use in 1972, a not uncommon occurrence in Newfoundland. PB for Placentia Bay.



FRESHWATER BELL ISLAND

Open	1910	Closed	1931	Population	155
Bay	Conception	Location	Bell Island	Map	17 E 26
Distributing Office		Bell Island			

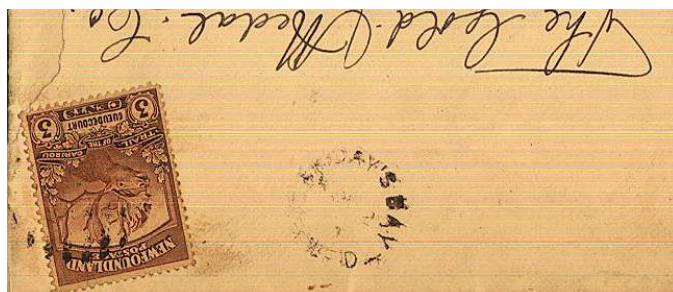
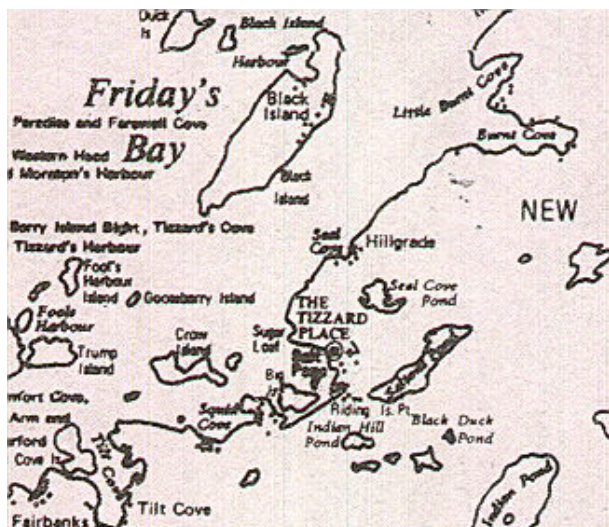
First Postmaster was George Parsons. PM in 1931 was Harvey Parsons. Mails were daily from St. John's by wagon and ferry via Bell Island. One split ring seen. BI for Bell Island.



FRIDAY'S BAY

Open	1909; maybe 1906	Closed	1933	Population	360
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	New World Island	Map	9 U 19 (general area)
Distributing Office		Twillingate??			

This office may have opened in 1906 ref. "On Sloping Ground" pg. 56 ISBN 0-919519-50-4. This book was written by Aubrey Tizzard, the grandson of Thomas Tizzard. First Postmaster was Thomas Tizzard. PM in 1931 was Caleb Tizzard. This Office was renamed Salt Pans in 1933. This office, along with Salt Pans and Seal Cove amalgamated in 1938 to become Hillgrade. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. One split ring seen.



Note that Seal Cove and Fridays Bay, along with that of Salt Pans, were more or less in the same general area. Map from book "ON SLOPING GROUND" by Aubrey Tizzard. Breakwater Press. ISBN 0-9195150-4.

FULFORD'S

Open	1928	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Placentia	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Mrs. David Kelly. PM in 1931 was Mrs. John Lambe. One partial strike seen.



courtesy John Oldford

GAFF TOPSAILS

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

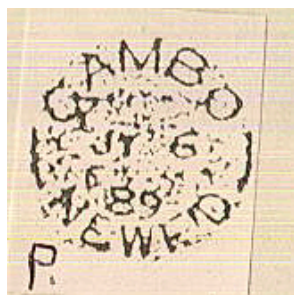
No Postmasters are named but would probably have been the telegraph operator.
 Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. No proofs are known.
 Extremely rare, population 4, all Railway Section Gang.



GAMBO

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

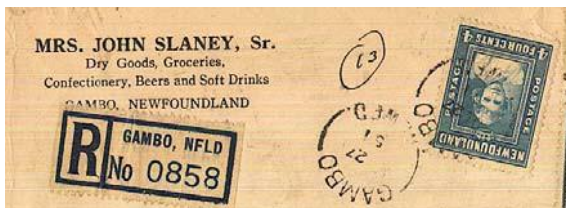
Open as a way office in 1882 with Simeon Osmond as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Simeon as first Postmaster. PM in 1896 was G.M. Wadman, in 1898 was W.J. Osmond and in 1900 was Richard Mosdel. PM in 1931 was Allan Jerret who, was also telegraph operator with assistants Clara Kennedy and 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			

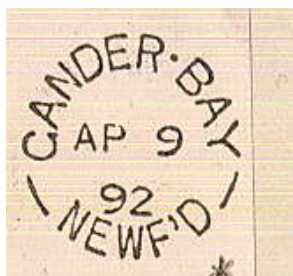
The precise location of this office is not known but may have been one of the offices in the general area that opened later under a different name. First Postmaster William Collins. Mails are not known but probably followed the pattern of Gander Bay.



GANDER BAY

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

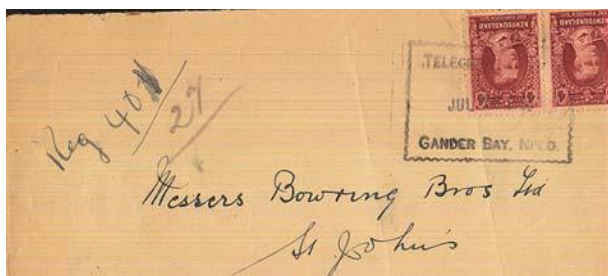
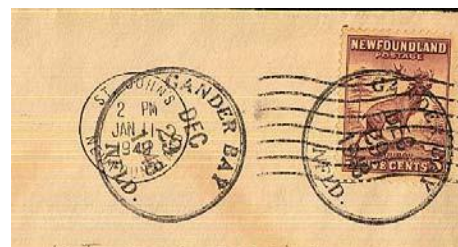
Open in 1885 as a way office with John Bursey as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with James Rowsell as first Postmasters, followed by Charles Rowland in 1898 and Mrs. R. Pike in 1899. PM in 1931 was Patrick W. Farrell who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1938 was Basil Collier. Mails 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

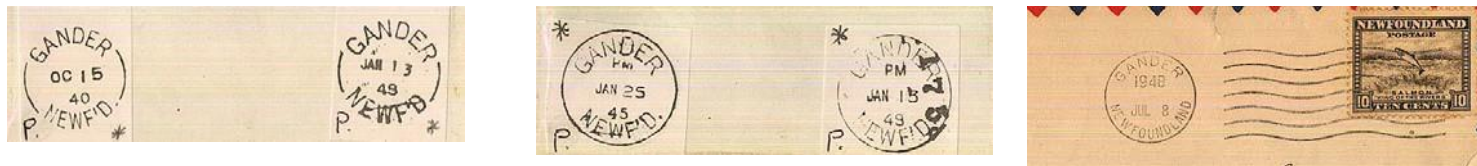


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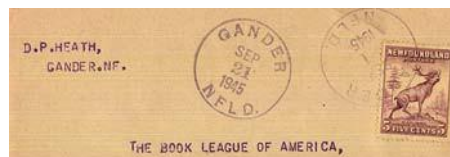
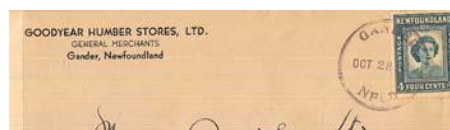
GANDER

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			

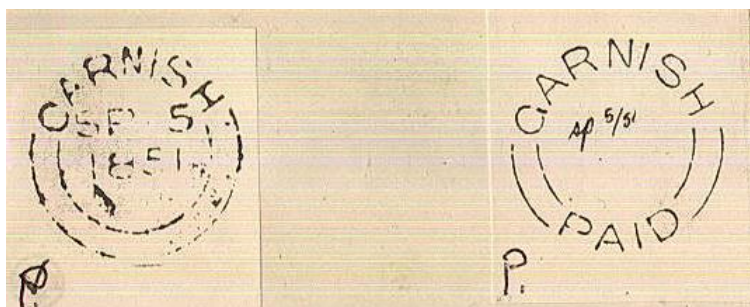
This office was eventually absorbed by Port Au Choix which opened in 1911. Open as a way office in 1885 with William Langdon as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891. Mails would be sporadic in Summer from Humbermouth and in Winter up the Great Northern Mail Road. Fortunately a split ring proof exists.



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).



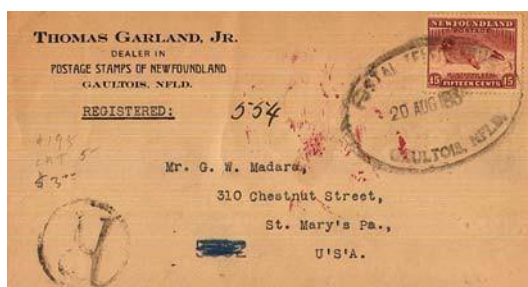
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split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



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.

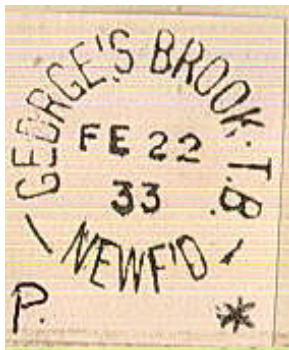
GEORGES BROOK

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



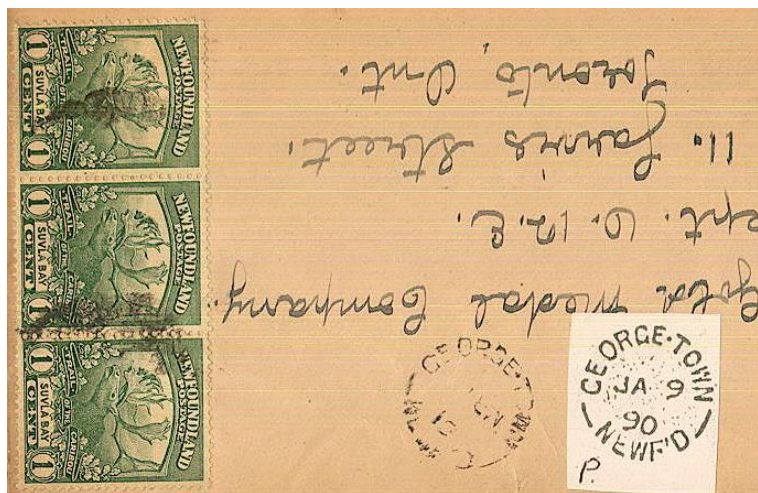
split ring No. 2



GEORGE TOWN

Open	1889	Closed	1941	Population	187
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of Conception Bay	Map	21 F 25
Distributing Office		Clarks 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 Clarks Beach. One split ring seen.



GILESPORT

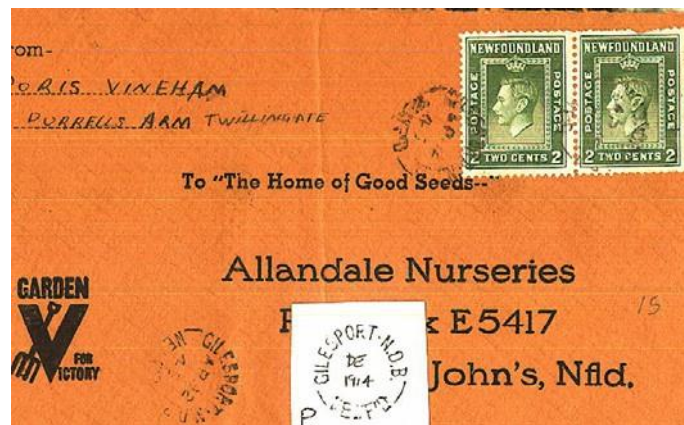
Open	1934 ? (1914)	Closed	1939 ? (1943)	Population	98
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Twillingate Island	Map	9 T 19
Distributing Office		Twillingate			

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.

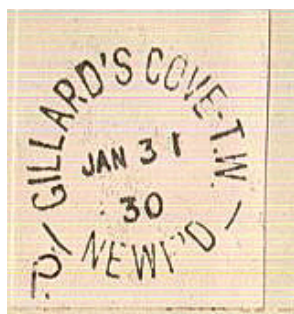


GILLARD'S COVE

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 ??

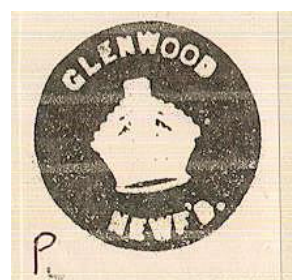
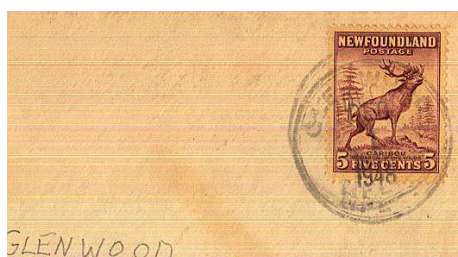
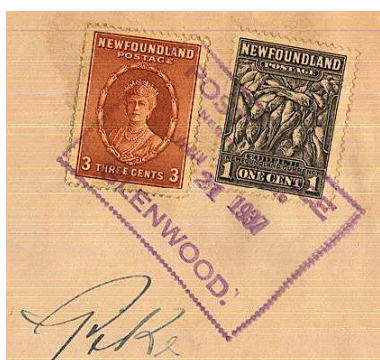
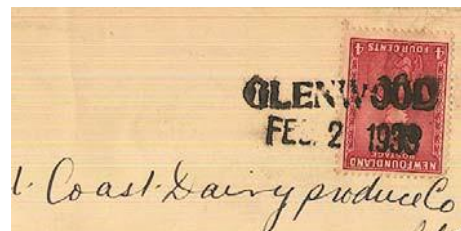
TW for Twillingate.



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

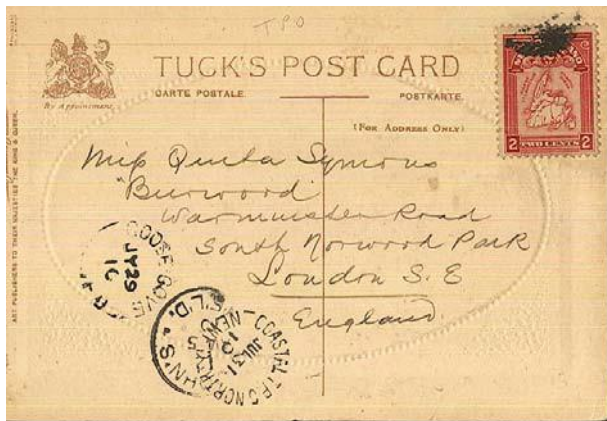
Open	1917	Closed	1931	Population	61
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Middle Arm	Map	6 W 7
Distributing Office		Humbermouth			

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



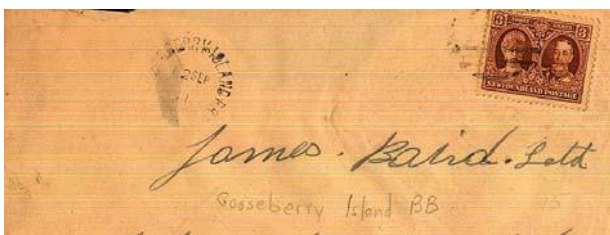
GOOSEBERRY ISLAND

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

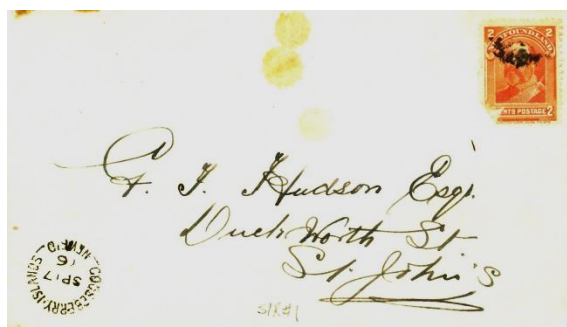
Open as a way office in 1873 with Charles Harris as waykeeper, followed by Ambrose Jeans in 1882. Became a post office in 1891 with Ambrose as first Postmaster. PM in 1898 was Joseph House and in 1900, Henry House. PM in 1931 was Sarah House. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. Two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

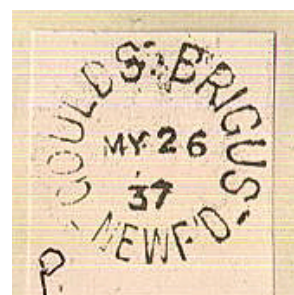
GOULDS BRIGUS

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			

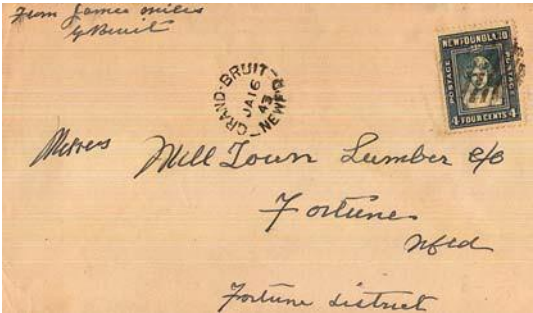
First Postmaster is not known. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Josiah Hiscock. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Grand Bank. One split ring seen. FB for Fortune Bay.



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.



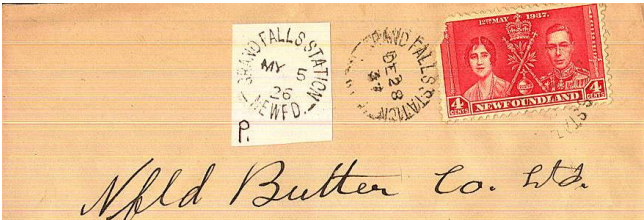
GRAND FALLS STATION

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



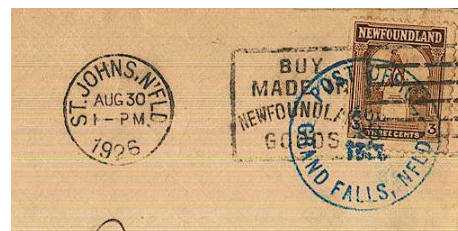
split ring No. 2



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			

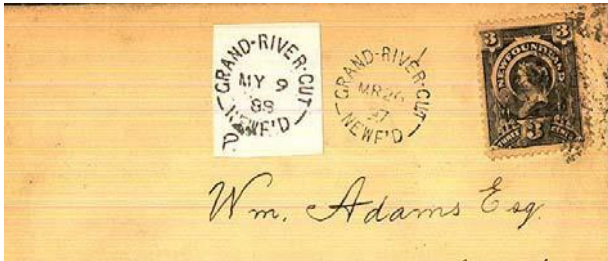
There are no details regarding this office. One split ring exists.



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			

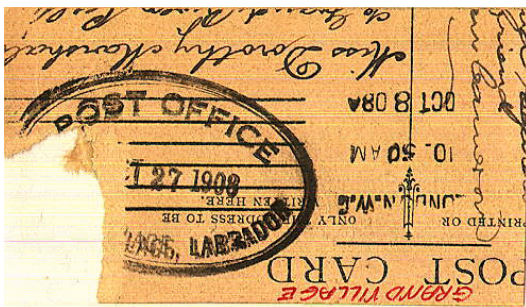
This office was renamed Searston in 1908. Open as a way office in 1883 with Michael Downey as waykeeper and Mesim O'Quinn in 1884. Became a post office in 1888 With John Rolls as first Postmaster, followed by John Doyle in 1892, M. Doyle in 1898 and Thomas O'Quinn in 1900. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and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

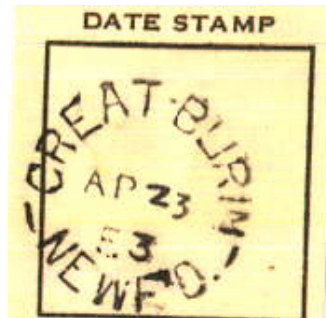
First Postmaster was Henry Dean who still held the position in 1931. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero via St. Anthony. In Winter from Deer Lake station up the Great Northern Mail Road by courier via St. Anthony. It would appear that one split ring was in use at this office.



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.



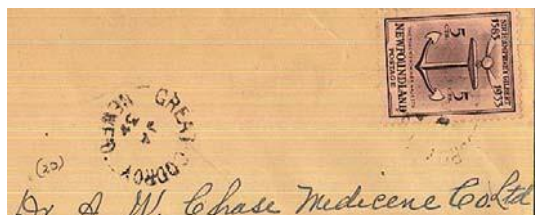
same device in use 6 months before closing



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



split ring No. 2



GREAT HARBOUR DEEP

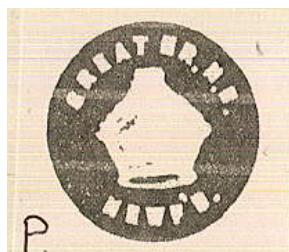
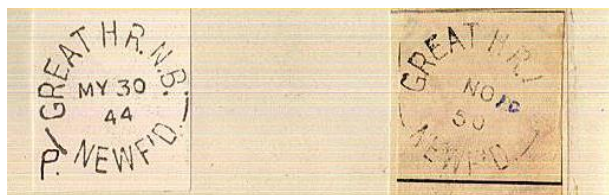
Open	1895	Closed	1926	Population	134
Bay	White	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map	3 P 12
Distributing Office		Same			

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.

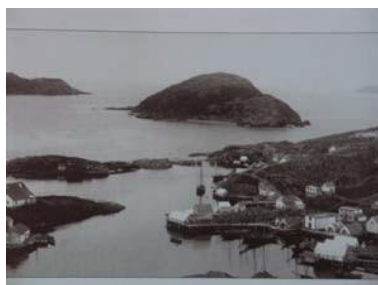
GREAT PARADISE

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			

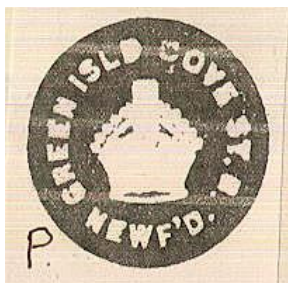
Renamed Troytown (not to be confused with Traytown which was over on the other side of Newfoundland) in 1929. Anyway, just for laughs, there were four Tritons: East, West, Great and Little. The location eventually sorted itself out and today is just called Triton, which is still open. No Postmasters 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			

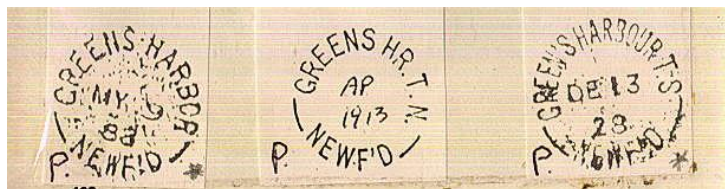
This office reopened after Confederation on April 15 1955 and is still open. First Postmaster was Alexander McLean. PM in 1931 was Benjamin McLean. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona via Flowers Cove. In Winter from Deer Lake station up the Great Northern Mail Road by courier 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

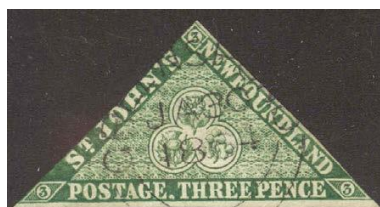
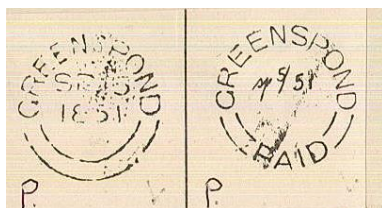
Open	1853	Closed	Still Open	Population	993
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New WesValley	Map	10 W 24
Distributing Office		Same			

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.

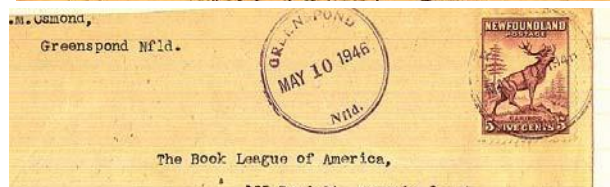
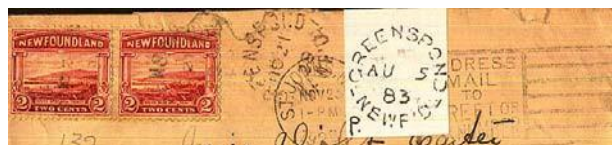
Two split rings seen.



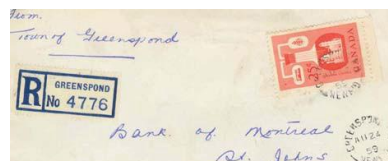
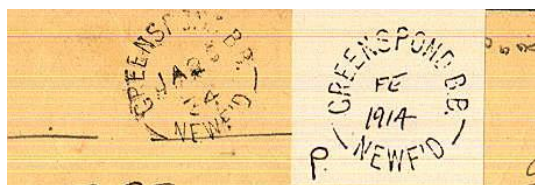
One Hundred Outposts
Ben Hansen



courtesy John Oldford



Courtesy of Malcolm Back: October 2025



courtesy John Oldford

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			

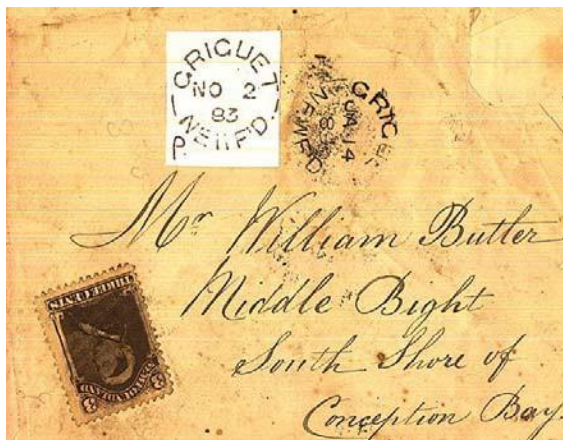
This office merged with St. Lunaire to form St. Lunaire-Griquet in 1973. Opened as a way office in 1883 with A.G. Crocker as first waykeeper, followed by Theodor Thompson in 1886, Mrs. Neal in 1888 and W.H. Alcock in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with Mark Alcock as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 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.



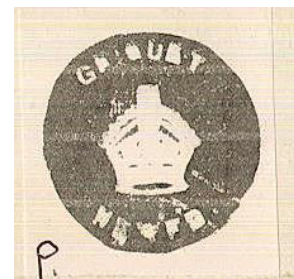
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Dotted? box cancel
courtesy John Oldford



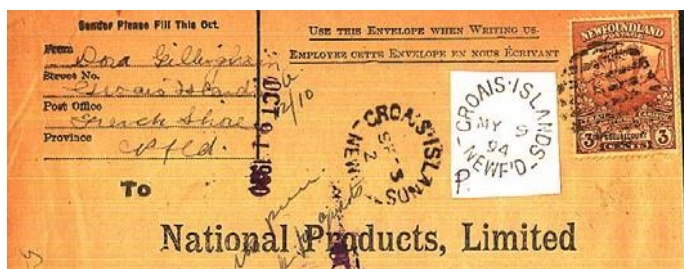
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GROAIS ISLANDS

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

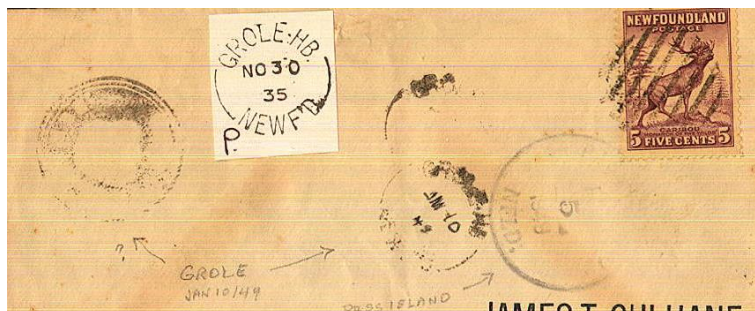
Before we start, we must sort out some confusion, Hey! It's Newfoundland. The Groais Islands consists of TWO major islands. One, unfortunately named for the post office (GROAIS or GREY) is completely inaccessible. The other, Bell Island (yes, there are more than one Bell Islands in Newfoundland) was 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.



split ring No. 2

GULL ISLAND

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

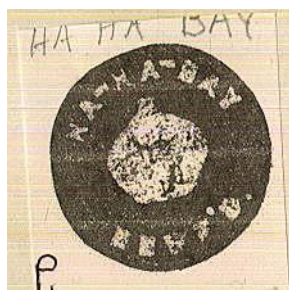
First Postmaster was William J. Doyle who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear and courier. No proofs known.



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			

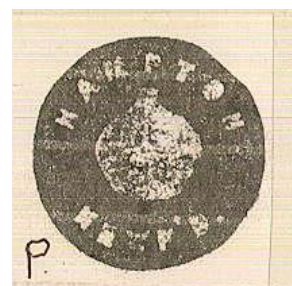
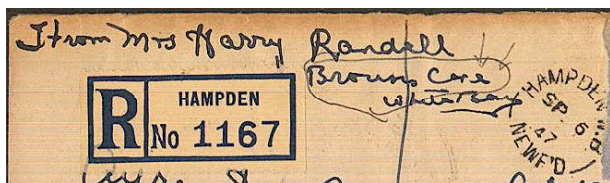
Previously called Riverhead, but no office ever existed under that name. First Postmaster was L. Maud Pelley. PM in 1931 was Ebenezer Dawe who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on October 04 1948 was Miss Adelaide Parsons. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. 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.



split ring No. 1



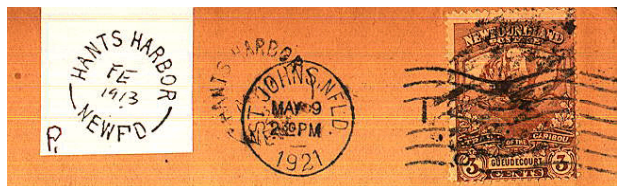
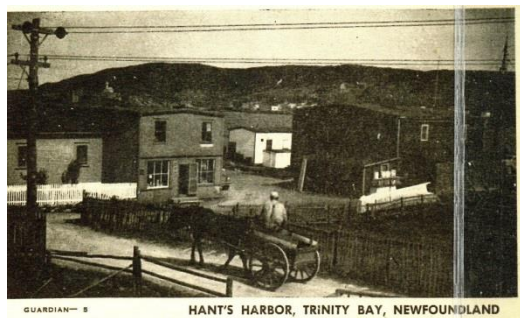
split ring No. 2



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).



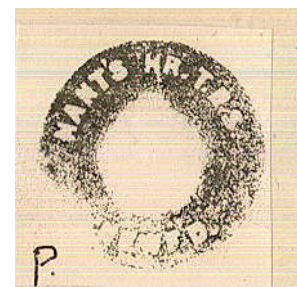
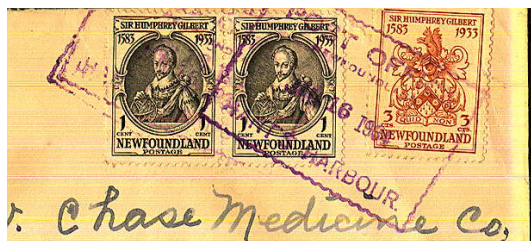
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HAPPY ADVENTURE

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.

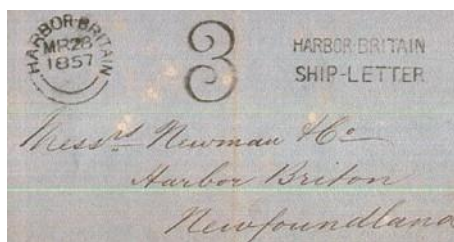
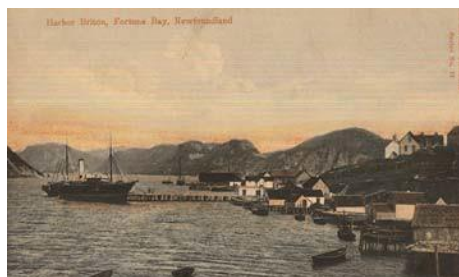


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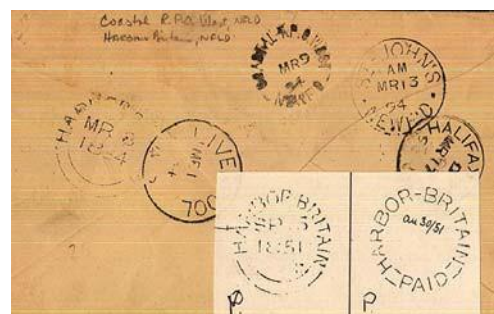
HARBOUR BRETON (Harbour Britain)

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.



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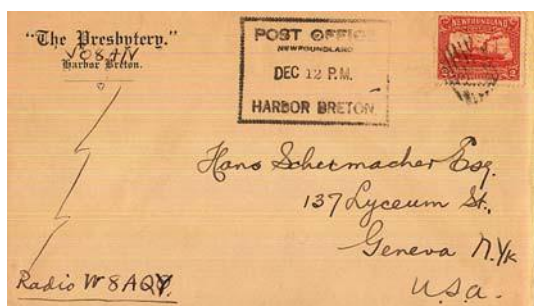
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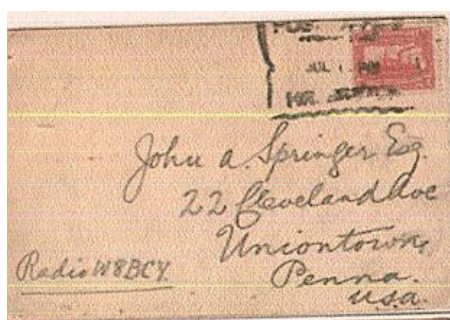
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Dotted line



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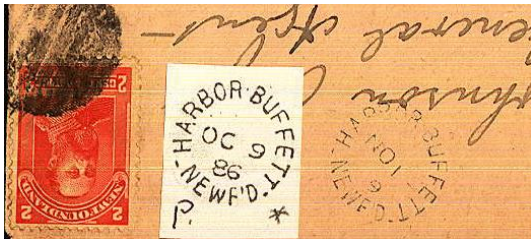


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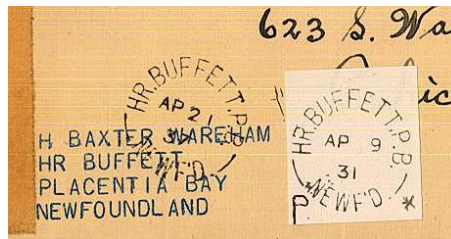
HARBOUR BUFFETT

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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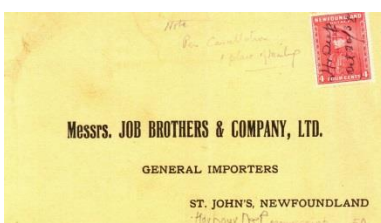


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HARBOUR DEEP

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.



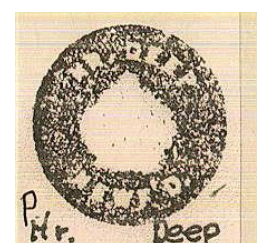
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HARBOUR GRACE JUNCTION

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.



Earliest recorded date March 12 1889



HARBOUR GRACE

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

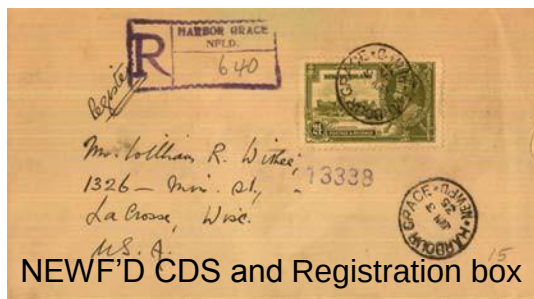
Open as a post office in 1851 with Andrew Drysdale as first Postmaster. PM in 1869 was Andrew Drysdale (son). PM in 1931 was Arthur W. Heath. Mails were daily by Conception Bay Railway. Four split rings exist and a NEWF'D CDS.



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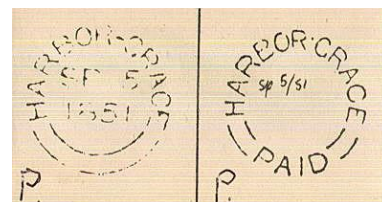
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Pre-Confederation Roller NEWF'D



courtesy Jim Leutje



HARBOUR ISLAND

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.

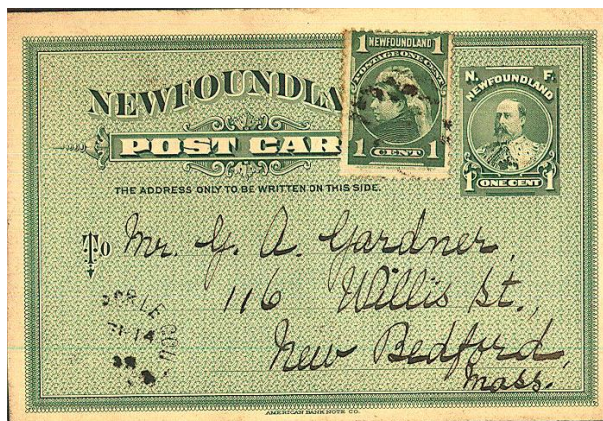
HARBOUR LE COU

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.



One Hundred Outposts
Ben Hansen



split ring No. 1 Harbour spelled in full



split ring No. 2

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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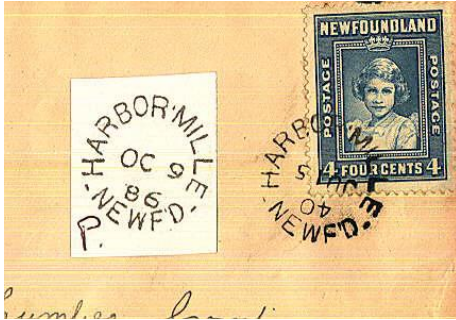


split ring No.1

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			

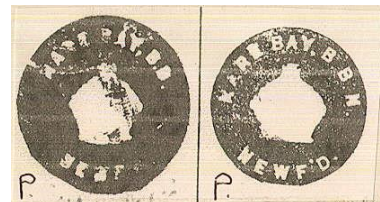
First Postmaster was Samuel Collins. PM in 1931 was Max E. Collins who, was also telegraph operator. PM in 1938 was Mrs. Wilfred Collins. Mails were weekly from Gambo by motor ferry. BBN for Bonavista Bay North.



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.



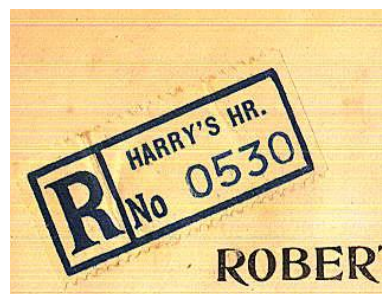
split ring No. 1



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split ring No. 3



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.



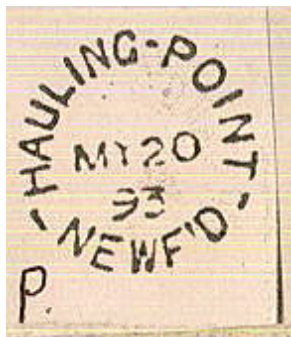
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HAULING POINT

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.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



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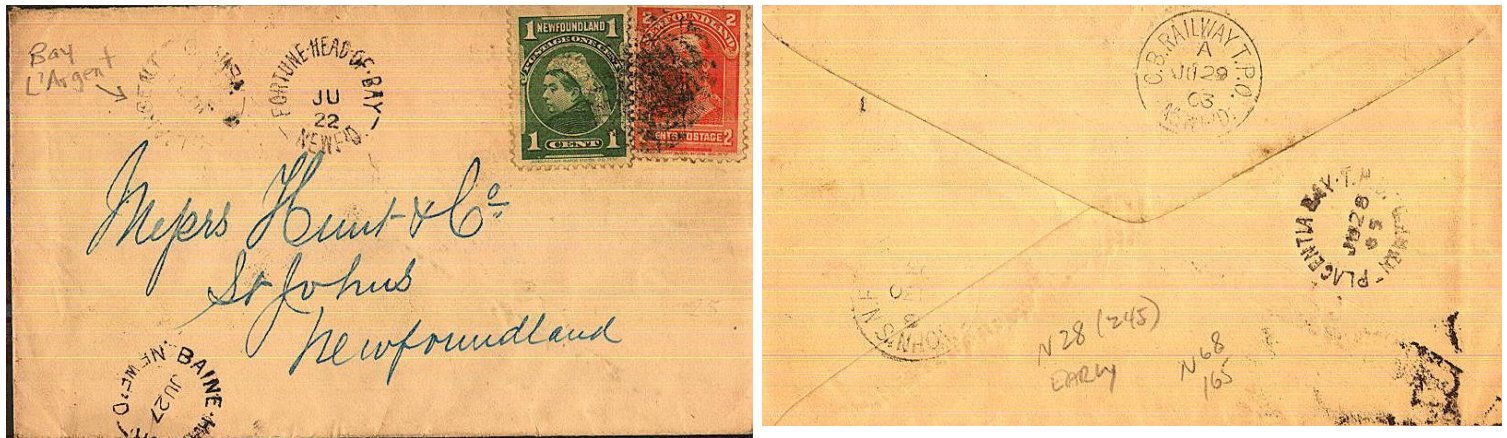


courtesy John Oldford

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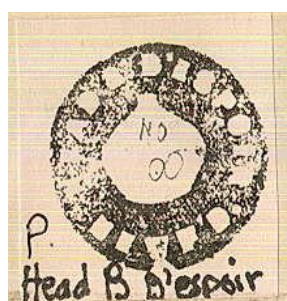
Open	1914	Closed	1916	Population	Not known
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office			Not known		

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		

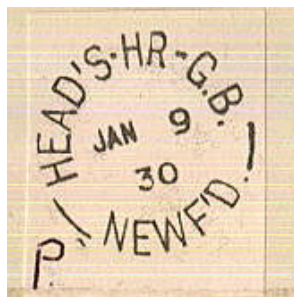
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HEADS HARBOUR

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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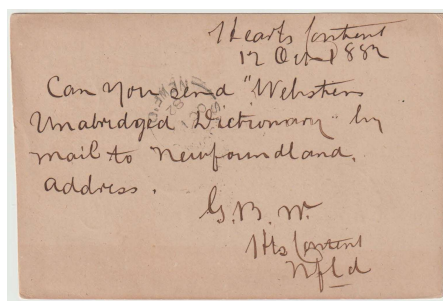
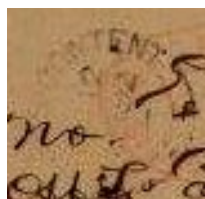
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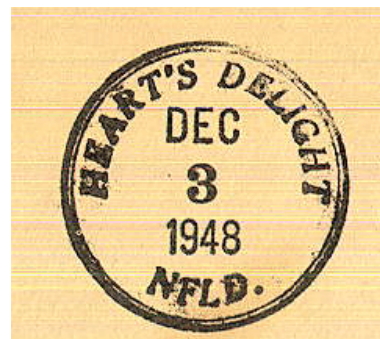
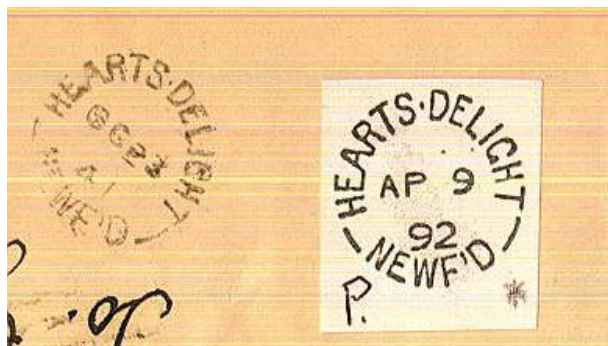


Double split ring courtesy of Doug Hannan: October 2025

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.



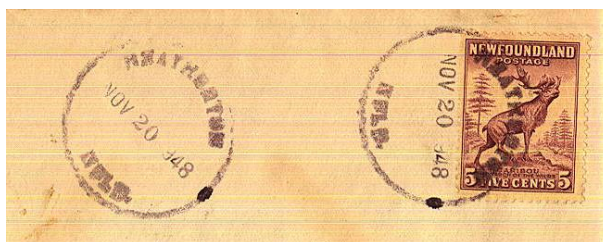
The small building on the left was once the Heatherton Post Office.



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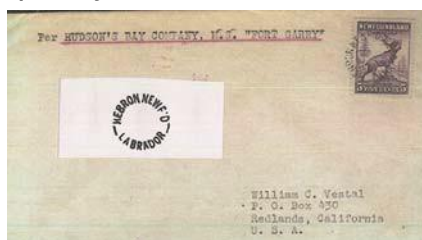
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HEBRON

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			

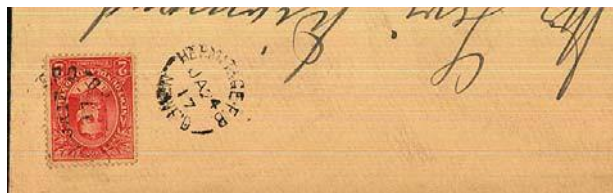
Open as a way office in 1860 with Thomas Winter as first waykeeper, followed Richard Bradshaw in 1864, Martin Francis in 1865, Nathan Francis in 1875 and Martha Francis in 1876. Became a post office in 1886 with Martha as first Postmaster, followed by Matthew Francis in 1904 and Miss Bertha Francis in 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.



One Hundred Outports
Ben Hansen



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.



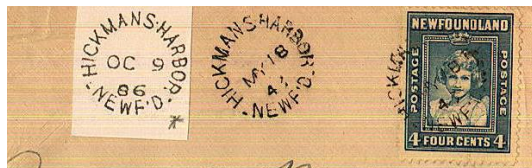
HICKMAN'S HARBOUR

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			

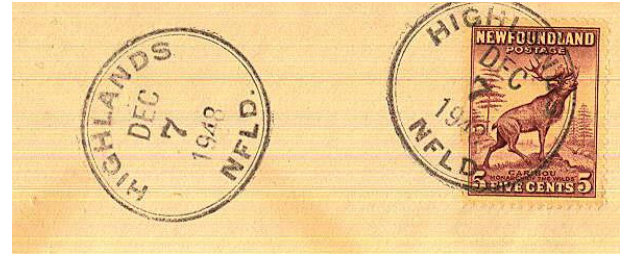
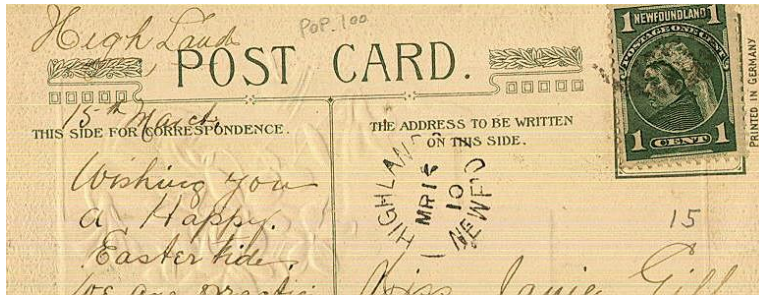
This office ceased to exist in 1966 due to depopulation of the community. No Postmasters listed. Mails from Lamaline by courier. A split ring proof exists.



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			

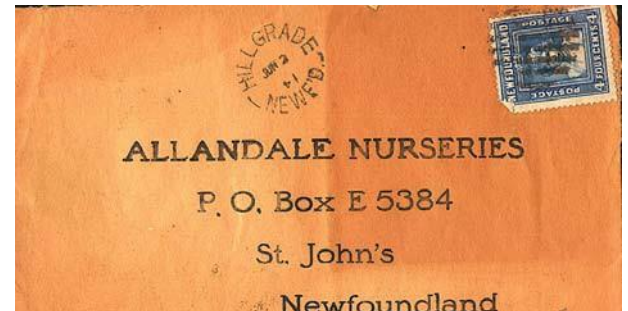
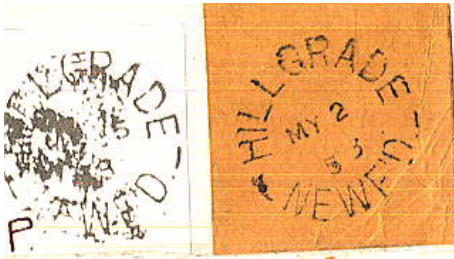
First Postmaster was J. McPherson, followed by Margaret McPherson in 1897, John McPherson in 1905 and Charles McPherson in 1919. PM in 1931 was James McInnis. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via St. Fintans station. One split ring seen.



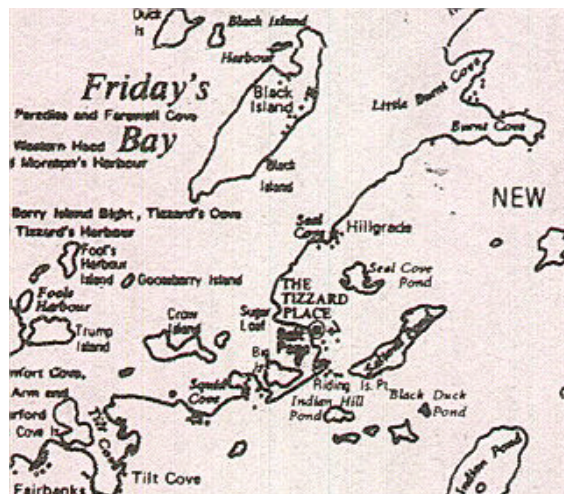
HILLGRADE

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			

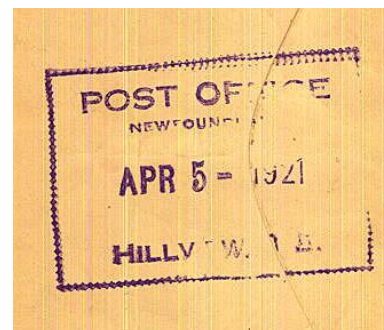
Previously called Northern Bight and operated under that name from 1879 until July 1913. First Postmaster (under new name) was Walter Frost who, still held the position in 1935 as well as being telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. Two split rings seen. TB for Trinity Bay.



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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

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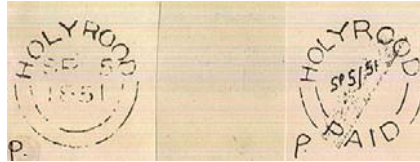
HOLYROOD

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"



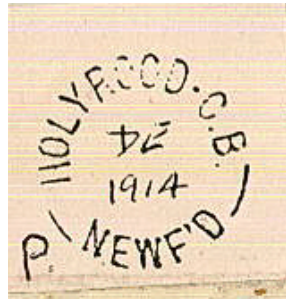
These were said not to have been issued



split ring No. 1



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



split ring No. 2



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.

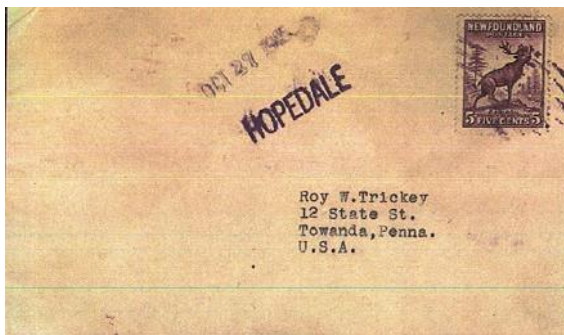
HOPEDALE

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

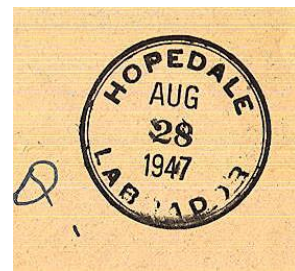
Postmasters not listed, but earlier would have something to do with Hudsons Bay trading post. PM on July 01 1937 was Mrs. M.E. Grubb. PM on July 01 1939 was Rev. F.M. Grubb. PM from August 29 1940 was Mrs. L.S. Harp. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Kyle. In Winter ?? No split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

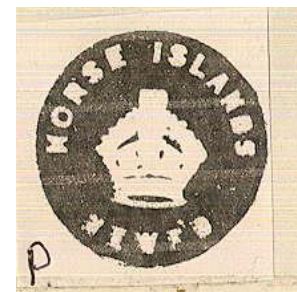
HORSE ISLANDS

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

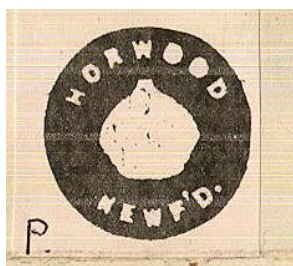


HORWOOD

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)

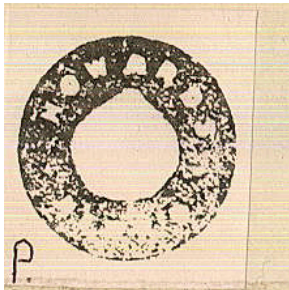
split ring No. 1
Fogo D (District)
courtesy Murray Smith

courtesy Malcolm Back

HOWARDS

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

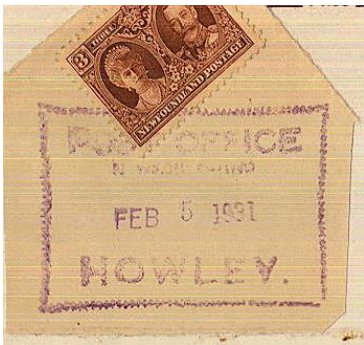
The location of this office was on the rail line between Spruce Brook and Bay of Islands at Georges Lake. First Postmaster was Miss Emma O'Quinn followed by Mr. J. P. Atherton. Nothing else is known. No split ring strikes or proofs seen. Only a mail bag Crown seal.



HOWLEY

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

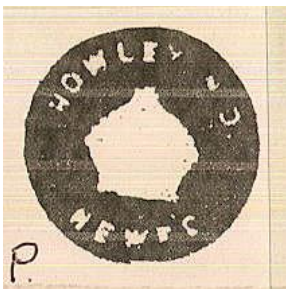
First Postmaster not known. PM in 1931 was D.B. Scamell who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1942 was Miss Josephine Pynn. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. One split ring seen. Obviously there was an earlier device. HD for Humber District.



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					

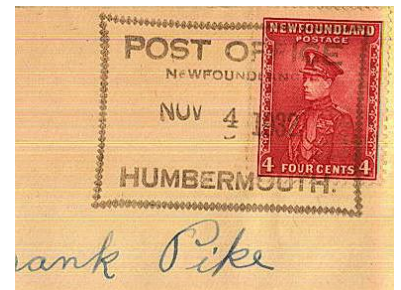
Previously called Riverhead, this location opened as a post office, MOO and telegraph office on June 20 1904. The name was changed to Humbermouth-Corner Brook in 1958 and closed on January 31 1969. The location of this office was at the railway station. Also this was the distribution point for S.S. Sagona 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					

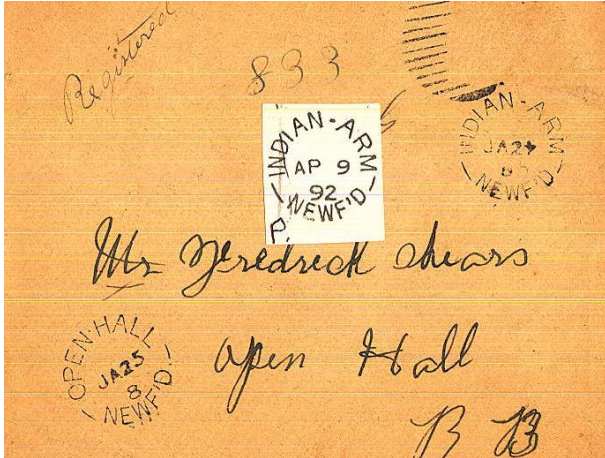
Nothing is known of the location of this office other than it was in Burgeo La Poile District. First Postmaster was Arthur Kinslow, followed by Henry Green in 1913. PM in 1931 was Elizabeth Green. Fortunately a split ring proof exists.



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.

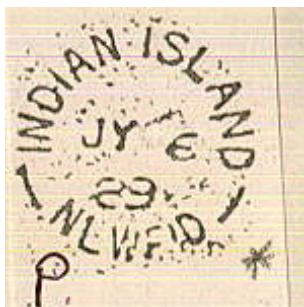
INDIAN ISLANDS

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



INDIAN POINT

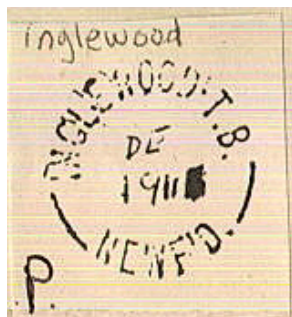
Open	1930	Closed	1931	Population	39
Bay	Trinity	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

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.

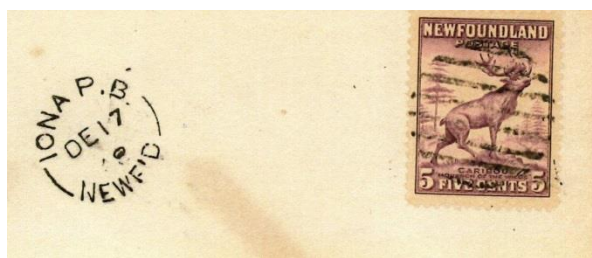
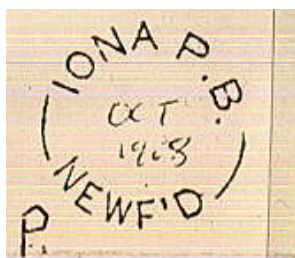


split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2

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 ??



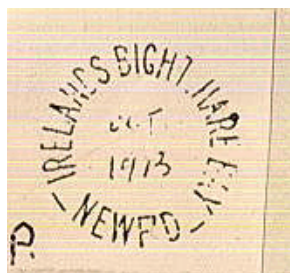
IRELANDS BIGHT

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.



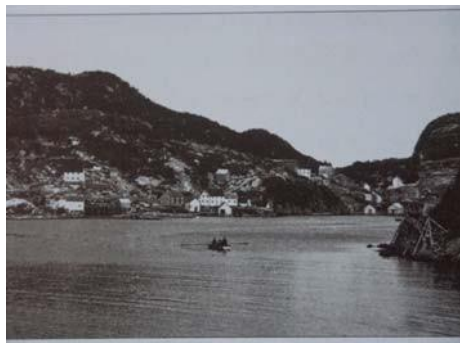
circa 1949 Elmer Harp
Lives & Landscapes



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 Pearcy. PM in 1931 was May Pearcy (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			

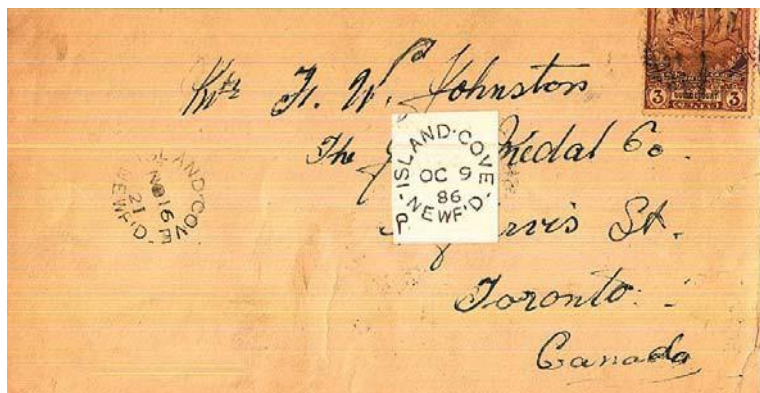
First Postmaster was Mrs. Smith. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Jacob Smith (same?). Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. One split ring proof exists. SWA for South West Arm.



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			

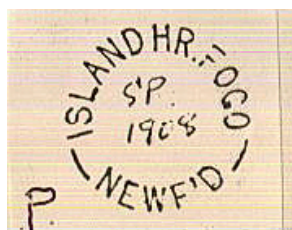
Renamed Islington on May 04 1911. Open as a way office in 1864 with John Crane as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with John as first Postmaster, followed by Nathaniel Crane later. One split ring seen. It is uncertain why the Island Cove device is still being used in 1921 when the Islington split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



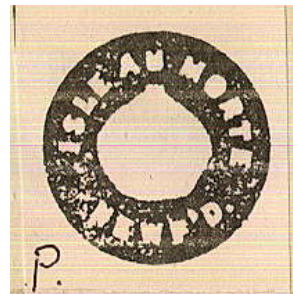
ISLE AU MORTE

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.



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ISLE GALET

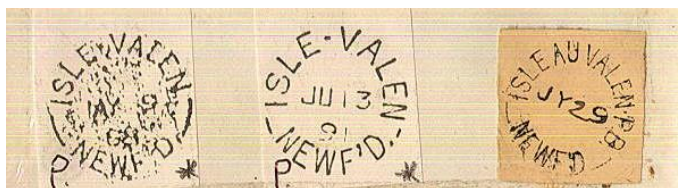
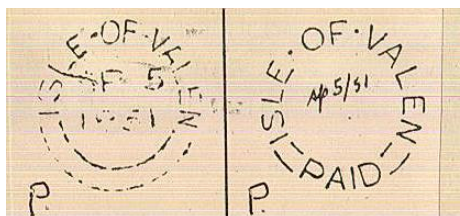
Open	1912	Closed	1921	Population	24
Bay	Fortune	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

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

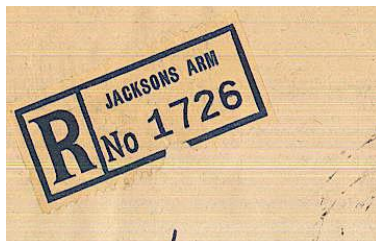
Open	1923	Closed	1933	Population	64
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound Random Island	Map	16 B 24
Distributing Office		Irelands Eye			

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			

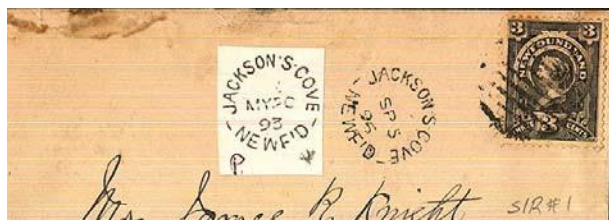
First Postmaster was Belinda Peddle, followed by Job Ford in 1894, Rosanna Ford in 1896, Rosanna Sparkes (married ?) and Walter Combden in 1914. PM in 1931 was Triffie Wicks. Mails were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. One split ring seen.



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			

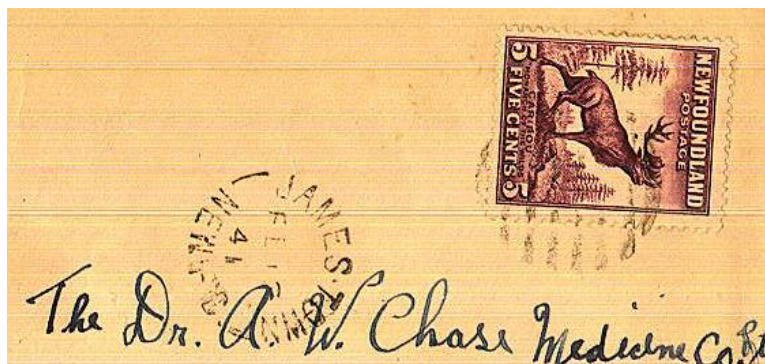
Renamed Jamestown in 1899. Opened as a way office in 1890 with George Haines as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1896 with George as first Postmaster. One split ring exists.



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

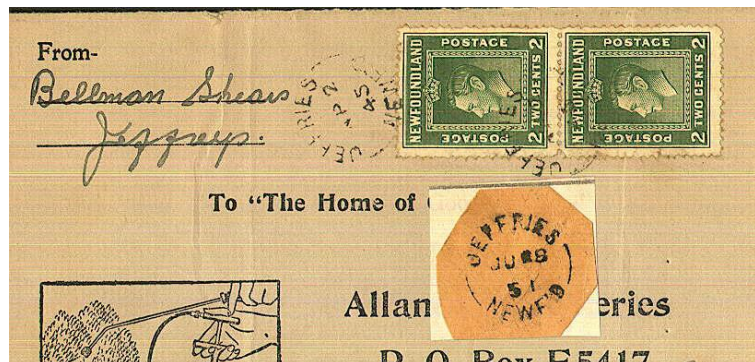
Open	1909	Closed	1910	Population	195
See entry on JEFFEREYS					

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			

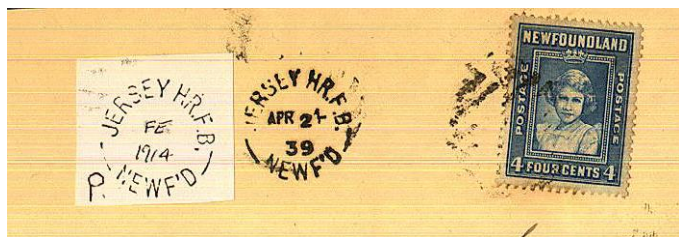
This office was a continuation of Jefferie's Crossing which opened from 1909 until 1910. First Postmaster is not listed. PM in 1931 was Leonard A. Hulan. Office listed as closed and moved to St. Davids on January 15 1942 and reopened on February 13 with Mrs. J.O. Hulan as PM. Mails were daily Trs. 1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

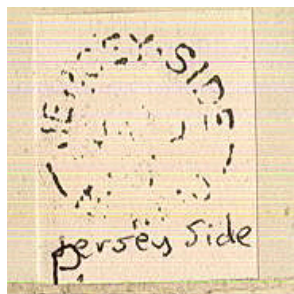


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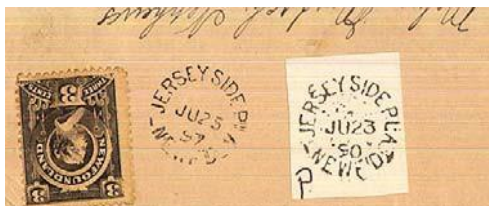
JERSEYSIDE

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



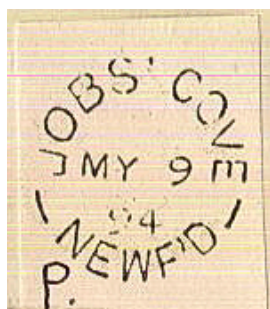
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JOBS COVE

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					

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 off ice 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.



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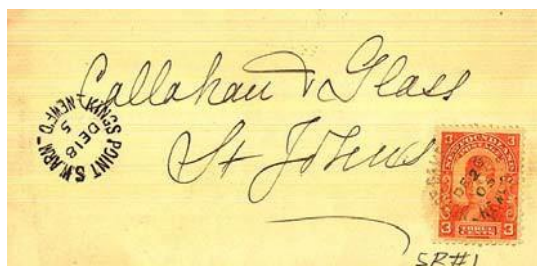
Open	December 14 1909	Closed	1910	Population	55
Bay	Trinity	Location	South West Arm	Map 16 C 23	(general area)
Distributing Office		Not known			

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



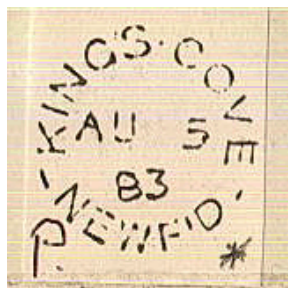
split ring No. 2



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.



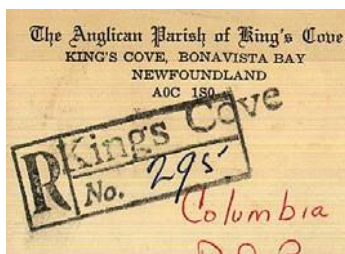
split ring No. 1



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KINGS COVE

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

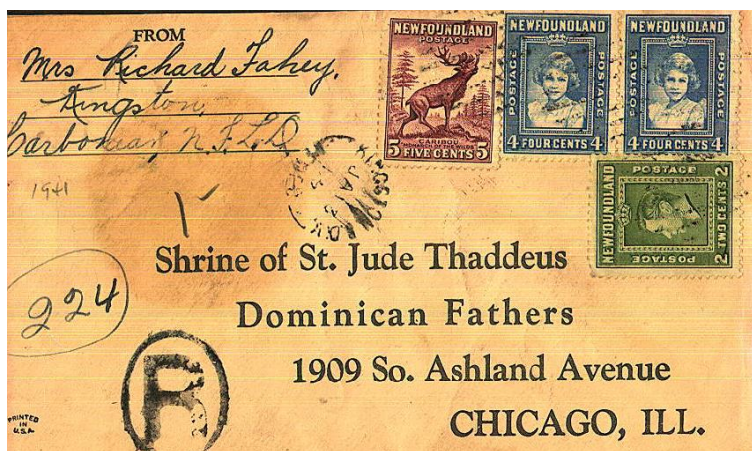
Postmaster was Mrs. L. M. Brophy. No other information is available. No split ring proofs or strikes seen, only a crown seal. If a strike does turn up, it will also probably read St. B.



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			

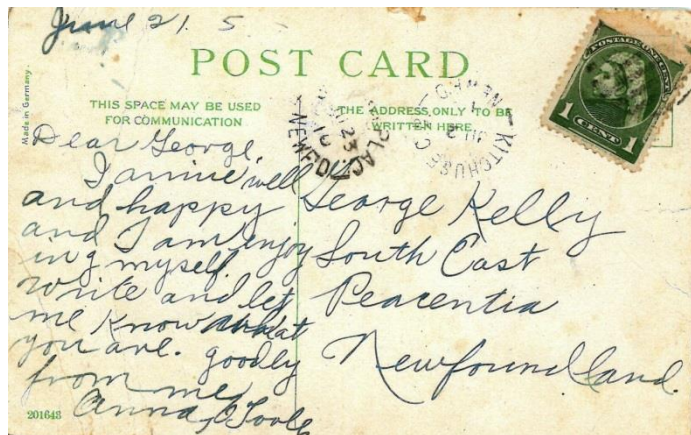
First Postmaster was James Costello and also courier to Kitchuses. PM in 1913 was John Mansfield. PM in 1931 was Mrs. John Murphy. Mails distribution not known other than from Kitchuses. One split ring seen.



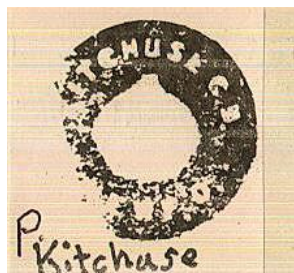
KITCHUSES

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.



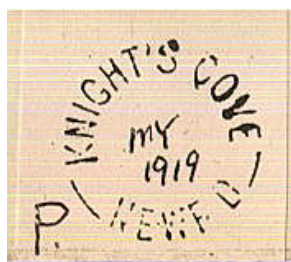
courtesy Doug Hannan



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.



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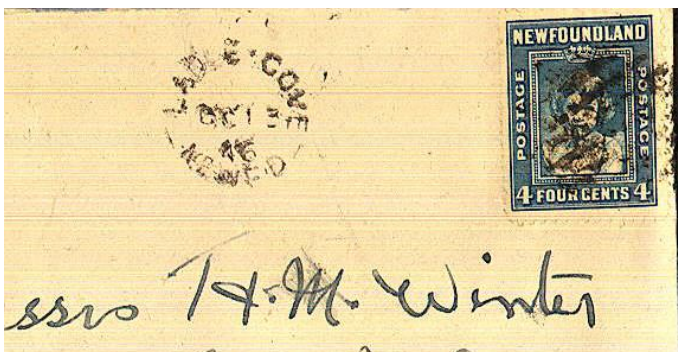
split ring No. 3



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 Clarendville 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

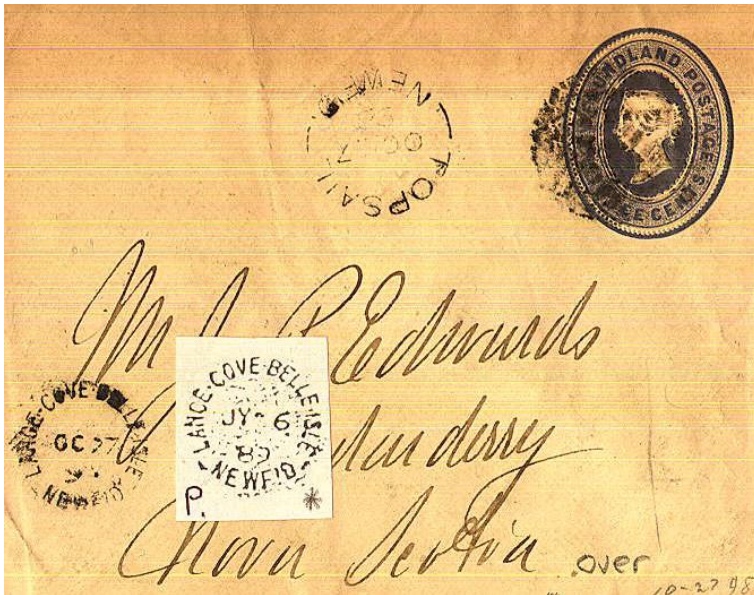
Open	November 24 1909	Closed	1931	Population	42
Bay	Fortune	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Not known			

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

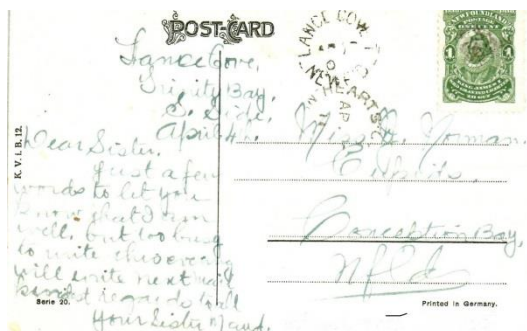
Open	1886	Closed	1911	Population	512
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 C 26
Distributing Office		Same			

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.



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L'ANSE AMOUR

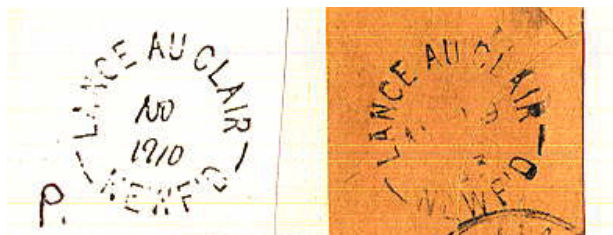
Open	1937	Closed	2005	Population	45
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Southern Labrador	Map	1 H 11
Distributing Office		Forteau			

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.



circa 1949 Elmer Harp
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L'ANSE AUX MEADOWS

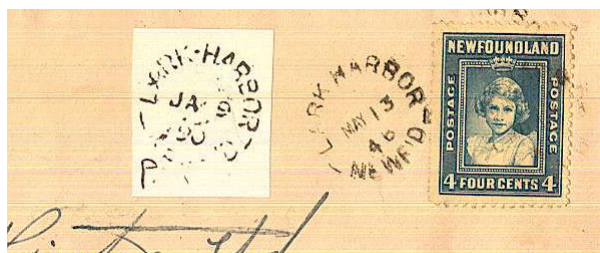
Open	1911	Closed	1931	Population	26
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Tip of Northern Peninsula	Map 2 H 16	
Distributing Office		Quirpon			

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			

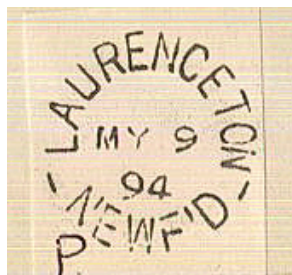
Open as a way office in 1886 with L.T. Chafe as first waykeeper, followed by Isaac Sheppard in 1888. Became a post office in 1891 with Isaac as first Postmaster, followed by Jonathan Sheppard in 1892 and W.A. Gabriel in 1899. PM in 1931 was Mary E. Sheppard. Mails were twice weekly from Humbermouth by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



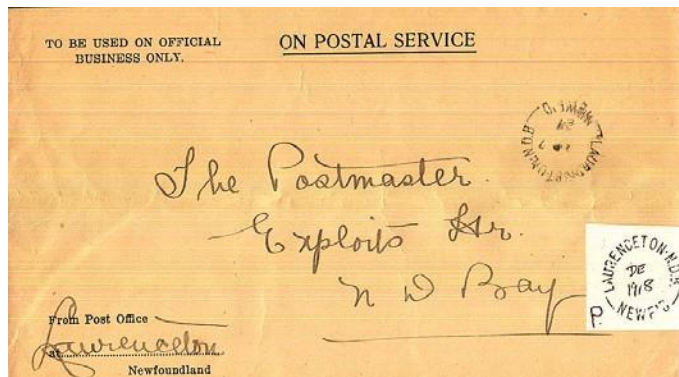
LAURENCETON

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			

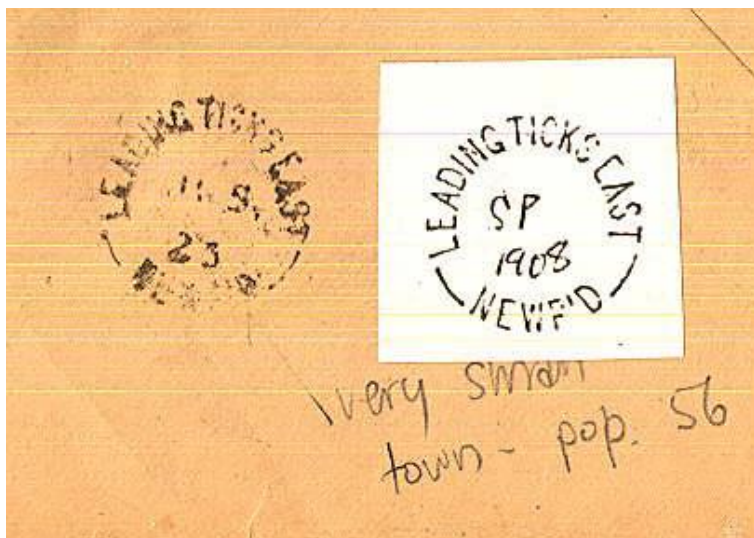
First Postmaster was Miss Bessie Button. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Levi Button. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. One split ring proof known.



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			

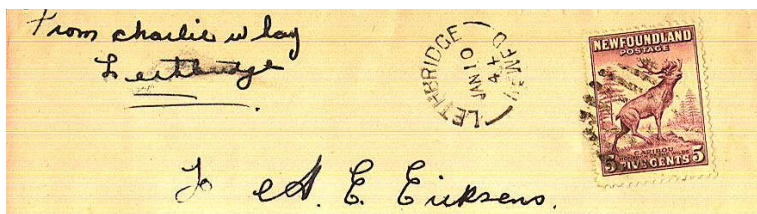
Renamed Adeytown in 1912 and continued as a an office under that name until 1931. Open in 1882 as a way office with Isaac Adey as first waykeeper, followed by James Adey in 1883 and Isaac again in 1884. Became a post office in 1891 with Isaac as first Postmaster, followed by Jacob Adey in 1898 and Isaac 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			

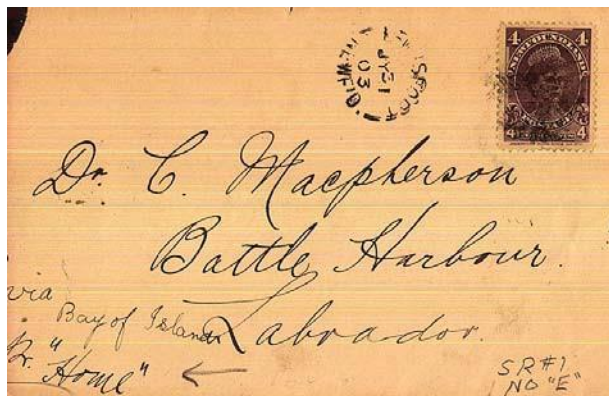
First Postmaster was Mr. S. Janes who, was also courier to Lewisporte. No other information available. One split ring proof seen. SS for South Side and not Steam Ship. The following is NOT a transportation marking. **** *Walsh NSSC disagrees. See NSSC chapter RAILWAY T. P. O. and R. P. O. CANCELS* **** 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



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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			

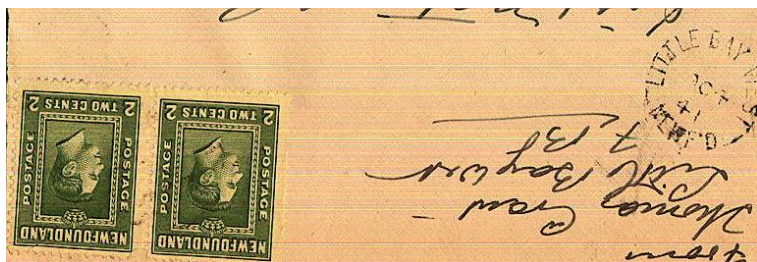
First Postmaster was Miss Elizabeth Hannrahan who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Marystown. No split rings seen, only a NEWF'D CDS.



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.

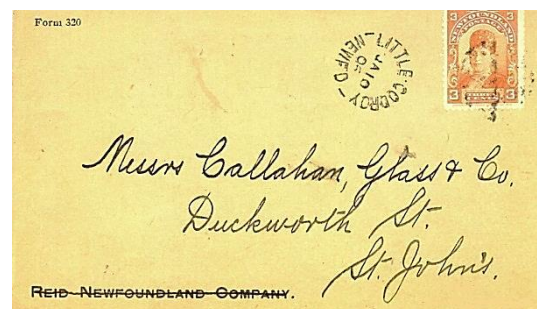
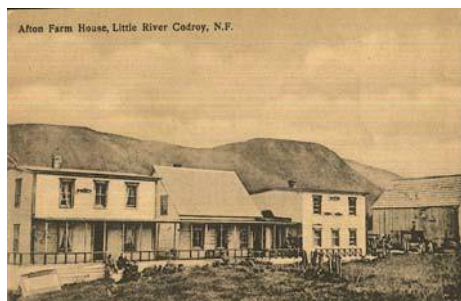


courtesy Malcolm Back

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			

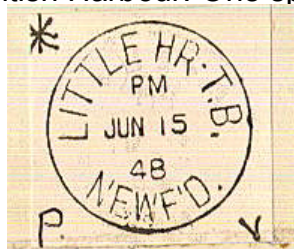
Renamed Little Harbour East (not to be confused with Little Harbour East Fortune Bay). Open as a way office in 1886. Became a post office in 1891. No waykeepers or early Postmasters are listed. PM in 1931 was Mrs. William Dicks. Mails were weekly from Arnold's Cove by motorboat. If the name change occurred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

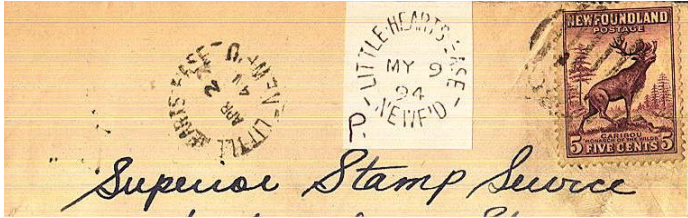
Open	1929	Closed	1952	Population	63
Bay	Fortune	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map 19 F 19	
Distributing Office	Harbour Mille				

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

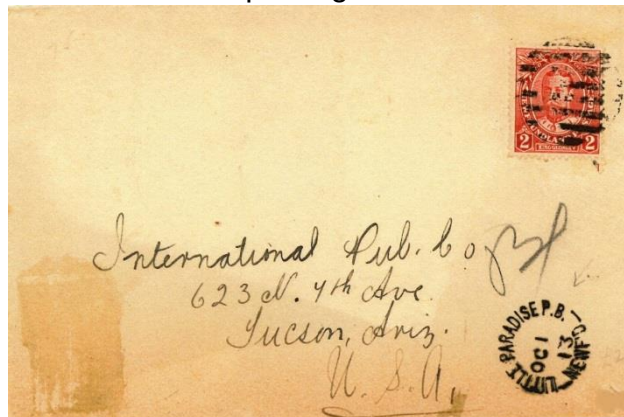
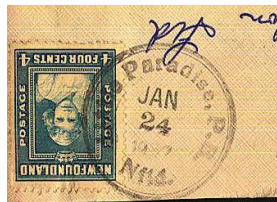
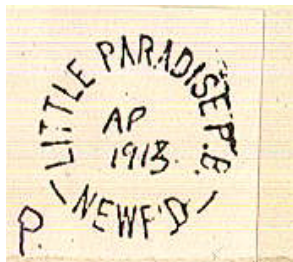


split ring No. 1?: Courtesy of Malcolm Back

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

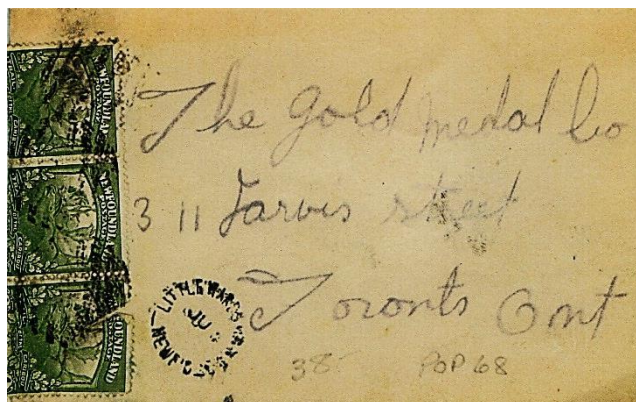
Open	1908	Closed	1931	Population	68
Bay	Green	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

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

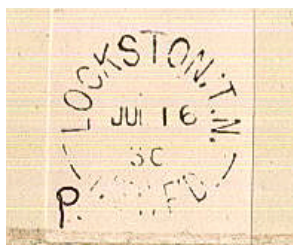
Open	1910	Closed	1947	Population	64
Bay	Hare (Northern)	Location	Near St. Anthony	Map 2	J 14
Distributing Office		Same			

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			

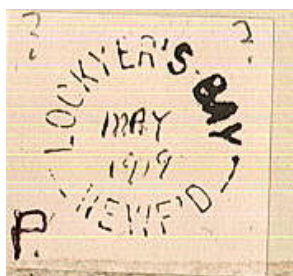
This location was called North West Arm until 1911. but was not a post office under that name. Postmaster in 1931 was William Peddle. Mails were by Bonavista Railway via Trinity. One split ring proof exists. TN for Trinity North.



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.

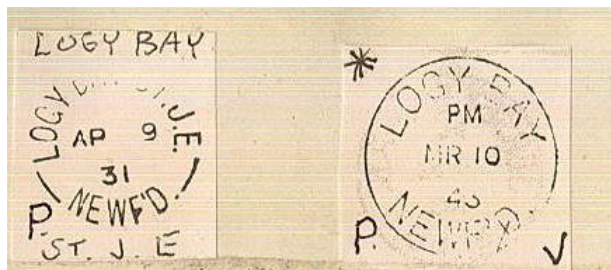


the mystery proof

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			

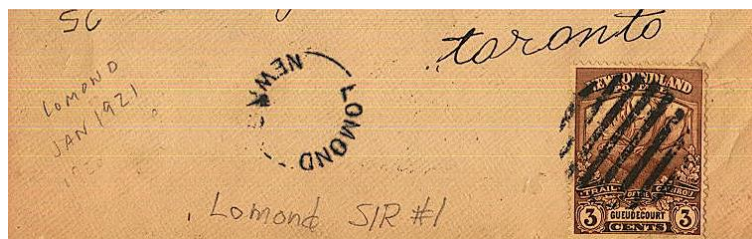
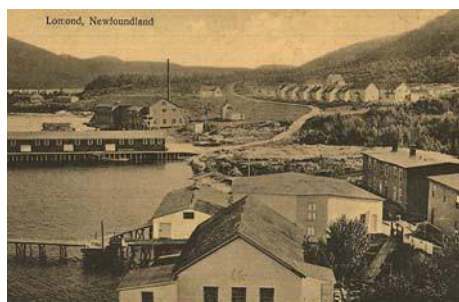
This office opened on November 14 1942 with Mrs. Patrick Dyer as Postmaster. One split ring and one NEWF'D CDS have been proofed. SJE for St. John's East.



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			

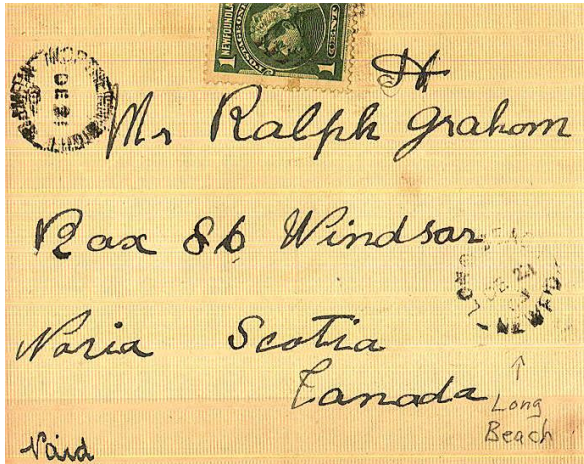
Only Postmaster listed for 1931 was Thomas Neil. Mails were by Southern Shore Railway and/or courier via Trepassey. One split ring proof exists. T for Trepassey.



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

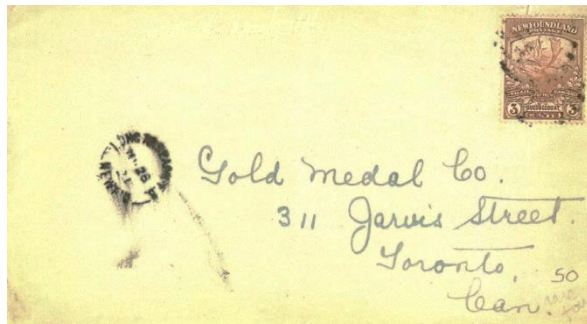
Open	February 18 1911	Closed	1931	Population	126
Bay	Trinity	Location	Head of Trinity Bay	Map	20 F 24
Distributing Office		Norman's Cove			

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

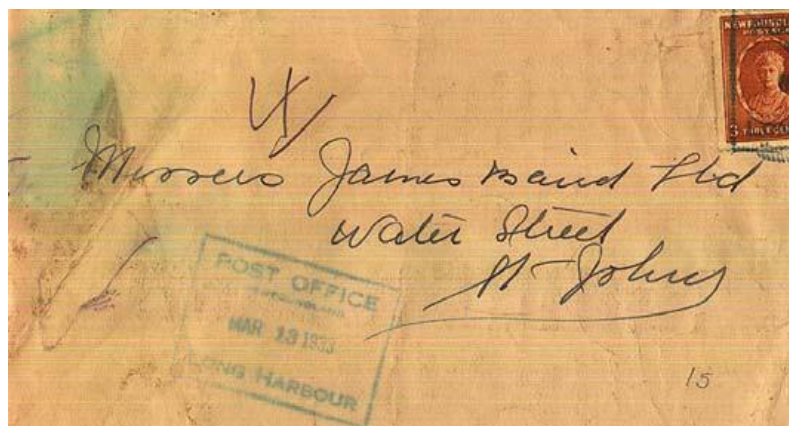
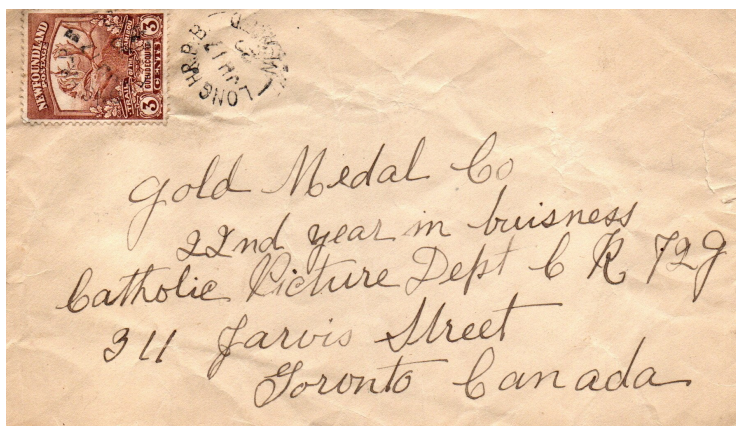
Open	November 28 1901	Closed	Not known	Population	Not known
Bay	Fortune	Location	Not known	Map 19 F 18 (general area)	
Distributing Office		Anderson's Cove			

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			

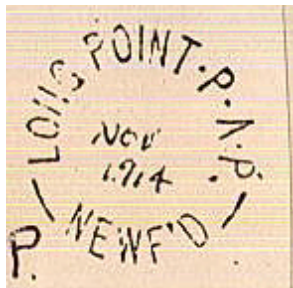
First Postmaster was B. Whelan, followed by Mary J. Murray in 1895 and Thomas Murray in 1931. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Long Harbour station by courier. One split ring seen but, obviously there was an earlier one. PB for Placentia Bay.



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.

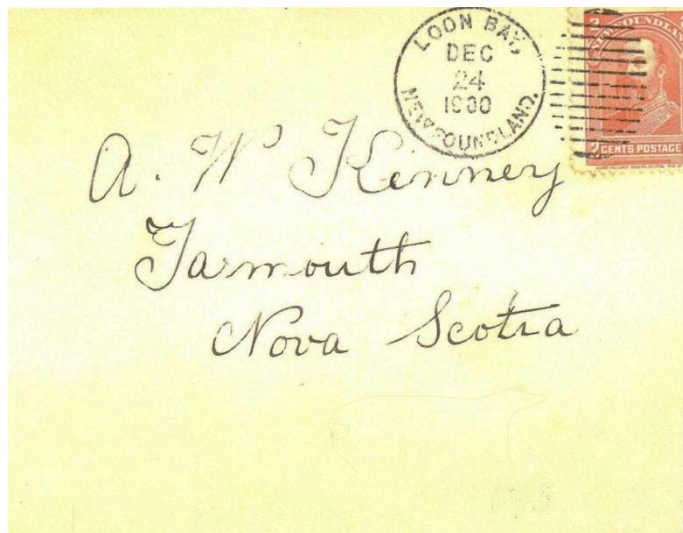


LOON BAY

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.

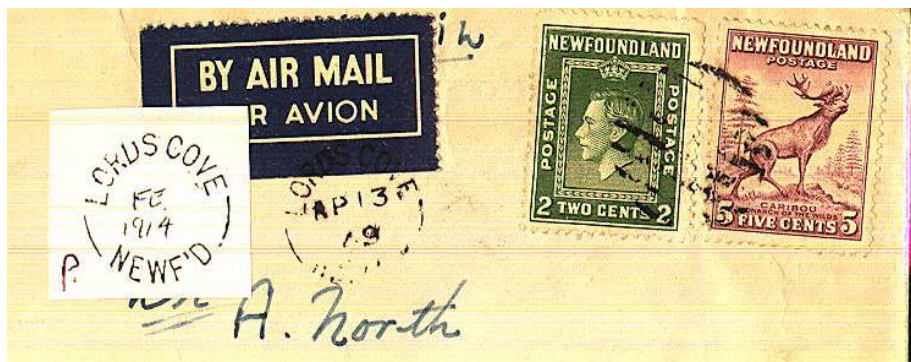
Also in use was the 1900 duplex.



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

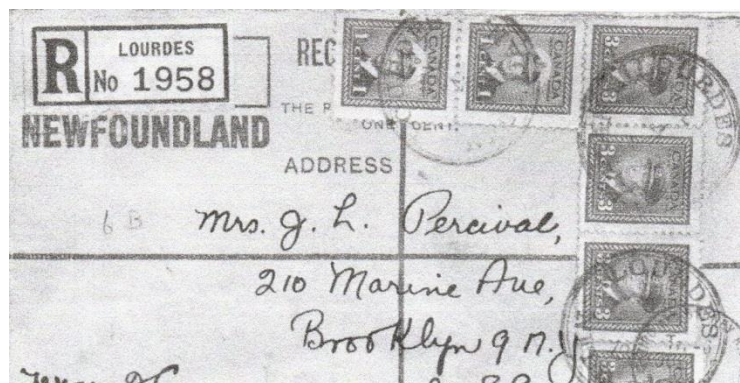
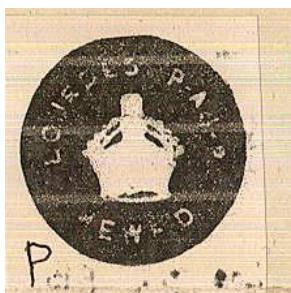
Open	August 08 1912	Closed	1931	Population	46
Bay	Trinity	Location	South West Arm Random	Map 16 C 23	(general area)
Distributing Office		Hillview			

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

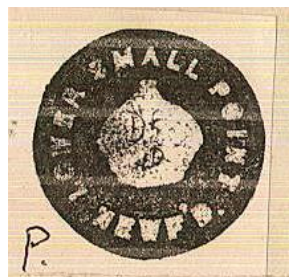
Open	July 04 1910	Closed	1931	Population	256
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map 17	D 26 (Small Point)
Distributing Office		Carbonear			

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

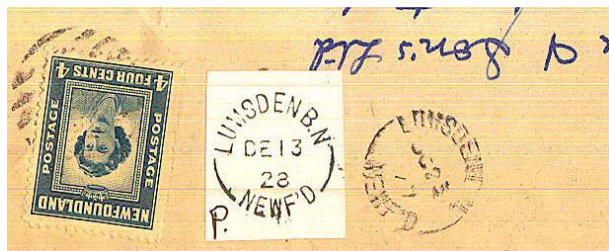
Open	1921	Closed	1923	Population	269
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley		
Distributing Office		Lumsden			

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

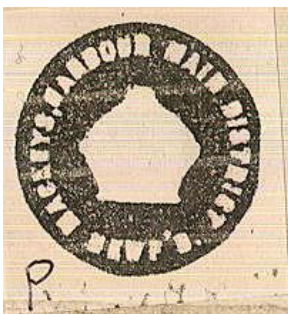
Open	June 24 1919	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

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

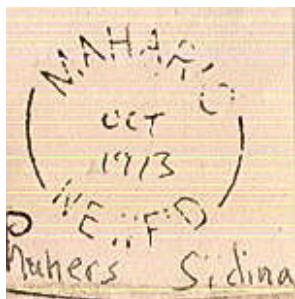
Open	April 29 1913	Closed	1931	Population	119
Bay	Ocean	Location	Near St. John's	Map 21 F 27	
Distributing Office		St. John's			

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

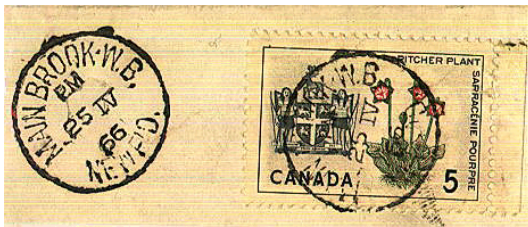
Open	March 06 1911	Closed	1931	Population	58
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	South West Coast	Map	11 B 4
Distributing Office			St. Fintans		

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.

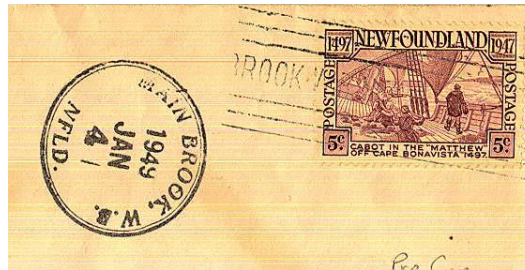
MAIN BROOK

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

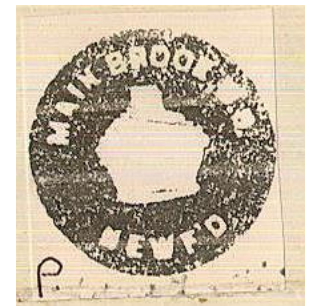
Main Brook was officially opened on February 14 1948. (In the dead of Winter on the Northern Peninsula ???) No Postmasters are listed. Mails were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. No split rings for this office. Used a NEWF'D CDS. WB for White Bay.



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		

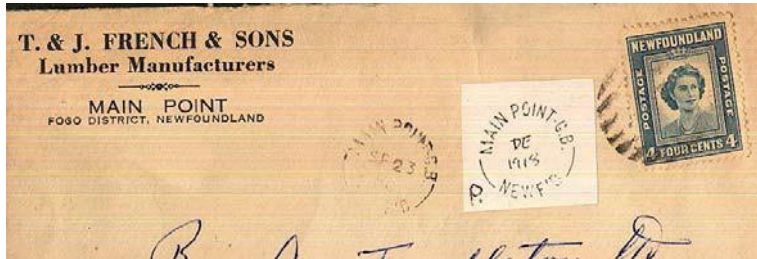
This was probably a construction site or company town for the canal as part of a Hydro project. First Postmaster not known. PM in 1931 was W. Gilley. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 via Deer Lake station. No proofs seen.



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)			

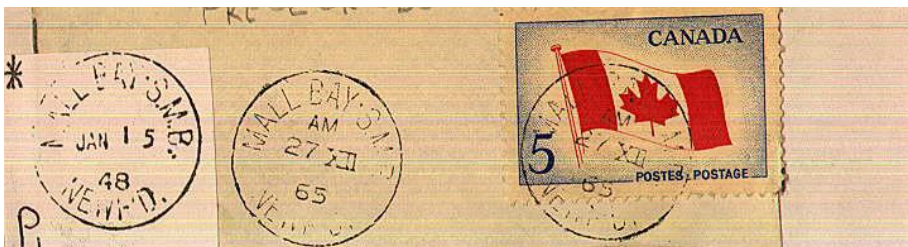
First Postmaster was William Dunn. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Kyle. In winter very sporadic by dog team from Quebec. One split ring seen.



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.

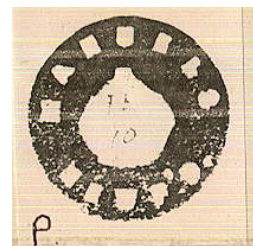


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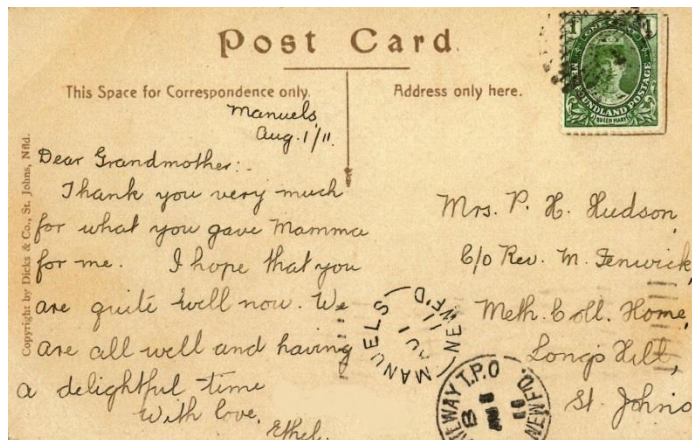
split ring No. 2



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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			

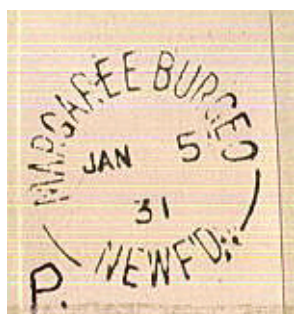
First Postmaster was James Carter, followed by Mrs. March in 1910 and Mrs. Cecilia Young in 1917. PM in 1931 was Thomas Young. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Stephenville Crossing station via Port Au Port. One split ring is shown.



MARGAREE

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

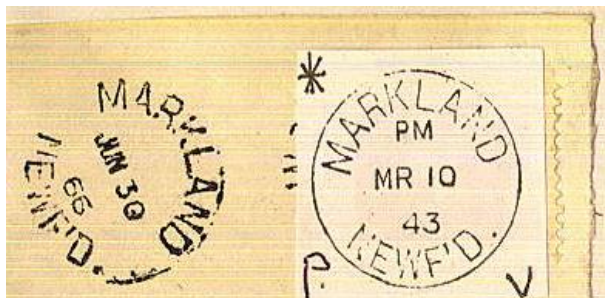
Strange that there was an office here as the one at Fox Roost was open. The two communities are more or less one and the same. First and probably only Postmaster was Mrs. Edgar Kendall. Mails from Channel by both steamer and railway. Burgeo was the District. Why two mail bag seals? The second could possibly 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			

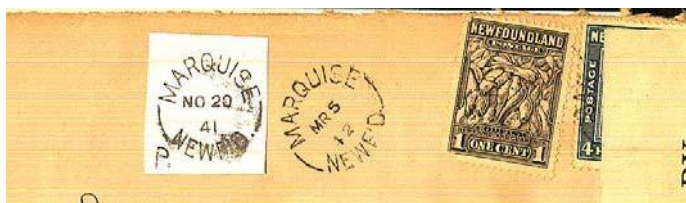
The location of this office was the same as Marquise but at the other end of the airfield. Opened as a way office in June and became a post office two months later in August. First Postmaster was Mr. Thomas Cooney. PM in 1931 was M.J. Maher. Mails were daily by Placentia Bay Railway via Argentia. One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

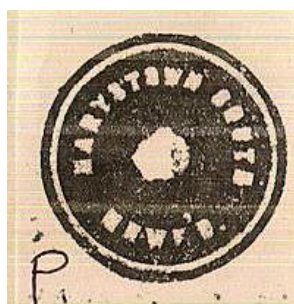
First Postmaster was Miss Josephine Flynn who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Marystown. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



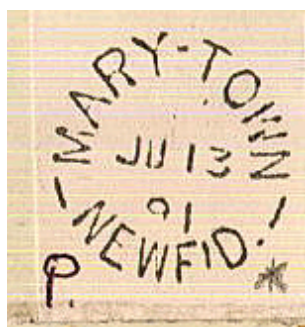
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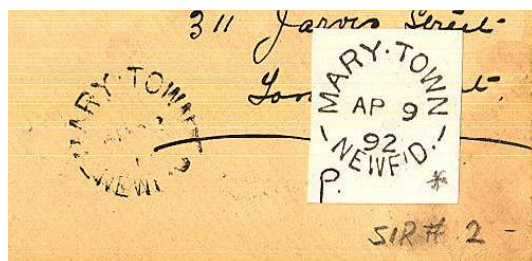
MARYSTOWN

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.



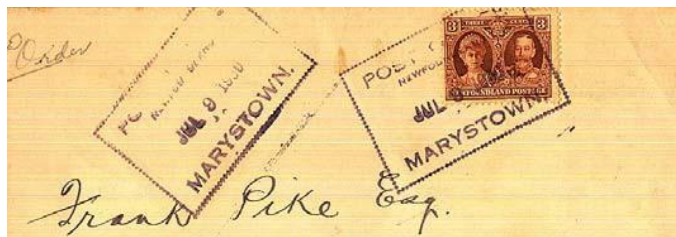
split ring No. 1 dash



Ssplit ring No. 2 dot



split ring No. 3



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.



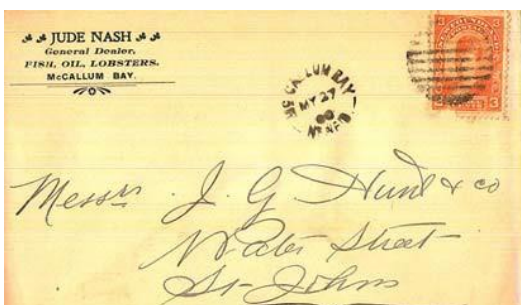
split ring No. 2



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

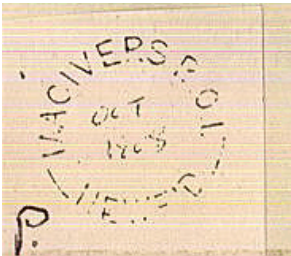
Open	1919	Closed	1929	Population	117
Bay	St. George	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

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			

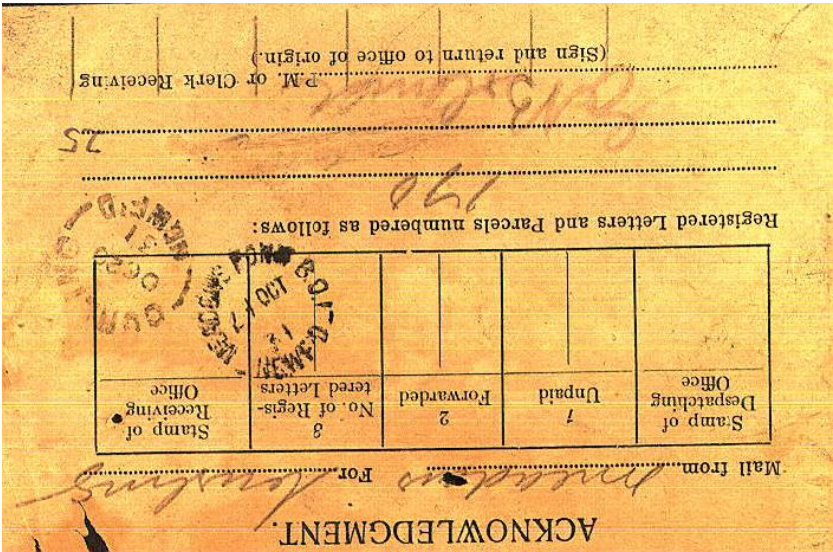
McIvers appears to have had a closed period as it is listed as opening with Mrs. William B. Lovell as Postmaster on March 01 in the 1938 postal guide. First Postmaster was George Park. PM in 1931 not listed. Mails were twice a week from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. One split ring seen. BOI for Bay of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

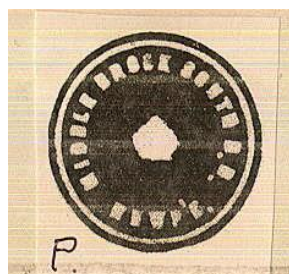
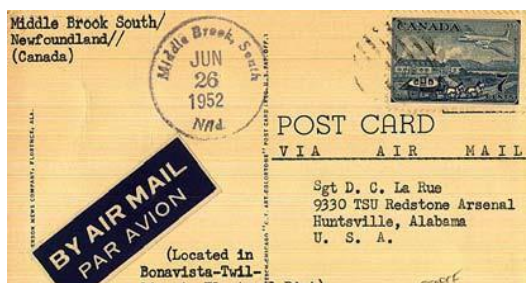
Postmaster in 1931 was Robert Shears. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from St. Georges station. One split ring proof exists.



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.



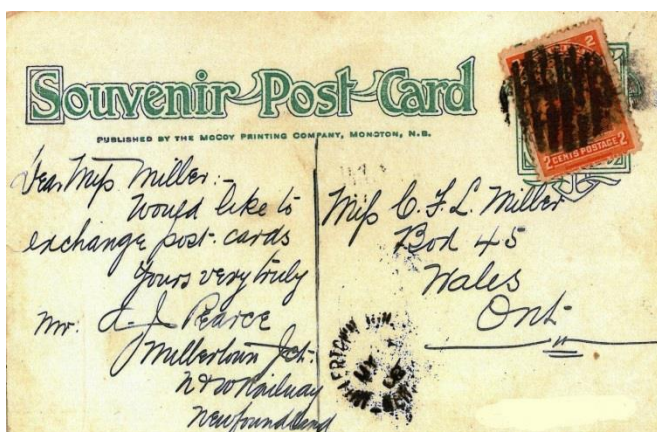
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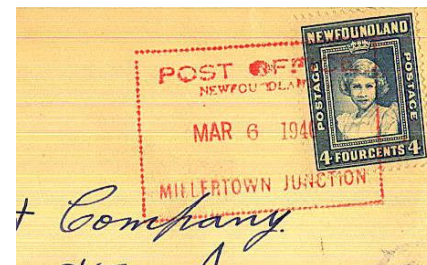
Wavy line



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			

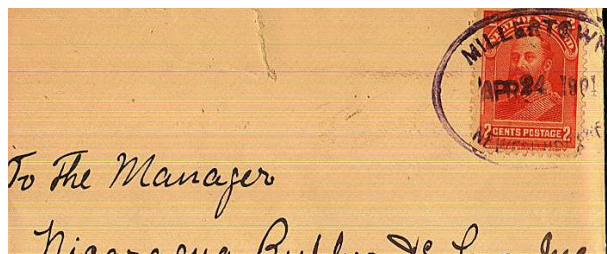
First Postmaster was Alex Wood, followed by E.B. Colbourne in 1902, G. Skeffington in 1908, Miss Rowsell in 1912 as well as telegraph operator, Miss Gertrude Duff in 1913 as well as TO and Margaret Duff also TO in 1931. PM and TO in 1936 was B.C. Keats. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Millertown Junction. 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



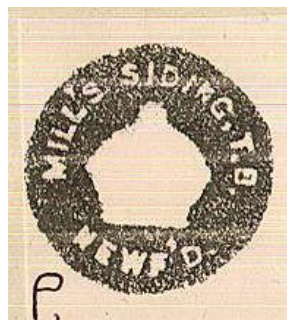
split ring No. 2



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 ??



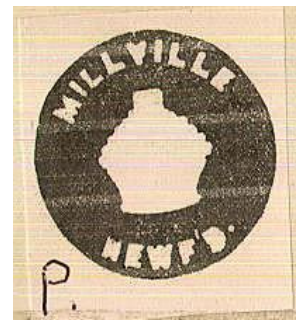
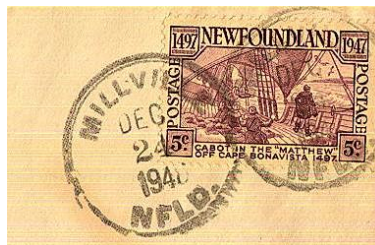
MILLVILLE

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			

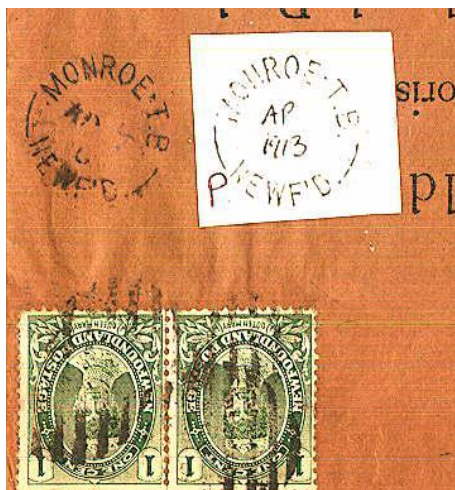
First Postmaster was Miss Spry, followed by James Monk in 1904, J. William Ford in 1906 and Mrs. James Monk in 1913. PM in 1931 was Mrs. William Monk. Mails were weekly from Arnold's Cove by motorboat via Swift Current. No split ring proofs or strikes seen. This office also used an Oval name only in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

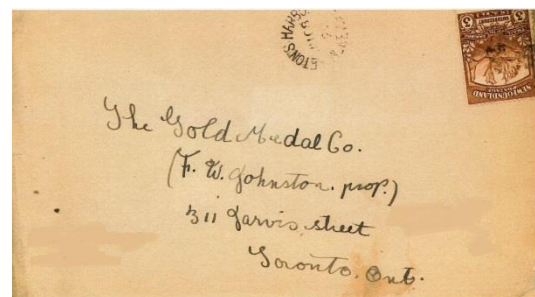
Open	1882	Closed	Still Open	Population	325
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	New World Island	Map	9 U 19
Distributing Office		Same			

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

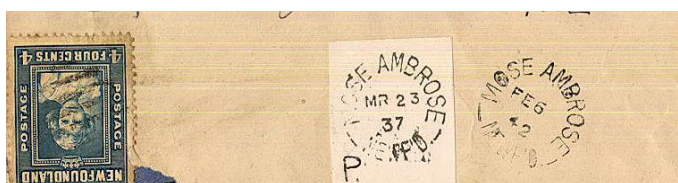
MOSE AMBROSE

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			

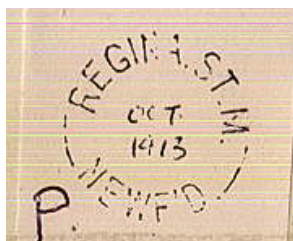
Being on an island, this location was also included in the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Mrs. Bernard Doody. April 22 1897 "Mosquito mails to be dispatched from St. Joseph's instead of Riverhead St. Mary's. Mr. James Butland to be courier at \$50 per annum for weekly mails from Mosquito 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

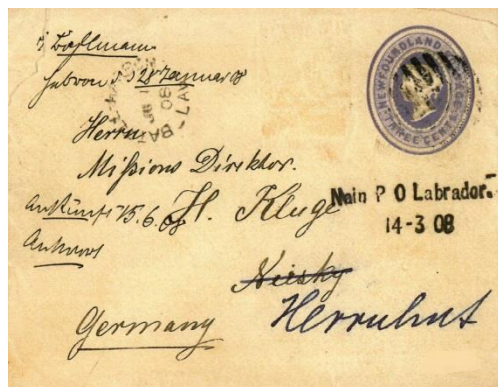
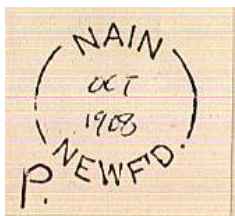
Open	May 16 1906	Closed	1931	Population	170
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

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

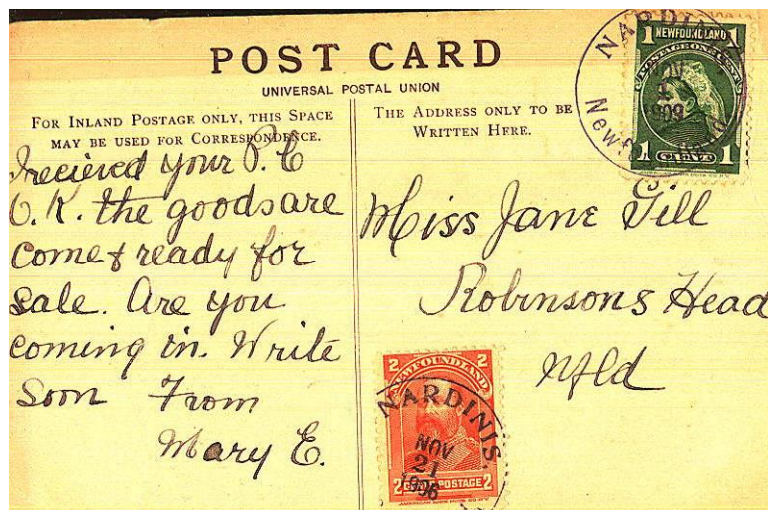


courtesy Kevin O'Reilly

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		

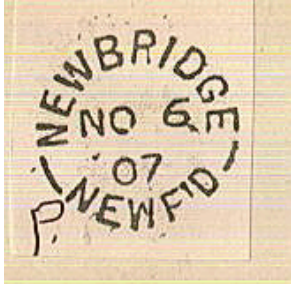
First Postmaster was George Field, followed by Miss Cathie Bailey in 1912. PM for 1931 not listed. Became a MOO December 02 1911. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. No split ring proofs or strikes have been seen.



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.



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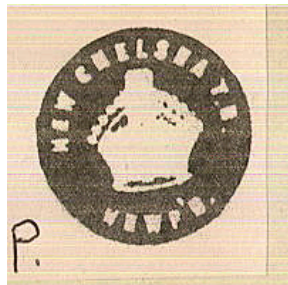
NEW CHELSEA

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.

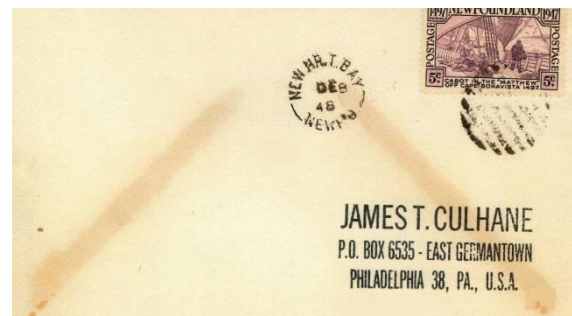
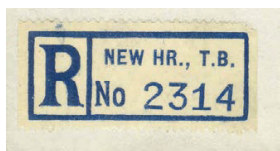


Parson's Harbour aka
New Harbour Hermitage Bay

NEW HARBOUR TB

Open	1869	Closed	Still Open	Population	685
Bay	Trinity	Location	Head of Trinity Bay	Map	20 F 24
Distributing Office		Whitbourne			

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.



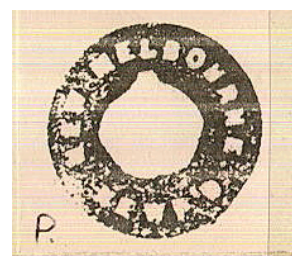
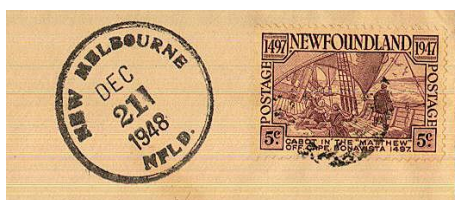
courtesy John Oldford

split ring No. 2

NEW MELBOURNE

Open	May 13 1904	Closed	Still Open	Population	263
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 C 25
Distributing Office		Same			

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 Clarenville by S.S. Susu. One split ring seen.

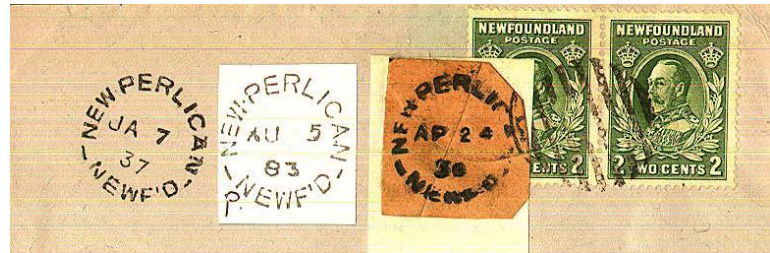
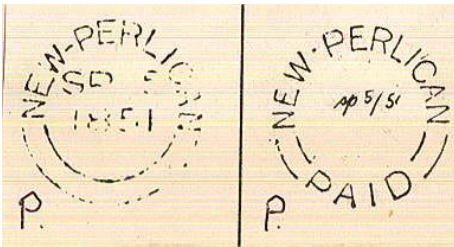


courtesy John Oldford

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

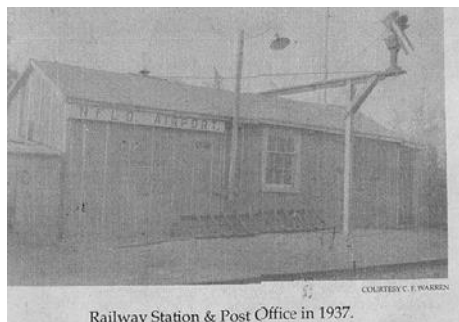
Open	October 26 1910	Closed	1933	Population	70
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound	Map	16 B 23
Distributing Office		Burgoynes Cove			

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.

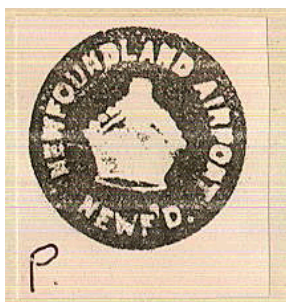


mailed from airfield location



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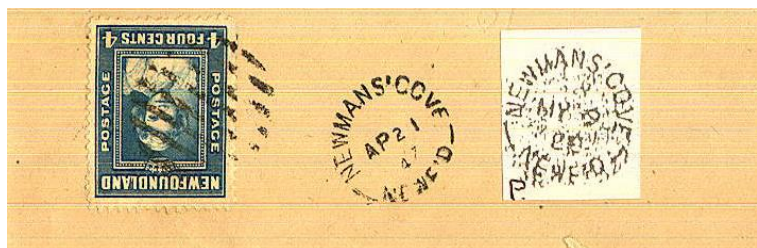
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NEWMAN'S COVE

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

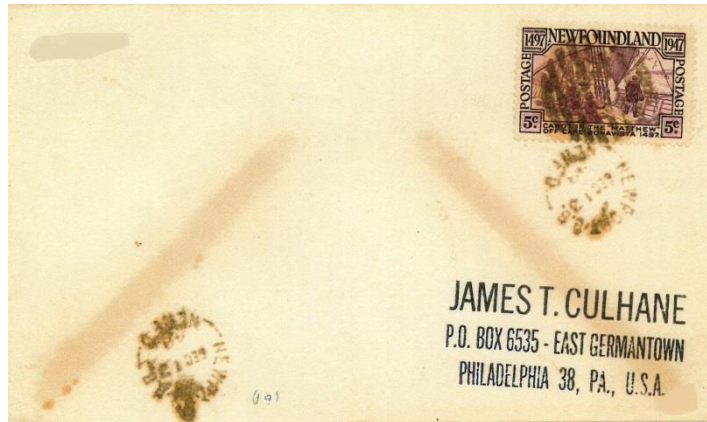
Open as a way office in 1887 with Joseph Tilley as first waykeeper, followed by Gilbert Tilley. Became a post office in 1891 with Gilbert as first Postmaster, followed by Mrs. M. Tilley in 1900, Annie Skeffington in 1902, Herbert Tilley in 1902, Frederick Tilley in 1905, Miss May Skeffington in 1910 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?

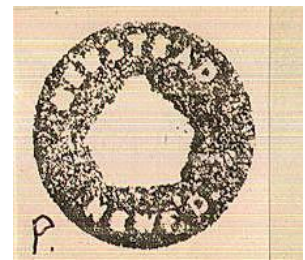
Strikes from 1946 and 1948 show split ring No. 1 still in use. Was split ring no.2 not used ?



split ring No. 1



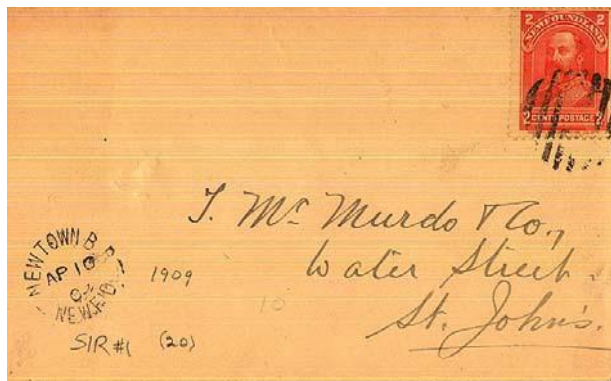
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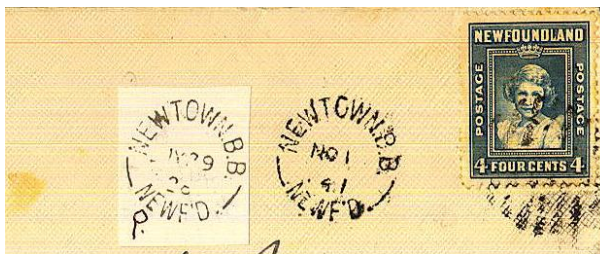
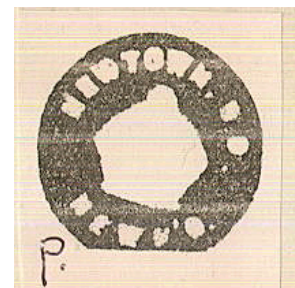
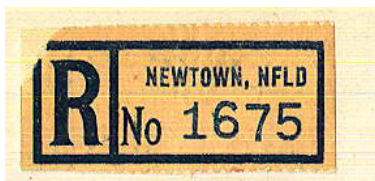
NEWTOWN BB

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			

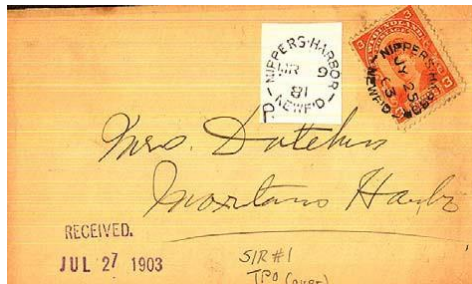
Renamed Port Anson on October 17 1911. Open as a way office. Not known if or when it was upgraded to post office status. No waykeepers or Postmasters listed. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen from here.

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.

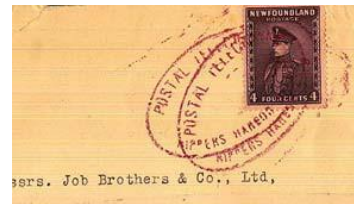
In Winter from Springdale by courier. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



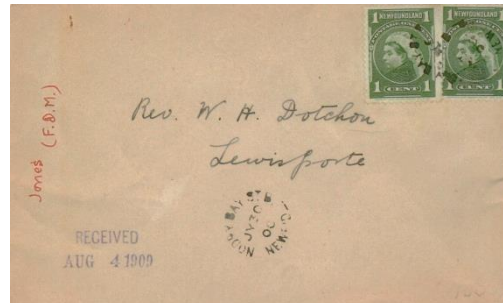
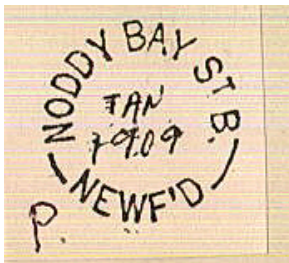
split ring No. 2



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

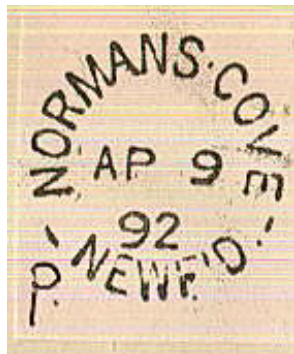
Open	November 18 1911	Closed	1931	Population	144
Bay	Hamilton Sound	Location	Near Carmanville	Map 10 V 21	
Distributing Office		Carmanville			

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.

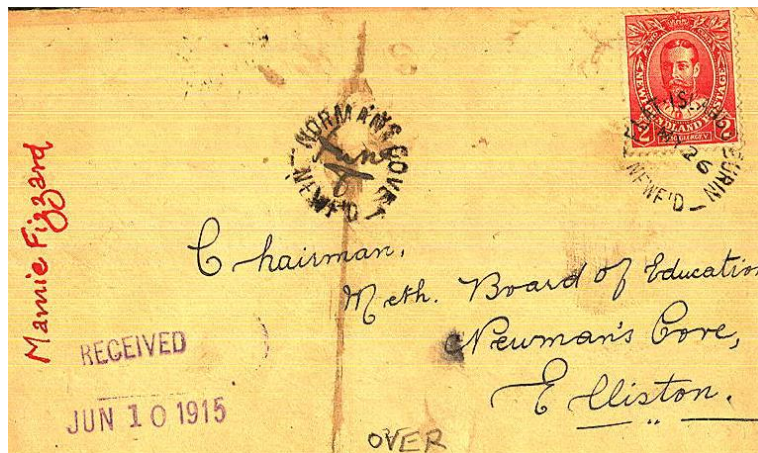
NORMAN'S COVE

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

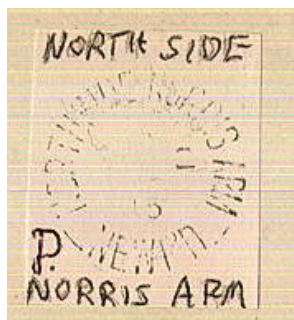


split ring No. 2

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			

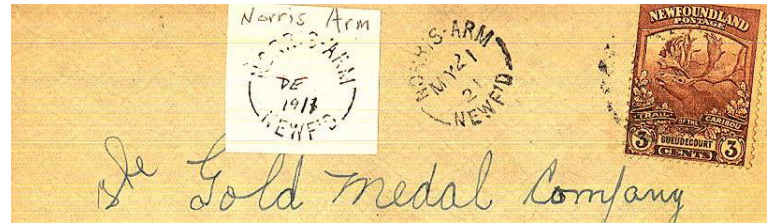
Renamed Alderburn in 1913 but, there never was a post office by that name. Postmasters are not listed. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Norris Arm station. Proof hard to read but says NORTH SIDE NORRIS ARM.



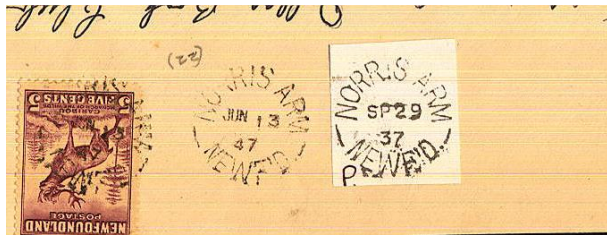
NORRIS ARM

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



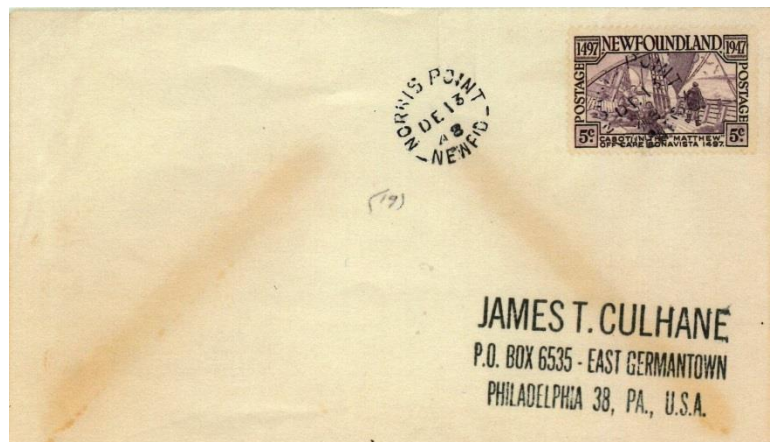
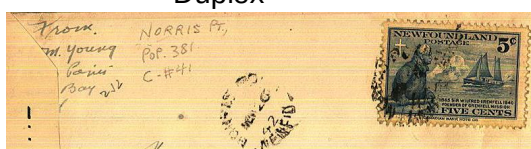
NORRIS POINT

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.

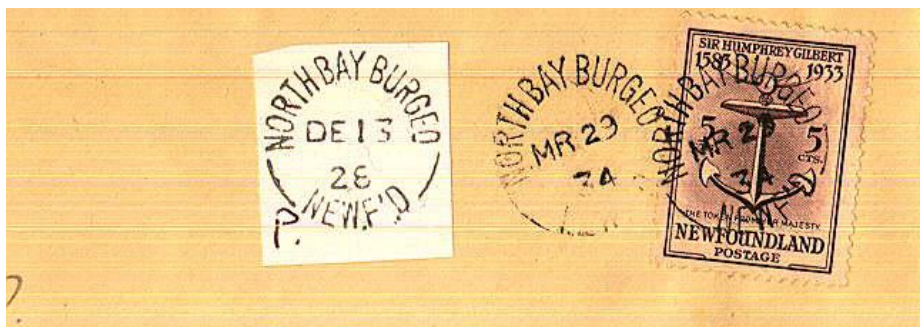
NORTH BAY BURGEO

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

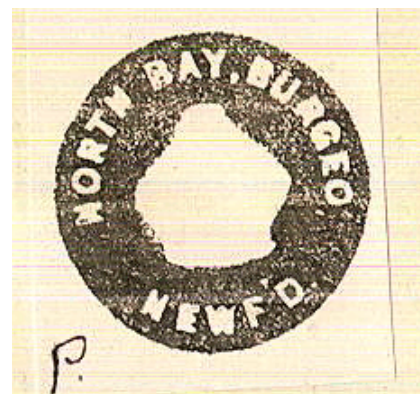
First Postmaster not listed. PM in 1931 was Julia Farrell. James Taylor was mail carrier to La Poile. This office permanently closed on May 10 1947 upon the death of the Postmaster. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via La Poile. One split ring has been seen from here. A book, "THE NORTH 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

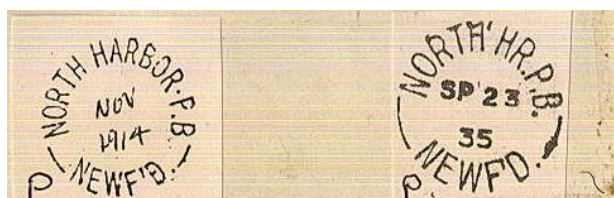
Open	May 11 1906	Closed	1935	Population	20
Bay	White	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 4 P 13	
Distributing Office			Great Harbour Deep		

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.

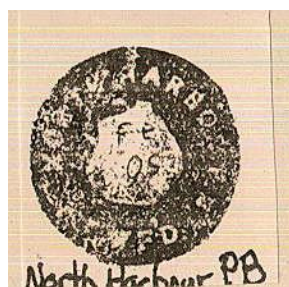
NORTH HARBOUR PB

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

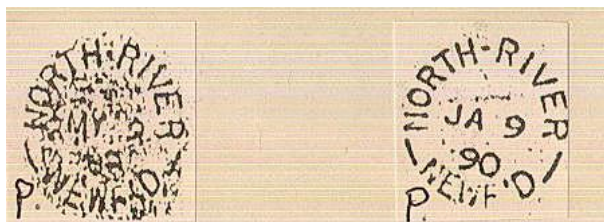
Open	Sept. 08 1911	Closed	1931	Population	80
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

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.

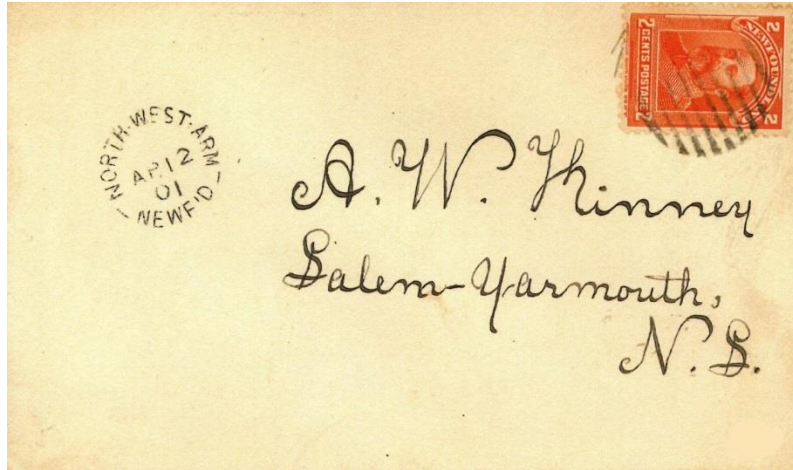
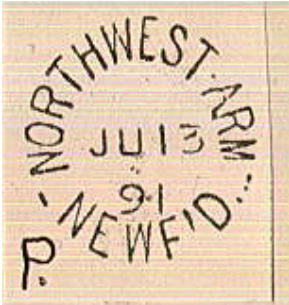


courtesy Murray Smith

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			

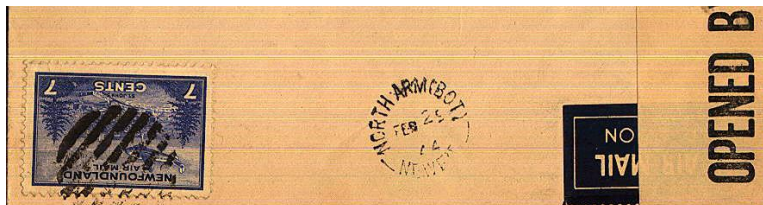
First Postmaster was W. J. Carson. Mails were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Kyle via Rigolet. One split ring seen. This office also used the large double circle, although it is a bad strike.



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			

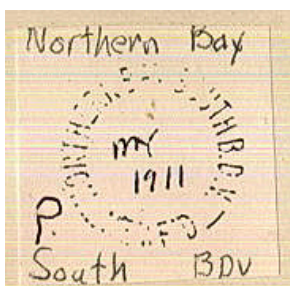
Open as a way office in 1883 with Catherine Woodford as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891. No Postmasters listed. Mails were by railway from Woodfords station. One split ring seen.



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			

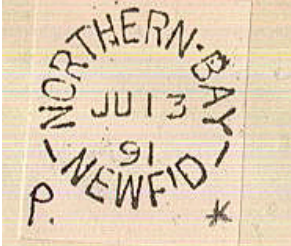
First Postmaster was Miss Ethel Jacobs who, still held the office in 1931. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. One split ring proof exists. BDV for Bay De Verde (District).



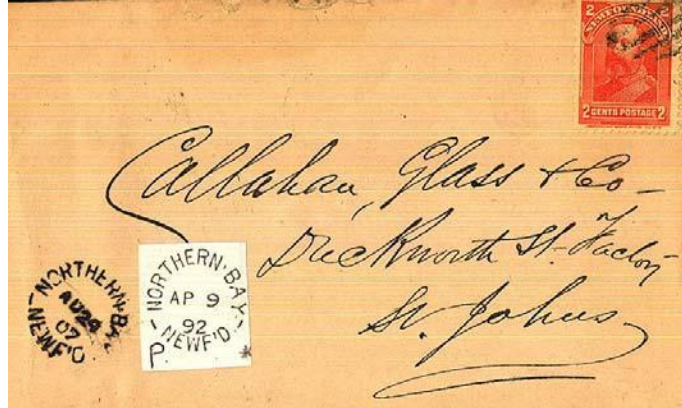
NORTHERN BAY

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



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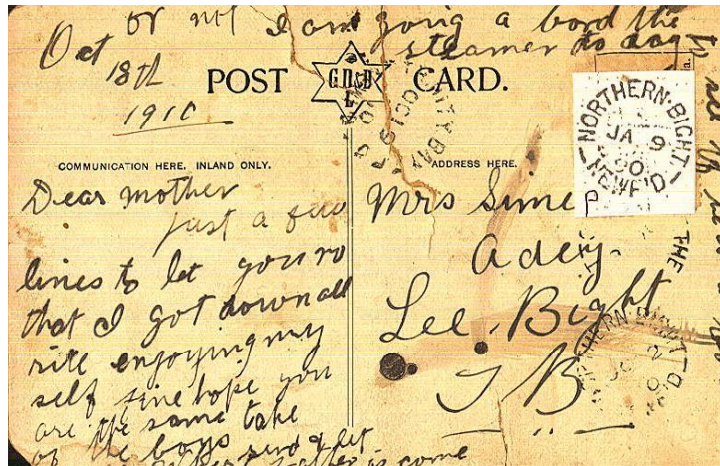
NORTHERN BIGHT

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.

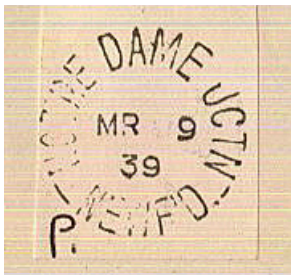
NORWOOD

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.



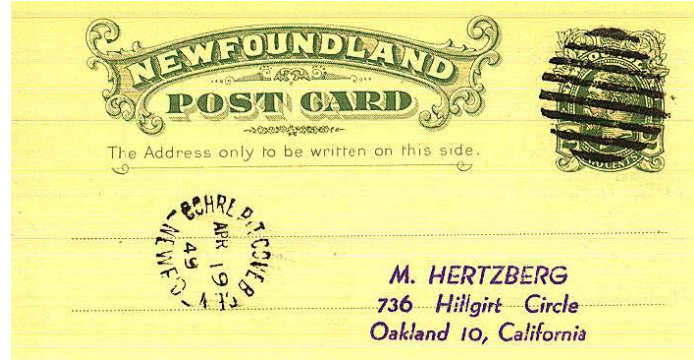
OCHRE PIT COVE

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

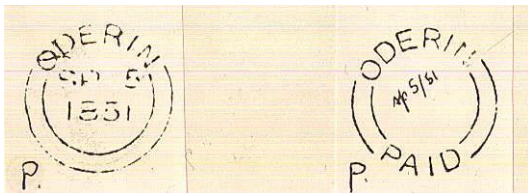


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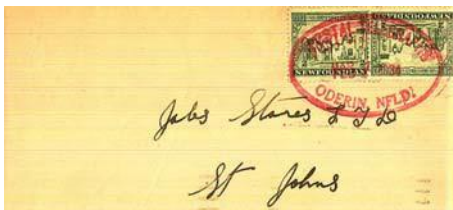
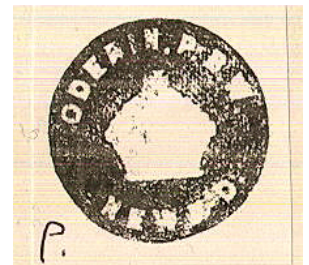
ODERIN

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



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*Spelling of Flynn corrected by Colleen Brennan: October 2025

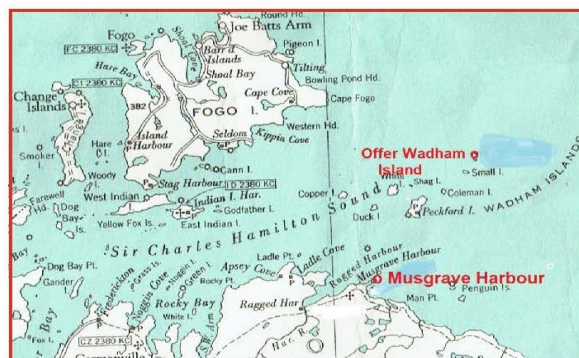
OFFER WADHAM ISLANDS

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			

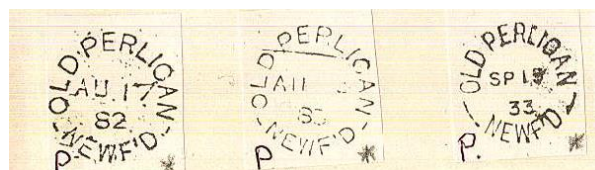
Nothing else is known of this short-lived office. No Postmasters are listed. Mails distribution would have been by S.S. Sagona out of Humbermouth. No proofs or strikes seen.

OLD PERLICAN

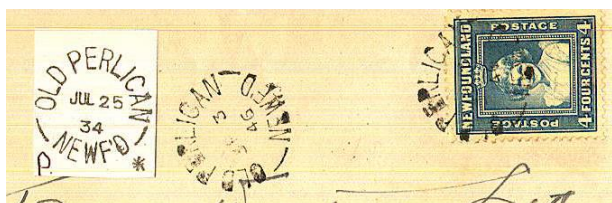
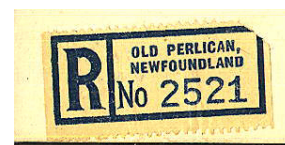
Open	1856	Closed	Still Open	Population	706
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 C 26
Distributing Office		Same			

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			

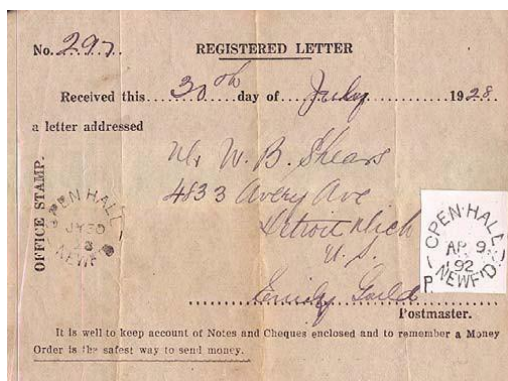
First Postmaster was James Reid. PM in 1931 was Mrs. John Day. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Whitbourne station. One split ring seen. There may have been an earlier one. TB for Trinity Bay.



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.

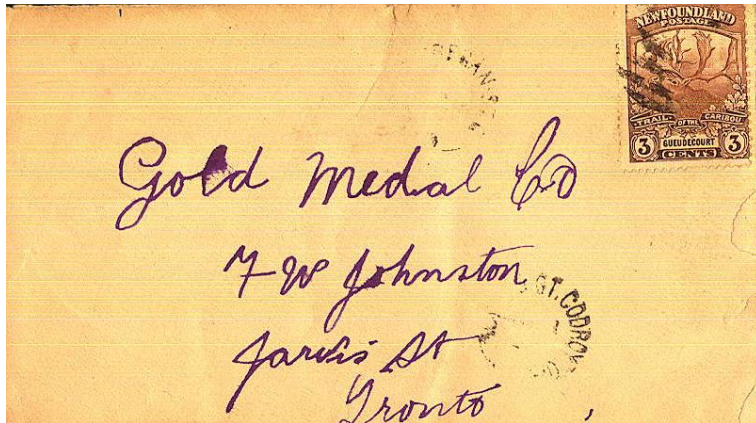


This may be the only known strike

O'REGANS

Open	Dec. 21 1912	Closed	August 12 1970	Population	96
Bay	Inland	Location	Lower Codroy River	Map	11 D 2
Distributing Office		Doyles Station			

This location was called Backlands until May 4 1911 but, there never was a post office by that name. First Postmaster was Mr. Placid White who, was still in office in 1931. There must have been a closed period, probably 1931. Office (re)opened on July 20 1946 with Placid White once more as PM. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Doyles Station. Two split rings seen. ST G for ST. George.



split ring No. 1 O'Regans STG
Doyles GT. Codroy transit



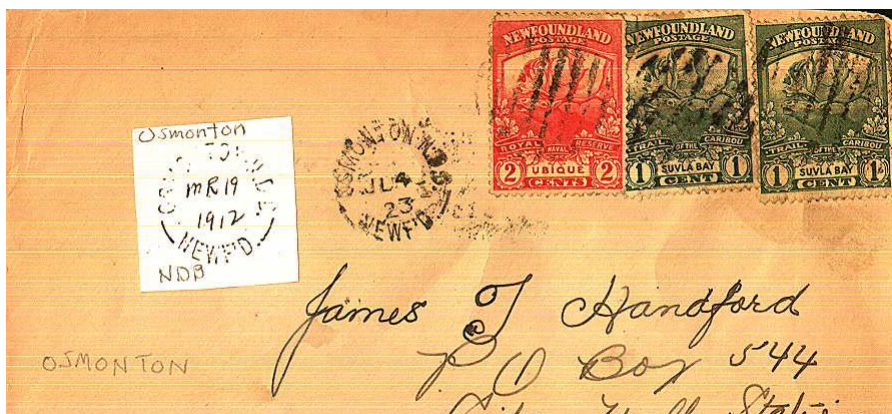
split ring No. 2



OSMONTON

Open	October 17 1911	Closed	1929	Population	43
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	New Bay	Map	9 V 17 (general area)
Distributing Office		Leading Ticks			

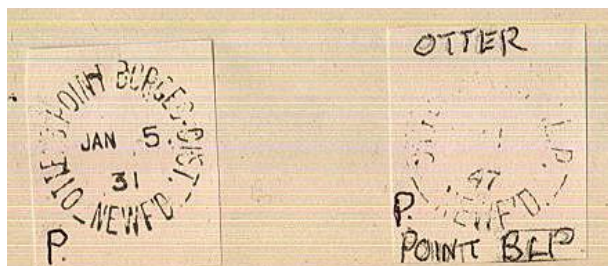
Previously called North West Arm New Bay and operated under that name from 1886 until October 17 1911. First Postmaster was Miss Clara M. Andrews, followed by Mrs. Clara Hicks (married ?) in 1913 and Mrs. Phoebe M. Moores in 1913. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Leading Ticks. One split ring seen. NDB for Notre Dame Bay.



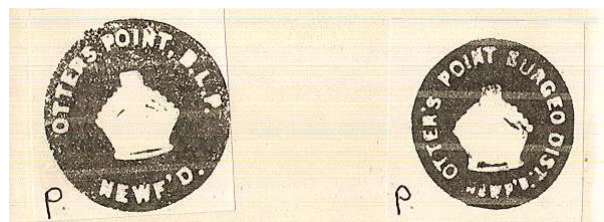
OTTER'S POINT

Open	July 24 1908	Closed	1948	Population	71
Bay	Ocean	Location	South West Coast	Map	12 E 7
Distributing Office		Grand Bruit			

Another abandoned location under the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Samuel Collins. "James Melvin to be courier to Grand Bruit \$1.75 per weekly trip". PM in 1931 was Hattie Collier. Official records state that this office (re)opened on November 24 1947 which would co-incide with the proof for split ring No. 3. PM on opening was Mrs. F. Melbourne. This office officially closed on October 15 1948. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Grand Bruit. Two split rings seen. Obviously there was an earlier one. BLP for Burgeo & La Poile.



split ring No. 2 split ring No. 3



OUTER COVE (ROAD)

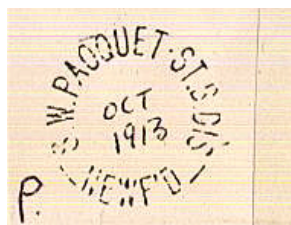
Open	April 23 1905	Closed	1942	Population	Not known
Bay	Ocean	Location	St. John's East	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		St. John's			

First Postmaster was William Doran, followed by Mrs. Jane Doran in 1909 and Richard Doran in 1913 who, was also courier to be paid an additional \$20. Richard was still PM in 1931. PM on December 10 1940 was Miss Jean Doran. Mails from St. John's by courier, frequency not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

PACQUET SOUTH WEST

Open	August 23 1913	Closed	1925	Population	158
Bay	Ocean	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	4 S 15 (Woodstock)
Distributing Office		La Scie			

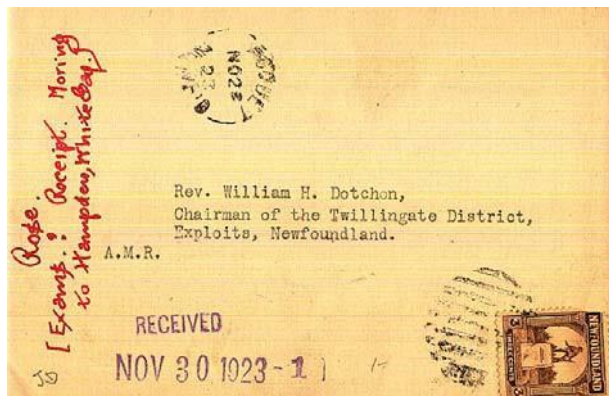
Renamed Woodstock in 1925 and continues as an office under that name until the present day. First Postmaster was Eleazer Butler (from Paquet North East earlier.) PM in 1915 was Thomas Packward. Mails were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero via La Scie. One split ring proof exists. ST.B DIS. for St. Barbe District.



PACQUET

Open	1906	Closed	Still Open	Population	111
Bay	Ocean	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	4 S 15
Distributing Office		La Scie			

This location was always called Pacquet North East both locally and for postal purposes until 1932, BUT the postmarking device always read Paquet. First Postmaster was Eleazer Butler, followed by James Norman in 1909 who, still held office in 1931. Became a MOO on August 10 1909. Mails were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero via La Scie. One split ring seen.



PAQUET NORTH EAST

See Entry On PAQUET

PARADISE HARBOUR MAIN

Open	1925	Closed	1933	Population	Not known
Bay	Conception	Location	Harbour Main (District)	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Not known			

Postmaster was Thomas Sharpe. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

PARADISE

Open	1872	Closed	Not known possibly 1945	Population	197
Bay	Placentia	Location	Paradise Sound	Map	19 G 20 (Great)
Distributing Office		St. Joseph's			

This location was always Great Paradise, to distinguish it from Little Paradise which, of course, was on the same Island. Both joined the fiasco called the Resettlement Programme. Open as a way office in 1872 with Patrick Healey as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Patrick as first Postmaster, followed by Ellen Healey in 1908 and Mrs. Rose Healey in 1913. PM in 1931 was Rose Ryan. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via St. Joseph's. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

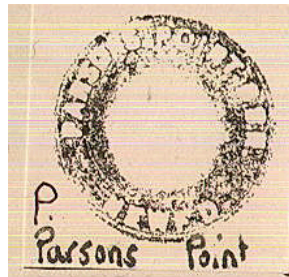
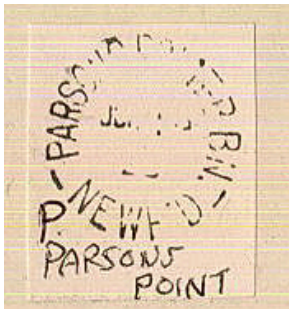
PARKER'S COVE

Open	1912	Closed	1931	Population	112
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 G 19
Distributing Office		St. Joseph's			

First Postmaster was Mrs. John Foote who, was still in office in 1931. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via St. Joseph's. No proofs or strikes seen.

PARSON'S POINT

A proof exists for Parson's Point BBN (Bonavista Bay North). No such office is listed in any of the records. There is a Parson's Point in Bonavista Bay North. It's alternate name is Indian Bay. It is hard to read the proof year but it looks like 1922 or 1923. The interesting part is; Indian Bay opened as a post office BUT not until 1930. Could this be the forerunner of the Indian Bay office and why does it not appear in any of the records? Parsons Point/Indian Bay Map 10 X 22. If indeed it was genuine, the mails would have been weekly from Gambo by motor ferry via Wareham.



PARSON'S POND

Open	May 27 1901	Closed	Still Open	Population	190
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map	3 R 18
Distributing Office		Same			

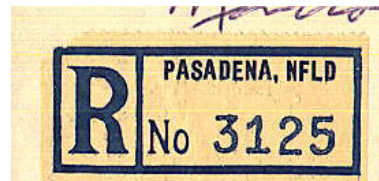
1901 "Mr. Samuel Payne Sr. to be PM and courier at Parsons Pond Oil Wells, salary \$50 per annum, the oil company to pay one third of the cost". 1905 "Samuel Payne to be paid \$10 for his services during the current year". (Sounds like the oil company pulled up stakes!) PM in 1931 was Lizzie Payne who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. One split ring seen.



PASADENA

Open	1936	Closed	Still Open	Population	43
Bay	Inland	Location	Deer Lake	Map	7 X 8
Distributing Office		Same			

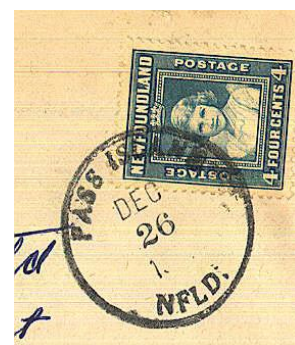
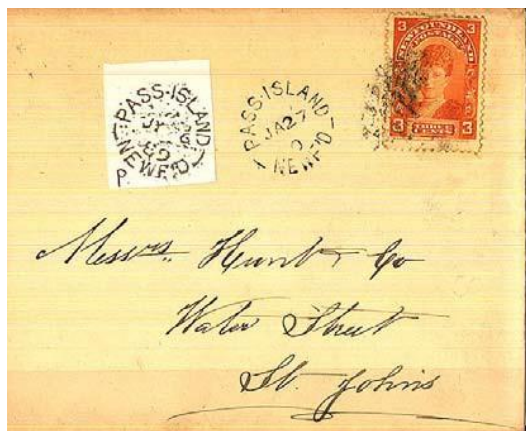
This office was officially opened on December 01 1936 on the closing of the South Brook location. PM was A. Watton. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Pasadena station. One split ring seen.



PASS ISLAND

Open	1878	Close	August 24 1974	Population	215
Bay	Ocean	Location	Hermitage Peninsula	Map	18 F 14
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1878 with Elizabeth Strickland as waykeeper, followed by William Strickland. Became a post office in 1891 with William as first Postmaster, followed by Philip Judge in 1907, William Strickland once more in 1908 and Mrs. A.E. Fudge in 1912. PM in 1931 was Mrs. George Courage. PM and TO in 1937 was Miss Gladys Roberts. PM and TO on November 01 1937 was Miss Annie Ryan. Miss Vera Ingraham PM in 1941. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. One split ring in use from 1889 until at least 1962 and possibly up until closing in 1974 as no Post-Confederation CDS proof has been seen.



PATH END

Open	1930	Closed	1931	Population	45
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Near St. Mary's	Map 20	K 24
Distributing Office		St. Mary's			

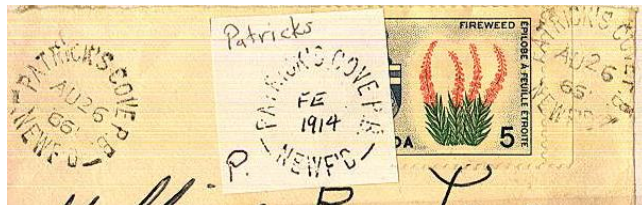
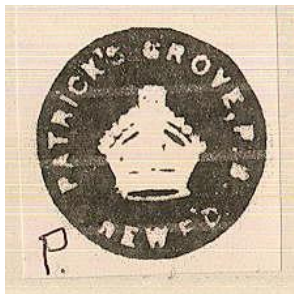
Previously called Bond's Path and served under that name from 1926 until 1930. Postmaster was Mrs. F. Collins. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Whitbourne station via St. Mary's. One split ring proof exists. STM for St. Mary's.



PATRICK'S COVE

Open	1893	Closed	May 26 1970	Population	110
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Cape Shore" Placentia Bay	Map 20	J 22
Distributing Office		Placentia			

First Postmaster was Catherine McGrath, followed by Miss Maggie McGrath in 1905, Catherine McGrath once more in 1905, Mrs. P.B. McGrath in 1909 and Mrs. Francis McGrath in 1910 who, still held office in 1931. PM in 1937 was Denis McGrath. Mails were by Placentia Bay Railway via Placentia by courier. Two split rings seen. PB for Placentia Bay.



PECKFORD'S ISLAND

Open	1900	Closed	1927	Population	13
Bay	Hamilton Sound	Location	Wadham Islands	Map	10 U 22
Distributing Office		Musgrave Harbour			

Previously called Peckford's. Postmaster was Solomon N. White who, still held the position in 1931. PM in 1937 was Jas. E. Abbot. Records indicate the office closed in 1927 but the PM is listed in the 1931 postal guide. It is possible that this office was seasonal only after 1927. Mails were from St. John's by S.S. Home on way to Fogo via Musgrave Harbour. One split ring seen. Obviously there was a previous device UNLESS the PECKFORDS instrument was used.



PECKFORD'S

Open	1898	Closed	1899	Population	13
Bay	Hamilton Sound	Location	Wadham Islands	Map	10 U 22
Distributing Office		Not known			

Renamed Peckford's Island in 1900. Postmaster was Mary Hicks. Mails distribution no known but likely Musgrave Harbour. No proofs or strikes seen.

PEDDLETON

Open	1885	Closed	1893	Population	Not known
Bay	Not known	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Opened as a way office in 1885. Became a post office in 1891 with Francis Peddle as Postmaster. Nothing else is known. No proofs or strikes seen.

PENGUIN ARM

Open	November 09 1912	Closed	April 5 1954	Population	64
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Middle Arm	Map	6 W 7
Distributing Office		Humbermouth			

First Postmaster was William Percy. PM in 1931 not listed. Obviously this office had a closed period, likely from 1931. Office Reopened on November 26 1947 as confirmed by proof of CDS with Mrs. Frank Hicks as PM. Mails were twice a week from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. One split ring and a NEWF'D CDS are seen from this office. BOI for Bay of Islands.



PENNEY'S BROOK

Open	1894	Closed	1895	Population	Not known
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Pilley's Island	Map	8 U 15/16 (general area)
Distributing Office		Pilley's Island			

Very little is known of this office other than being described as "near Pilley's Island." Postmaster was Mrs. A. Hotchcroft. No proofs or strikes seen.

PERRY'S COVE

Open	1879	Closed	August 06 1970	Population	368
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 D 26
Distributing Office	Carbonear				

Open as a way office in 1879 with Rachel Kelloway as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Rachel as first Postmaster up until at least 1908. PM in 1931 was Jeannie Kelloway. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. Three split rings seen.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



split ring No.3

PETER'S ARM

Open	June 08 1912	Closed	1917	Population	901
Bay	Bay of Exploits	Location	South Botwood(ville)	Map	9 W 17
Distributing Office			Botwood(ville)		

Peters Arm was Southern Botwood, the bay between Botwood and Peterview. Postmaster was Elias Burt. Mails were by rail from Botwood. Frequency not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

PETER'S RIVER

Open	1894	Closed	September 30 1969	Population	70
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	"Irish Loop" Avalon Peninsula	Map	20 K 24
Distributing Office			St. Mary's		

First Postmaster was Michael Lundrigan. PM in 1931 was Tobias Lundrigan. Mails were from Whitbourne by courier via St. Mary's. One split ring proof from 1937 seen, but obviously there was an earlier one.



PETIT FORTE

Open	1892	Closed	Still Open	Population	216
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 G 20
Distributing Office		St. Joseph's			

First Postmaster was Anna Maria Hayes, followed by Mary Joseph Hayes in 1898, Mrs. R.M. Gudger in 1908, and Mrs. Joseph Hayden in 1910 "whose house is more conveniently situated". PM in 1931 was still Mrs. Joseph Hayden. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via St. Joseph's. Two split rings seen, including a strike of device no. 1 after a strike of no. 2. Where they in use concurrently?



split ring No. 1



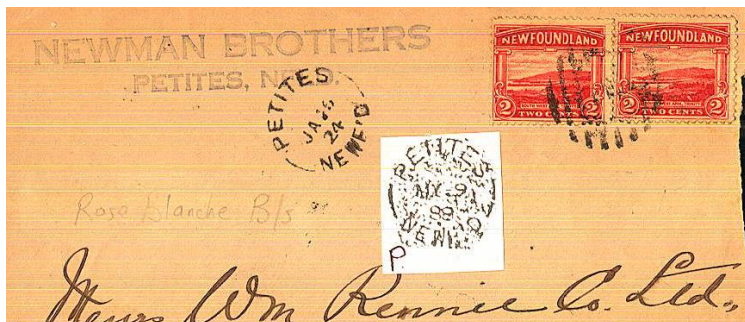
split ring No. 2



PETITES

Open	1887	Closed	2004	Population	212
Bay	Ocean	Location	Near Rose Blanche	Map	11 F 4
Distributing Office		Rose Blanche			

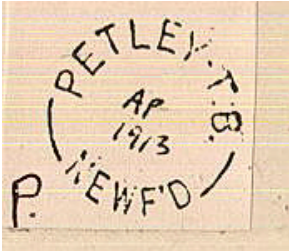
Open as a way office in 1887 with James M. Arnold as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Eldred Gosse as first Postmaster, followed by Julia Courtenay in 1908. PM in 1931 was Eldred Gosse once more. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Rose Blanche and floating courier from Harbor Le Cou. One split ring device in use here from 1888 until 1950.



PETLEY

Open	Dec. 03 1912	Closed	May 20 1970	Population	121
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound Random	Map	16 C 23
Distributing Office		Britannia			

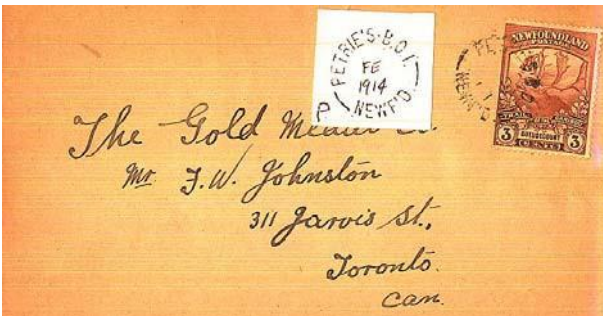
Previously called Lance Cove and served under that name from 1895 until December 03 1912. First Postmaster under new name was Reuben Laite. PM in 1931 was Mrs. M.B. Walters. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via Britannia. One split ring seen. TB for Trinity Bay.



PETRIE'S

Open	1914	Closed	1931	Population	417
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Humber Arm	Map	6 X 7
Distributing Office		Same			

Postmaster in 1931 was Mrs. M. Gould. Mails were twice weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. One split ring seen.



PETTY HARBOUR

Open	1872	Closed	Still Open	Population	769
Bay	Ocean	Location	"Suburb" of St. John's	Map	21 F 27
Distributing Office		St. John's			

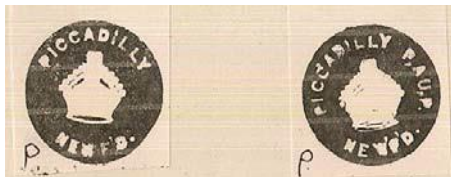
Open as a way office in 1872 with Jacob Bishop as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Jacob as first Postmaster, followed by Henry J.W. Bishop in 1899 who, still held office in 1931. Miss Dulcie Lee was acting PM in 1937. On September 01, Mrs. John Bidgood became PM. Became a MOO on September 22 1908. Mails were from St. John's by courier. One split ring seen. This instrument was in use for at least 58 years.



PICADILLY

Open	August 22 1897	Closed	August 17 1970	Population	140
Bay	Port Au Port	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map	5 Z 3
Distributing Office			Port Au Port		

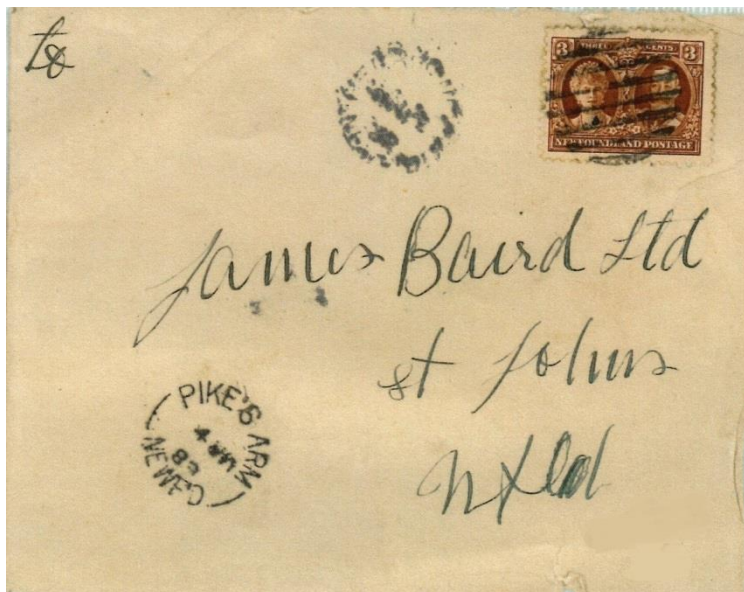
First Postmaster was James Joy "courier to connect with Gravels" (Port Au Port). PM in 1931 was Mrs. John La Costa. Mails were from Stephenville Crossing station via Port Au Port. One split ring proof seen but, obviously there was an earlier one.



PIKE'S ARM

Open	May 04 1911	Closed	1945	Population	140
Bay	Ocean	Location	New World Island	Map	9 T 20
Distributing Office			Herring Neck		

First Postmaster was Miss Emma Jane Richards who, still held office in 1931. Became a MOO on May 04 1911. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Herring Neck. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Campbellton, Boyd's Cove and Herring Neck. One split ring seen.



PILLEY'S ISLAND

Open	1888	Closed	Still Open	Population	459
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Pilley's Island	Map	8 U 15
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1888 with F.W. Andrews as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with H.M Herbert as first Postmaster, followed by Eliza Herbert in 1893, George D. Mayne in 1903, Miss Garland in 1908 and Miss Bowden in 1910 as well as telegraph operator. PM in 1931 was Ivy Curtis who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on July 14 1948 was George Bishop. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Point Leamington. Four split rings seen.



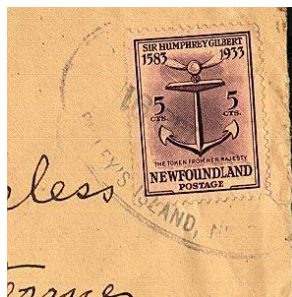
Serrated rim 1926-34



split ring No. 2



split ring No. 1

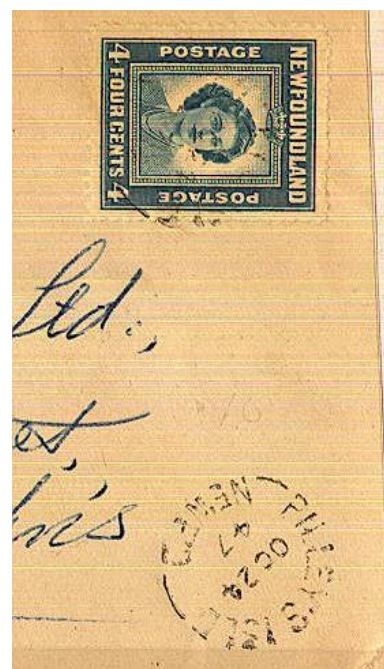


Non-serrated rim
1926-33

It would appear
that there were
2 devices being
used concurrently.



split ring No. 3



split ring No. 4

PINCHARD'S ISLAND

Open	1906	Closed	October 16 1953	Population	264
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map	10 W 24
Distributing Office		Newtown			

This Island was also under the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was William Greene. PM in 1931 was James Blackmore who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from Gambo by motor ferry via Newtown. One split ring seen.



PINN'S BROOK

Open	1927	Closed	1928	Population	35
Bay	Inland	Location	Deer Lake	Map	7 X 9
Distributing Office		Deer Lake			

No Postmasters are listed. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Deer Lake station. No proofs or strikes seen.

PIPER'S HOLE

Open	Sept. 29 1913	Closed	1915	Population	Not listed
Bay	Placentia	Location	Head of Placentia Bay	Map	16 D 21
Distributing Office		Same			

Renamed Swift Current in late 1915 and remains open under that name. Postmaster was Mrs. Mary Crocker. Mails were weekly by motor boat from Arnold's Cove. No proofs or strikes seen.

PLACENTIA JUNCTION

Open	1890	Closed	1931	Population	95
Bay	Inland	Location	Avalon Peninsula	Map	20 G 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1890 with George Hall as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with George as first Postmaster and Paul Hynes in 1909. PM in 1931 was Mary Ann Hynes. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Placentia Junction station. No proofs or strikes seen.

PLACENTIA SOUTH EAST

Open	1905	Closed	1931	Population	216
Bay	Inland	Location	Near Placentia	Map	20 H 23
Distributing Office		Placentia			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Jas. Lannon. PM in 1931 was Mrs. M. O'Brien. Mails were from Placentia Bay Railway via Placentia. Postmark reads "S E ARM PLA". No proofs seen.



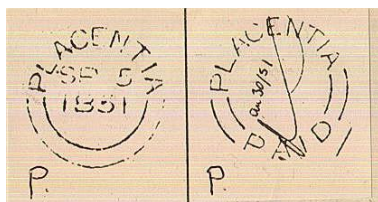
PLACENTIA

Open	1851	Closed	Still Open	Population	469
Bay	Placentia	Location	Avalon Peninsula	Map	20 H 23
Distributing Office		Same			

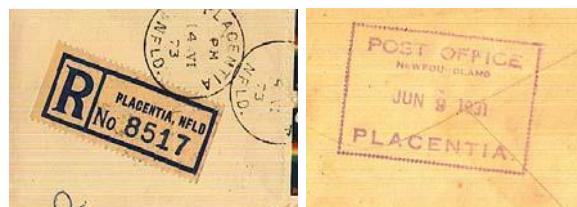
Open as a post office in 1851 with Mary Morris as first Postmaster, followed by Hannah Bradshaw in 1873, Emma Bradshaw in 1889, Bride Siteman in 1900, Michael J. Collins in 1908 with Bride Siteman as assistant, Bride Siteman as PM in 1910, John Phippard in 1914 and Ernest J. Collins, returned soldier in 1920. PM in 1931 was Bessie Hartigan who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were daily by Placentia Bay Railway via Argentia. This office had one of the early "Fancy" cancels as well as a Postal Telegraph Oval. Two split rings seen.



One Hundred Outposts
Ben Hansen



split ring No. 1



the "doctored" split ring
instrument to honour
PEACE at the conclusion



courtesy John Oldford



split ring No. 2

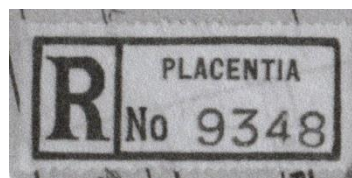


PLATE COVE EAST

Open 1940 Closed Still Open
See entry on Plate Cove
No Postmasters are listed. No proofs or strikes seen.

PLATE COVE WEST

Open	1904	Closed	Still Open	Population	126
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map	16 A 24
Distributing Office			Plate Cove (East)		

First Postmaster was John Furlong. PM in 1931 was Mary Ann Baker. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Plate Cove (East.) No proofs or strikes seen.

PLATE COVE

Open	1887	Closed	1940	Population	385
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map	16 Z 24
Distributing Office			Same		

Renamed Plate Cove East in 1940. Open as a way office in 1887 with F.W. Andrews as first waykeeper, followed by John Cheevers in 1888. Became a post office in 1891 with John as first Postmaster, followed by Lawrence Moss in 1903 and Miss Agnes Moss in 1904. PM in 1931 was still Agnes Moss. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. Two split rings seen. BB for Bonavista Bay.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

PLUM POINT

Open	1931	Closed	Still Open	Population	57
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 1	L 11
Distributing Office		Brig Bay			

This office merged with that of Brig Bay in 1965 to become Plum Point. Postmaster in 1931 was Kenneth Spence. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona via Brig Bay. One split ring proof exists. ST B for St. Barbe.



POINT AU GAUL

Open	1912	Closed	May 05 1970	Population	243
Bay	Ocean	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map 18	K 16

First Postmaster was Thomas Martin. PM in 1931 was Nita E. Hillier. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Lamaline. One split ring proof dated 1935 seen so there has to be an earlier one.



POINT AU MAL(L)

Open	1941	Closed	July 15 1969	Population	186
Bay	Port Au Port	Location	Near Port Au Port Peninsula	Map 6	Z 5
Distributing Office		Port Au Port			

Early postal records state that this office was open from 1925 to 1941. Other sources say an opening of 1941. The 1941 opening is borne out by (a.) no location or postmaster in 1931 postal guide, (b) the Palmer Moffat list records only strikes from 1941-1949 and (b) a proof dated 1941. PM on July 03 1948 was Mrs. Bride Walsh. Mails were from Stephenville Crossing station via Port Au Port. One misspelled proof seen.



POINT CREWE

Open	1926	Closed	September 30 1960	Population	88
Bay	Ocean	Location	End of Burin Peninsula	Map 18 K 15	(general area)
Distributing Office		Lamaline			

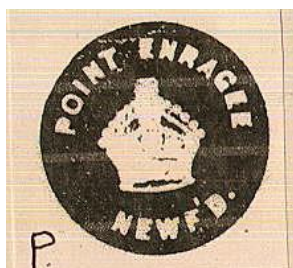
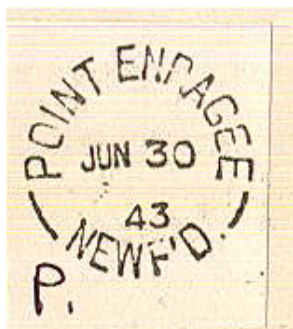
This location was on the Resettlement Programme list. No Postmasters are listed. Mails were from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Lamaline. No split ring proofs or strikes seen.



POINT ENRAGEE

Open	1898	Closed	August 29 1969	Population	168
Bay	Fortune	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map 19 G 17	(Point Rosie)
Distributing Office		Same			

This location is called Point Rosie by the locals and was another in the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Thomas Gould, followed by Ernest Walters in 1903 who, still held office in 1931. This office officially (re)opened on May 01 1943 with Ernest Walters as PM. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe.



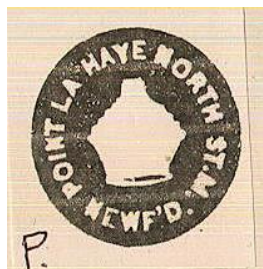
split ring No. 2

Point Rosie split ring No. 1

POINT LA HAYE NORTH

Open	1930	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Near St. Mary's	Map 20 J 24	(general area)
Distributing Office		St. Mary's			

One and only Postmaster was Mrs. Edward St. Croix. Mails were from Whitbourne station via St. Mary's. One split ring proof exists. STM for ST. Mary's.



POINT LA HAYE

Open	1907	Closed	November 19 1969	Population	150
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Near St. Mary's	Map 20	K 24
Distributing Office		St. Mary's			

First Postmaster was John Mooney. PM in 1931 was Veronica Mooney. Mails were from Whitbourne station by courier via St. Mary's. No proofs or strikes seen.

POINT LANCE

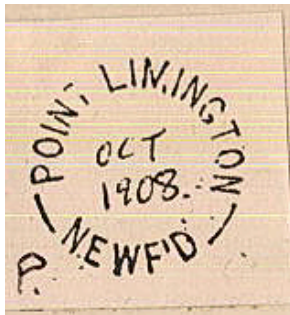
Open	July 09 1903	Closed	1931	Population	89
Bay	Ocean	Location	Lower "Cape Shore"	Map 20	K 22
Distributing Office		St. Mary's			

First Postmaster was John Careen with additional courier to St. Mary's who, still held office in 1931. No proofs or strikes seen

POINT LEAMINGTON

Open	1900	Closed	Still Open	Population	394
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Southwest Arm	Map 9	V 17
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Stephen Bishop, followed by W.R. Foote in 1901, Charles Foote in 1901 and Mr. A.R. Hutchcroft in 1904. PM in 1931 was Ethel Eddy who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1937 was Miss Doris Maud Rowsell. Mrs. L. Marsh was appointed PM on June 01 1939. Became a MOO in March 1903. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. Two split rings seen, the first saying LIMINGTON.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



split ring No. 2

POINT MALL

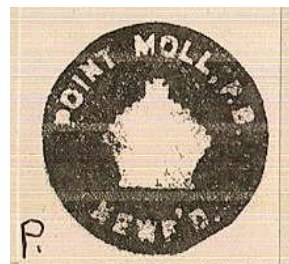
Open	1925	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Placentia	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Post office list says MALL. All marking devices read MOLL. Postmaster in 1931 was Mrs. Mary Hunt. Two split ring proofs exist. The major difference in the two being overall diameter. PB for Placentia Bay.



split ring No. 1

split ring No. 2



POINT MAY

Open	April 09 1910	Closed	May 11 1970	Population	223
Bay	Ocean	Location	Bottom of Burin Peninsula	Map	18 K 15
Distributing Office		Lamaline			

After Confederation, this location attempted a reopening with a retail office from August 1989 until February 29 1990. First Postmaster was Peter J. Stacey. PM in 1931 was Mrs. W.J. Stacey. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Lamaline. One split ring proof seen. The same device has been seen with a strike of 1962.



courtesy John Oldford

POINT OF BAY

Open	1929	Closed	July 31 1989	Population	101
Bay	Bay of Exploits	Location	Near Botwood	Map	9 W 17
Distributing Office		Botwood			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Arthur Cole who, still held the position in 1931. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Botwood. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Botwood. One split ring device, which was recently for sale on eBay, has been seen. L for Lewisporte.



POINT VERDE

Open	1898	Closed	November 30 1960	Population	212
Bay	Placentia	Location	Near Placentia	Map	20 H 22
Distributing Office		Placentia			

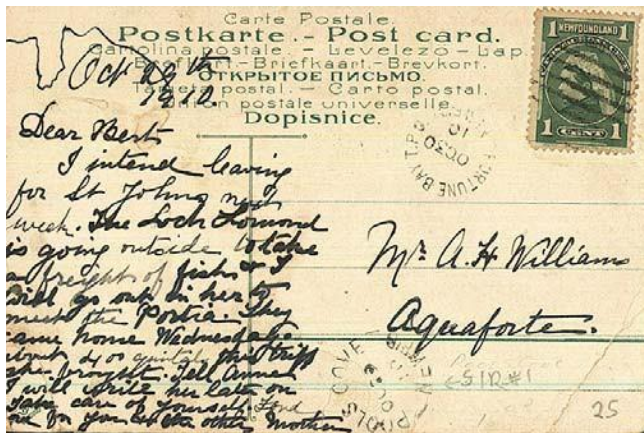
First Postmaster was Margaret Green, followed by Mrs. D. Green (same?) in 1913 "complaints regarding PM" and Margaret Green once more in 1918 who, still held office in 1931. Mails were by Placentia Bay Railway from Argentia via Placentia. One split ring seen but obviously there was an earlier one.



POOL'S COVE

Open	1883	Closed	Still Open	Population	272
Bay	Fortune	Location	Belle Bay	Map	15 E 17
Distributing Office		Same			

Opened as a way office in 1883 with Henrietta Cross as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Henrietta Williams (married?) who, was still held office in 1931. Became a MOO on September 10 1908. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. Three split rings seen.



split ring No. 2 with Fortune Bay TPO transit



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 3

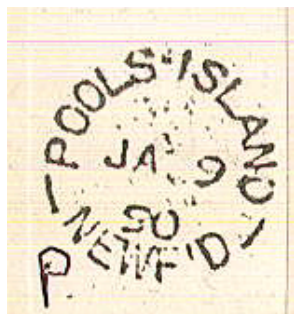


split ring No. 2

POOL'S ISLAND

Open	1883	Closed	October 10 1987	Population	317
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map	10 W 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1883 with Peter House as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Peter as first postmaster who, retired in April of 1920 after 53 years of service. PM in 1931 was Annie M. Kean. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. Three split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



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split ring No. 3

PORT ALBERT

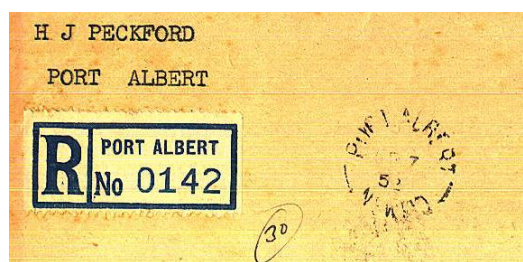
Open	November 18 1915	Closed	Still Open	Population	92
Bay	Hamilton Sound	Location	Twillingate District	Map	9 U 20
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Little Beaver Cove and was renamed on November 18 1915. First Postmaster was Herbert Elliot. PM in 1931 was Clarence Leslie who, was also telegraph operator. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Campbellton and Boyd's Cove. Two split rings seen. NDB for Notre Dame Bay.

This office also used a Postal telegraph Oval handstamp in 1931.



split ring No. 1



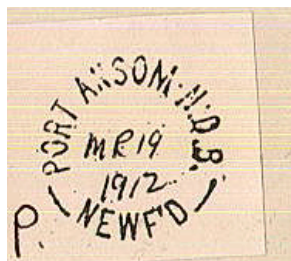
split ring No. 2



PORT ANSON

Open	January 10 1912	Closed	Still Open	Population	275
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Sunday Cove Island	Map	8 U 15
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Newton Sunday Cove Island but no post office existed under that name. First Postmaster was Esau Hewlett, followed by Mrs. Reuben Hewlett in 1913. PM in 1931 was Mrs. T.J. Hewlett. PM in 1936 was Mrs. M. Goudie, followed by Ford Hewlett on October 01 1937. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. In Winter from Springdale by courier. Two split rings seen, the first one misspelled. NDB for Notre Dame Bay.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

PORT AU BRAS

Open	June 19 1906	Closed	June 30 1970	Population	315
Bay	Placentia	Location	Near Burin	Map	19 J 18
Distributing Office		Burin			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Alice Cheeseman also courier to Burin. PM in 1931 was Josie M. Churchill who, was also telegraph operator. Miss Irene Bennet became PM on October 23 1939. Miss Mary Bennett became PM in 1942. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. Two split rings seen. There must have been an earlier one. Not sure if illustrations are no. 2 and no. 3 OR no. 2 and no. 1.



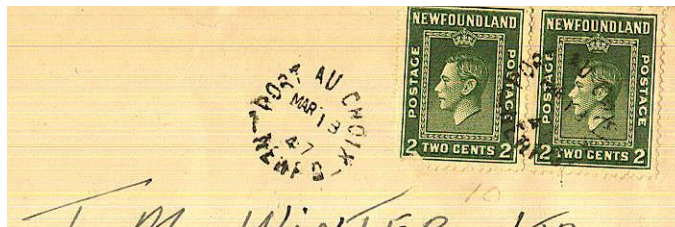
PORT AU CHOIX

Open	1911	Closed	Still Open	Population	78
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 3	N 9
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster not listed. PM in 1931 was Olga Spence who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1937 was Miss Alma Breton. Mails were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. One split ring seen.



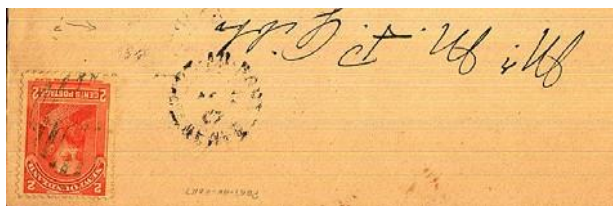
Postmistress Lizeta Billard
circa 1949 Elmer Harp
Lives & Landscapes



PORT AU PORT

Open	May 13 1904	Closed	Still Open	Population	505
Bay	St. George	Location	"Neck" of Port Au Port Pen.	Map 5	Z 4
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously was Gravels way and post office from 1887 to May 13 1904. First Postmaster was Mrs. Julia McDonald. PM in 1931 was Margaret McIsaac who, was also telegraph operator. Denis Ryan became PM on October 01 1939. PM in 1942 was Miss Blanche McDonald. PM on July 02 1948 was Albert Hann. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Stephenville Crossing station. Four split rings seen.



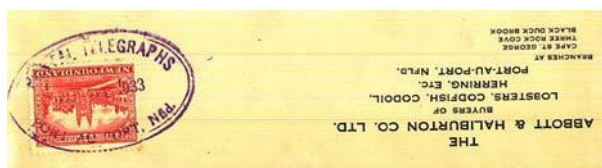
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PORT AUX BASQUES

Open	1932	Closed	August 21 1961	Population	808
Bay	Cabot Strait	Location	South West tip Newfoundland	Map	11 F 2
Distributing Office		Same			

Arch. Bungay is listed as Postmaster and TO in 1942. This office amalgamated with the Channel office to form Channel-Port aux Basques on August 21 1961. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 and daily from the mainland by ferry. One split ring seen but obviously there was an earlier one.



split ring No. 2



PORT BLANDFORD

Open	1906/1908	Closed	Still Open	Population	539
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Clode Sound	Map	16 A 21
Distributing Office		Same			

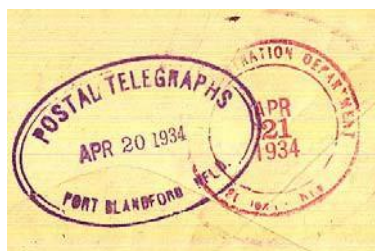
Previously called Clode Sound and served under that name from 1890 until 1906/1908. It is doubtful if a Clode Sound device existed. First Postmaster was Francis Stares, followed by William Hamlyn in 1903. Charles Tilley plus telegraph operator in 1905 and Miss Stone in 1918. PM in 1931 was John Rowsell who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on December 01 1937 was A. Stanford. Office was removed from railway station to "OLD Post Office" building on December 01 1937. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. This was the home port of the Bonavista Bay coastal boat S.S. Malakoff. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No.2



PORT DE GRAVE

Open	1853	Closed	Still Open	Population	243
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	21 F 25
Distributing Office		Clarkes Beach			

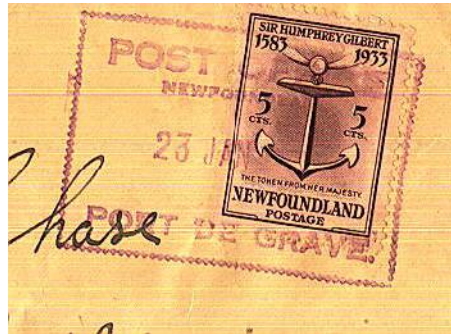
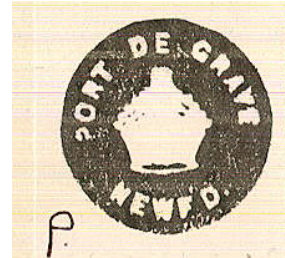
Open as a way office in 1853 with Matthew O'Riley as first waykeeper, followed by Bridget O'Riley in 1882 and James Butler in 1884. Became a post office in 1891 with Mrs. James Butler as first Postmaster and Margaret Usher in 1897, PM in 1931 was Hettie Cristopher who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Clarkes Beach. Two split rings seen. As well as the illustrations, this office also used a Postal Telegraph Oval from 1927 to 1933.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



PORT HOPE SIMPSON

Open	1935	Closed	Still Open	Population	546
Bay	Ocean	Location	Labrador Head of Alexis Bay	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Same (Labrador TPO)			

No Postmasters are listed for this office. This office is officially listed as closed on June 20 1943. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Kyle. In Winter by dog team from Quebec via Forteau. One split ring seen.



PORT HURON

Open	1912	Closed	1914
Bay	Notre Dame		

Absolutely nothing else is known regarding this office.

PORT NELSON

Open	1931	Closed	September 03 1958	Population	215
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map	10 W 23
Distributing Office		Greenspond			

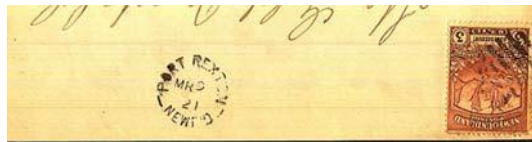
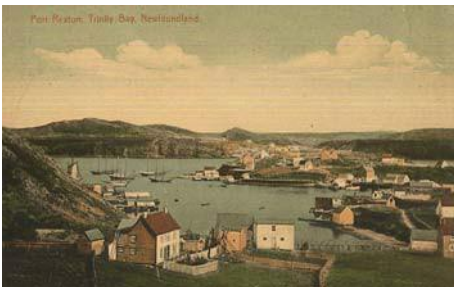
Previously called Loo Cove and although the name changed May 13 1920, it appears that the device for that location was used until at least 1931. This office had a closed period. It (re)opened on January 8 1947. The Port Nelson proof date is not known. This location also became part of the Resettlement Programme. Earlier Postmaster was Miss Mary White. PM in 1931 was Mrs. James Wicks. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Greenspond. One split ring strike seen.



PORT REXTON

Open	1910	Closed	Still Open	Population	698
Bay	Trinity	Location	Near Trinity	Map	17 A 25
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Ship Cove and served under that name from 1891 until 1910. First Postmaster was Mrs. John Randell. PM in 1931 was Amelia Folow who, was also telegraph operator. PM in 1942 was Alonzo Bannister. PM and TO on March 01 1948 was Whitfield Randell. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. One split ring seen. A Postal Telegraph Oval handstamp used in 1931.



PORT SAUNDERS

Open	1904	Closed	Still Open	Population	336
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map	3 N 10
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Elizabeth House, followed by Mrs. Agnes Coles in 1907. PM in 1931 was Louisa C. White who, was also telegraph operator. PM in 1942 was still Mrs. L.C. White. Mails were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

PORT UNION

Open	1918	Closed	July 30 1991	Population	612
Bay	Trinity	Location	North Bonavista Peninsula	Map	17 A 26
Distributing Office		Same			

Since closing, this location is now served by a retail office which is still open. First Postmaster not listed. Postmaster in 1931 was Daniel King who, was also telegraph operator with K. Cook as assistant. PM and TO on October 01 1948 was Kenneth Hounsell. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. One split ring seen.



PORTLAND

Open	June 27 1914	Closed	1937	Population	132
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Clode Sound	Map	16 A 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Salvage Bay and served under that name from 1893 until 1914. First Postmaster was John Holloway, followed by Alfred Ivany Sr. in 1918. PM in 1931 was Gladys Ivany. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. Two split rings seen. BB for Bonavista Bay.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2

PORTUGAL COVE SMB

Open	1903	Closed	1913	Population	231
Bay	Trepassey	Location	Bottom of Avalon Peninsula	Map	21 K/L 25
Distributing Office		Trepassey			

Renamed Portugal Cove South in 1913. First Postmaster was David Leary. Mails were from St. John's by South Shore Railway and /or courier via Trepassey. One split ring seen. SMB for St. Mary's Bay.



courtesy Doug Hannan

PORTUGAL COVE SOUTH

Open	1913	Close	April 30 1970	Population	231
Bay	Trepassey	Location	Bottom of Avalon Peninsula	Map 21	K/L 25
Distributing Office	Trepassey				

Previously called Portugal Cove (Trepassey). First Postmaster was Daniel Leary. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Margaret Leary. Mails were from St. John's by South Shore Railway and/or courier via Trepassey. Two split ring proofs exist from this office.



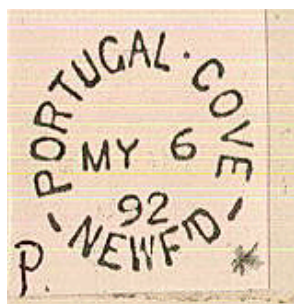
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PORTUGAL COVE

Open	1856	Closed	Still Open	Population	816
Bay	Conception	Location	Near Bell Island		
Distributing Office		Same			

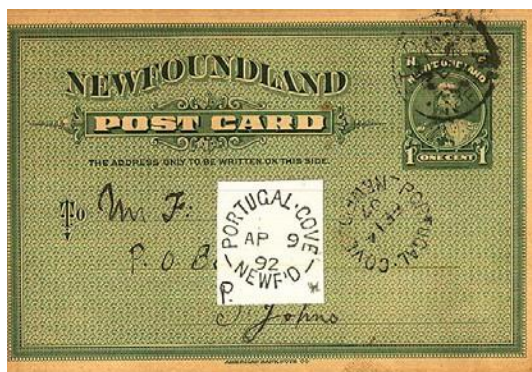
Open as a way office in 1856 with Margaret Dooley as first waykeeper, followed by Martin Bolger in 1889. Became a post office in 1891 with Martin as first Postmaster to at least 1908. PM in 1931 was Elizabeth Bolger. Mails were daily by wagon from St. John's on way to Bell Island ferry. Four split rings seen.



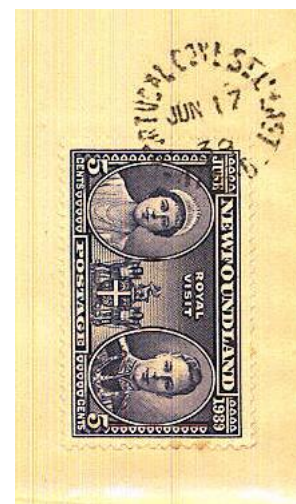
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POUCH COVE

Open	1875	Closed	Still Open	Population	1095
Bay	Ocean	Location	Northern tip of Avalon Pen.	Map	17 E 27
Distributing Office		Torbay			

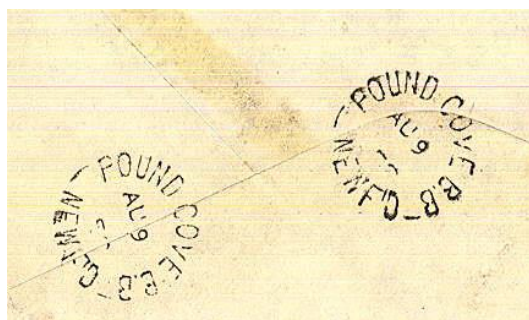
Open as a way office in 1875 with John Easterbrook as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with John as first Postmaster, followed by Walter B. Easterbrook who, still held the appointment in 1931. Mails were daily from St. John's by wagon via Torbay. One split ring seen.



POUND COVE

Open	May 11 1906	Closed	Still Open	Population	287
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map	10 W 24
Distributing Office		Wesleyville			

First Postmaster was Thomas Green. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Albert Parsons. Miss Margaret Perry was appointed PM on November 14 1936. PM on July 01 1942 was Miss Ethel Hounsell who, was replaced by Mrs. George Howell on the same day! Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Wesleyville. One split ring seen. BB for Bonavista Bay.



PRESQUE

Open	1888	Closed	August 20 1968	Population	103
Bay	Placentia	Location	Upper Burin Peninsula	Map	19 G 20
Distributing Office	(Presque Harbour)				
	St. Joseph's				

This location was also on the Resettlement Programme list. Open as a way office in 1888 with S.L. Sullivan as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Mr. Sullivan as first Postmaster, followed by Joseph Casey in 1908 and Michael Casey in 1912. PM in 1931 was Denis Ryan who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on December 18 1937 was Michael P. Ryan. PM in 1942 was Mrs. Rita McCue. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via St. Joseph's. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



PRINCETON

Open	March 14 1913	Closed	August 01 1990	Population	287
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map	16 A 24
Distributing Office	Same				

Since closing, this location is now served by a retail office which is still open. Previously called Seal Cove (BB) and served under that name from 1891 until 1913. Postmaster in 1931 was L. Cook. PM on October 16 1948 was Mrs. John Prince. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. One split ring seen. BB for Bonavista Bay. This office also frequently used the railway ticket stamper.



PROWSETON

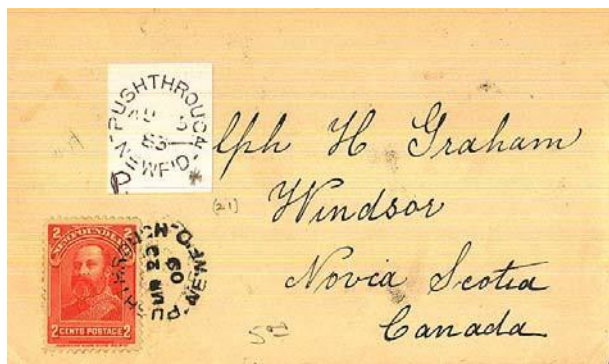
Open	June 15 1914	Closed	Not known	Population	50
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map 17 C 26	(Sibleys Cove)
Distributing Office		Not known			

Previously called Sibley's Cove and served under that name from 1908, The name was changed in 1914. Strikes are seen for Sibley's Cove until 1931. It is obvious that this location was called Sibley's Cove for postal purposes. However, just to confuse matters, there is a strike from Prowseton known from 1947 and an open listing from 1947 until 1952. It appears that this office was called Sibleys Cove from 1908 until 1931 and reopened under the name of Prowseton from 1947 until 1952. No proofs or strikes seen from Prowseton. The name of the location has since reverted back to Sibley's Cove.

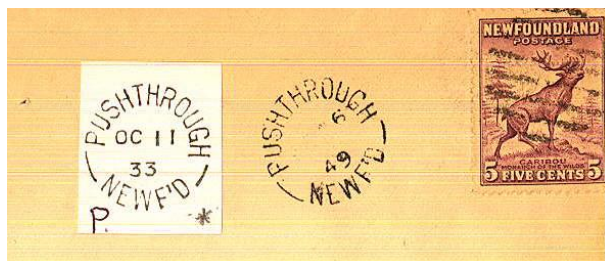
PUSHTHROUGH

Open	1873	Closed	August 13 1969	Population	500
Bay	Hermitage	Location	South Coast	Map 18 F 14	
Distributing Office		Same			

This location was removed under the Resettlement Programme. Open as a way office in 1873 with Henry Camp as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Henry as first Postmaster, followed by William Camp in 1898 and Samuel Camp in 1911. PM in 1931 was Samuel P. Camp. Miss Amelia Rowsell was appointed PM on February 01 1939. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

QUARRY

Open	Sept. 01 1900	Closed	1909	Population	8
Bay	Inland	Location	On rail line Topsail Mountains	Map 7 X 12	(general area)
Distributing Office		Same			

This location was the site for making ballast for the NN&W Railway. First Postmaster was Joseph Small, followed by T.H. Hart in 1901. Mails were by rail. The only known instrument for here was a Post Office Oval. No split ring proofs or strikes seen.

QUEENS COVE

Open	February 09 1900	Closed	November 03 1969	Population	99
Bay	Trinity	Location	South West Arm Random	Map	16 C 22
Distributing Office		Hillview			

First Postmaster was Simeon Gooby, followed by Simeon Gooby Jr. in 1906, Mrs. Joshua Gooby in 1909 and George Gooby in 1910. PM in 1931 was Joseph G. Gooby. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu via Hillview. One split ring seen. TB for Trinity Bay.



QUEENSTOWN

Open	1901	Closed	1906	Population	642
Bay	Ocean	Location	Fogo Island	Map	10 T 21
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Joe Batts Arm. It reverted back to that name in 1904. The Queenstown instrument was apparently in use until at least 1908. Postmaster was Levi Perry. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home.



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QUIRPON GREAT

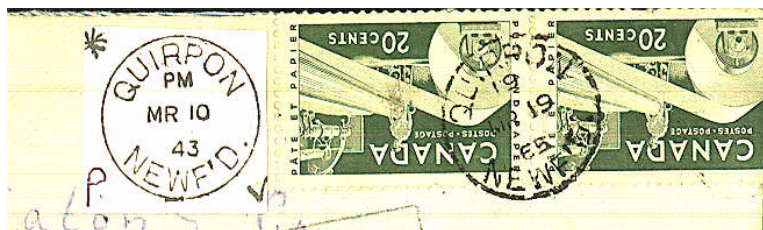
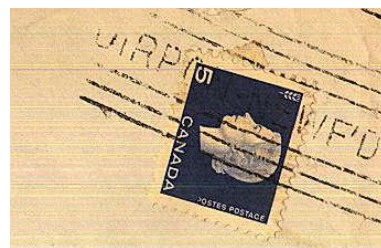
Open	1912	Closed	1920	Population	100
Bay	Ocean	Location	Northern tip of Newfoundland	Map	2 H 16
Distributing Office		Quirpon			

Although the location of this office had the larger population, the main office was always Little Quirpon. No Postmasters are listed. The mails were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero. No proofs or strikes seen.

QUIRPON

Open	1910	Closed	May 08 1970	Population	62
Bay	Ocean	Location	Northern tip of Newfoundland	Map	2 H 16
Distributing Office		Same			

This location was known locally as Quirpon Little as opposed to another office called Quirpon Great. First Postmaster was Mr. Currie, followed by Mrs. E.D. Parsons in 1910, W.H. Pynn in 1914 and John M. Pynn in 1914. PM in 1931 was Ida Pynn. PM in 1936 was Miss Irene Patey. PM in 1938 was Miss Louise Roberts. PM in 1942 was Miss Valeda Fontaine. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero. In Winter from Deer Lake station up the Great Northern Mail Road by courier via Flowers Cove and St. Anthony. One split ring seen but an earlier one must exist, plus a NEWF'D CDS and a NEWF'D roller.



RABBIT'S ARM

Open	Dec. 12 1900	Closed	Not known	Population	Not known
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Open as a way office with Charles William Warr as waykeeper. Became Robert's Arm in 1901. Nothing else is known regarding this office. No proofs or strikes seen.

RAGGED HARBOUR

Open	May 01 1901	Closed	1909	Population	96
Bay	Hamilton Sound	Location	Near Musgrave Harbour	Map	10 U 22
Distributing Office			Musgrave Harbour		

First Postmaster was Jeremiah Scanlon, followed by Mr. C. Scanlon. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home on way to Fogo via Musgrave Harbour. No proofs or strikes seen.

RAGGED ISLAND

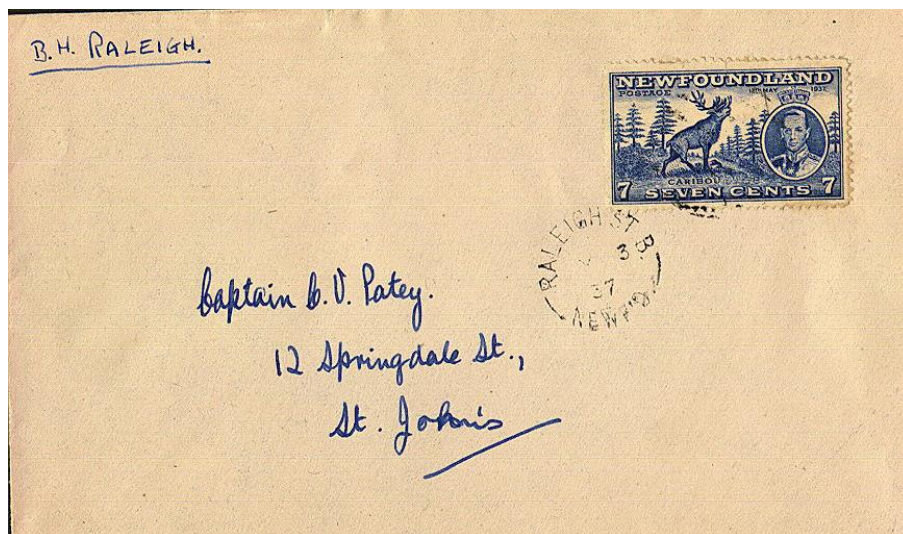
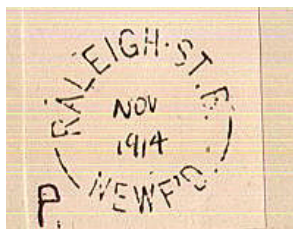
Absolutely nothing is known about this office other than it was located in the area of Placentia Bay West. One strike is known from 1933 on the Palmer Moffat list. A proof strike for 192? and a mail bag seal exist. PBW for Placentia Bay West.



RALEIGH

Open	March 10 1914	Closed	Still Open	Population	184
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Northern tip of Newfoundland	Map	2 H 15
Distributing Office			Same		

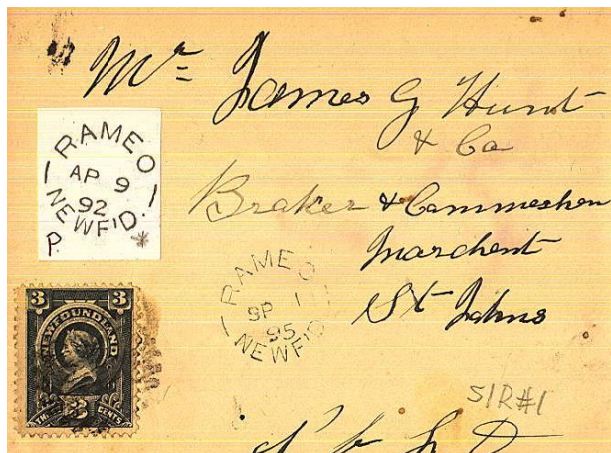
Previously called Ha Ha (Bay) and served under that name from 1909 until 1914. Postmaster was Samuel Elliot. PM in 1931 was Thomas Elliot. PM on September 01 1936 was Mrs. E.M. Elliot, succeeded by Ida Elliot on May 01 1937. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero. In Winter from Deer Lake station up the Great Northern Mail Road by courier via Flowers Cove and St. Anthony. One split ring seen. STB for St. Barbe (District).



RAMEA

Open	1889	Closed	Still Open	Population	447
Bay	Ocean	Location	Island off South Coast	Map	13 F 9
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1889 with William Collins as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with William as first Postmaster. July 04 1910 "PO in store of J. Penney & Sons to be moved to residence of John Payne". PM in 1910 was Mrs. John Payne, followed by Mrs. George W. Kendell who, still held office in 1931. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. Two split rings seen, the first being misspelled.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

RAMS ISLAND

Open	1888	Closed	August 17 1908	Population	100
Bay	Placentia	Location	Eastern Channel	Map	20 G 22
Distributing Office		Not known			

Renamed Iona in August 1908 and served under that name until August 26 1952. Open as a way office in 1888 with David Fitzpatrick as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with David as first Postmaster. PM in 1902 was Mrs. Elizabeth Fitzpatrick, followed by Mrs. Mary Bruce in 1903 and Mrs. Bridget E. Pope in 1906. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



Split ring No. 2

RANTEM STATION

Open	1906	Closed	1952	Population	19
Bay	Inland	Location	"Neck" of Avalon Peninsula	Map	16 E 23 (general area)
Distributing Office	Same				

June 19 1909 "PO at Rantem Station to be moved to settlement of Rantem". There is much confusion regarding these two offices. If Rantem Station moved to Rantem, why was the Station's first PM that of the village? Also, why was the PM in 1931 a Railway Agent? First Postmaster was Mrs. Levi Sharpe. PM in 1909 was Mrs. E.J. Duff. PM in 1931 was Railway Agent. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. No proofs or strikes seen.

RANTEM(HARBOUR)

Open	1900	Closed	1906	Population	35
Bay	Trinity	Location	"Neck" of Avalon Peninsula	Map 16 E 23	(general area)
Distributing Office		Rantem Station			

First Postmaster was Mary Furey, followed by Mrs. Squires in 1901 and Mrs. Levi Sharpe in 1902. This office must have reopened at a later date as it is officially listed as Closing on July 11 1943. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Rantem Station. One split ring seen.

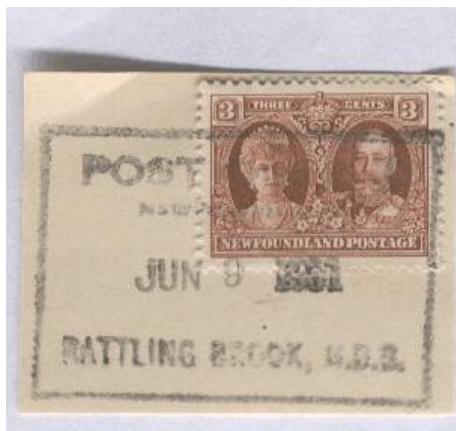


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RATTLING BROOK GB

Open	January 12 1903	Closed	Still Open	Population	122
Bay	Green	Location	Southwest Arm	Map 8 U 14	
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Philip Upward, followed by Mrs. Philip Upward in 1904, Charles Oake in 1906 and Mrs. Charles Oake in 1908. PM in 1931 was Charles Oake once more. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. In Winter from Springdale by courier. One split ring seen.



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RATTLING BROOK ST G

Open	Dec. 16 1908	Closed	March 1912	Population	100
Bay	St. George	Location	South West Newfoundland	Map 11 B 4	(Heatherton)
Distributing Office		Same			

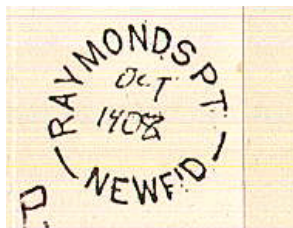
Renamed Heatherton in March 1912. Postmaster was George Butt. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Heatherton station. One split ring proof exists for this office. ST G for St. Georges (District).



RAYMOND'S POINT

Open	1907	Closed	1931	Population	36
Bay	d'Espoir	Location	Near head of bay	Map 14 E 15	
Distributing Office		St. Albans			

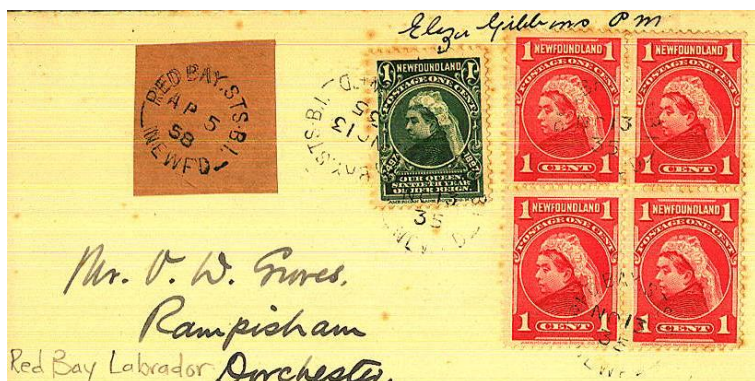
Postmaster was Thomas Strickland. PM in 1931 was William T. Strickland. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via St. Albans. One split ring proof exists.



RED BAY

Open	1893	Closed	Still Open	Population	135
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	South coast of Labrador	Map 2 G 13	
Distributing Office		Same			

Postmaster in Summer was Josiah H. Penney. In Winter was Horatio W. Pike. PM in 1931 was Eliza Gibbons. Mails were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. One split ring seen. STS B I for Straits of Belle Isle. Has pm signature.



RED CLIFF (ISLAND)

Open	1906	Closed	1931	Population	108
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map	16 Z 24
Distributing Office		Open Hall			

First Postmaster was Miss Elizabeth Quinton, followed by Miss Mary Quinton in 1912, Emily Quinton in 1914 and Mrs. John Quinton in 1917. PM in 1931 was Mrs. E. Quinton. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Open Hall. No proofs seen.



RED HEAD COVE

Open	1891	Closed	Still Open	Population	240
Bay	Conception	Location	Tip of Conception Bay North	Map	17 C 26
Distributing Office		Bay de Verde			

First Postmaster was Morgan Rice, followed by Mrs. Cornelius Hogan in 1909. PM in 1931 was Mrs. J. Meaney. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear and Bay de Verde. Two split rings seen. BDEV for Bay de Verde.



split ring No. 1

split ring No. 2



split ring No. 1

RED ISLAND BURGEO

Open	Sept. 12 1910	Closed	1931	Population	111
Bay	Ocean	Location	Near Burgeo	Map	13 F 9
Distributing Office		Burgeo			

This was another location vacated during the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Miss Laura Foote. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Maude Crewe. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Burgeo. Two split rings seen. B & L for Burgeo & La Poile (District).



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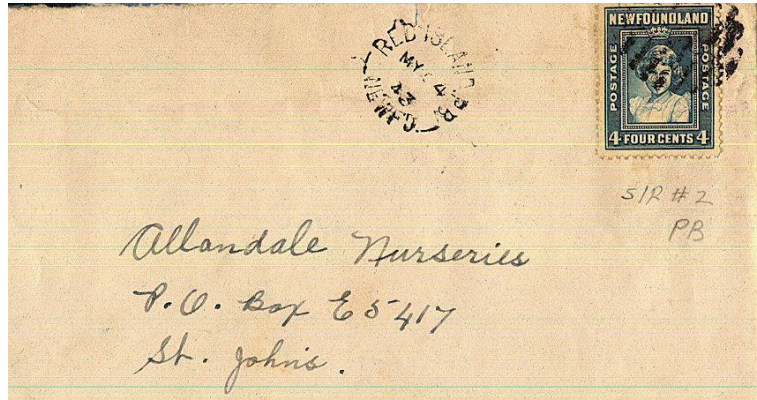
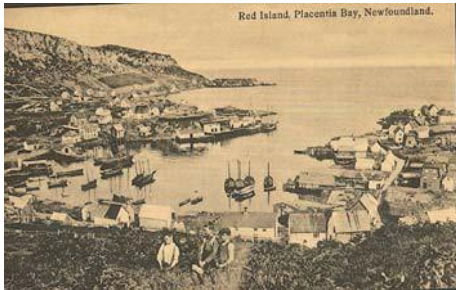


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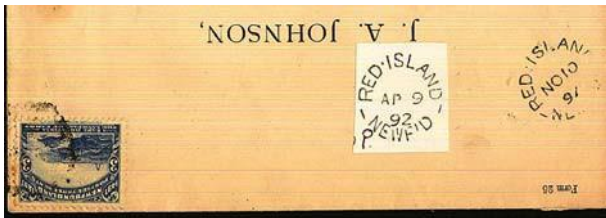
RED ISLAND PB

Open	1886	Closed	October 16 1968	Population	433
Bay	Placentia	Location	Red Island	Map	20 G 22
Distributing Office		Same			

Red Island followed all the rest in the Resettlement Programme. Open as a way office in 1886 with Elizabeth Dunphy as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 With Patrick Dunphy as Postmaster. PM in 1931 was still Patrick. PM on May 01 1948 was Miss Margaret Ryan. Became a MOO on November 20 1902. Mails were weekly from Arnold's Cove by motorboat. Two split rings seen. PB for Placentia Bay.



split ring No. 2



split ring No. 1

REEFS HARBOUR

Open	1930	Closed	1931	Population	163
Bay	St. Margaret	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map	1 L 11
Distributing Office		New Ferrolle			

Not to be confused with the Post-Confederation office of Reefs Harbour which, was a renaming of Shoal Cove West in October 1952. No Postmasters are listed. Mails were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona via New Ferrolle. No proofs or strikes seen.

REGINA

Open	1913	Closed	1945	Population	54
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Great Colinet Island	Map	20 J 24 (general area)
Distributing Office		Admirals Beach			

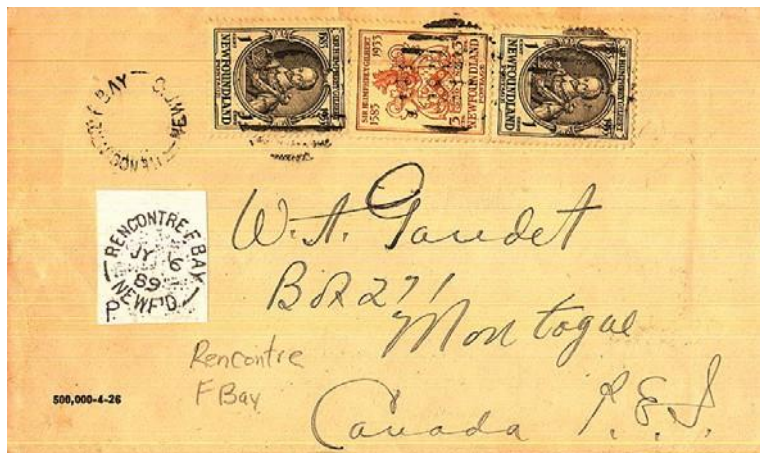
This office reopened after Confederation from January 01 1951 until October 31 1961 and was renamed Reginaville and then went the way of the Resettlement Programme. For the first three years this location was called Mother Hicks. There was obviously never a split ring with that name as the first one said Regina. For an explanation of the Regina/Mother Hicks complex, see the entry under Mother Hicks. First Postmaster is not listed. PM in 1931 was Helen Power. Mails were from Whitbourne station by courier via Colinet and Admirals Beach. One split ring proof exists. ST M for St. Mary's (Bay).



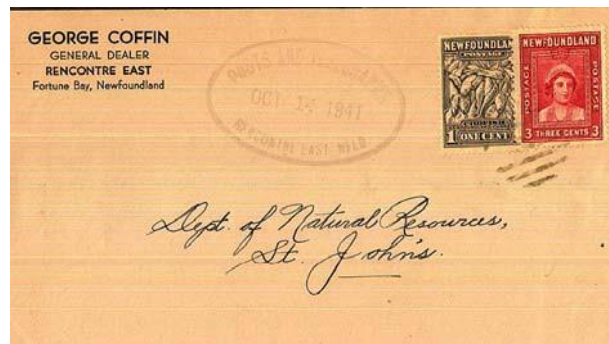
RENCONTRE (EAST)

Open	1882	Closed	Still Open	Population	239
Bay	Fortune	Location	Belle Bay	Map	19 F 18
Distributing Office		Same			

Rencontre Fortune Bay and Rencontre East have always been one and the same place. This office was renamed Rencontre East in 1931. Open as a way office in 1882 with Catherine Giovanni as first waykeeper, followed by A. Giovanni in 1889 and Catherine once more in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with Catherine as first Postmaster, followed by Ellen Giovanni in 1899, Mrs. Ellen Butler (married?) in 1902 and Mrs. M. Collins in 1904. Became a MOO on August 31 1909. PM in 1931 was still Mrs. Collins. PM in 1938 was Miss L.E. Pelley, followed on June 05 1939 by S.M. Vallis. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. It appears that this office may have used only one split ring device. F Bay for Fortune.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2
courtesy John Oldford



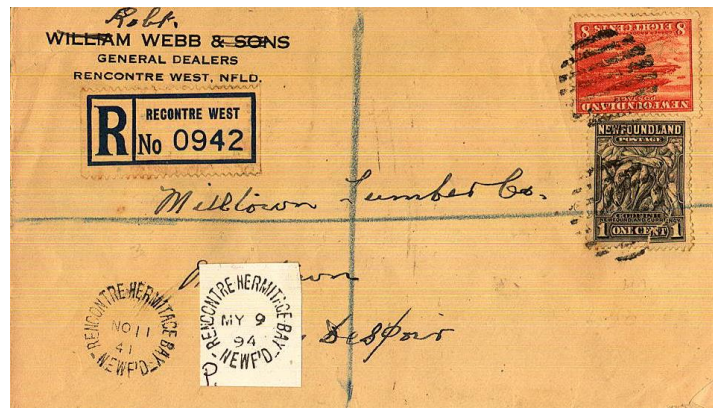
RENCONTRE (WEST)

Open	1875	Closed	August 07 1970	Population	248
Bay	Hermitage	Location	South Coast	Map	13 F 12
Distributing Office		Same			

Regardless of the various record dates between Rencontre Hermitage Bay and Rencontre West, they were one and the same office. This location also succumbed to the resettlement Programme. Open as a way office in 1875 with Joseph Earle as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Joseph as first Postmaster, followed by Mrs. Jane Ball who, still held office in 1931. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. One split ring seen and possibly the only one in use, BUT there is a possibility of an earlier, short-lived one. Registered label is misspelled.



Courtesy of Malcolm Back: October 2025



RENEWS SOUTH SIDE

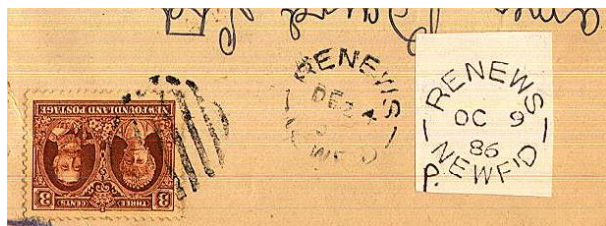
Open	February 15 1901	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Ocean	Location	"Irish Loop" Avalon Peninsula		
Distributing Office		Renews			

First Postmaster was Miss Clara Shanahan who, was also courier, followed by Clara Foley in 1908 who, still held office in 1931. Mails were by South Shore Railway and/or courier via Renews. No proofs or strikes seen.

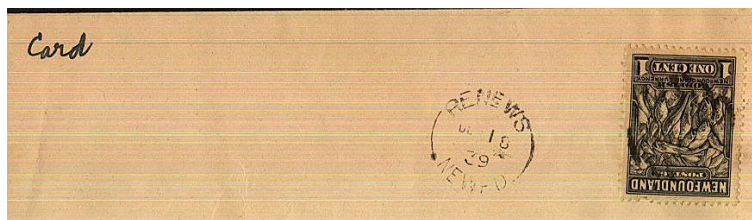
RENEWS

Open	1876	Closed	Still Open	Population	462
Bay	Ocean	Location	"Irish Loop" Avalon Peninsula	Map	21 J 27
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1876 with Margaret O'Leary as waykeeper, followed by Margaret Jackman in 1882. Became a post office in 1891 with Margaret (Jackman) as first Postmaster, followed by Margaret O'Leary once again in 1896, Miss Maggie O'Leary in 1904 and Thomas Jackman in 1907 who, still held office in 1931. Mails were by South Shore Railway and/or courier from St. John's. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

RICHARDS' HARBOUR

Open	1894	Closed	June 30 1966	Population	73
Bay	Ocean	Location	South West Coast		
Distributing Office		McCallum			

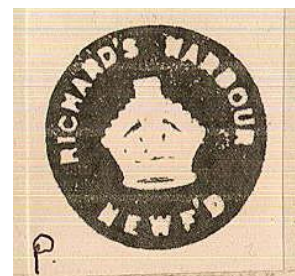
As an isolated outport, Richards' Harbour also joined the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Edward Skinner, followed by John Skinner in 1908 and Miss Mary E. Skinner in 1909. PM in 1931 was Winnie M. Bell. PM, as of January 01 1939 was Mrs. Minnie Simms (same??) Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via McCallum. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



RIGOLET

Open	July 08 1903	Closed	Still Open	Population	26
Bay	Hamilton Inlet	Location	Entrance to Lake Melville		
Distributing Office		Same			

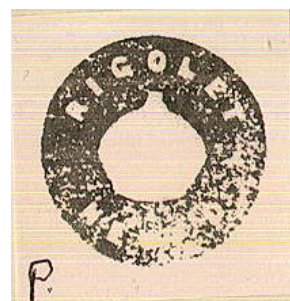
First Postmaster was HBC agent James Frazer, followed by W.E. Swafield in 1907. No PM listed for 1931. Mails were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Kyle. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1 courtesy Kevin O'Reilly



split ring No. 2



RIVER OF PONDS

Open	July 06 1908	Closed	Still Open		
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 3 P 9	
Distributing Office		Hawkes Bay			

First Postmaster was T. Patey. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Henry Patey. Officially (re)opened August 01 1944. Mails in Summer were from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona via Hawkes Bay. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier up the Great Northern Mail Road. It appears that only one split ring was in use.



RIVERHEAD FERMEUSE

See entry on Fermeuse Riverhead

RIVERHEAD HARBOUR GRACE

Open	1886	Closed	February 16 1958	Population	323
Bay	Conception	Location	Near Harbour Grace	Map 17	E 25 (Riverhead)
Distributing Office		Harbour Grace			

Since closing, this location has been served by three retail offices, the latter of which is still open. Open as a way office in 1886 with John Coady as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with John as first Postmaster, followed by Mary Coady in 1891 who, still served in 1931. PM in 1937 was Henry Coady. Justin McCarthy was appointed PM on November 01 1937. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Harbour Grace. Three split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



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split ring No. 3

RIVERHEAD SALMONIER

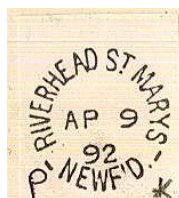
Open	1920	Closed	1931	Population	164
Bay	Not known	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

An entry exists for this office but, nothing else is known. If it was at the head of the Salmonier River, two other offices in the general area, opened later. Forest Field opened from 1931 until 1937 and Mount Carmel opened from 1932 until 1949. This, however is just speculation.

RIVERHEAD ST. MARY'S

Open	October 1881	Closed	November 19 1969	Population	265
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Near St. Mary's	Map 20	J 24
Distributing Office		Same			

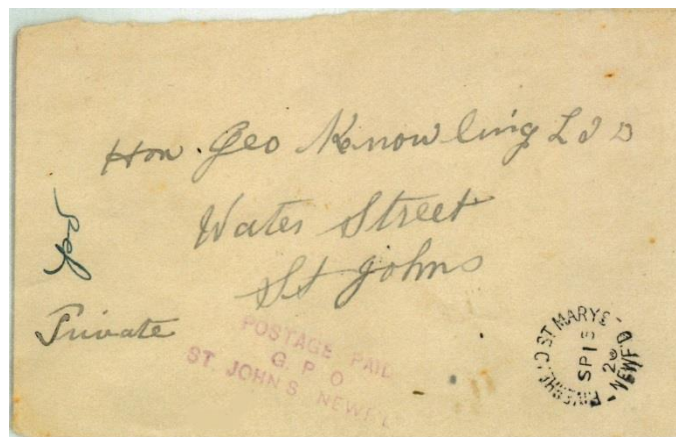
Open as a way office in 1881 with Edward Lee as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Edward as first Postmaster, followed by Edward Bonia in 1901. PM in 1931 was Bernard Boland. Mails were from Whitbourne station by courier. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



RNM ST. ANTHONY

Open	1913	Closed	1921	Population	Not applicable
Bay	White	Location	St. Anthony	Map 2	J 16
Distributing Office		St. Anthony			

The RNMDSF or Royal National Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen, was the predecessor of the International Grenfell Association. Postmaster not known. Mails were as per St. Anthony. Only an oval handstamp seen.



courtesy Doug Hannan

ROBERT'S ARM

Open	1901	Closed	Still Open	Population	45
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Halls Bay	Map 8	U 15
Distributing Office		Pilleys Island			

It was initially named Rabbit's Arm. First Postmaster was Charles W. Warr. PM in 1931 was Cyril D.B. Knight who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO from December 01 1936 was Miss Marjorie Hewlett. Mrs. Joseph Anthony PM in 1941. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Pilleys Island. In Winter from Springdale by courier. One split ring seen. GB for Green Bay. A Postal Telegraph Oval was in use at this office from 1926 to 1931.



ROBINSON'S BIGHT

Open	1887	Closed	1898	Population	17
Bay	Trinity	Location	Random Island	Map	16 C 23
Distributing Office		Not known			

This office was closed in favour of Lady's Cove in May of 1898. Open as a way office in 1887 with Job Pilley as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Elizabeth Pilley as first Postmaster, followed by Germain Pilley in 1893. Mails distribution not known. A split ring proof exists.



ROBINSONS STATION

Open	April 29 1913	Closed	October 01 1960	Population	61
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Bay St. George	Map	11 B 4
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office called Robinsons HEAD in April 1913 with Dean Gale as waykeeper. Status changed to post office on August 16 1913 with Mrs. Augustus Farrell as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was W.H. Morris. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2. One split Ring seen plus a railway ticket stamp which says Robinsons but, obviously belongs to this office.



ROBINSON'S HEAD

Open	1883	Closed	1931	Population	200
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Bay St. George	Map 11	B 4
Distributing Office			Robinson's Head Station		

Renamed Robinsons in 1931. Open as a way office in 1883 with Thomas W.T. Evans as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Thomas as first Postmaster, followed by James E. Carter in 1900, Richard E. Shears in 1906, James E. Carter once more in 1908 and Miss Jane A. Shears in 1914 who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Robinson's Head Station. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



courtesy John Oldford

ROBINSON'S NO. 2

Open	1931	Closed	Still Open	Population	182
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Bay St. George		
Distributing Office			Robinsons Station		

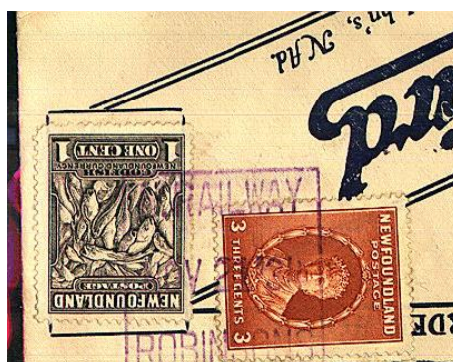
This office was previously called Robinsons Head and served under that name from 1883 until 1931. Postmaster in 1931 was Gertrude Morris. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Robinsons Station. One split ring seen



Straight line; no date



Wavy line box
courtesy John Oldford



Robinsons railway ticket device

ROCK HARBOUR NP

Open	1894	Closed	1919	Population	155
Bay	Not known	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Not known			

There is an entry in the records for a Rock Harbour Northern Peninsula. Nothing else is known regarding this office. No proofs or strikes seen. This office is not on the Palmer Moffat list.

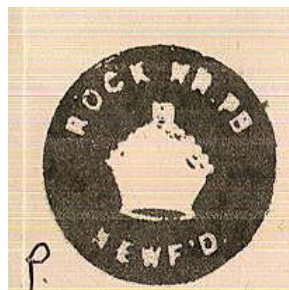
ROCK HARBOUR PB

Open	1894	Closed	May 06 1970	Population	182
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 H 18
Distributing Office		Marystown			

First Postmaster was Charles Brown, followed by Henry Brown in 1908. PM in 1931 was Mrs. M.A. Hooper. This office appears to have gone through a closed period, probably 1931. Officially (re)opened on March 11 1946 (borne out by 1946 proof strike). PM was Mrs. John G. Dodge. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Marystown. One split ring seen but obviously there was an earlier one. PB for Placentia Bay.



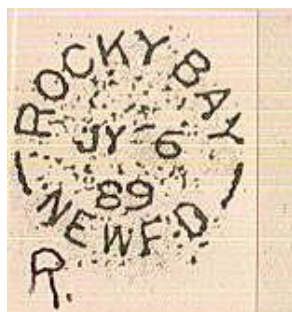
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ROCKY BAY

Open	1899	Closed	1906	Population	296
Bay	Hamilton Sound	Location	Fogo District	Map	10 V 21
Distributing Office		Not known			

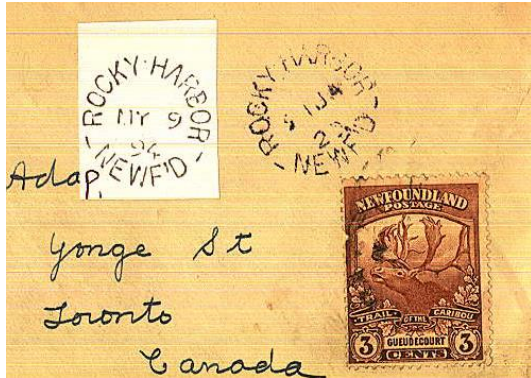
This location was also called Western Arm and was renamed Carmanville on March 5 1906. See entry on Western Arm Fogo.



ROCKY HARBOUR

Open	1889	Closed	Still Open	Population	261
Bay	Bonne	Location	Gros Morne National Park	Map 5	Inset U 7
Distributing Office		Same			

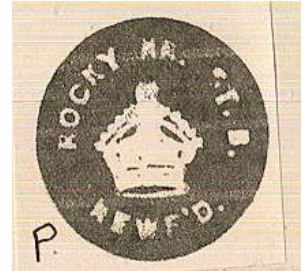
Open as a way office in 1889 with John Parsons as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1896 with John as first Postmaster, followed by James Shears in 1910. PM in 1931 was Mary B. Whalen who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on September 24 1948 was Miss Esther Pittman. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier. Two split rings seen. STB for St. Barbe (District).



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



RODDICKTON MILLS

Open	July 07 1906	Closed	1925	Population	Not known
Bay	White	Location	Canada Bay	Map 4	M 14
Distributing Office		Englee			

First Postmaster was W.B. Pomeroy, followed by William Filtier in 1908 and Mrs. Gillard in 1913. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier up the Great Northern Mail Road. No proofs or strikes seen.

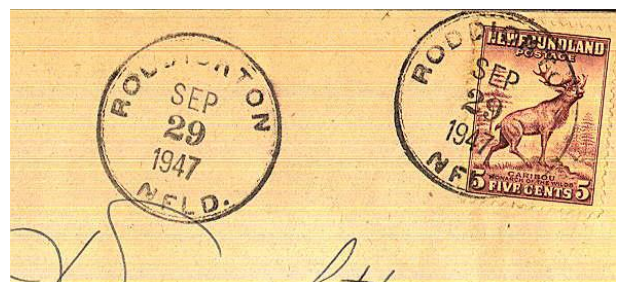
RODDICKTON

Open	1925	Closed	Still Open	Population	598
Bay	White	Location	Canada Bay	Map 4	M 14
Distributing Office		Englee			

Roddickton apparently had a closed period. It opened (re-opened ?) on August 20 1938 with Miss M. Brown as Postmaster and TO. This office was previously called Roddickton Mills and served under that name from July 07 1906 until 1925. No Postmasters are listed. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier up the Great Northern Mail Road. One split ring proofed in 1938 has been seen and obviously there was an earlier one.



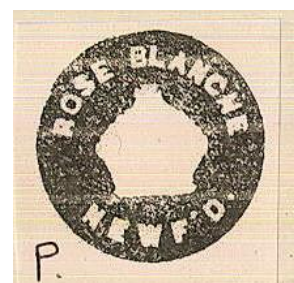
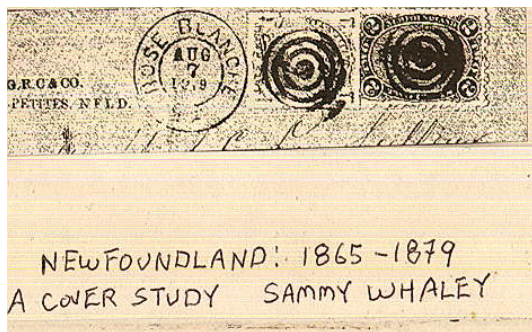
split ring No. 2



ROSE BLANCHE

Open	July 1869	Closed	Still Open	Population	537
Bay	Ocean	Location	South West Coast	Map	11 F 4
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1869 with Philip Sorsoleil as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1872 with Philip as first Postmaster, followed by Richard Furneaux in 1886 who, served until 1908. PM in 1931 was Reuben Hatcher. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. The first instrument was a double circle that resembled the current one in use from St. Pierre et Miquelon. Three split rings are seen. Split ring no. 2 is seen after no. 3 was proofed. Indicating, perhaps, that there was a concurrent use of the two.



ROSEDALE

Open	1923	Closed	1931	Population	30
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Not known	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Not known			

Postmaster in 1931 was Mrs. Richard Briffitt. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

ROUND HARBOUR FB

Open	1903	Closed	1903	Population	85
Bay	Fortune	Location	Hermitage Bay	Map	18 F 15
Distributing Office		Hermitage ?			

December 03 1903 "Representatives for the District of Fortune Bay having stated that the calls of the Mail Packet at Round Harbour are not necessary, and that the services of the Postmaster there are not required; ordered that Mr. Joshua Kendell, acting Postmaster at that place be notified that his services will not be required after 31st December, the Packet also to discontinue calling at the said place".

HOWEVER...This issue is contradicted in the next entry for Round Harbour Hermitage Bay (same place).

ROUND HARBOUR HB

Open	1903	Closed	1931	Population	85
Bay	Fortune	Location	Hermitage Bay	Map	18 F 15
Distributing Office			Hermitage		

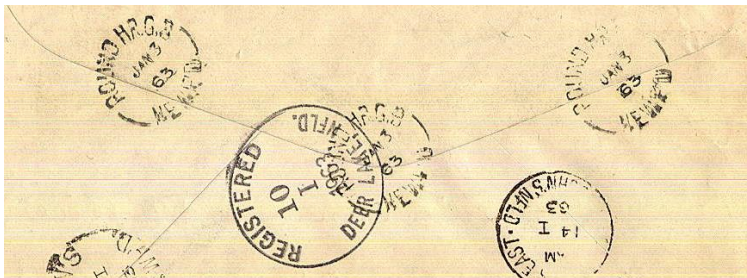
The existence of this office contradicts, somewhat, the statement in the preceding entry. First Postmaster was Joseph Kendell who, served until at least 1908. PM in 1931 was Noah Lee. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Hermitage. One split ring proof exists but, obviously there was an earlier one. HB for Hermitage Bay.



ROUND HARBOUR NDB

Open	Sept. 1906	Closed	September 21 1990	Population	94
Bay	Green	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	4 S 16
Distributing Office			Nippers Harbour		

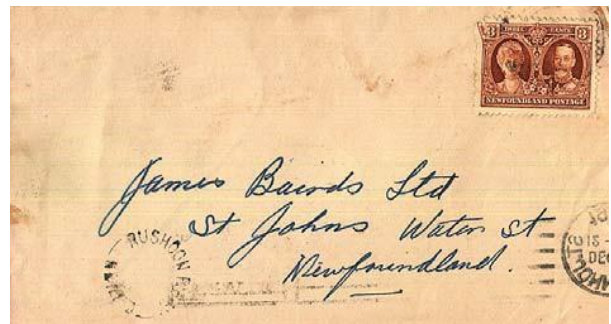
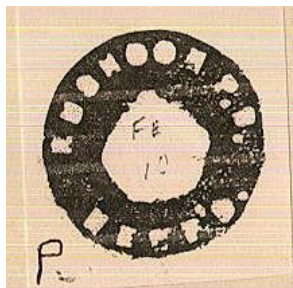
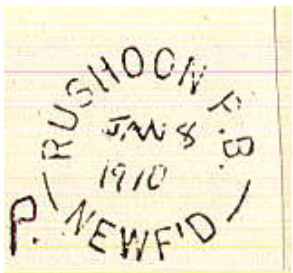
First Postmaster was Robert Coombs. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Robert Coombs. Became a MOO on September 07 1906. Mails were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon via Nippers Harbour. One split ring seen. GB for Green Bay.



RUSHOON

Open	June 19 1909	Closed	1931	Population	194
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 G 19
Distributing Office			St. Josephs		

This office reopened April 25 1955 and remains open. First Postmaster was Miss Theresa Cheeseman, followed by Mrs. Michael Cheeseman in 1910. PM in 1931 was Mrs. James Lake. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via St. Josephs. One split ring seen. PB for Placentia Bay.



RUSSELL'S COVE

Open	1882	Closed	May 13 1904	Population	255
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 C 25
Distributing Office		Not known			

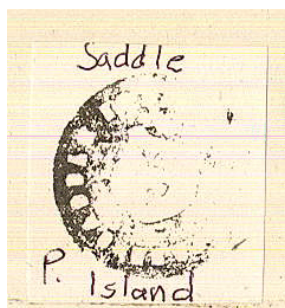
Renamed New Melbourne on May 13 1904 and served under that name until the present day. Open as a way office in 1882 with Stephen Durell as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Mrs. Mary J. Durell as first Postmaster, followed by Miss Button in 1904. Mails distribution is not known. One split ring seen.



SADDLE ISLAND

Open	August 16 1909	Closed	1931	Population	41
Bay	Hermitage	Location	Near Pushthrough	Map	18 F 14
Distributing Office		Pushthrough			

First Postmaster was Eli Garland who, was also courier to Pushthrough. PM in 1931 was Mrs. William Garland. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Pushthrough. One split ring proof seen. HB for Hermitage Bay.



SAFE HARBOUR

Open	1904	Closed	September 29 1956	Population	300
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map	10 W 23
Distributing Office		Pools Island			

This location was another on the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Miss Josephine Davis. PM in 1931 was Ethel Dawe who, was also telegraph operator. Mrs. Tobias Pinsent was listed as PM on September 04 1942, replaced by Sidney Granter on October 01 of the same year. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Pools Island. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



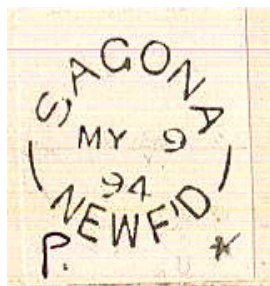
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split ring No. 1 SAFE "HR"
possibly with Bay designation
courtesy John Oldford

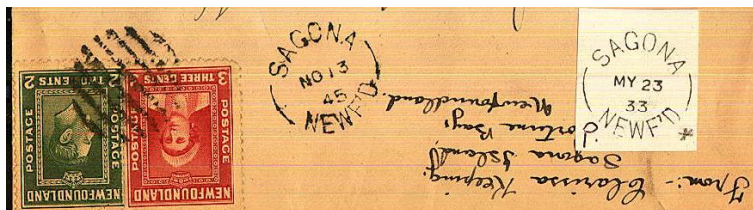
SAGONA

Open	1881	Closed	October 16 1968	Population	223
Bay	Fortune	Location	Island near Harbour Breton	Map	18 G 15
Distributing Office		Harbour Breton			

This Island was another location for the Resettlement Programme. Open as a way office in 1881 with Stephen Snooks as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Stephen as first Postmaster, followed by Mrs. M. Snooks in 1908. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Lilian Ashford. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Harbour Breton. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

SAILORS ISLAND

Open	1919	Closed	1926	Population	80
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Alexander Bay Peninsula	Map	16 G 15
Distributing Office		Salvage			

First Postmaster was Robert Moss who, was also courier to Salvage. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Salvage. No proofs or strikes seen.

SALLY'S COVE

Open	August 16 1909	Closed	June 29 1989	Population	99
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	In Gros Morne National Park	Map 5	Inset T 7
Distributing Office			Rocky Harbour		

Since closing, this location is served by a retail office which, is still open. First Postmaster was James Endicott. PM in 1931 was Daniel Endicott. PM from September 01 1940 was Samuel Roberts. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona via Rocky Harbour. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier on way up the Great Northern Mail Road. It is apparent that this office used only one split ring device.



SALMON COVE BDV

Open	1899	Closed	August 14 1992	Population	497
Bay	Conception	Location	near Carbonear	Map 17	E 25
Distributing Office			Carbonear		

Since closing, this location has been served by two retail offices, the latter of which is still open. First Postmaster was George Parsons, followed by Miss Jane Duggan in 1905, Miss Abigail Vaters in 1907, Mrs. Millie M. Parsons in 1907 and L. Parsons in 1908. PM in 1931 was still L. Parsons. PM on April 01 1948 was Mrs. Lena Parsons. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. One split ring seen.



SALMON COVE GASKIERS

Open	1899	Closed	1912	Population	325
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office			Not known		

No Postmasters are listed. Mails distribution not known. No strikes or proofs seen.

SALMON COVE HR MAIN

Open	1886	Closed	November 24 1898	Population	Not known
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of Conception Bay	Map 21 G 25	(Avondale)
Distributing Office		Not known			

Renamed Avondale on November 24 1898. Open as a way office in 1886 with Edward Kennedy as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1889 with Edward as first Postmaster. Mails distribution not known. One split ring proof exists. HR Main for Harbour Main (District).



SALMON COVE PDG

Open	1885	Closed	1940	Population	Not known
Bay	Conception	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

This makes the 3rd Salmon Cove on Conception Bay! Open as a way office in 1885 with William Hussey as first waykeeper, followed by Mary Jane Hussey in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with Mary Jane as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Fred Hussey. Mails distribution not known but would have been partially by Conception Bay Railway. Fortunately, a split ring proof exists for this office. PDG for Port De Grave (District).



SALMON COVE WEST

Open	June 24 1910	Closed	1913	Population	341
Bay	Trinity	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map 17 A 25	(Champneys)
Distributing Office		Salmon Cove East			

Postmaster was James Freeman who, was also courier to Salmon Cove East. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

SALMON COVE (EAST)

Open	October 1885	Closed	May 04 1911	Population	283
Bay	Trinity	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map 17 A 25	(Champneys)
Distributing Office		Same			

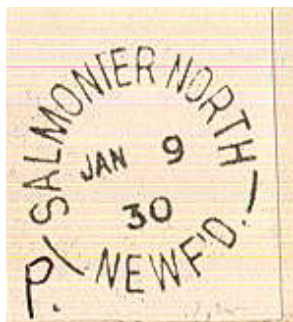
Renamed Champneys on May 04 1911. Open as a way office in 1885 with William A. Gabriel as waykeeper, followed by Frederick Gabriel in 1889. Became a post office in 1891 with Frederick as first Postmaster, followed by C. Gabriel in 1908. Mails were from Port Rexton by courier. One split ring proof seen.



SALMONIER NORTH

Open	1918	Closed	1931	Population	325
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Very little records are listed. Postmaster in 1931 was Bride Mary. However, Mount Carmel opened somewhere between 1930 and 1932, exact date not known. Mount Carmel is across the river and upstream from St. Josephs (Salmonier South) making it North of Salmonier South. Proof for Salmonier North reads Jan. 1930. First proof for Mount Carmel reads May 1930. Everything fits. One split ring proof exists. Obviously there was an earlier one.



SALMONIER SOUTH

Open	1870	Closed	1894	Population	212
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Mouth of Salmonier River	Map 20 H 24	(St. Josephs)
Distributing Office		Not known			

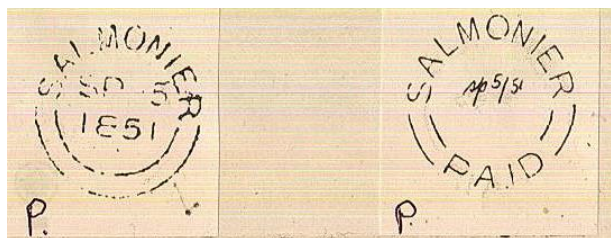
Renamed St. Josephs in 1894. Open as a way office in 1870 with Patrick Cormack as first waykeeper, followed by Bridget Cormack in 1875. Became a post office in 1891 with Bridget as Postmaster. Mails distribution not known. One split ring seen.



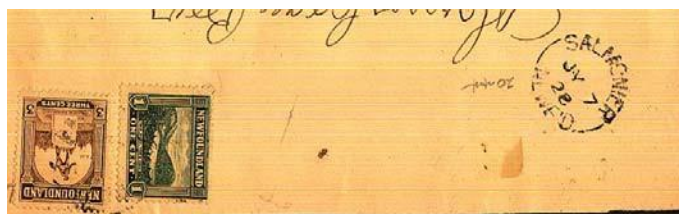
SALMONIER

Open	1851	Closed	1948	Population	350
Bay	Inland	Location	Avalon Peninsula	Map	21 H 25
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1851 with Patrick Hurley as first waykeeper, followed by William Hurley in 1863, John Hurley in 1873 and Mrs. Mary Carew in 1885. Became a post office in 1891 with Mary as first Postmaster at least until 1908. PM in 1931 was William Hurley. Became a MOO in August of 1908. Mails were from Whitbourne station by courier. It has been said that the GPO double split ring instruments for Salmonier were not issued to that office. The first split ring proof was issued in 1894. It was open as a post office in 1891. The double split ring was in use until May 1894.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

SALT PANS

Open	1932	Closed	1938	Population	81
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	New World Island		
Distributing Office		Herring Neck			

Salt Pans merged with the former offices of Seal Cove and Fridays Bay in 1938 to become Hillgrade, with the actual location of Hillgrade being Seal Cove. Postmaster on opening was Caleb Tizzard, followed by his daughter Eleanor Tizzard. No proofs or strikes seen other than a bad copy of the mail bag crown seal.



SALT POND

Open	1901	Closed	1931	Population	114
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Near Lewisporte		
Distributing Office		Lewisporte			

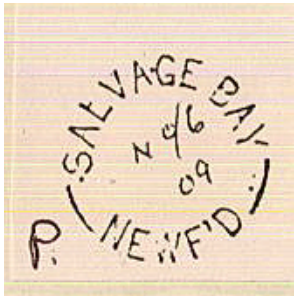
First Postmaster was Miss Susanna Snow. No other records available. This office reopened in 1933 under the name of Embree, whose original name was Salt Pond Cove.



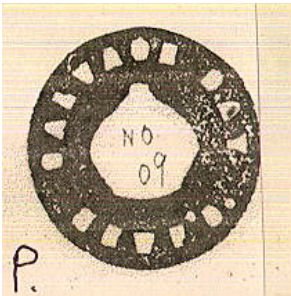
SALVAGE BAY

Open	1893	Closed	November 18 1915	Population	223
Bay	Bonavista			Map 16	Z 23 (Eastport)
Distributing Office		Not known			

Renamed Eastport on November 18 1915. Postmaster was James Martin. Mails distribution not known. One split ring for 1909 exists, so there must be an earlier one.



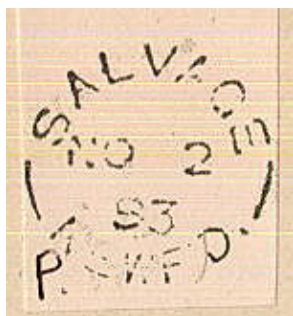
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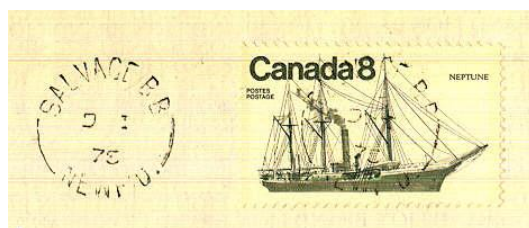
SALVAGE

Open	1869	Closed	Still Open	Population	192
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Alexander Bay Peninsula	Map	16 Z 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1869 with Thomas Oldford as first waykeeper, followed by James Burden Jr. in 1882. Became a post office in 1891 with James as first Postmaster, followed by Kenneth Farwell in 1908, Llewellyn Saunders in 1908 who, was also telegraph operator and Kenneth Farwell once again with a salary increase to \$24. PM in 1931 was E.D. Chislett who, was also telegraph operator. PM in 1942 was Mrs. Mary Hancock. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. Two split rings seen. The second split ring (BB for Bonavista Bay) was still in use up to the late 1990s.



split ring No. 1



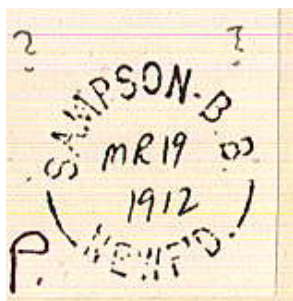
split ring No.2



SAMPSON

Open	March 05 1906	Closed	November 18 1915	Population	417
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Alexander Bay	Map	10 Y 23
Distributing Office		Not known			

Previously called Flat Island (BB) until March 05 1906. It reverted back to Flat Island on November 18 1915. Postmaster during period was Hannah Sampson. Mails distribution not known. One split ring proof for 1912 exists. BB for Bonavista Bay. Was there an earlier one OR was the Flat Island split ring still in use?



SAMSON'S ISLAND

Open	July 25 1905	Closed	1931	Population	92
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Bay of Exploits	Map	9 U 18
Distributing Office	Summerford				

This location was involved with the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Mrs. Martha Potter. PM in 1931 was Emma Potter. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Summerford. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Campbellton and Boyds Cove. No proofs or strikes seen.

SANDY COVE BB

Open	April 15 1911	Closed	1931	Population	160
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Alexander Bay Peninsula	Map	16 Z 23
Distributing Office		Eastport			

First and only Postmaster was John Matchim who, continued until closing in 1931. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Eastport. One split ring proof exists. BB for Bonavista Bay.



SANDY COVE ST B

Open	October 12 1912	Closed	1931	Population	115
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map	1 J 12
Distributing Office		Flowers Cove			

Postmaster was Stephen White, who served from opening date until closing. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier up the Great Northern Mail Road via Flowers Cove. One split ring proof exists. ST B for St. Barbe (District).



SANDY HARBOUR

Open	1905	Closed	Not known	Population	13
Bay	Placentia	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Postmaster in 1905 was Henry Melindy. Nothing else is known of this office. No proofs or strikes seen.

SANDY POINT TB

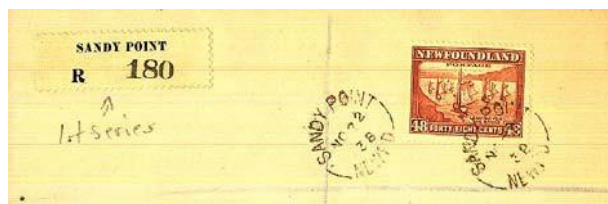
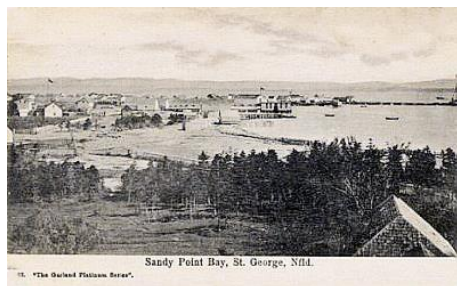
Open	1894	Closed	May 06 1912	Population	61
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound Random	Map	16 B 23 (Harcourt)
Distributing Office		Not known			

Renamed Harcourt in May 1912 and continued to serve under that name until July 6 1970. First Postmaster was Mrs. Elizabeth Tilley, followed by Mrs. Leah Tilley in 1905, Mrs. Simeon Strong in 1910 and Simeon Tilley in 1911. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

SANDY POINT

Open	1900	Closed	May 30 1969	Population	336
Bay	St. George	Location	Flat Islands	Map 6	A 5
Distributing Office		St. Georges			

This location also joined the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Hector MacDonald, followed by Mrs. Hector MacDonald in 1912. July 20 1914 "The PM being over 80 and unable to perform duties of office, it was ordered that the PO be combined with the TO, the telegraph operator being also PM". PM in 1914 was Miss Penelope McFatridge, followed by Miss Minnie McFatridge, both being also telegraph operators. PM and TO in 1931 was still Miss Minnie. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 via St. Georges station. Two split rings seen and appear to have been used concurrently. As this was the home of the Rev. Butler, many different types of handstamps are seen from here.



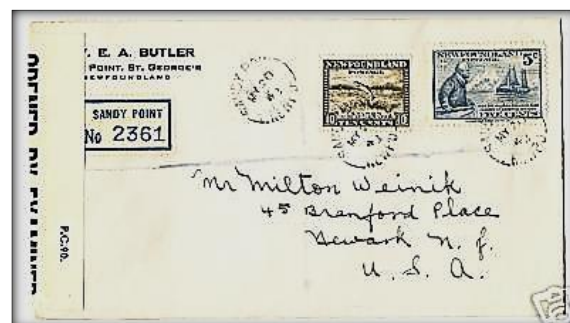
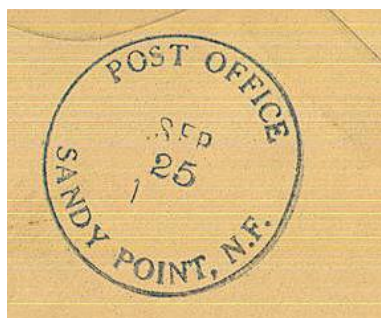
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Serrated oval



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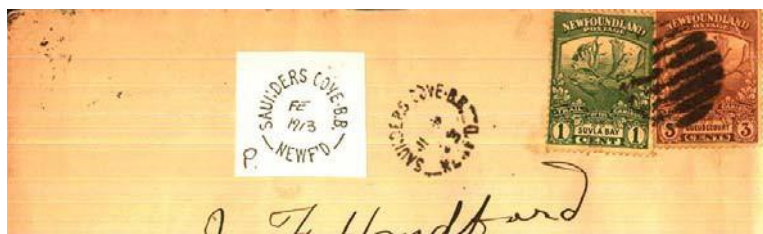


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SAUNDERS COVE

Open	August 23 1912	Closed	1931	Population	117
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Head of Alexander Bay	Map	16 Z 22
Distributing Office			Alexander Bay Station		

First Postmaster was Benjamin Davis. PM in 1931 was William Dewey. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Alexander Bay Station. One split ring seen.



SCEVIOURS ISLAND

Open	Dec. 04 1908	Close	1931	Population	55
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Bay of Exploits	Map	9 V 18 (Sivier Island)
Distributing Office			Campbellton		

First Postmaster was Mrs. Mary Ann Anstey. PM in 1931 not listed. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Campbellton. In Winter from Lewisporte across the ice via Campbellton. Two split ring proofs exist, one of which is misspelled. It is not known if the second was put into use as a correction does not appear in the proof book.



split ring No. 1 misspelled split ring No. 2

SCILLY COVE

Open	April 1872	Closed	May 06 1912	Population	915
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 D 25 (Winterton)
Distributing Office			Not known		

Renamed Winterton in 1912 and continued to serve under that name until the present day. Open as a way office in 1872 with Robert Pittman as first waykeeper, followed by Jacob Hiscock in 1874. Became a post office in 1891 with Jacob as first Postmaster, followed by Jacob Hiscock once more in 1901 and Mr. Allison Kelland in 1907 who, was to supply an office separate from his dwelling free of charge. Became a MOO on October 16 1905. PO and TO combined on August 01 1907. Mails distribution not known. One split ring seen.



SCIO

Open	January 13 1903	Closed	1906	Population	Not known
Bay	Not known	Location	Twillingate District		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Another of the mystery offices. Postmaster was John C. Andrews. Mails distribution not known. No strikes or proofs seen.

SCISSORS COVE / STANHOPE

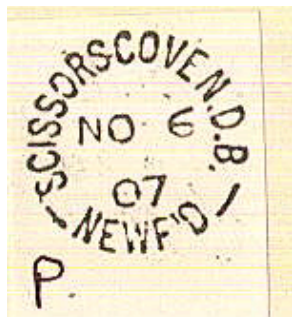
Open	May 15 1907	Closed	Not known	Population	48
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Bay of Exploits	Map 9 V 18	
Distributing Office		Lewisporte			

A most confusing setup. These are the facts of the various entries:

- (a) Scissors Cove was officially renamed Stanhope on March 10 1914.
- (b) Office is listed as Scissors Cove in 1931 postal guide with same Postmaster as 1907.
- (c) Strikes of Scissors Cove are known in Palmer Moffat list 1908 to 1931.

- (a) Stanhope listed as previously being Scissors Cove and open as such in 1917.
- (b) No office listing for Stanhope in 1931 postal guide.
- (c) Strikes of Stanhope are known in Palmer Moffat list 1917 to 1920 and beyond.

I can see no pattern emerging from this unless the Postmaster had both the Scissors Cove AND Stanhope split ring devices and applied them indiscriminately. Postmaster from opening to 1931 was Absalom Chaulk. Mails were from Lewisporte by courier. NDB for Notre Dame Bay.



SEAL BAY

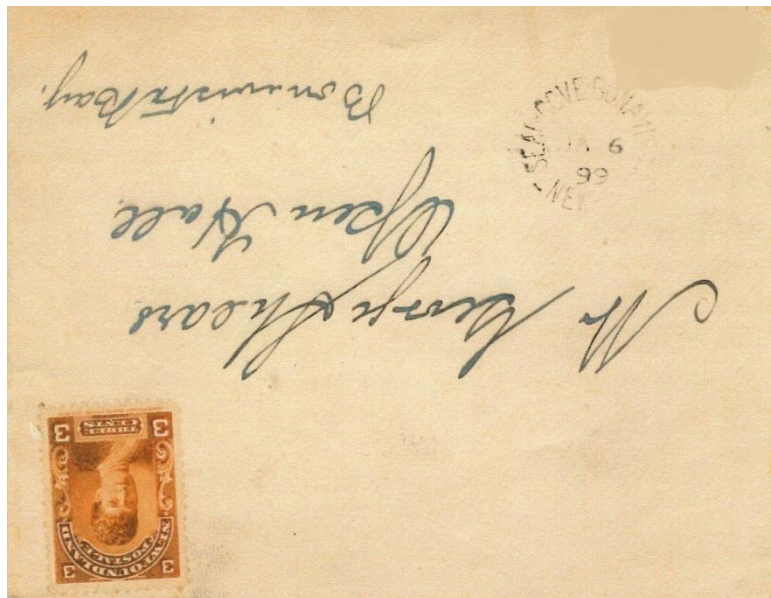
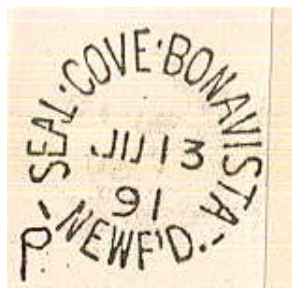
Open	1898	Closed	1902	Population	58
Bay	Not known	Location	Twillingate District		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Thomas Roberts, followed by E.W. Roberts in 1900. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

SEAL COVE BB

Open	1883	Closed	March 24 1913	Population	127
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map 16 A 24	(Princeton)
Distributing Office		Not known			

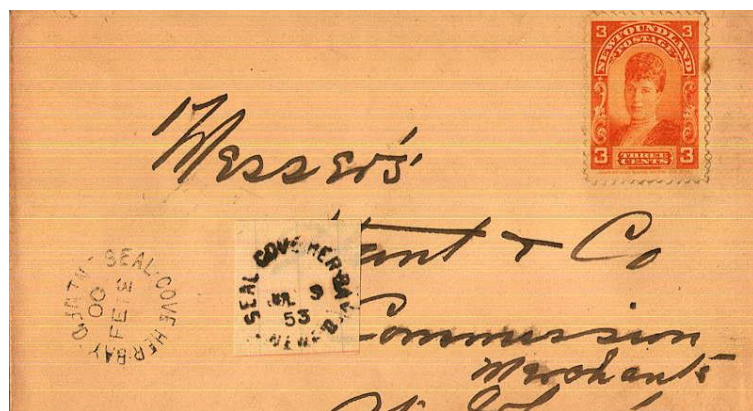
Renamed Princeton in 1913 and served under that name until August 01 1990. Open as a way office in 1883 with George Prince as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with George as first Postmaster, followed by W. Prince in 1908. Became a MOO on December 01 1909. Mails distribution not known. One split ring proof exists.



SEAL COVE FB

Open	1894	Closed	Still Open	Population	244
Bay	Fortune	Location	Hermitage Peninsula	Map 18 G 14	
Distributing Office		Same			

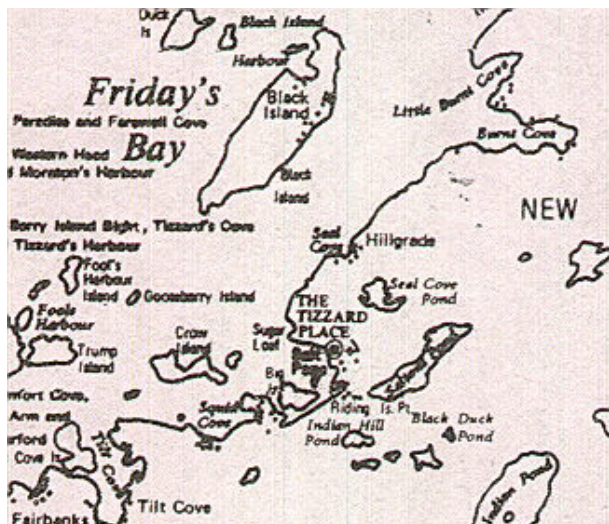
First Postmaster was Morgan Loveless, followed by Charles Forsey in 1896 who, still held office in 1931. PM in 1937 was Mrs. Charles Forsey. Mrs. Job Smith was appointed PM on August 13 1939. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. One split ring, still in use after 50 years, is seen. HER for Hermitage.



SEAL COVE FRIDAYS BAY

Open	1895	Closed	1938	Population	168
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	New World Island	Map 9 U 19	(Hillgrade)
Distributing Office		Summerford			

This office, combined with the former offices of Salt Pans and Fridays Bay, was renamed Hillgrade in 1938 and has served under that name until the present day. No postmasters are listed. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Campbellton and Boyds Cove. No proofs or strikes seen.

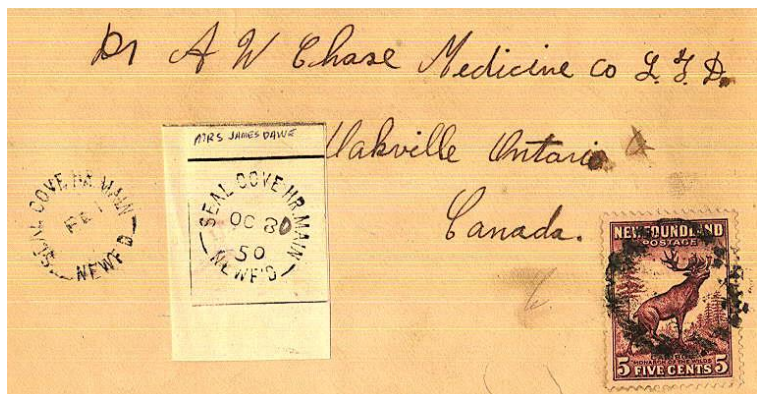


Note that Seal Cove (Fridays Bay) and Hillgrade were more or less the same location.
Map from book "On Sloping Ground" by Aubrey Tizzard Breakwater Press ISBN 0-919519-50-4.

SEAL COVE HARBOUR MAIN

Open	1890	Close	1964	Population	152
Bay	Conception	Location	Near Holyrood	Map 20 F 26	(general area)
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1890 with William Morgan as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with William as first Postmaster, followed by Archibald Morgan in 1908 and Albert Dawe in 1909. PM in 1931 was Arch Morgan (same ?). PM in 1937 was Miss Winnie Loveless. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Seal Cove station. One split ring seen.



SEAL COVE TRINITY

Open	1887	Closed	May 04 1911	Population	353
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 C 25 (New Chelsea)
Distributing Office		Not known			

Renamed New Chelsea in 1911 and served under that name until July 11 1988. Open as a way office in 1887 with Jesse Buckler as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Jesse as Postmaster up until at least 1908. Mails distribution not known. One split ring proof exists.

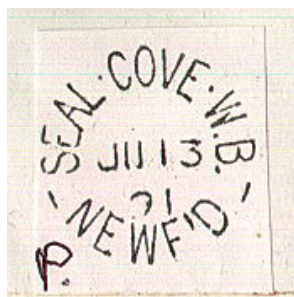


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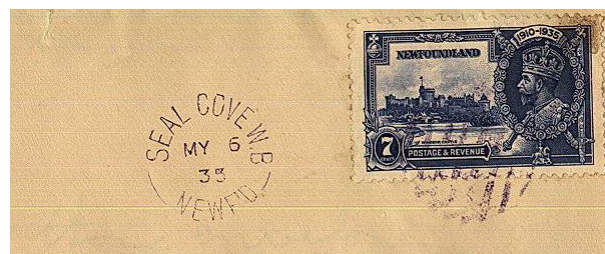
SEAL COVE WB

Open	1891	Closed	Still Open	Population	165
Bay	White	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	4 S 13
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Henry T.J. Robinson, followed by John Robinson in 1898 and Joshua Robinson in 1904. PM in 1931 was W.G. Robinson who, was also telegraph operator. PM in 1942 was Miss Elsie Murcell. PM and TO on July 12 1948 was Samuel Bungay. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake Station by courier via Hampden and Western Arm. Two split rings seen. Note misspelling of "SEALE" on gummed label. Another corrected version was issued later. On Postal Telegraph Oval; the marking was struck first and stamps added later.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



SEARSTON

Open	March 05 1906	Closed	1982	Population	158
Bay	Cabot Strait	Location	Mouth of Codroy River	Map	11 D 2
Distributing Office		Doyles Station			

Previously called Grand River Gut and served under that name from 1883 until March 1906. First Postmaster was Thomas O'Quinn, followed by Donatella O'Quinn in 1908. PM in 1931 was Angela O'Quinn who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Doyles Station. One split ring seen.



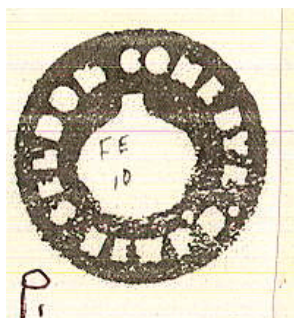
SELDOM COME BYE

Open	1883	Closed	Still Open	Population	271
Bay	Hamilton Sound	Location	Fogo Island	Map	10 T 21 (Seldom)
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1883 with R. Walsh as first waykeeper, followed by Philip Newell in 1884. Became a post office in 1891 with Philip as first Postmaster, followed by Florence Newell in 1900 and P. Newell in 1908. PM in 1931 was F.E. Newell who, was also telegraph operator. PM in 1942 was Miss Eloise Rowe. 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 Campbellton and Boyds Cove. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

SHALLOP COVE

Open	February 04 1910	Closed	August 31 1970	Population	276
Bay	St. George	Location	Near St. Georges	Map 6	A 5
Distributing Office		St. Georges			

First Postmaster was Mrs. Louise White who, was also courier to St. Georges, followed by miss Emily White in 1910 and Louis White in 1912. PM in 1931 was still Louis White. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from St. Georges station. One split ring seen.



SHAMBLERS COVE

Open	1901	Closed	1947	Population	121
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map 10 W	23
Distributing Office		Greenspond			

This office officially closed on January 07 1947. Postmaster was Arthur Vivian. PM in 1931 was Stella Oldford who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1936 was Mrs. Ada Ford. PM and TO in 1937 was Miss Olive Stagg. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Greenspond. One split ring seen.



SHEARSTOWN

Open	January 22 1901	Closed	August 14 1992	Population	712
Bay	Conception	Location	Near Bay Roberts	Map	21 F 25
Distributing Office		Bay Roberts			

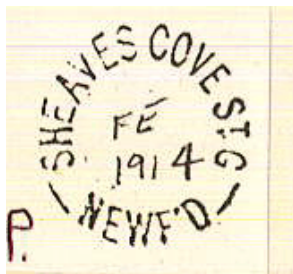
Since closing in 1992, this location is served by a retail office that is still open. First Postmaster was Martin Sharpe, followed by John Holmes in 1905, R. Saunders in 1908 and Thomas Addison in 1911. PM in 1931 was Latimer Sharpe. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Bay Roberts. One split ring seen. And obviously there was an earlier one.



SHEAVES COVE

Open	1914	Closed	1931	Population	92
Bay	St. George	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map	5 A 3
Distributing Office		Port Au Port			

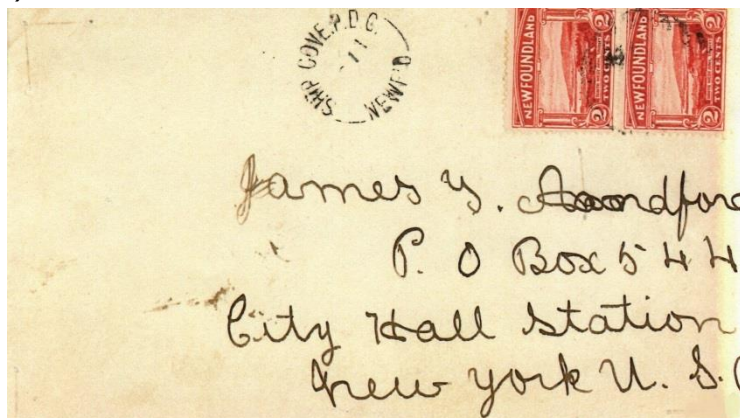
Postmaster was John D. Jesso. PM in 1931 was Arthur Rowe. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 fom Stephenville Crossing station via Port Au Port. One split ring proof exists. STG for St. Georges (District).



SHIP COVE CB

Open	1924	Closed	1931	Population	235
Bay	Conception	Location	Port de Grave	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Port de Grave			

Postmaster was Alma Dawe. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Port de Grave. One split ring seen. PDG for Port De Grave (District).



courtesy Doug Hannan

SHIP COVE P AU P

Open	February 08 1913	Closed	1971	Population	69
Bay	St. George	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map	5 A 3
Distributing Office			Port Au Port		

Postmaster was John Campbell. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Edward Benoit. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Stephenville Crossing station via Port Au Port. No proofs or strikes seen.

SHIP COVE PB

Open	1904	Closed	May 26 1970	Population	66
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Cape Shore" Avalon Peninsula	Map	20 H 22
Distributing Office			Placentia		

Postmaster was Thomas Tobin who, still held office in 1931. Mails were by Placentia Bay Railway via Placentia. One split ring proof exists but there had to be an earlier one.



split ring No. 2

SHIP COVE ST B

Open	August 06 1910	Closed	May 06 1970	Population	70
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Northern tip of Newfoundland	Map	2 H 16
Distributing Office			Same		

This office could be called either Ship Cove OR Cape Onion. Postmaster was Abel Decker who, also still served in 1931. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier up the Great Northern Mail Road via Flowers Cove and St. Anthony. Two split rings seen, the second was in actual use from Ship Cove AKA CAPE ONION. STB for St. Barbe (District).



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

SHIP COVE TB

Open	1890	Closed	1911	Population	294
Bay	Trinity	Location	Trinity Bight	Map 17 A 25	(general area)
Distributing Office		Trinity East			

Open as a way office in 1890 with Mrs. Mary Randall as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Mary as Postmaster. August 14 1903 "Mrs. Randall, Postmistress, to arrange for a courier service to Trinity East". Mails distribution not known. One split ring seen.



courtesy Doug Hannan

SHIP HARBOUR PB

Open	1899	Closed	Still Open	Population	103
Bay	Placentia	Location	Avalon Peninsula	Map 20 G 23	
Distributing Office		Argentia			

First Postmaster was Jane Ann Power. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Margaret Power. Mails were by Placentia Bay Railway via Argentia. One split ring seen. It is possible that there was an earlier one. It was off here that the Atlantic Charter was signed between Churchill and Roosevelt during WW II.



Note: This is not a CDS.
The only CDS in use during this time frame was St. Johns.
Although the circular part is the same diameter as the Duplex.
The Duplex instruments were all issued 1899-1903.
Ship Harbour opened in 1899.



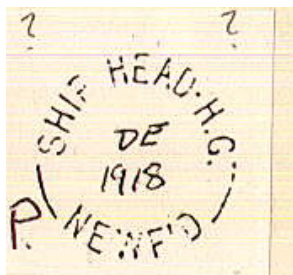
SHIP COVE BAY d' ESPOIR

Open	June 29 1900	Closed	September 20 1913	Population	Not known
Bay	d'Espeir	Location	Head of bay	Map 14 D 15	(St. Alban's)
Distributing Office		Not known			

Renamed St. Alban's and served under that name from 1913 until the present day. Postmaster was George Collier. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

SHIP HEAD HG

A 1918 split ring proof for Ship Head HG exists in the proof books.
No records make mention of this location. I am assuming that the HG refers to Harbour Grace.



SHOAL BAY BB

Open	April 16 1910	Closed	May 1913	Population	96
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Renamed Wellington on May 19 1913 and continued to serve under that name until 1931. Postmaster was Mrs. Amelia A. Pilley. Became a MOO April 1910. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

SHOAL BAY TB

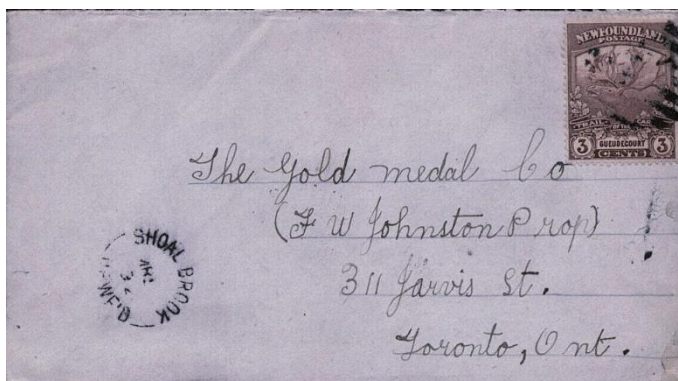
Open	1889	Closed	May 13 1904	Population	128
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map 16 E 24	(Cavendish)
Distributing Office		Not known			

Renamed Cavendish in May 1904 and served under that name until the present day. Open as a way office in 1889 with Elias Jerrett as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Elias as first Postmaster, followed by Eliol Jerrett in 1903 and Mrs. Jane P. Jerrett in 1904. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

SHOAL BROOK

Open	April 21 1920	Closed	1931	Population	125
Bay	Bonne	Location	Gros Morne National Park	Map 5 inset	
Distributing Office		Bonne Bay (Woody Point)			

First Postmaster was John Campbell. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Wilson White. Mails distribution no known. No proofs seen.



SHOAL COVE WEST

Open	1925	Closed	October 14 1952	Population	96
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	St. Barbe District	Map 1 L 11	(Reefs Harbour)
Distributing Office		New Ferrolle			

This office was a continuation of Shoal Cove after 1924 and eventually was renamed Reefs Harbour in 1952 (see entry on Reefs Harbour). No Postmasters are listed. Mails were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona via New Ferrolle. The following split ring proof, although reading Shoal Cove, properly belongs in this entry due to the proof date. There also had to be an earlier device which, could have been the instrument from Shoal Cove.



SHOAL COVE

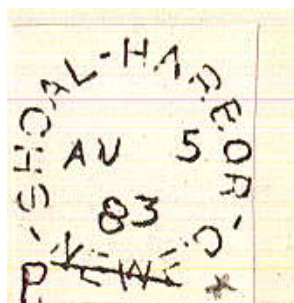
Open	1890	Closed	1924	Population	49
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	St. Barbe District	Map 1 L 11	
Distributing Office		Not known			

This office was replaced by Shoal Cove West. Open as a way office in 1890 with Joseph Harding as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Joseph as first Postmaster. Mails distribution not known. St. Barbe was the political district. No proofs or strikes seen.

SHOAL HARBOUR

Open	1879	Closed	Still Open	Population	310
Bay	Trinity	Location	Northwest Arm Random	Map	16 B 22
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1879 with Aaron Tilley as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1882 with James S. Butler as first Postmaster, followed by Mrs. J.S. Butler in 1912. PM in 1931 was Vernon H. Tilley who, was also telegraph Operator. PM in 1942 was Miss Eleanor Butler. Mails were by Bonavista Railway. Three split rings seen. This office also used a dotted line Box Cancel in 1939.



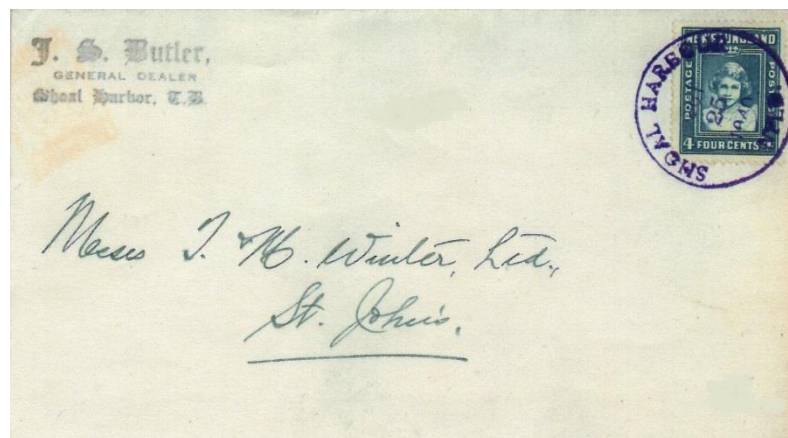
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SHOE COVE BIGHT

Open	April 15 1911	Closed	1931	Population	108
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Richard Newbury, followed by Herbert Newbury in 1911. PM in 1931 was Bertie Newbury. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

SHOE COVE

Open	1887	Closed	Still Open	Population	210
Bay	Green	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	4 S 16
Distributing Office		La Scie			

Open as a way office in 1887 with George Morgan as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Leander Rowsell as first Postmaster, followed by Emily Tomes in 1891, John Harding in 1894 and Joseph Harding in 1898 until at least 1908. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Eleazer Welshman. PM on July 01 1948 was Mrs. Baxter Noseworthy. Mails were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero via La Scie. One split ring proof seen.



SIBLEYS COVE

Open	October 22 1907	Closed	June 15 1914	Population	101
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 C 26
Distributing Office		Brownsdale			

Renamed Prowseton in June 1914 but the office continued to use the Sibleys cove markings until at least 1931. Prowestown markings are only known from 1947. First Postmaster was Thomas Sparks, followed by Miss Gertrude Sparks in 1908 and Simon Sparks in 1909. PM in 1931 was Edward Eddy. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via Brownsdale.



courtesy John Oldford

SILVER FOX / HARE ISLAND

Open	October 27 1919	Closed	August 15 1961	Population	172
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map	10 X 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Silver Hare and Silver Fox are one and the same. The postmarks read Silver Hare. The name was officially changed for postal purposes to Silver Fox on April 23 1954 and the office closed August 15 1961 due to the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was William Budden (Button) who, still held office in 1931 (Silver HAIR Island). Obviously the whole idea meant Silver Haired Foxes and had nothing whatsoever to do with Rabbits. Mails were weekly from Gambo by motor ferry. One split ring seen.



SMITH'S HARBOUR

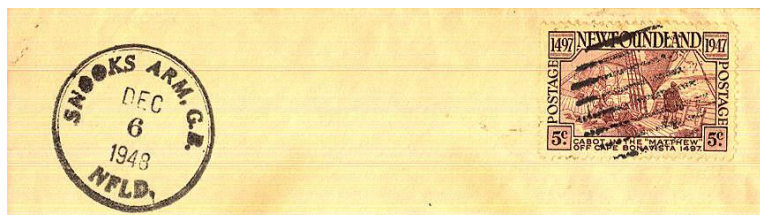
Open	May 21 1912	Closed	1931	Population	49
Bay	Green	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	8 T 14
Distributing Office		Burlington			

This office opened after Confederation from October 11 1960 until August 27 1970. Postmaster was Edward Fleming who, still held office in 1931. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Burlington. In Winter from Springdale by courier via Middle Arm and Burlington. No proofs or strikes seen.

SNOOKS ARM

Open	1904	Closed	1931	Population	63
Bay	Green	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map 4 S 15	
Distributing Office		Same			

This office reopened from 1948 until May 04 1976. First Postmaster was Andrew Elliot who, was "paid \$10 for services during last 3-4 years". PM in 1931 was Thomas Foote. This office was another of the 1931 closed periods. It (re)opened on June 09 1948 with Bertram Welshman as PM. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. In Winter from Springdale by courier via Middle Arm and Nippers Harbour. No split ring proofs or strikes seen. If a 1948 reopening occurred, A NEWF'D CDS is possible.



SNOOKS BROOK

Open	Dec. 16 1908	Closed	April 08 1918	Population	45
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smiths Sound Random	Map 16 B 23	(Barton)
Distributing Office		Georges Brook			

Renamed Barton in April 1918. Postmaster was Alex Gardner. Mails were by Bonavista Railway via Georges Brook. One split ring proof exists. TB for Trinity Bay.



SNOOKS HARBOUR

Open	1887	Closed	1931	Population	50
Bay	Trinity	Location	Random Island	Map 16 C 23	
Distributing Office		Not known			

Opened as a way office in 1887 with William Smith as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with William as first Postmaster, followed by John Loder in 1898 and Mrs. Jane T. Loder in 1916. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Thomas Loader. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

SOMERSET

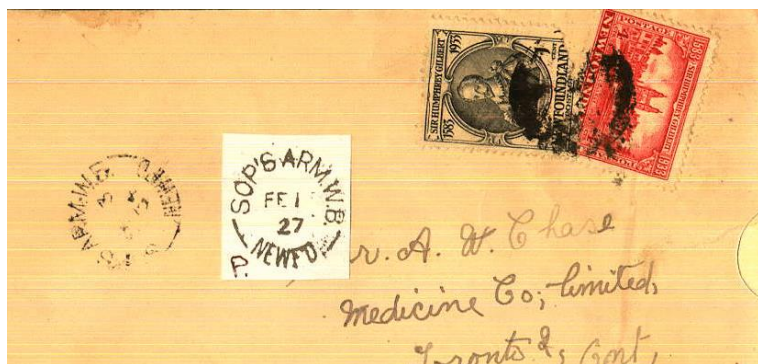
Open	1912	Closed	1928	Population	112
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound Random	Map 16 B 23	(Harcourt)
Distributing Office		Not known			

This location combined with Harcourt in early 1922. No Postmasters are listed. Mails distribution is not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

SOP'S ARM

Open	1900	Closed	Still Open	Population	147
Bay	White	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 7 T 11	
Distributing Office	Same				

Postmaster was Edward Cunningham. PM in 1931 was W. Starks. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier over the ice via Hampden and Western Arm. One split ring seen but, there had to be an earlier one. WB for White Bay.



courtesy John Oldford



SOP'S ISLAND

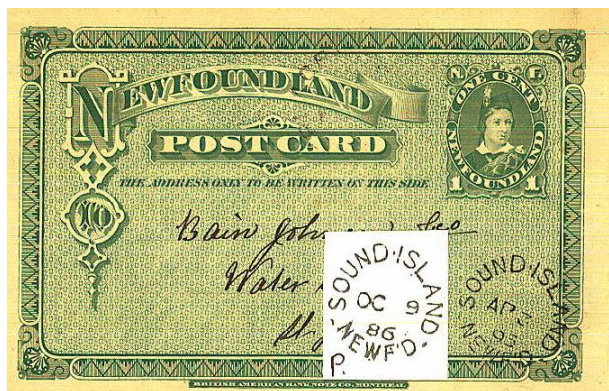
Open	1929	Closed	1931	Population	211
Bay	White	Location	Near Sop's Arm	Map 7 T 11	
Distributing Office		Sop's Arm			

No Postmasters are listed. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon via Sop's Arm. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier over the ice via Hampden and Western Arm. No proofs or strikes seen.

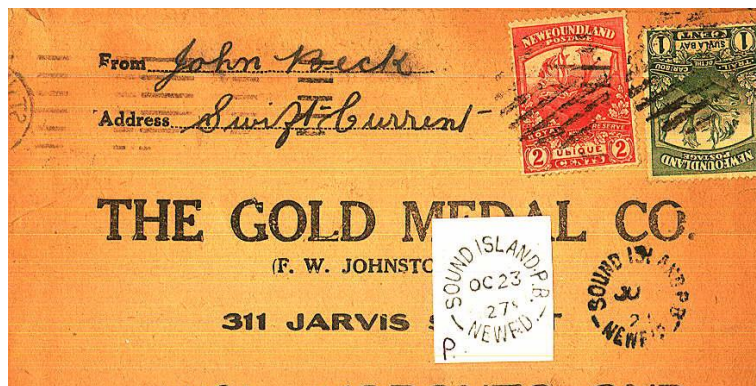
SOUND ISLAND

Open	1874	Closed	October 23 1953	Population	236
Bay	Placentia	Location	Head of Placentia Bay	Map	16 D 22
Distributing Office		Same			

Renamed Garden Cove in October 1953. The connection between this location and Arch and Garden Cove is not known. Open as a way office in 1874 with Philip Brown as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Patrick Brown as first Postmaster, followed by Alexander Hollett in 1893, Alfred Stacey in 1897, Wilson Hollett in 1897 and Mrs. Jane Hollett in 1909. PM in 1931 was Effie R. Stacey who, was also telegraph operator. 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

SOUTH BRANCH

Open	1903	Closed	Still Open	Population	182
Bay	Inland	Location	Codroy Valley	Map	11 D 3
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was William Dyer, followed by D.D. McIsaac in 1910. "PO to be opened in a building adjoining the station". PM in 1931 was A.C. McIsaac. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at South Branch station. One split ring seen. An earlier device is possible.

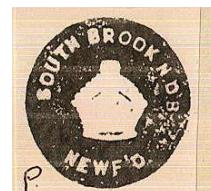
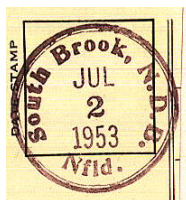


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SOUTH BROOK HALLS BAY

Open	1930	Closed	Still Open	Population	58
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Head of Halls Bay	Map	8 V 14
Distributing Office		Springdale			

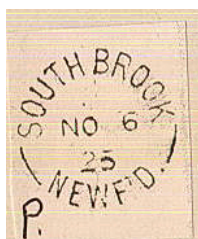
Postmaster in 1931 was Mrs. Samuel Burton. PM on December 11 1947 was Mrs. R. Dawe. PM on June 09 1948 was Mrs. Samuel Burton. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S.W. Clyde via Springdale. In winter by courier from Springdale. One split ring seen. NDB for Notre Dame Bay.



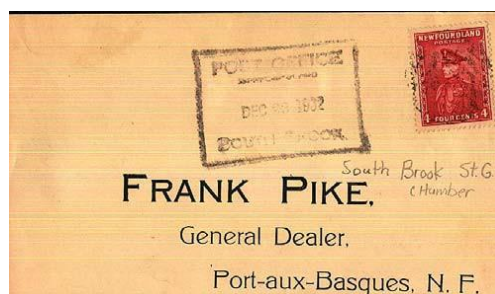
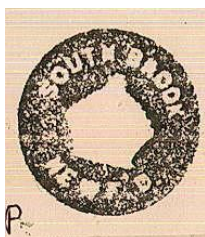
SOUTH BROOK ST G

Open	1912	Closed	Not known	Population	115
Bay	Inland	Location		Map	7 X 8 (Pasadena)
Distributing Office		Same	Deer Lake		

South Brook is the shoreline part of present day Pasadena. First Postmaster not listed. PM in 1931 was Mrs. A. Butt. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from South Brook station. One split ring proof exists for 1925, so an earlier one is to be expected.



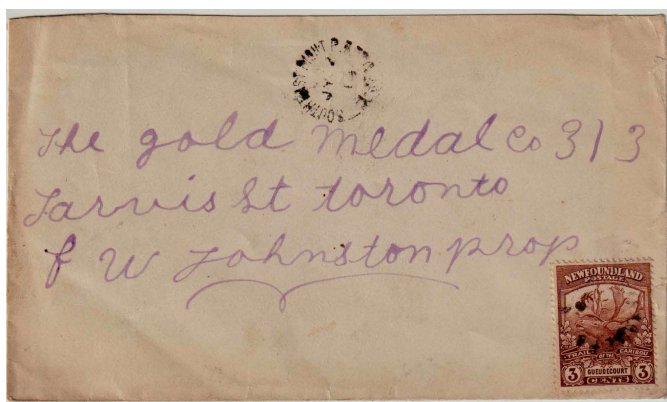
split ring No. 2



SOUTH EAST BIGHT

Open	1905	Closed	1931	Population	92
Bay	Placentia	Location	Paradise Sound	Map	19 G 20
Distributing Office		St. Joseph's			

This office reopened after Confederation on May 17 1961 and remains open today. First Postmaster was Mrs. James Lannon, followed by Mrs. Michael Hynes in 1913. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Anastasia Smith. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via St. Joseph's. No proofs seen.

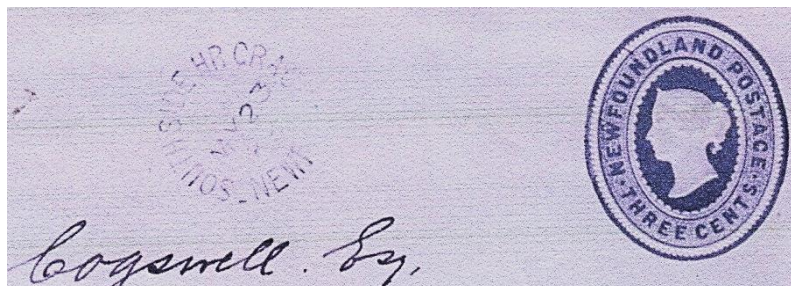
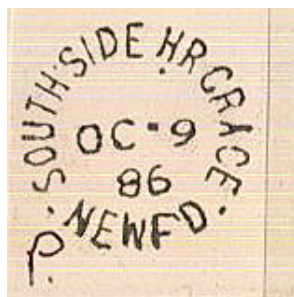


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SOUTH SIDE HARBOUR GRACE

Open	May 1877	Closed	Still Open	Population	454
Bay	Conception	Location	Harbour Grace	Map	17 E 25
Distributing Office			Harbour Grace		

This office, today, goes by the name of Harbour Grace Southside. Open as a way office in 1877 with Jacob Noseworthy as first waykeeper, followed by Archibald Noseworthy in 1889. Became a post office in 1891 with Archibald as first Postmaster who, still held the position in 1931. PM on April 01 1948 was Mrs. Daisy Noel. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Harbour Grace. One split ring proof exists.



SOUTH SIDE NDB

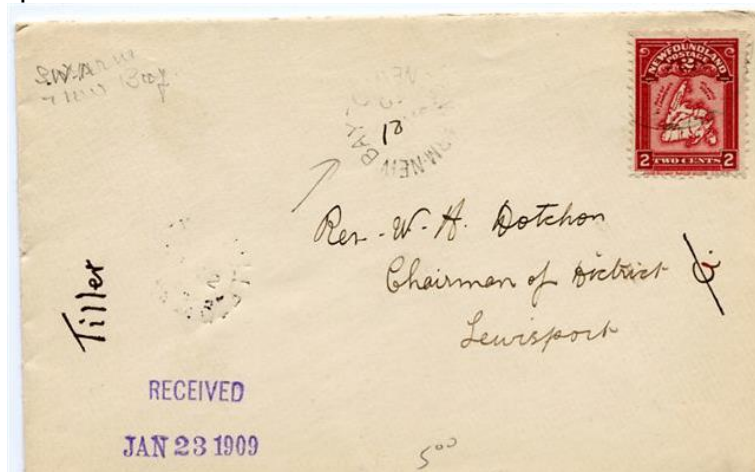
Open	May 08 1911	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Exploits	Location	Near Botwood	Map	9 W 17 (Burnt Arm)
Distributing Office			Lewisporte		

See entry on Burnt Arm SS Bay of Exploits. This is the same office. "During the Summer, the motor boat conveying the mails to Laurenceton and Botwood, will drop the mails at Burnt Arm".

SOUTH WEST ARM NDB

Open	1897	Closed	1931	Population	198
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	New Bay	Map	9 V 17 (general area)
Distributing Office			Point Leamington		

First Postmaster was Mrs. E. Andrews. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Clairmond Andrews. Mails in Summer were from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Point Leamington. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier. No proofs or strikes seen.



SW ARM NEW BAY
courtesy Doug Hannan

SOUTH WEST ARM WB

Open	October 28 1901	Closed	1933	Population	177
Bay	White	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 4 P 13	(general area)
Distributing Office		Great Harbour Deep			

First Postmaster was Mr. M.P. Smart. PM in 1931 was Joseph Walters. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier over the ice via Hampden and Western Arm. No split rings seen. Another office from the Great Harbor Deep complex.



courtesy Murray Smith

SOUTH WEST BRIDGE

Open	May 13 1910	Closed	Not known	Population	Not known
Bay	Trinity	Location	Port Blandford	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Port Blandford			

This office does not occur in either the Palmer Moffat list or NSSC. Postmaster was Daniel Pilley to be “PM and courier to train”. No split ring proofs or strikes seen.



SOUTH SIDE

Open	1886	Closed	1906	Population	88
Bay	St. George	Location	Near St. Georges		
Distributing Office	St. Georges				

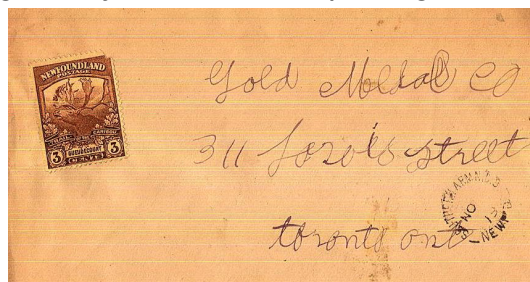
The name of this office was actually St. Georges South Side. Open as a way office in 1886 with Philip Norris as first waykeeper, followed by Anne Norris in 1888. Became a post office in 1891 with Anne as first Postmaster, followed by Philip again in 1893 and Anne once more in 1894. Mails distribution not know. One split ring proof exists. SS for South Side.



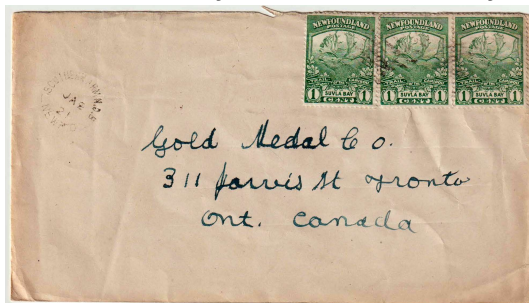
SOUTHERN ARM GB

Open	1911	Closed	1933	Population	64
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Green Bay	Map	8 T 15
Distributing Office			Little Bay Islands		

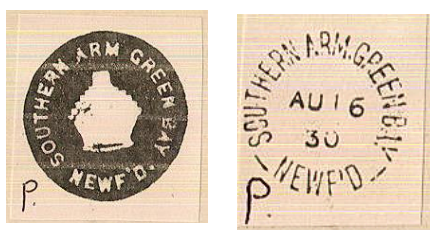
First Postmaster was Job Wells, followed by Mrs. John Gillard in 1913. PM in 1931 was Mrs. William Inder. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Little Bay Islands. In Winter from Springdale by courier. Two split ring seen. NDB for Notre Dame Bay. GB for Green Bay.



split ring No. 1 NDB



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split ring No. 2

SOUTHERN ARM NEW BAY

There is an entry for this location. There is a Southern Arm (body of water) in New Bay. Map 9 V 17. An opening of November 1907 and Mark Brett to be PM and courier. There is a split ring proof for 1908. NB for New Bay. There is a strike for Southern Arm N.D.B.



SOUTHERN BAY

Open	Sept. 30 1908	Closed	Still Open	
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map 16 A 24
Distributing Office			Same	

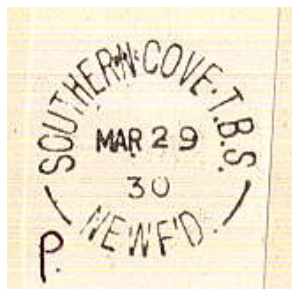
First Postmaster not listed. PM in 1931 was Lewis Quinton. Mails were by Bonavista Railway at Southern Bay station. One split ring seen.



SOUTHERN COVE

Open	1928	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Trinity	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

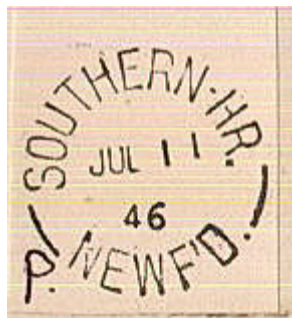
First Postmaster not known. PM in 1931 was Sarah Sooley. Mails distribution not known. One proof dated March 1930 exists. There is possibly an earlier one. TBS for Trinity Bay South.



SOUTHERN HARBOUR

Open	May 04 1910	Closed	Still Open	Population	72
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Neck" of Avalon Peninsula	Map 16 E 22	
Distributing Office		Arnold's Cove			

This listing is mistakenly called Bonavista Bay in the records but, the designation of La Manche puts it on Placentia Bay. First Postmaster was Miss Monica Whiffen. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Lizzie Best. Mails were weekly by motorboat from Arnold's Cove. One split ring seen and obviously there was an earlier one.



split ring No. 2



SOUTHPORT

Open	July 12 1913	Closed	1931	Population	149
Bay	Trinity	Location	Southwest Arm Random	Map 16 C 24	
Distributing Office		Hodge's Cove			

Previously called Fox Harbour and served under that name from 1886 until July 1913. First Postmaster was John Vey, followed by Mrs. Vey in 1915, Miss Lambert in 1917 and Miss Seward who, was also telegraph operator, in 1918. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Josiah Avery. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via Hodge's Cove. One split ring seen. TB for Trinity Bay.



SPANIARDS COVE

Open	April 14 1913	Closed	1931	Population	250
Bay	Trinity	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was George Miller. PM in 1931 was Alfred Janes. Mails distribution not known.
No proofs or strikes seen.

SPANIARD’S BAY RIVERHEAD

Open	Dec. 28 1905	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map 17 E 25	(general area)
Distributing Office		Spaniard’s Bay			

First Postmaster was Matthew Ryan “to be PM and courier to train”, followed by Joseph Cain in 1907, Mrs. Charles Butt in 1909, Joseph Cain once more 1910 and Mrs. Norah Cain in 1911 who, was still in office in 1931. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Spaniard’s Bay .
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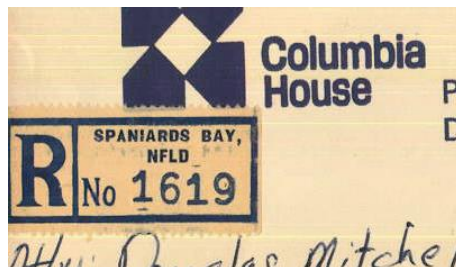
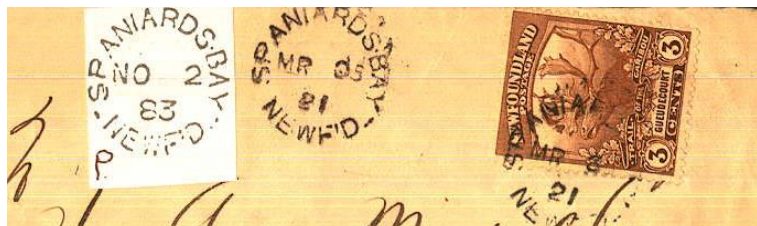


Riverhead SPD BAY
courtesy Murray Smith

SPANIARD'S BAY

Open	1871	Closed	April 01 1949	Population	1221
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 E 25
Distributing Office	Same				

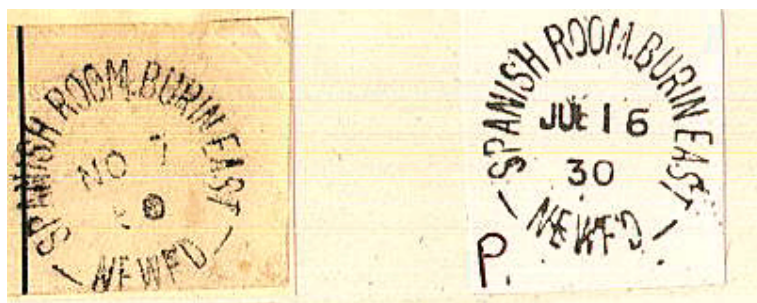
Open as a way office in 1871 with William Earle as first waykeeper, followed by Leah Earle in 1882. Became a post office in 1889 with Leah as first Postmaster, followed by Leah Sheppard (married) in 1892, Jesse Gosse in 1905, Wesley W. Gosse in 1909, John Gosse in 1910 and George W. Collins in 1919 who, still held the position in 1931 as well as being telegraph operator. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway. One split ring seen.



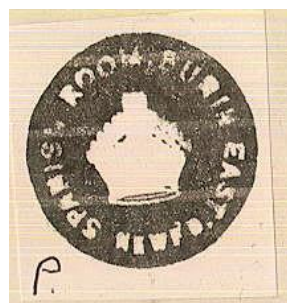
SPANISH ROOM

Open	February 20 1901	Closed	May 06 1970	Population	169
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 H 18
Distributing Office	Marystown				

First Postmaster was Frank Coady. PM in 1931 was Susannah Coady. PM on February 01 1948 was Miss Mary Dober. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Marystown. One split ring proof seen, dated 1930. There had to be an earlier one.



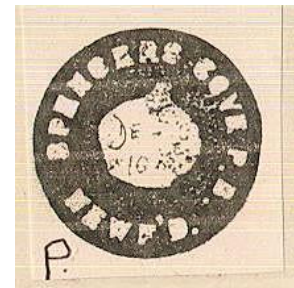
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SPENCER'S COVE

Open	1912	Closed	November 02 1964	Population	119
Bay	Placentia	Location	North tip of Long Island	Map 16	E 22 (general area)
Distributing Office		Arnold's Cove			

This location became part of the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Mrs. Thomas Boutcher. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Josiah Boutcher. Clement Berkshire was appointed PM on November 01 1936. Mails were weekly from Arnold's Cove by motorboat. One split ring seen. PB for Placentia Bay.



courtesy Doug Hannan

SPOON COVE BP

Open	1889	Closed	1901	Population	160
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map 19 J 18	(Epworth)
Distributing Office		Burin			

Opened as a way office in 1889 with George Goddard as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with George as first Postmaster, followed by Ernest Bradley in 1896. Mail distribution not known. One split ring proof exists. Renamed Epworth on September 20 1901. No Postmasters are listed. Mails from Burin, frequency not known.



SPOON COVE CB

Open	April 1900	Closed	1903	Population	201
Bay	Conception	Location	Harbour Grace		
Distributing Office		Harbour Grace			

Open as a way office in 1889 with George Goddard as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with George as first Postmaster, followed by Ernest Bradley in 1896. Mails distribution not known.

SPOTTED ISLANDS

Open	1912	Closed	November 08 1982	Population	88
Bay	Labrador Sea	Location	Labrador Coast		
Distributing Office			Labrador TPO		

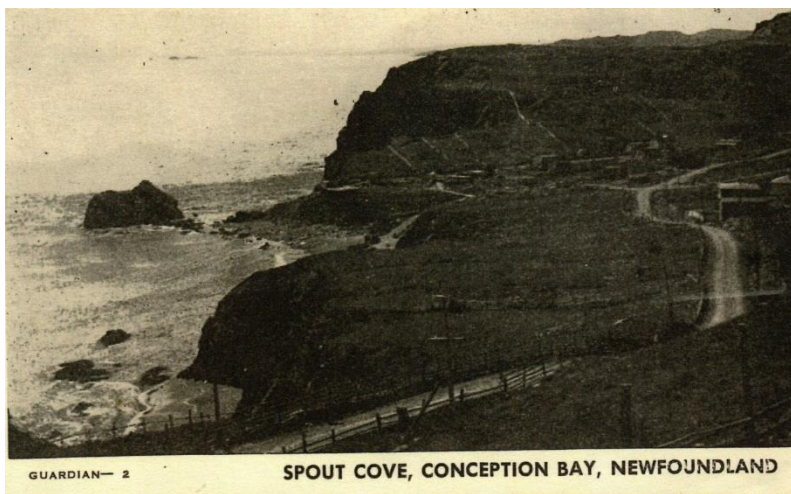
This location was a Summer office only. First Postmaster was Samuel Howell. Mails in Summer by Labrador TPO. One split ring proof exists.



SPOUT COVE

Open	1924	Closed	1931	Population	112
Bay	Conception	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office			Not known		

Postmaster was Michael Kelloway. Mails distribution not known. One split ring strike seen. BDV for Bay de Verde (District).



SPRINGDALE EAST

Open	August 10 1918	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office			Not known		

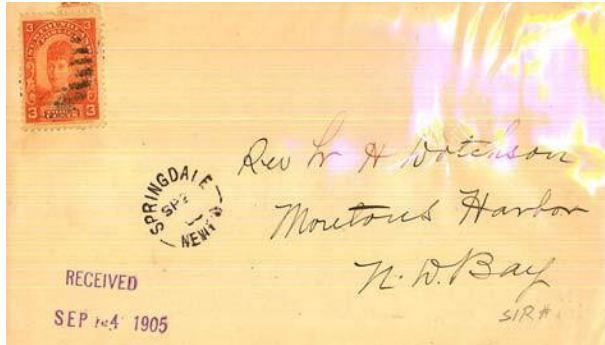
First Postmaster was Philip Wells. PM in 1931 was Samuel Daley. Mails distribution not known but possibly Springdale. One split ring proof exists.



SPRINGDALE

Open	March 06 1897	Closed	Still Open	Population	825
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Halls Bay	Map	8 U 14
Distributing Office		Same			

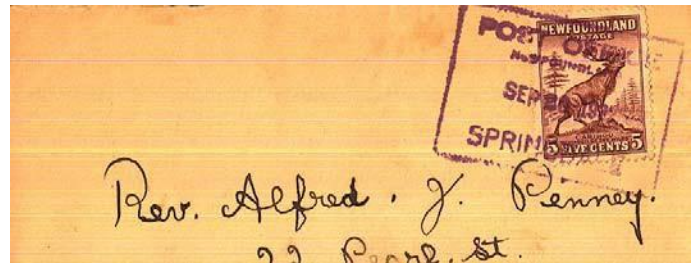
Previously called Wolf Cove North but, there never was an office under that name. First Postmaster was Mrs. Selina Brown, followed by Miss Maggie Belle Huxter in 1905 and Miss Emma Grimes in 1913. PM in 1931 was Kenneth W. Knight who, was also telegraph operator. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



SPRUCE BROOK

Open	1900	Closed	July 14 1970	Population	59
Bay	Inland	Location	Georges Lake	Map	6 Y 6
Distributing Office		Same			

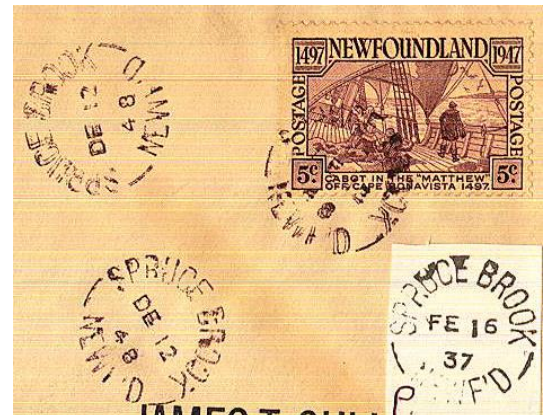
First Postmaster was Mr. S. Forbes. PM in 1931 was Railway Agent. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Spruce Brook station. Rectangular railway ticket stamps are frequently seen from this office. One split ring seen but, obviously there was an earlier one.



railway ticket device;
used for postal purposes
REID NEWFOUNDLAND
courtesy John Oldford



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courtesy John Oldford



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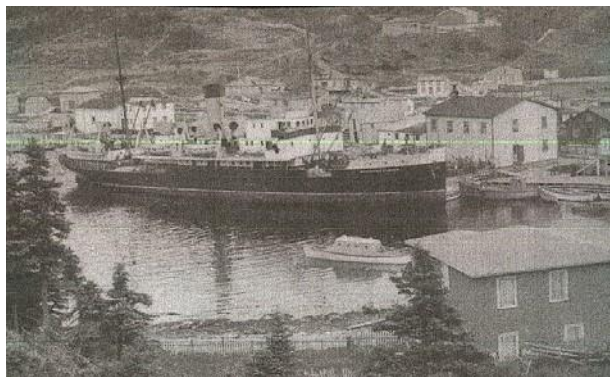
SQUID TICKLE

Open	1907	Closed	April 08 1918	Population	60
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Alexander Bay	Map	10 Y 23
Distributing Office		Same			

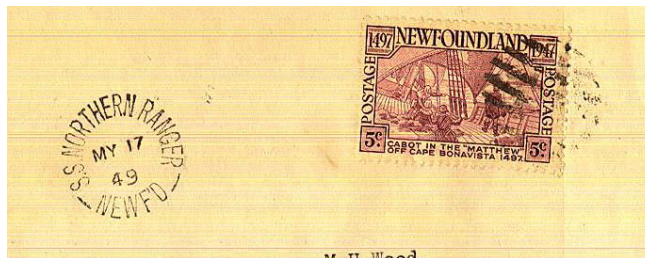
Renamed Burnside in April 1918 and served under that name until the present day. First Postmaster was Mrs. Charlotte Oldford, followed by Stanley Burden in 1911 and Miss C. Burden. in 1918. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. No proofs or strikes seen.

S.S. NORTHERN RANGER

Other than the dubious S.S. LEWISPORTE, (see NSSC Chapter on Railway T.P.O. and R.P.O. Cancels for opposing imaged opinion) on this is the only coastal vessel to have had its own named datestamper. All other mail boats used a TPO designation. Northern Ranger served from 1936 until 1965. Shown below are the two instruments used on postal duty. Today, a new MV Northern Ranger plies the waters between Cartwright and Nain on the Labrador coast.



NORTHERN RANGER



ST. ALBANS

Open	Sept. 20 1913	Closed	Still Open	Population	649
Bay	d' Esvoir	Location	Head of bay	Map	14 D 15
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Ship Cove and served under that name from June 29 1900 until September 1913. First Postmaster was George Collier. PM in 1931 was Elizabeth Collier. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. Two split rings seen. FB for Fortune Bay. A Postal Telegraph Oval was also in use at this office from 1926 until 1937.



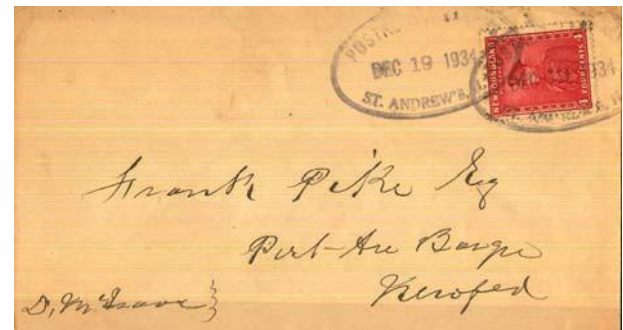
split ring No. 1



ST. ANDREWS

Open	Nov. 18 1915	Closed	Still Open	Population	210
Bay	Cabot Strait	Location	Near Port Aux Basques	Map	11 E 2
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Little River Codroy and served under that name from 1884 until November 1915. First Postmaster was John J. Doyle who also served in 1931. Assistant was Paul Doyle. One split ring seen.



ST. ANN'S

Open	April 1889	Closed	1931	Population	72
Bay	Placentia	Location	Western Channel	Map 20 G 21	(general area)
Distributing Office		Not known			

Open as a way office in 1889 with Mrs. Ann Denief as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Kate Aylward who, served until at least 1908. PM in 1931 was Michael Curran. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

ST. ANTHONY BIGHT

Open	October 04 1910	Closed	June 10 1970	Population	113
Bay	White	Location	Near St. Anthony	Map 2 J 16	
Distributing Office		St. Anthony			

First Postmaster was Thomas Pilgrim who, also held office in 1931. Mails in Summer were from St. John's by S.S. Prospero via St. Anthony. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier up the Great Northern Mail Road via Flowers Cove and St. Anthony. One split ring proof with a 1947 has been seen so, there was obviously an earlier device.



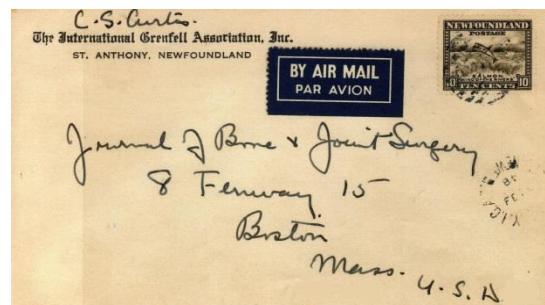
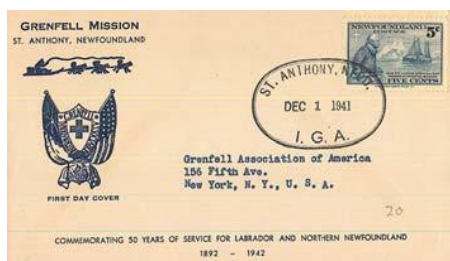
split ring No. 2



IGA ST. ANTHONY

Open	1921	Closed	1946	Population	Not applicable
Bay	White	Location	St. Anthony	Map 2 J 16	
Distributing Office		St. Anthony			

IGA was the International Grenfell Association. Postmaster in 1931 was Harrison Patey. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero and fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station up the Great Northern Mail Road via Flowers Cove. A split ring marking from this office has not been seen. A dotted line Box Cancel was also in use from 1918 until 1922.



Oval No. 2



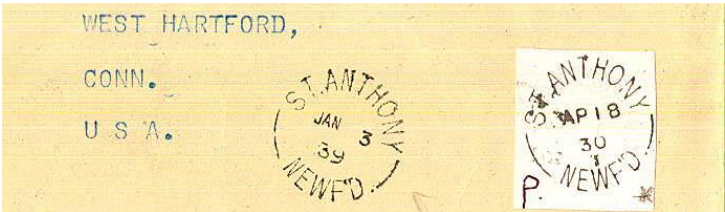
ST. ANTHONY

Open	1881	Closed	Still Open	Population	842
Bay	Ocean	Location	Northern tip of Newfoundland	Map	2 J 16
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1881 with Henry Moore as first waykeeper, followed by Joseph Moore in 1889.Became a post office in 1891 with Deborah Moore as first Postmaster, followed by John T. Moore in 1900, Noah Sims in 1905, W.T. Boyd plus TO in in 1912 and F.G. Matthews plus TO in 1913. PM in 1931 was H. Milley who, was also telegraph operator. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero and fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. Four split rings are seen from this office. As well as the illustrated markings, St. Anthony also had a Post Office serrated Oval handstamp in use from 1932 until 1938.



Split Ring No. 1

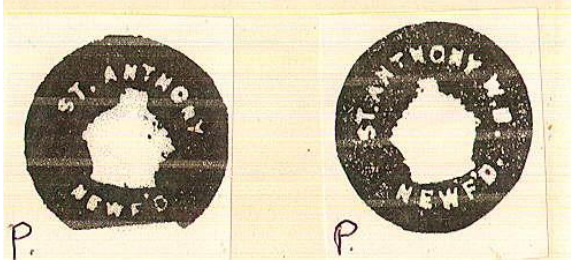
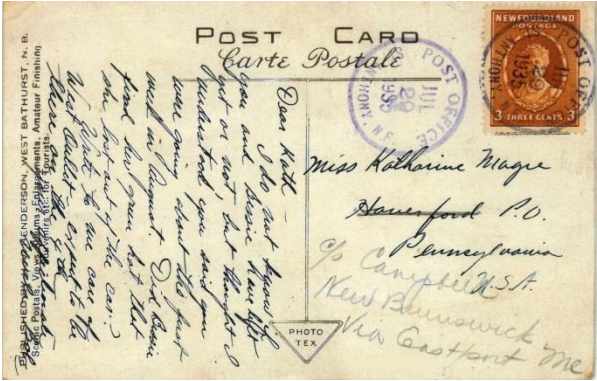
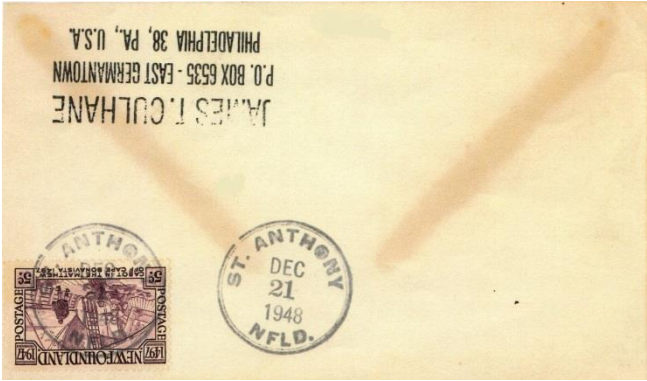


Split Ring No. 2



Split Ring No. 3 WB

Split Ring No. 4
for
White
Bay



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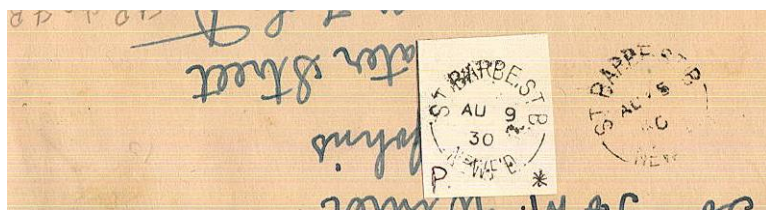
Open	1916	Closed	1931	Population	41
Bay	Green	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Postmaster in 1931 was Bessie Glavine. Nothing else is known regarding this office.
No split ring proofs or strikes seen.

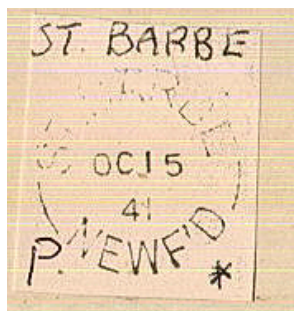
ST. BARBE

Open	1930	Closed	1947	Population	132
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map 1	K 12
Distributing Office		Same			

Postmaster in 1931 was James Doyle. This office officially closed on July 25 1947 and was reestablished at Black Duck Cove the following day. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier up the Great Northern Mail Road. Two split rings seen.
It was this location that gave its name for the District for the whole of the Great Northern Peninsula.



split ring No. 1



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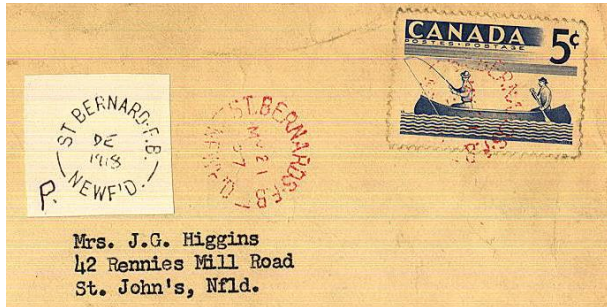
split ring No. 2

ST. BERNARDS

Open	April 08 1918	Closed	Still Open	Population	201
Bay	Fortune	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 F 19
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Fox Harbour and served under that name from 1889 until April 1918. Postmaster was Mrs. Bridget Duke. PM in 1931 was Mrs. B. Johnston who, was also telegraph operator.

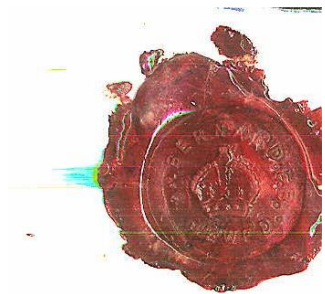
Two split rings seen. Split ring no. 1 is in use after split ring no. 2 was proofed. FB for Fortune Bay.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



courtesy John Oldford



ST. BRENDANS

Open	1894	Closed	Still Open	Population	210
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Cottel Island	Map	10 Y 23
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Daniel Turner, followed by Kate Turner in 1898 and Francis Hogan in 1904. PM in 1931 was Stella Hynes who, was also telegraph operator. Appointed PM and TO on June 01 was Miss Marie Hynes Miss Alice Bridgeman was listed as PM on May 04 1948. Became a MOO on November 04 1902. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. Three split rings seen. BB for Bonavista Bay



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



split ring No. 3



split ring No. 1 with possible crown mail bag seal



ST. BRIDES

Open	1881	Closed	Still Open	Population	320
Bay	Placentia	Location	"Cape Shore" Avalon Pen.	Map	20 J 22
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1881 with John Conway as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with John as first Postmaster until at least 1908. PM in 1931 was Bride Mahoney who, was also telegraph operator. Became a MOO on June 24 1903. Mails were by courier from Placentia. Two split rings seen. PB for Placentia Bay.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



Serrated Postal Telegraph oval;
not listed



split ring No. 2

ST. CHADS

Open	1909	Closed	Still Open	Population	Not known
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Bay Centre	Map 16 Z 23	
Distributing Office		Burnside			

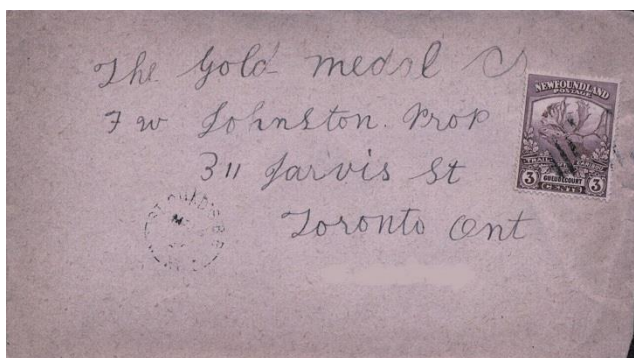
Previously called Damnable Harbour but, that name was never used as a post office designation. First Postmaster was Moses Troke. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Emily Troke. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Burnside. Three split rings seen. BB for Bonavista Bay.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2



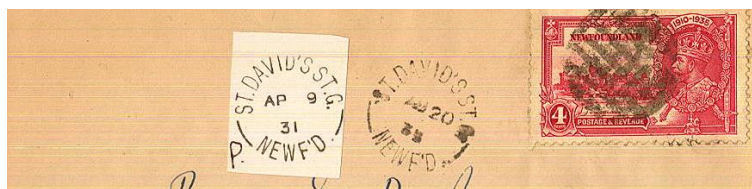
split ring No. 3



ST. DAVIDS

Open	1931	Closed	Still Open	Population	258
Bay	St. George	Location	South West Newfoundland	Map 11 B 4	
Distributing Office		St. Fintans			

Previously called Crabbs/Crabbes and served under that name from 1906 until 1931. First Postmaster was Mildred Renouf. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from St. Fintan's station. One split ring seen. STG for St. Georges (District).



ST. FINTANS

Open	1931	Closed	July 30 1991	Population	106
Bay	Inland	Location	South West Newfoundland	Map	11 C 4
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Crabbs East and prior to that Crabbs Station. It served under those names from 1911 until 1931. James Pike was appointed PM and TO on December 01 1937. At this time, the office was removed from the railway station to a separate dwelling. Since closing, the location is now served by a retail office which is presently still open. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at St. Fintan's station. Two split rings seen. A Railway ticket stamp was sometimes used for postage at this office. STG for St. Georges (District).



split ring No. 1



railway ticket
device;
used postally
NF. RY



split ring No. 2



ST. GEORGES

Open	1872	Closed	Still Open	Population	725
Bay	St. George	Location	South West Newfoundland	Map	6 A 5
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1872 with Joseph LeGrandais as first waykeeper, followed by Charles R. Bishop in 1883. Became a post office in 1884 with Charles as first Postmaster, followed by H. McDonald in 1898, Miss Annie Morris in 1900, Miss Maud Morris with annual salary of \$240 and telegraph operator in 1903, Miss MacDaniel in 1910 and Miss Evelyn Butler in 1915. PM in 1931 was Miss E. Gillis who, was also telegraph operator. Assistant was Madeline Hall. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at St. Georges station. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



Figure 90wavy line rim



railway ticket device;
used postally
courtesy John Oldford



Dotted line rim

ST. JAQUES

Open	1876	Closed	June 10 1970	Population	284
Bay	Fortune	Location	Connaigre Peninsula	Map	19 F 17
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1876 with George Snelgrove as first waykeeper, followed by Mrs. Jane Snelgrove in 1887. Became a post office in 1888 with Jane as first Postmaster, followed by Patrick McEvoy in 1898 and Miss Bertha Young in 1901. PM in 1931 was P.J. McEvoy who, was also telegraph operator. Assistant was Lizzie McEvoy. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. One split ring seen. St. Jaques has recorded a Postal Telegraph marking.



ST. JOHN'S ISLAND

Open	1920	Closed	1942	Population	25
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Port Au Choix Peninsula	Map	3 M 10
Distributing Office		Same			

This office was officially closed on July 31 1942. Postmaster in 1931 was Mary S. Burden. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. In winter from Deer Lake station by courier up the Great Northern Mail Road via Port Au Choix. One split ring proof exists but, obviously there was an earlier one.

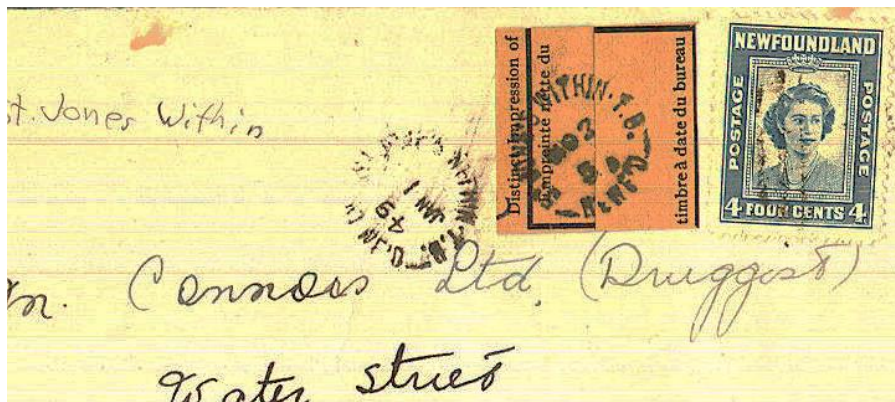


split ring No. 2

ST. JONES WITHIN

Open	1900	Closed	April 20 1970	Population	136
Bay	Trinity	Location	Southwest Arm Random	Map	16 C 23
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Simeon King, followed by Mrs. King in 1908. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Boyd King. PM in 1938 was Miss Doris King, replaced on Dec. 01 1938 by Mrs. W. Rollins. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu. One split ring seen. TB for Trinity Bay.



ST. JONES WITHOUT

Open	1906	Closed	September 10 1952	Population	140
Bay	Trinity	Location	Jones Harbour	Map	16 D 23
Distributing Office		Same			

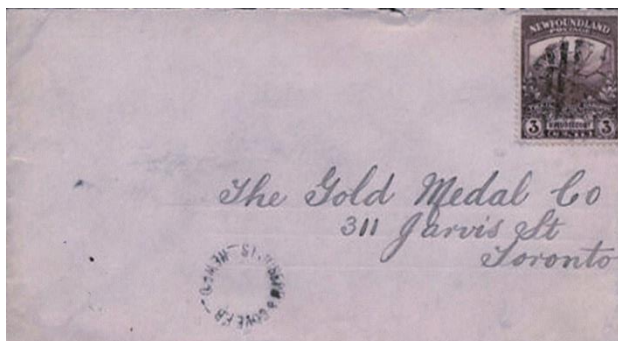
This location joined the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was W.A. Green. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Leander Green. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. One split ring seen.



ST. JOSEPH'S COVE

Open	Dec. 11 1911	Closed	1931	Population	103
Bay	d'Espoir	Location	Head of Bay	Map	14 D 15
Distributing Office		Milltown			

This office reopened after Confederation from August 9 1950 until August 26 1969. First Postmaster was David McDonald, followed by Angela Dollimont in 1913 and Owen Dollimont in 1914 who, was still serving in 1931. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Milltown. One split ring seen.
FB for Fortune Bay.

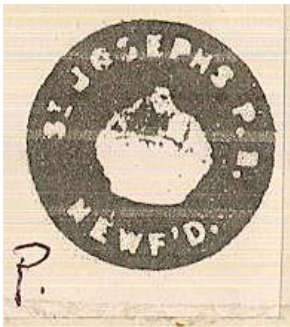


courtesy Doug Hannan

ST. JOSEPHS PB

Open	1904	Closed	August 5 1968	Population	212
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 G 19
Distributing Office		Same			

This location was included in the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Maggie Clark. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Mary King. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia. One split ring seen and in use for the whole period. PB for Placentia Bay.



ST. JOSEPHS SALMONIER

Open	1894	Closed	May 02 1988	Population	210
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Head of Bay	Map	20 H 24
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Salmonier South and served under that name from 1870 until 1894. First Postmaster was Mary McCormack. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Ellen Gough. PM on July 01 1948 was John McCormack. Mails were from Whitbourne by courier. Two split rings seen. The first may rightly belong to the previous office of Salmonier South.



split ring No. 1

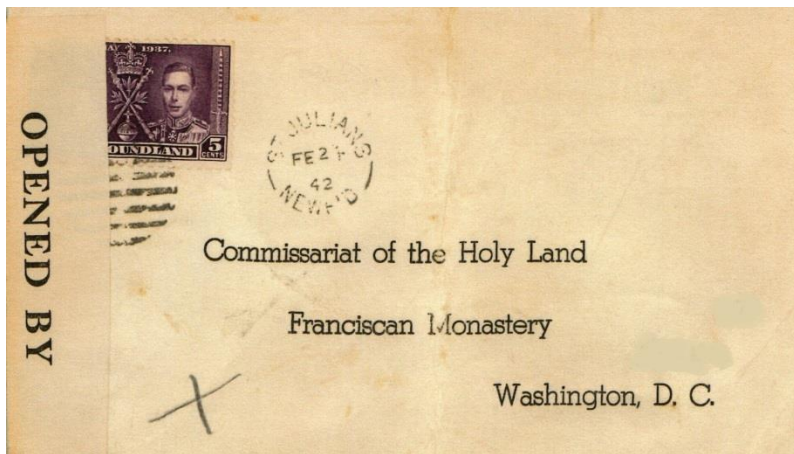
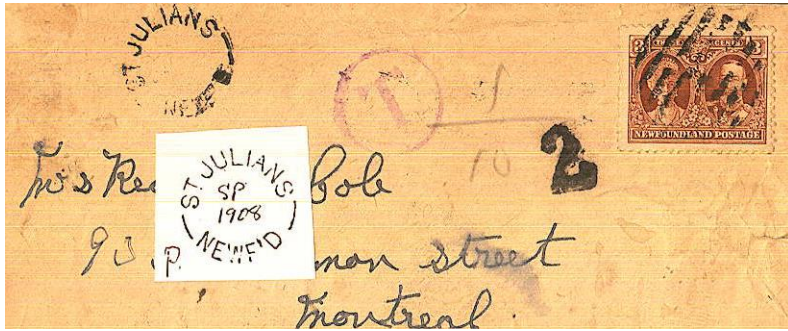


split ring No. 2

ST. JULIENS

Open	1908	Closed	Still Open	Population	19
Bay	Ocean	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map	2 K 15
Distributing Office		Same			

The present day office of St. Juliens has moved to Grandois, a name that never had a post office. This was NOT due to the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Miss Jane Davis. PM in 1931 was Arthur Parsons in Summer and Cecelia Davis in Winter. Summer Postmaster and TO in 1938 was W.E. Woolgar, effective June 01. PM in 1942 was Miss Maude Rowsell. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station by Courier across the ice via Hampden and Western Arm.

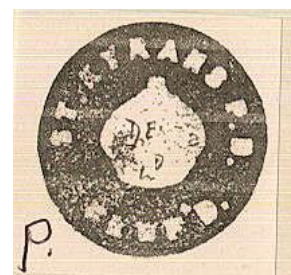
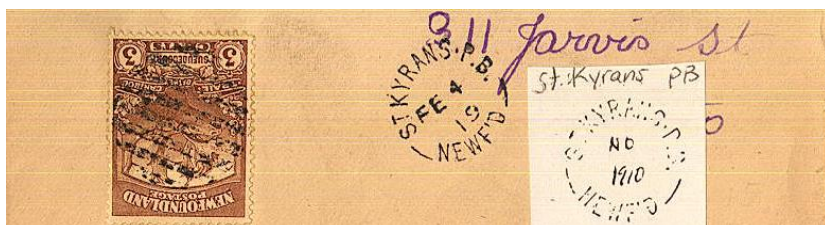


split ring No. 2

ST. KYRAN'S

Open	1911	Closed	October 01 1966	Population	116
Bay	Placentia	Location	Western Channel	Map	20 G 21 (general area)
Distributing Office		Not known			

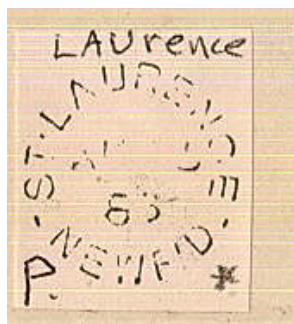
Another location for the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Mrs. Elizabeth Leonard, followed by Miss Bertha Leonard in 1912 and Miss A.J. Leonard in 1916. PM in 1931 was Marion Squires who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on July 25 1948 was Miss Theresa Collins. Mails distribution not known. One split ring seen. PB for Placentia Bay.



ST. LAWRENCE

Open	1869	Closed	Still Open	Population	995
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 K 17
Distributing Office		Same			

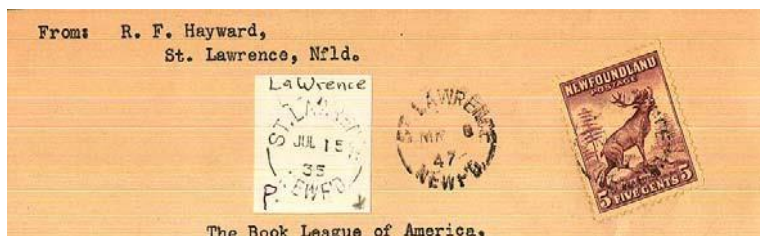
Open as a way office in 1869 with Hugh Vavasseau as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1883 with Alice Vavasseau as first Postmaster, followed by Alice Whiffen in 1886, M. Vavasseau in 1889 and Miss Slaney in 1914. PM in 1931 was Cecilia Fewer who, was also telegraph operator. Miss Ellen Byrne was appointed PM and TO on March 01 1939. PM and TO in 1942 was Miss Helen Adams. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. Three split rings seen. Note that the first two devices are spelled with a "U" in lieu of "W".



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



split ring No. 3

ST. LEONARDS

Open	1894	Closed	1931	Population	101
Bay	Placentia	Location	Paradise Peninsula	Map	20 F 21
Distributing Office		Not known			

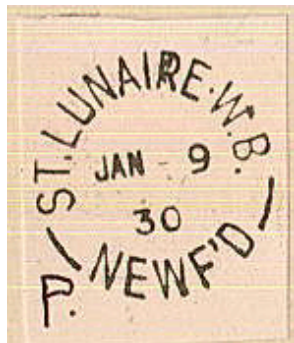
First Postmaster was Anne J. Sullivan. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Jas. Rodgers. Became a MOO on June 14 1905. Mails distribution not known. One split ring seen.



ST. LUNAIRE

Open	Sept. 08 1911	Closed	1931	Population	177
Bay	Ocean	Location	Near St. Anthony	Map	2 H 16
Distributing Office		Same			

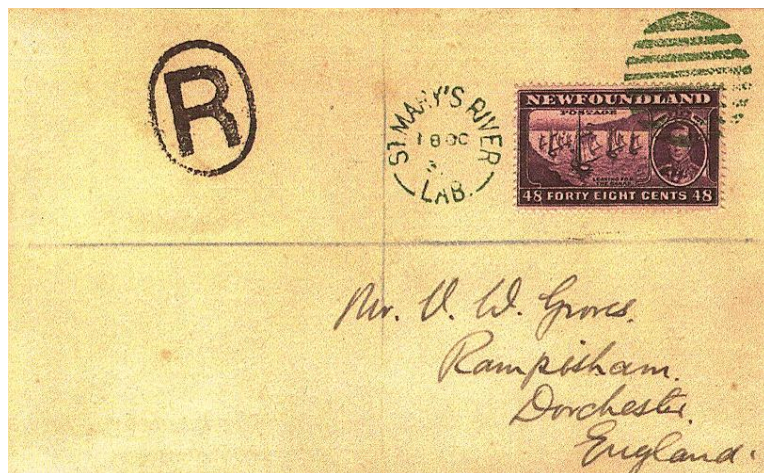
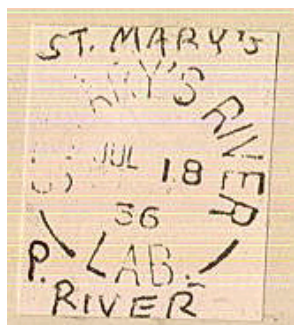
This office reopened after Confederation from October 6 1955 until 1974 when it combined with Griquet to become St. Lunaire-Griquet. First Postmaster was W.J. Bursey. PM in 1931 was Agnes A. Bursey. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier up the Great Northern Mail Road via Flowers Cove and St. Anthony. One split ring proofed in 1930 is seen. Obviously there was an earlier one. WB for White Bay.



ST. MARY'S RIVER

Open	1936	Closed	December 31 1954	Population	Not known
Bay	Ocean	Location	Labrador coast	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Battle Harbour			

Renamed Mary's Harbour in 1955. No Postmasters are listed. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona via Battle Harbour. In Winter by dog team from Quebec. One split ring seen.

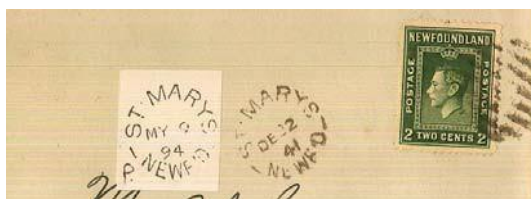
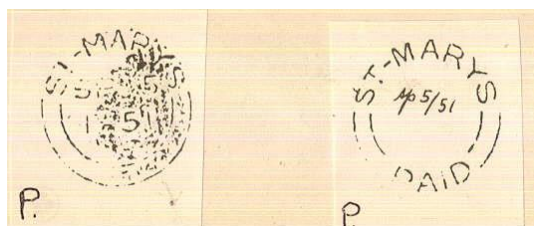


courtesy Kevin O'Reilly

ST. MARY'S

Open	1851	Closed	Still Open	Population	380
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Avalon Peninsula	Map	20 J 24
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a post office in 1851 with Hannibal Murch as first Postmaster, Followed by John Breen in 1855. Reverted to way office status in 1856 with John Breen as first waykeeper, followed by James Murphy in 1864 and Patrick Walsh in 1872. Upgraded to post office in 1884 with Patrick as first Postmaster, followed by Mrs. Mary Walsh in 1904 and Mrs. J.D. Burke in 1911. September 08 1904 "Mrs. Walsh allowed \$10 rent for room in her house used as Post Office". PM in 1931 was Honora Gibbons who, was also telegraph operator. PM on July 01 1937 was Miss M. Gibbons. PM and TO on September 01 1948 was Miss Marie Cheeseman. Mails were by courier from Whitbourne. The double split ring GPO proofs have not been seen in use. Two split rings seen with a late use of number one.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

ST. MICHAEL'S HARBOUR

Open	1905	Closed	1912	Population	30
Bay	Not known	Location	Twillingate District	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Not known			

Postmaster was Ezekial Budden. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

ST. MICHAELS

Open	May 13 1904	Closed	1912	Population	Not Known
Bay	Ocean	Location	Near Ferryland	Map	21 J 27 (general area)
Distributing Office		Not known			

Previously called Caplin Cove but did not have an office under that name. Postmaster was Thomas Cull. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

ST. PATRICK'S

Open	Nov. 20 1903	Closed	1931	Population	136
Bay	Inland	Location	Near Springdale	Map	8 U 14
Distributing Office		Springdale			

First Postmaster was John Delaney, followed by Edward Delaney in 1907. PM in 1931 was Aiden J. Bougan. Mails in Summer were from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Springdale. In Winter from Springdale by courier. No proofs or strikes seen.

ST. PAULS

Open	1898	Closed	1931	Population	115
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Gros Morne National Park	Map 5 Inset	S 8
Distributing Office		Cow Head			

This office reopened after Confederation from November 12 1951 until June 12 1989 and is presently served by its second retail office. First Postmaster was John Pitman, followed by George Hutchings in 1910 who, was still in office in 1931. Mails in Summer were from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona via Cow Head. In winter from Deer Lake station by courier up the Great Northern Mail Road.

No proofs or strikes seen.

ST. PHILIP'S

Open	May 13 1904	Closed	June 16 1970	Population	631
Bay	Conception	Location	Near Bell Island	Map 21 F	27
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Broad Cove St. John's West and served under that name from 1896 until 1904. First Postmaster was David Tucker, followed by Charles R. Belpin JP who, also was in office in 1931. Mails were daily by wagon from St. John's on way to Bell Island ferry. One split ring, proofed in 1911 seen and was still in use as late as 1953. There could have been an earlier device OR the Broad Cove instrument could have been in use. CB for Conception Bay.

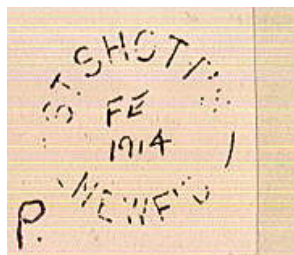


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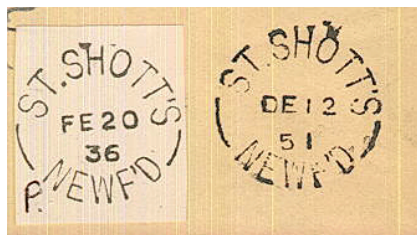
ST. SHOTT'S

Open	1898	Closed	Still Open	Population	119
Bay	Ocean	Location	Cape Race	Map 20 L	24
Distributing Office		Trepassey			

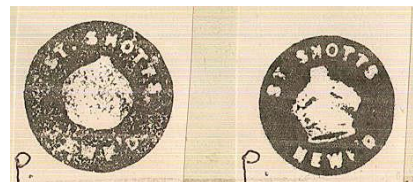
First Postmaster was Thomas Molloy, followed by William Anthony Molloy in 1904 and Mrs. James J. Lewis in 1917. PM in 1931 was Josephine Lewis (same ?) Mails were by Southern Shore Railway and/or courier via Trepassey. This office used the oval obliterator type Newfoundland Duplex as its first handstamp. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



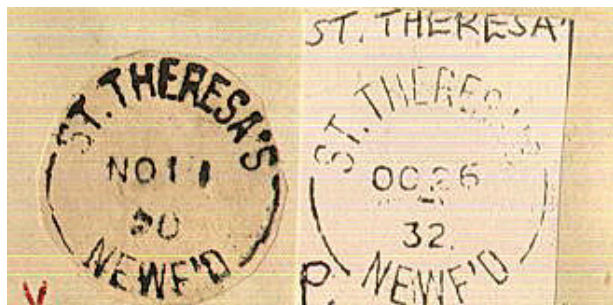
split ring No. 2



ST. THERESA'S

Open	1932	Closed	August 26 1971	Population	117
Bay	St. George			Map 12	B 5
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Bank Head and served under that name from 1906 until 1931. First Postmaster was Mrs. Margaret M. Cormier. PM in 1938 was Miss Kathleen King. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at St. Theresa station. One split ring seen.



ST. THOMAS

Open	October 21 1921	Closed	1931	Population	237
Bay	Conception	Location	St. John's West	Map 21	F 27
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Horse Cove and served under that name from February 09 1921 until October 21 1921. First Postmaster was Miss Theresa Stapleton. PM in 1931 was Miss Cecilia Stapleton. Mails were daily from St. John's by wagon on way to Bell Island ferry. One split ring seen.



ST. VERONICA

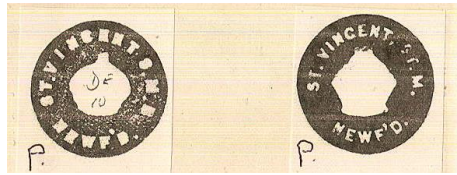
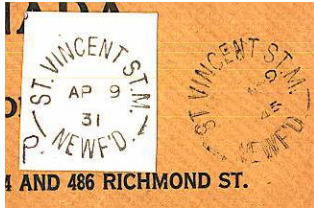
Open	1947	Closed	1949	Population	87
Bay	d'Espoir	Location	Head of Bay	Map 14	D 15
Distributing Office		Not known			

This office reopened after Confederation from June 02 1959 until August 26 1969. No Postmasters listed. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

ST. VINCENTS

Open	1910	Closed	Still Open	Population	384
Bay	St. Mary's	Location	Mouth of Holyrood Pond	Map	20 K 24
Distributing Office		St. Mary's			

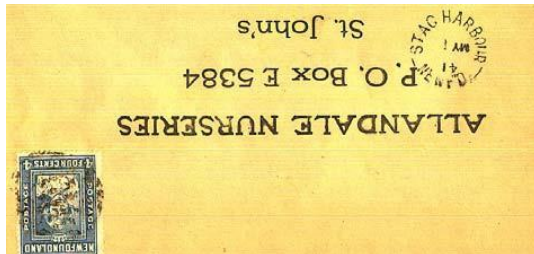
First Postmaster was Mrs. Fleming, followed by Mrs. Gibbons. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Patrick St. Croix. PM on April 01 1948 was Mrs. Irene Tobin. Mails were from Whitbourne station by courier via St. Mary's. One split ring proof, dated 1931 seen. Obviously there was an earlier one that probably read SMB as per the crown seal. STM for St. Mary's (District).



STAG HARBOUR

Open	1924	Closed	Aug 14 1992	Population	198
Bay	Hamilton Sound	Location	Fogo Island	Map	10 U 21
Distributing Office		Seldom Come Bye			

Postmaster in 1931 was Andrew Blundon. PM in 1936 was Miss Nellie Coish. PM in 1937 was Mrs. Bessie Coish. Mails in Summer were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home on way to Fogo via Seldom Come Bye. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier over the ice via Campbellton and Boyds Cove. One split ring seen.



STANHOPE

Open	March 16 1914	Closed	August 30 1970	Population	119
Bay	Exploits	Location	Near Lewisporte	Map	9 V 18
Distributing Office		Lewisporte			

Previously called Scissors Cove and served under that name from 1908 until March 1914. First Postmaster was Mr. Absolom Chaulk. PM in 1931 not listed. There may have been a closed period here. Again, possibly from 1931. Official material cites this office as (re)opening on August 10 1942 with Mrs. A. Fudge as PM. Mails were from Lewisporte by courier. No split ring proofs or strikes seen.



STANLEYVILLE

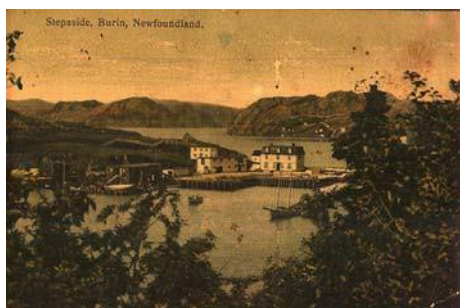
Open	October 26 1910	Closed	1925	Population	48
Bay	Bonne	Location	East Arm	Map 5	Inset U 8
Distributing Office		Norris Point			

Postmaster was Mrs. S. McKay. Mails were from Norris Point by courier. No proofs or strikes seen.

STEP A SIDE

Open	1900	Closed	1931	Population	58
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	Not shown
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was George Vigus, followed by Thomas Wagg in 1906 and Mrs. Thomas Wagg in 1908 who, was still in office in 1931. Mails distribution not known. One split ring seen.



STEPHENVILLE CROSS ROADS

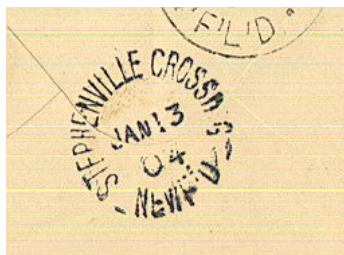
Open	Nov. 12 1912	Closed	1934	Population	Not known
Bay	Inland	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

This office may have been the predecessor Of Whites Road that was open from 1936 to 1941. First Postmaster was Arsene White, followed by John Downey in 1915. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Winifred White. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

STEPHENVILLE CROSSING

Open	1903	Closed	Still Open	Population	512
Bay	St. George	Location	Head of Bay St. George	Map 6	A 5
Distributing Office		Same			

Postmaster was C. Hynes. PM in 1931 was Aldo Pieroway who, was also telegraph operator with Dorothy Fleet as assistant. PM and TO in 1942 was Miss D.B. Scammell. Became a MOO in 1903. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Stephenville Crossing station. Four split rings seen and it appears that No. 3 and 4 were in use concurrently. As well as the following, there was also a wavy line Box Cancel in use at this office in 1930.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 3



split ring No. 2 "XING"
"X" broken
courtesy John Oldford



split ring No. 4



courtesy John Oldford

STEPHENVILLE

Open	1887	Closed	Still Open	Population	926
Bay	St. George	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map	6 A 5
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1887 with Martin Hynes as first waykeeper, followed by Joseph McLellan in 1889. Became a post office in 1891 with Joseph as first Postmaster, followed by Michael F. Hayes in 1893, M.E. Joy in 1896, John Joy in 1900, Patrick Kenny in 1901 and Miss White in 1913. PM in 1931 was Mrs. W. Alexander who, was also telegraph operator. June 03 1903 "To be a distributing center". Became a MOO July 15 1912. PM and TO on July 09 1948 was Miss Mary Cormier. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Stephenville Crossing station. One split ring seen.



courtesy John Oldford

STOCK AND KNIGHT'S COVE

Open	1887	Closed	1931	Population	256
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map	17 Z 25
Distributing Office		Trinity			

This office and Stock Cove office were one and the same. Both share the same Postmasters. It is not known when the change occurred. Open as a way office in 1887 with Catherine Hynes as waykeeper. First Postmaster was Catherine Walsh, followed by John Aylward in 1902 and Catherine Walsh once more in 1902. PM in 1931 was Michael Mahoney. Mails were by Bonavista Railway via Trinity. No proofs or strikes seen.

STONE'S COVE

Open	1882	Closed	August 20 1963	Population	183
Bay	Fortune	Location	Belle Bay	Map	19 F 18
Distributing Office		Same			

Another community for the Resettlement Programme. Open as a way office From 1882 until 1883 with Ambrose Pope as waykeeper. Reopened as a post office in 1894 with Edward Pope as first Postmaster, followed by Mary J. Pope in 1908. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Ambrose Pope. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe. One split ring seen.



courtesy Doug Hannan

SUMMERFORD

Open	June 15 1914	Closed	Still Open	Population	437
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	New World Island	Map	9 U 19
Distribution Office		Same			

Previously called Farmers Arm and served under that name from 1900 until 1914. First Postmaster was Mrs. Annie Churchill, followed by John Menty in 1915. PM in 1931 was Edgar Small. PM in 1941 was Miss Myrtle Gates. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Campbellton and Boyds Cove. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

SUMMERSIDE BOI

Open	1913	Closed	January 07 1970	Population	350
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	North Shore	Map	6 X 7
Distributing Office		Same			

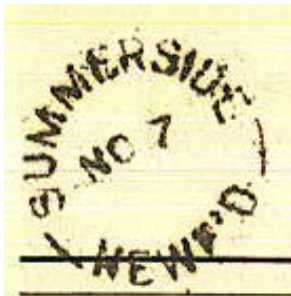
This location is now served by a retail office. Early Postmasters not listed.
PM in 1931 was Mrs. A.B. Penney. Mails were twice weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. George L.
One split ring proof exists. BOI for Bay Of Islands.



SUMMERSIDE NDB

Open	1891	Closed	Not known	Population	294
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was John Barry until at least 1908. PM in 1931 not listed. Mails distribution not known.
One split ring strike seen.



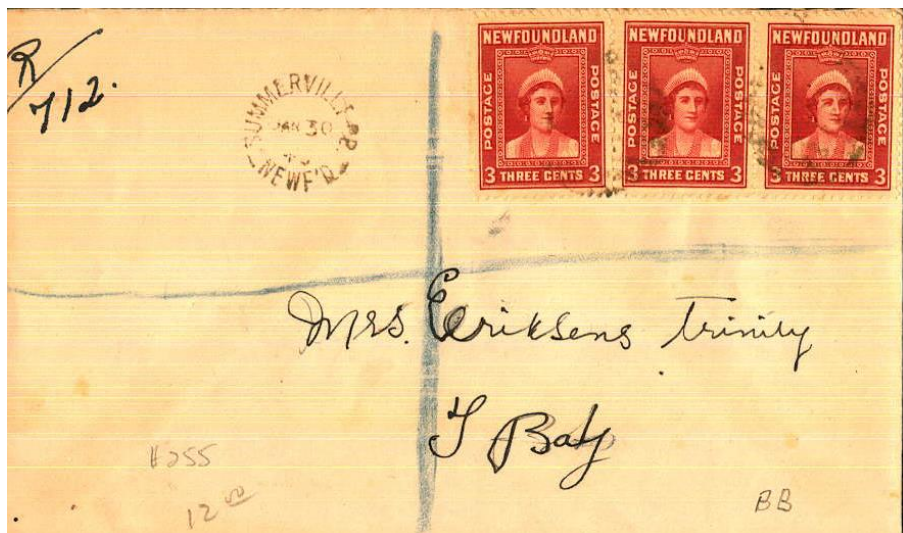
SUMMERSIDE PB

A third Summerside is listed for Placentia Bay with an opening of 1914 and a population of 350.
Nothing else is known regarding this office.

SUMMERVILLE

Open	1912	Closed	Still Open	Population	379
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map	16 A 24
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Mr. E.J. Humby, followed by Mrs. Edward Humby in 1912 and Miss Emma Humby in 1915. PM in 1931 was Richard Noble who, was also telegraph operator. PM in 1938 was Miss Muriel Fry. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. One split ring seen. BB for Bonavista Bay.



SUNDAY COVE ISLAND

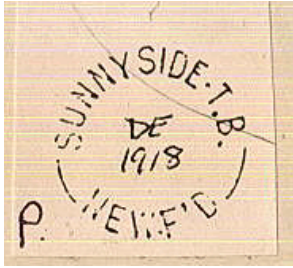
Open	1901	Closed	1904	Population	Not known
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Halls Bay	Map	8 U 15
Distributing Office		Not known			

After closing in 1904, this location reopened under the name of Newtown on December 04 1908 and was renamed Port Anson on October 17 1911. No Postmasters are listed. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

SUNNYSIDE

Open	1899	Closed	Still Open	Population	393
Bay	Trinity	Location	Head of Bull Arm	Map	16 D 23
Distributing Office		Come By Chance station			

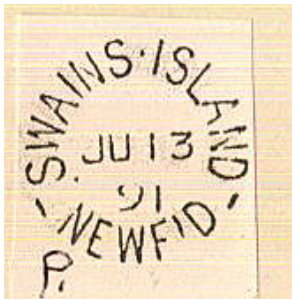
First Postmaster was Solomon Hutchings who, still held the position in 1931. PM in 1936 was Miss Minnie G. Sheppard. Mrs. Lily Mercer was appointed PM on December 01 1937. PM on December 21 1947 was Mrs. Caroline Mercer. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 at Come By Chance station. One split ring proof for 1918 seen, so there was an earlier one. Also, this office used a Post Office Oval handstamp in 1920.



SWAINS ISLAND

Open	1884	Closed	1903	Population	219
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Offshore from Wesleyville	Map	10 W 24 (general area)
Distributing Office		Wesleyville			

There is a Swales Island in Newman Sound. Open as a way office in 1884 with George Hann as waykeeper. Became post office in 1891 with George as Postmaster. Mails distribution unknown. A split ring proof exists.



SWAN HARBOUR

Open	January 20 1912	Closed	1931	Population	27
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Bay of Exploits	Map	9 U 18
Distributing Office		Exploits			

There are two Swan Islands in Exploits Bay. First Postmaster was George Dawe. PM in 1931 was Mrs. John Wells. Mails in Summer were from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Exploits. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier over the ice via Exploits. No proofs or strikes seen.

SWEET BAY NA

Open	1910	Closed	1912	Population	170
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Presumably, NA stands for North Arm. No Postmasters are listed. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

SWEET BAY

Open	1888	Closed	Still Open	Population	300
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map 16 A 23	
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1888 with Mark Walker as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Mark as first Postmaster, followed by Mary M. Kelly in 1908 who, still held office in 1931 and was reappointed in 1942. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

SWIFT CURRENT

Open	June 15 1914	Closed	Still Open	Population	99
Bay	Placentia	Location	Head of bay	Map 16 D 21	
Distributing Office		Same			

This location was called Piper's Hole until June 1914. There never was a post office by that name. First Postmaster was Mrs. Mary Crocker who, also still held office in 1931. This office had a closed period, probably 1931. Officially (re)open on October 17 1946 with Mrs. H.D. Beck as PM. Mails were weekly from Arnold's Cove by motor boat. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



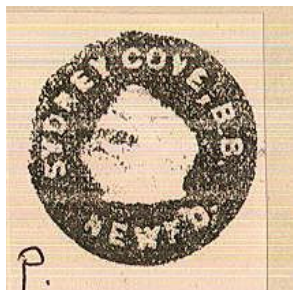
split ring No. 2



SYDNEY COVE

Open	1928	Closed	1931	Population	106
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

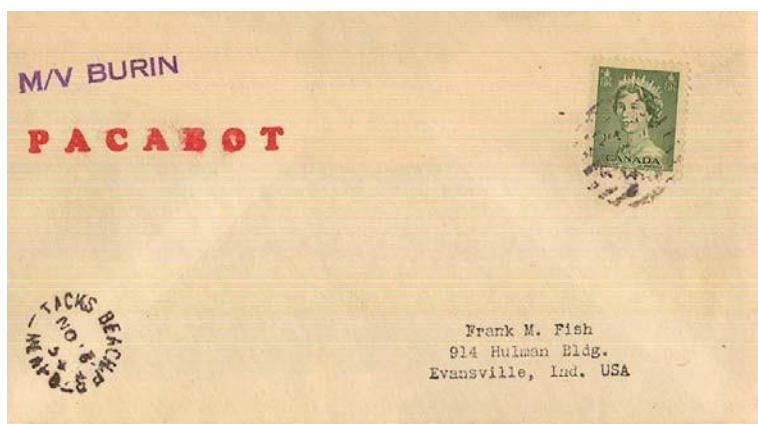
This office reopened after Confederation from January 02 1952 until July 04 1956 and then succumbed to the resettlement Programme. Postmaster was Mrs. George Rogers. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.



TACKS BEACH

Open	1895	Closed	May 23 1967	Population	252
Bay	Placentia	Location	King Island	Map 20 F 21	
Distributing Office		Same			

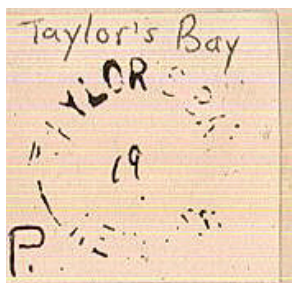
This location was part of the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Elizabeth Foote. PM in 1931 was Lewis Browne who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly by motor boat from Arnold's Cove. One split ring seen.



TAYLOR'S BAY

Open	1918	Closed	1931	Population	104
Bay	Placentia	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map 18 K 16	
Distributing Office		Lamaline			

First Postmaster not listed. PM in 1931 was Jacob Bonnell. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Portia via Lamaline. One proof exists.



TEMPLEMAN

Open	May 06 1912	Closed	Still Open	Population	216
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map	10 W 24
Distributing Office		Newtown			

Previously called Fox Cove and served under that name from 1906 until 1912. First Postmaster was Henry Melindy. PM in 1931 was Obadiah Howell. Mails were weekly from Gambo by motor ferry via Newtown. One split ring seen. BB for Bonavista Bay.



courtesy Doug Hannan

TERRA NOVA

Open	1894	Closed	April 27 1970	Population	64
Bay	Inland	Location	Terra Nova National Park	Map	16 A 21
Distributing Office		Same			

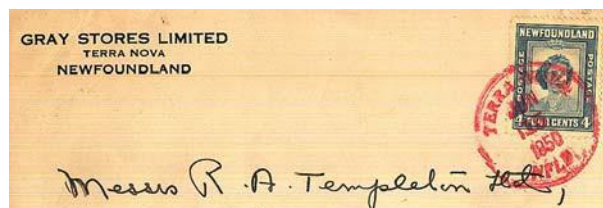
First Postmaster was Albert Horwood. PM in 1931 was Mrs. M. Head who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO on April 13 1948 was Miss Vera Scott. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Terra Nova station.



Dotted line box



Gothic lettering



Serif lettering

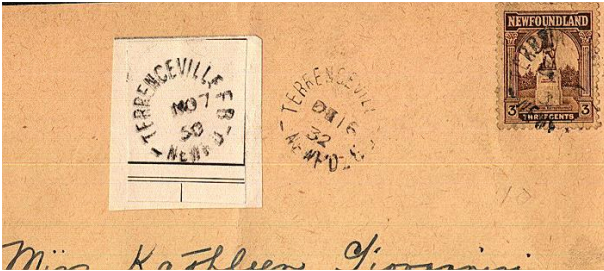


Wavy line box
courtesy John Oldford

TERRENCEVILLE

Open	1906	Closed	February 23 1993	Population	300
Bay	Fortune	Location	Head of Fortune Bay	Map	15 E 19
Distributing Office		Same			

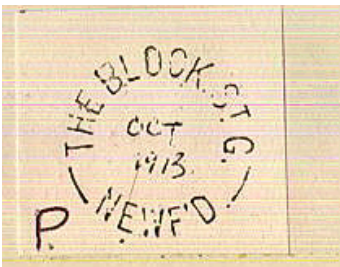
Since closing, a retail office opened in 1999 and continues in use. This location was previously called Fortune Head of Bay. First Postmaster was Abigail Miles who, was still serving in 1931. Mails were weekly by S.S. Glencoe via Argentia. A double circle is recorded. One split ring seen. FB for Fortune Bay.



(THE) BLOCK

Open	1913	Closed	1931	Population	36
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Mouth of Codroy River	Map	11 E 2
Distributing Office		Searston (Grand River Gut)			

First Postmaster was Kate Gillis. PM in 1931 was Joseph Mac Donald. Distribution was daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Tompkins station via Searston. It was hard to pin down the location for this office but, given the Cape Breton Surnames of the two postmasters I had assumed Codroy Valley or adjacent seacoast from Heatherton South to the mouth of the Codroy River. This whole area was settled by Cape Bretoners in the late 1800s. Fortunately the proof is known. STG for St. George (district).



THIMBLE TICKLES

Open	1907	Closed	1931	Population	Not known
Bay	Not known	Location	Twillingate District		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was George Marsh Jr. PM in 1931 was David J. Marsh. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

THORNLEA

Open	Sept. 20 1913	Closed	1931	Population	77
Bay	Trinity	Location	Head of Bay	Map	20 F 23
Distributing Office		Not known			

Previously called Colliers Bay Cove and served under that name from 1885 until 1913. No Postmasters are listed. Mails distribution is not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

THOROUGHFARE

Open	April 1885	Closed	December 10 1959	Population	74
Bay	Trinity	Location	Random Island	Map	16 B 24
Distributing Office		Same			

This location was another candidate for the Resettlement Programme. Open as a way office in 1885 with Thomas Mills as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Thomas as first Postmaster, followed by John Mills in 1896 who, still held office in 1931. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. One split ring seen. TB for Trinity Bay.



THREE ARMS

Open	1886	Closed	1937	Population	102
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Green Bay	Map	8 T 15
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1886 with J.B. Wells as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with J.B. as first Postmaster, followed by Fanny Wells in 1896 and Mrs. Fanny Batstone (married ?) in 1898. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Ralph B. Moore who, was also telegraph operator. This office is listed as officially closed on December 02 1937. Mails were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. One split ring seen.



THREE BROOKS

Open	1924	Closed	1929	Population	11
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

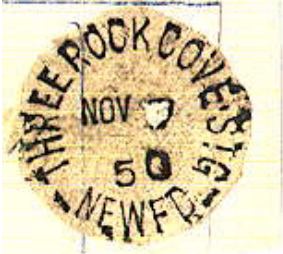
No Postmasters are listed. Mails distribution not known. A complete mystery with a proof date of 5 years before the opening?



THREE ROCK COVE

Open	January 14 1911	Closed	August 17 1970	Population	94
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map	5 Z 3
Distributing Office			Port Au Port		

First Postmaster was Patrick Hall, followed by Mrs. John Collier in 1914. PM in 1931 was Mrs. P.J. Hall. Mails were from Stephenville Crossing station via Port Au Port. One split ring seen. STG for St. Georges (District).



TICKLE COVE

Open	July 1883	Closed	1931	Population	209
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map	16 Z 24
Distributing Office			Open Hall		

Open as a way office in 1883 with Adam Skiffington as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Adam as first Postmaster until at least 1908. PM in 1931 was John Lane. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Open Hall. One split ring proof exists.



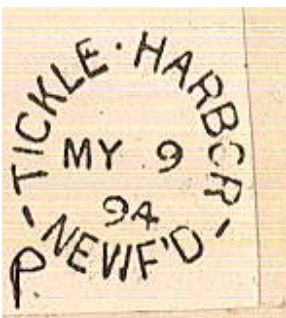
TICKLE HARBOUR CROSSING

An entry exists for this location as a way office only from 1890 until 1891 with P.F. Power as waykeeper. Nothing else is known regarding this office.

TICKLE HARBOUR

Open	1896	Closed	1897	Population	Not known
Bay	Trinity	Location	Tickle Bay	Map	16 E 23
Distributing Office			Not known		

Renamed Bellevue and served under that name from 1897 until the present day. Postmaster was Margaret Lynch. Mails distribution not known. One split ring proof exists.



TILT COVE

Open	July 1869	Closed	March 29 1968	Population	1380
Bay	Green	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	4 S 16
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1869 with Leander N. Gill as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1888 with William Cunningham as first Postmaster. PM in 1931 was Miss J.M. Jackman who, was also telegraph operator. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from St. John's by S.S. Prospero. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Springdale. Two split rings seen.



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split ring No. 2



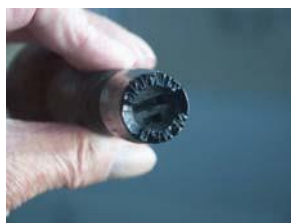
TILTING

Open	May 13 1904	Closed	Still Open	Population	386
Bay	Ocean	Location	Fogo Island	Map	10 T 22
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Tilton Harbour and served under that name from 1882 until 1904. First Postmaster was Patrick J. Brien, followed by Miss Isabella Burke. August 02 1909 "PO to be moved to TO". PM in 1931 was Isabella McGrath (married?). PM in 1938 was Patrick McGrath from November 24. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home on way to Fogo. Two split rings in use here and the second was used up until the 1990s.



Original Tilting Post Office
open in 1908



Tilting had 2 split rings.
Note that the earlier contained
the FOGO designation



split ring No. 1
courtesy John Oldford



split ring No. 1

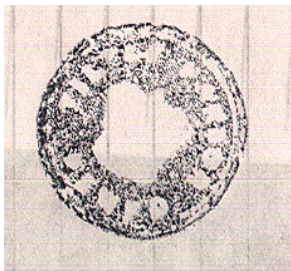


split ring No. 2

TILTON HARBOUR

Open	1882	Closed	May 13 1904	Population	413
Bay	Ocean	Location	Fogo Island	Map	10 T 22
Distributing Office		Same			

Renamed Tilting in 1904 and continues to serve under that name until the present day. Open as a way office in 1882 with Martha Banders as first waykeeper, followed by Martha Dwyer (married ?) in 1886. Became a post office in 1891 with Martha as first Postmaster, followed by Patrick J. Brien in 1889.



"Business end" of
Crown mail bag seal

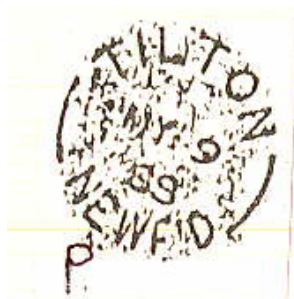


Tilton Harbour
Crown mail bag seal

TILTON

Open	1887	Closed	1931	Population	393
Bay	Conception	Location	Near Bay Roberts	Map	17 E 25
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1887 with Stephen Gosse as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Stephen as first Postmaster, followed by Josiah Janes in 1905, Mrs. William Greely in 1911, Edith Brown in 1915 and Lemuel Smith in 1920. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Moses Gosse. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway at Tilton station. One split ring seen.



TIZZARD'S HARBOUR

Open	1889	Closed	Summer 2006	Population	260
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	New World Island	Map	9 U 19
Distributing Office		Moreton's Harbour			

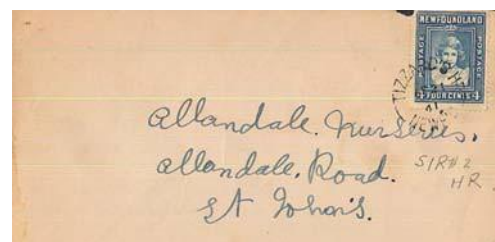
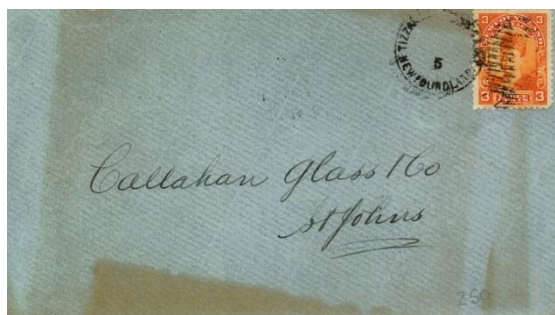
Open as a way office in 1889 with Joseph Osmond as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Joseph as first Postmaster, followed by John Boyd in 1900, Robert Boyd in 1900, John Boyd "daughter Florence to work in his absence". in 1905, Mrs. Boyd in 1910, Miss Small in 1912, Miss Alice J. Osmond in 1913 and William Forward "also courier to Moreton's Harbour" in 1913. PM in 1931 was Clara Boyd. PM in 1937 was Miss Dorothy Clothier. She was replaced that year on September 01 by Miss Ivy Small. PM in 1942 was Mrs. Hilda M. Boyd. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Moreton's Harbour. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Campbellton and Boyd's Cove. Three split rings seen. This Office is one of the few to have used the 1900 oval grid obliterator Duplex.



split ring No. 1 "HR NDB"
courtesy John Oldford



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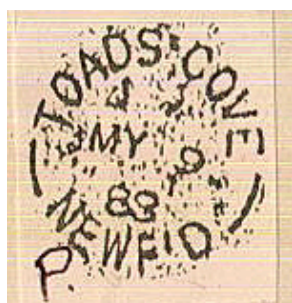


split ring No. 3 HR

TOAD'S COVE

Open	1879	Closed	1911	Population	350
Bay	Ocean	Location	"Irish Loop" Avalon Peninsula	Map	21 H 27 (Tors Cove)
Distributing Office		Same			

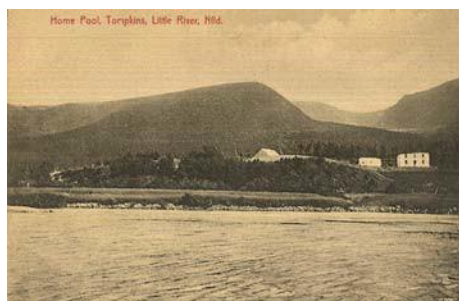
Renamed Tors Cove in 1911 and served under that name until the present day. Open as a way office in 1879 with Mrs. Catherine Driscoll as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Catherine as first Postmaster, followed by Sarah Driscoll in 1908. Mails were from St. John's by courier on the Southern Shore route. One split ring seen.



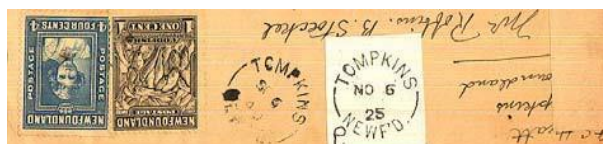
TOMPKINS

Open	1911	Closed	September 30 1970	Population	134
Bay	Inland	Location	Lower Codroy Valley	Map	11 E 2
Distributing Office		Same			

No early Postmaster listed. PM in 1931 was Jas. T. Tompkins. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Tompkins station. Two split rings seen. STG for St. Georges (District).



split ring No. 1



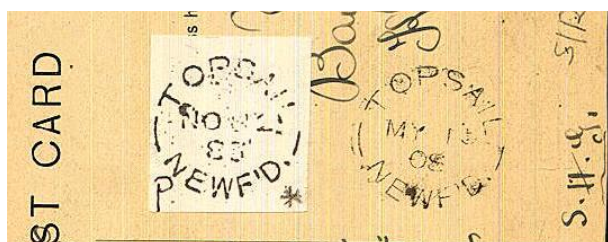
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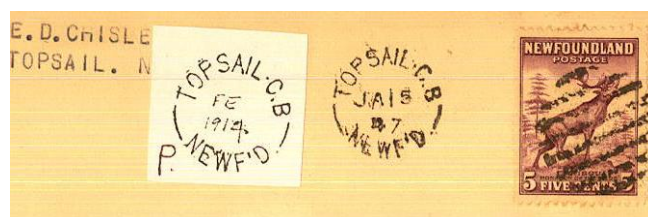
TOPSAIL

Open	1864	Closed	Still Open	Population	413
Bay	Conception	Location	St. John's West	Map	21 F 26 (general area)
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1864 with Maria Moyse as first waykeeper, followed by Joseph Moyse in 1887. Became a post office in 1890 with Joseph as first Postmaster, followed by Mrs. Annie Moysein 1907. PM in 1931 was Florence Miller. V. H. Tilley was appointed PM on January 01 1940. PM on August 15 1948 was Elvert Snow. Mails were from St. John's daily by wagon. Two split rings seen. CB for Conception Bay.



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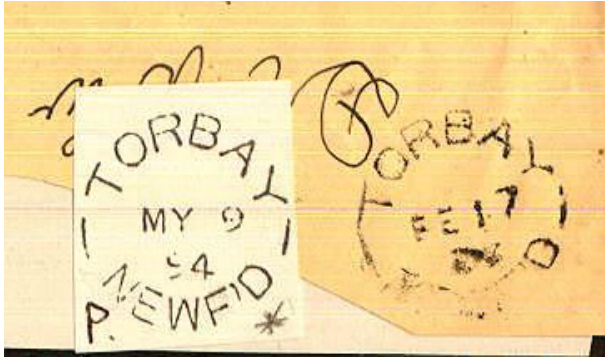


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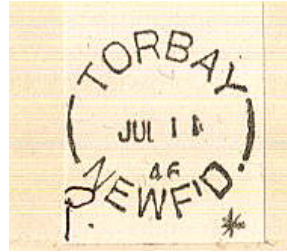
TORBAY

Open	1871	Closed	Still Open	Population	1523
Bay	Ocean	Location	Near St. John's	Map	17 E 27
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1871 with John McGuire as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1888 with John as first Postmaster, followed by Margaret Gosse in 1891, Miss Bessie Gosse in 1897, Matthew J. Power in 1904 and Richard J. Ryan in 1907. PM in 1931 was Thomas McGrath. Became a MOO on September 26 1904. Mails were daily from St. John's by wagon. Two split rings seen. There may have been an earlier one.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

TORS COVE

Open	1911	Closed	Still Open	Population	350
Bay	Ocean	Location	"Irish Loop" Avalon Peninsula	Map	21 H 27
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Toads Cove and served under that name from 1879 until 1911. First Postmaster was Stephen Colbert, with Robert Colbert "to be courier, Tors Cove-Caplin Cove-St. Michaels". PM in 1931 was Sarah Driscoll, a former Postmaster of Toads Cove. Mails were from St. John's by Southern Shore Railway and/or courier. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1
courtesy John Oldford

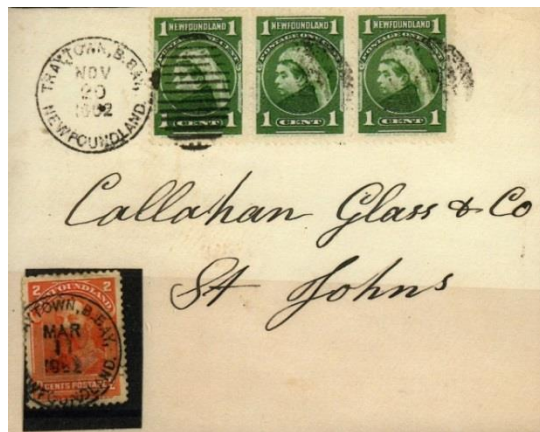
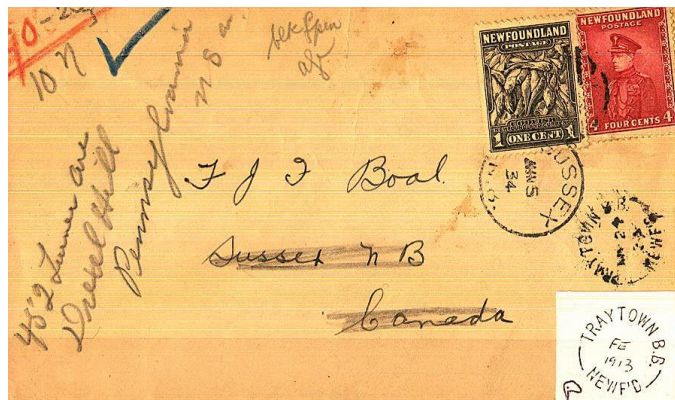


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TRAYTOWN

Open	1900	Closed	Still Open	Population	183
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Near Glovertown	Map	16 Z 22
Distributing Office		Glovertown			

First Postmaster was Charles Kean. PM in 1931 was Mrs. H. Ralph. PM on April 1 1948 was Mrs. Mildred Arnold. Mails were Trs. 1 and 2 from Alexander Bay Station via Glovertown. One split ring, proofed 1913, seen. There had to be an earlier one. BB for Bonavista Bay.



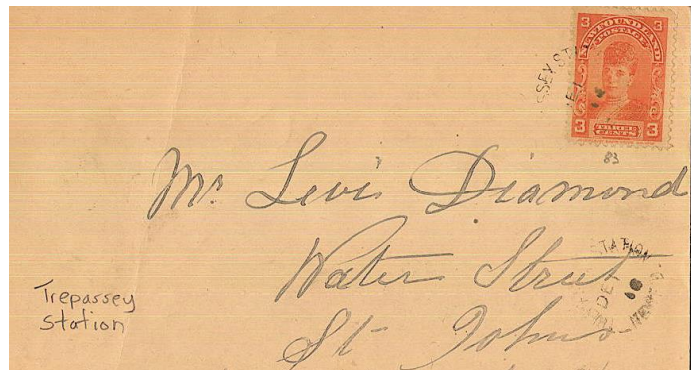
Traytown Duplex



TREPASSEY STATION

Open	1915	Closed	1931	Population	Nil
Bay	Ocean	Location	Trepassey	Map	21 K 25
Distributing Office		Same			

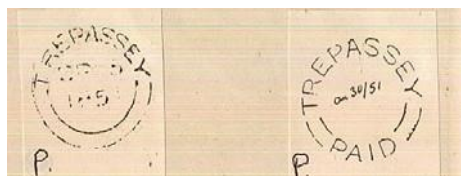
First Postmaster was Dennis Ryan, followed by Agnes Ryan in 1916, who still held office in 1931. Mails were from St. John's by Southern Shore Railway. One split ring strike seen.



TREPASSEY

Open	1851	Closed	Still Open	Population	552
Bay	Ocean	Location	"Irish Loop" Avalon Peninsula	Map	21 K 25
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a post office in 1851 with John Devereux as Postmaster. Reverted to way office status in 1866 with Elizabeth Devereux as first waykeeper, followed by Mary Devereux in 1882, Mrs. A.G. Curtis in 1886 and James Murphy in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with James as first Postmaster, followed by Elizabeth Stevenson in 1898. PM in 1931 George Sutton. Mails were from St. John's by Southern Shore Railway via Trepassey Station and/or courier. The GPO double split rings were in use early in the second post office stage. Three split rings seen.



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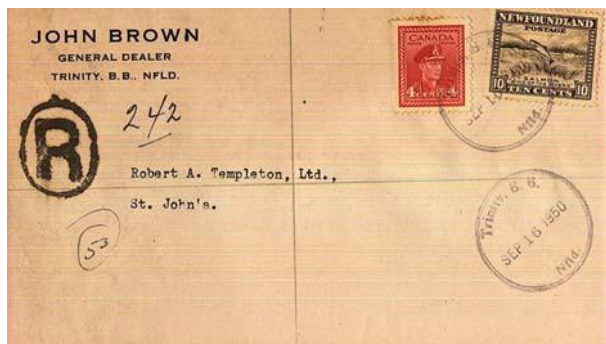
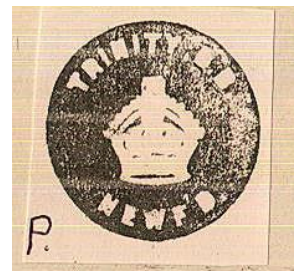
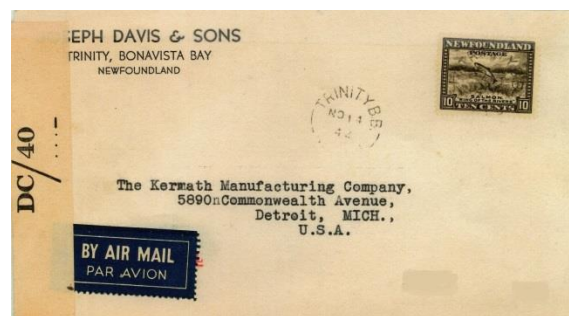


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TRINITY BB

Open	1924	Closed	Still Open	Population	246
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Wareham-Centreville	Map	10 X 22
Distributing Office		Not known			

Postmaster in 1931 was Sybil Brown. Mails distribution not known. One split ring seen. BB for Bonavista Bay.



TRINITY EAST

Open	1879	Closed	July 31 1969	Population	330
Bay	Trinity	Location	Near Trinity	Map	17 A 25
Distributing Office		Same			

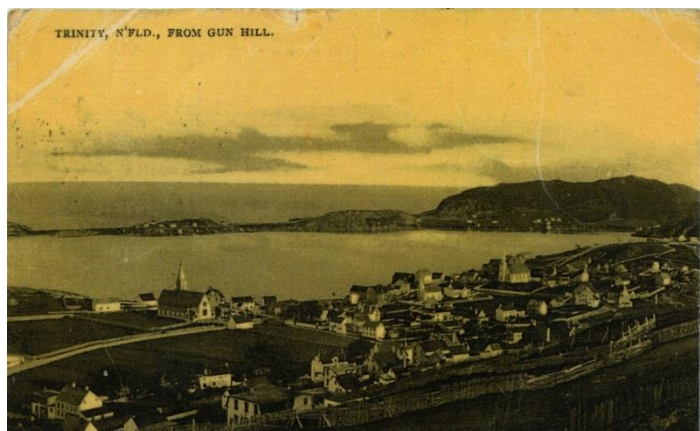
Open as a way office in 1879 with Reginald Mills as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Reginald as first Postmaster, followed by Miss Louisa B. Mills in 1903. December 7 1910 "PO to be moved to a store owned by John House who is to be paid \$20 per annum rental. Miss Mills to be paid \$80 from January 01 1911". PM in 1931 was L.B. (Louisa ?) Mills who, was also telegraph operator. PM in 1942 was Miss Elizabeth Hogarth. One split ring seen.



TRINITY TB

Open	1851	Closed	Still Open	Population	450
Bay	Trinity	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map	17 A 25
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was Anne Buchanan, followed by Anne Cross in 1859, Mary R. Buchanan in 1886 and Miss Emma C. Hiscock who, still held office in 1931. Mails were by Bonavista Railway. One split ring seen. TB for Trinity Bay.

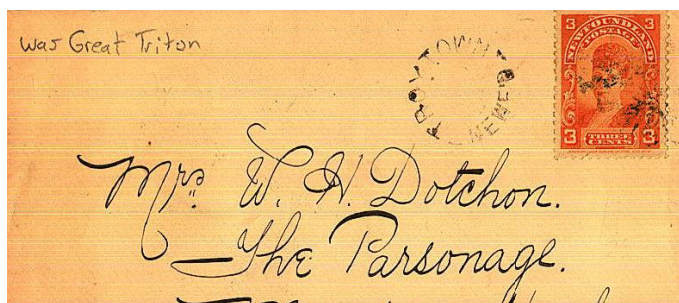


TRITON / GREAT / WEST / TROYTOWN

Open	1900	Closed	Still Open	Population	359
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Triton Island	Map	8 U 16
Distributing Office		Same			

There is a bit of confusion surrounding this office and that of Triton West and Triton Great. I am of the opinion that they were one and the same location. It appears that this office became Triton Great in 1912 and Triton West in 1929. To confuse matters further, the handstamp read Troytown during the "Triton" period 1900 until 1912. From 1929 until sometime during 1981, it was called Triton West which was changed to Triton. First Postmaster was Alfred Simms, followed by Mrs. Noah Vincent in 1912. PM in 1931 was not listed. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier.

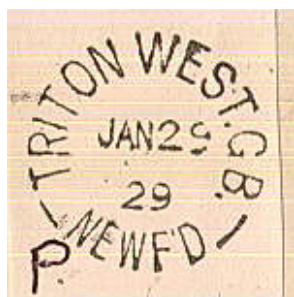
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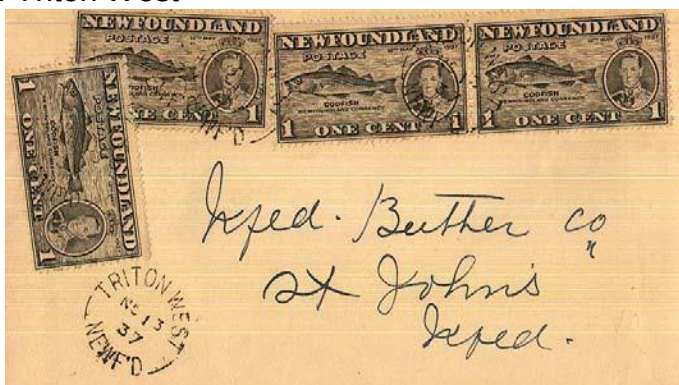
Second Era: 1912 until 1929: Triton Great

No proofs or strikes from this time frame. Troytown still in use ??

Third Era: 1929 until 1981: Triton West



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GB for Green Bay



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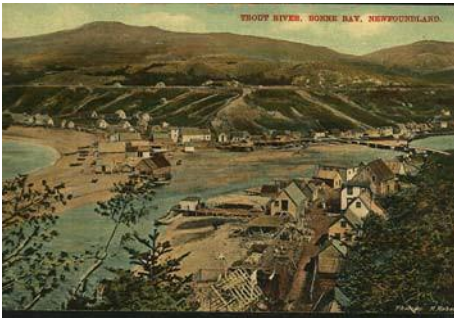


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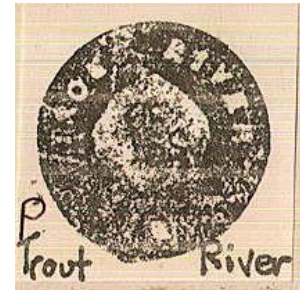
TROUT RIVER

Open	1893	Closed	Still Open	Population	506
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Gros Morne National Park	Map 5 Inset	U 7
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was John Haliburton, followed by Charles White in 1904. PM in 1931 was David Shaw. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier via Bonne Bay. Two split rings seen.



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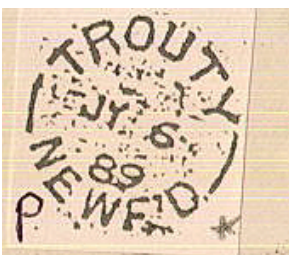


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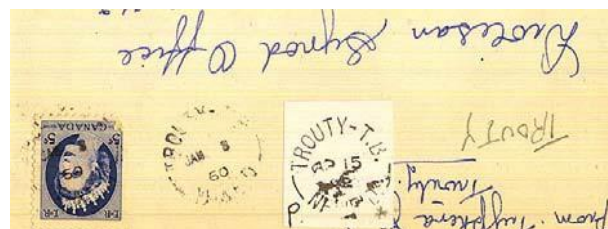
TROUTY

Open	1887	Closed	August 11 1970	Population	259
Bay	Trinity	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map 16 B	24
Distributing Office		Trinity			

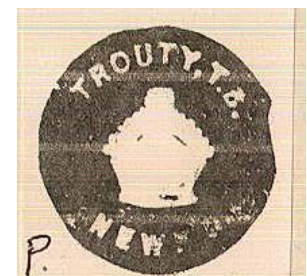
Open as a way office in 1887 with Frederick Grover as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Frederick as first Postmaster, followed by Walter J. Grover in 1908 and Miss Sarah Grover in 1912. PM in 1931 was Sarah Morris (married?). PM in 1937 was Messrs. Joseph Davis and son. There must have been a closed period as office listed as opening December 17 1941. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu via Trinity. Two split rings seen. TB for Trinity Bay.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2 TB



TURKS COVE

Open	1891	Closed	1931	Population	80
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 D 25
Distributing Office			New Perlican		

First Postmaster was Mrs. Carberry, followed by Miss H.M. Carberry in 1899, John Antle in 1909 and Mrs. Michael Harty in 1909. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Elizabeth Antle. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu via New Perlican. Two split ring proofs seen. TB for Trinity Bay.



split ring No. 1 split ring No. 2 TB

TURKS GUT

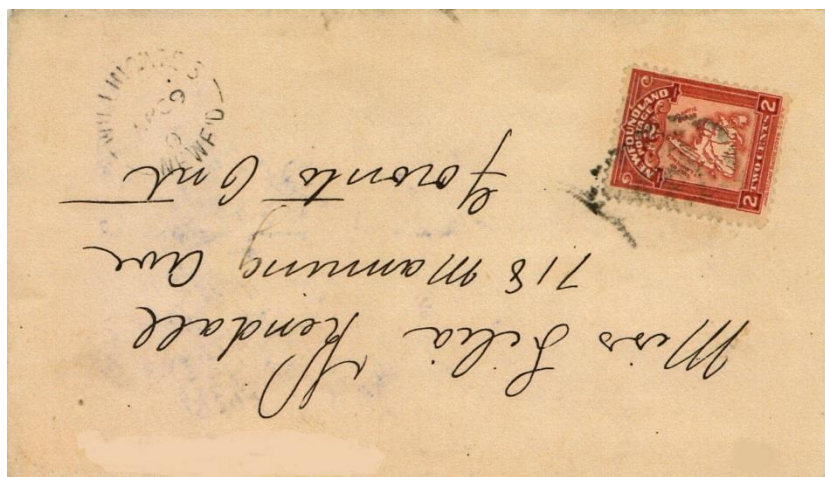
Open	1905	Closed	November 08 1919	Population	292
Bay	Conception	Location	Near Brigus	Map	21 F 25 (Marysvale)
Distributing Office			Brigus		

First Postmaster was Mr. Jacob Heddison, followed by Dennis Shea in 1909. Mails were via Brigus. No proofs or strikes seen.

TWILLINGATE SOUTH

Open	1887	Closed	1919	Population	200
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Twillingate Island	Map	9 T 19 (general area)
Distributing Office			Twillingate		

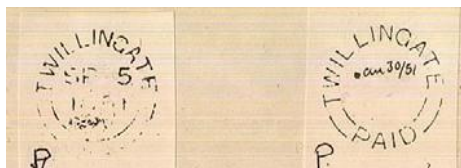
Open as a way office in 1887 with John Davis as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Olivia Hudder as first Postmaster, followed by Rose Gillet in 1894, George Gillet in 1900 and Mary Pond in 1908. Mails were via Twillingate. One split ring proof exists. S for South.



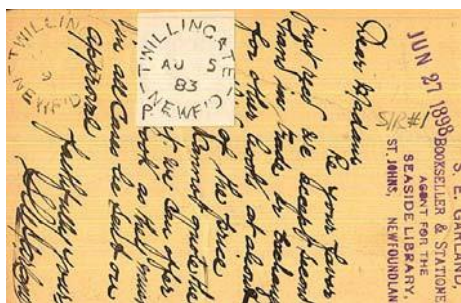
TWILLINGATE

Open	1851	Closed	Still Open	Population	1048
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Twillingate Island	Map	9 T 19
Distributing Office	Same				

Open as a post office in 1851 with Joseph Pearce as first Postmaster, followed by Josiah Colborne in 1883. May 29 1902 "Mr. Jonas Colbourne (sic) 77, to be retired at two thirds salary after 28 years service". John White in 1902. July 03 1903 "Josiah and Benjamin Roberts' tender for erection of new PO and TO approved, cost \$2200". Miss White assistant PM in 1913. Miss White PM in 1921. PM in 1931 was Frederick House with Amelia Anstey as assistant who, became PM on November 01 1938. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde. In Winter from Lewisporte via Campbellton and Boyds Cove. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 2



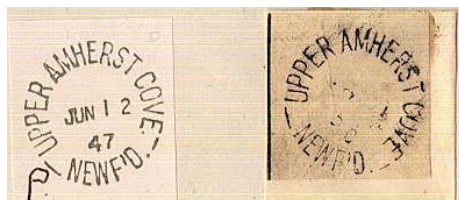
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UPPER AMHERST COVE

Open	1947	Closed	July 28 1970	Population	191
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Bonavista Peninsula	Map	17 Z 25 (Amherst Cove)
Distributing Office	Not known possibly Catalina				

This office was a reopening of Amherst Cove circa 1900-1931. It officially opened on April 01 1947 with Mrs. Walter Brown as PM. Mails distribution not known. One split ring seen.



UPPER CLARENVILLE

Open	September 1902	Closed	Not listed 1908	Population	Not known
Bay	Trinity	Location	Clarencville ?		
Distributing Office		Clarencville ?			

“Walter Tilley to be PM and courier at \$20”. Nothing else is known regarding this office.
No proofs or strikes seen.

UPPER FERRY

Open	May 30 1904	Closed	1947	Population	117
Bay	Inland	Location	Codroy River	Map 11 D 2	
Distributing Office		Doyles Station			

First Postmaster was Mr. A.D. McIsaac who, still held the position in 1931.
Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Doyles Station. No split ring proofs seen.



Courtesy of Doug Hannan: October 2025
NOTE: the cancel is poor, but location confirmed with the return address

UPPER GULLIES

Open	1893	Closed	July 16 1990	Population	260
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay South	Map 21 F 26	
Distributing Office		Same			

Since closing, this office has been served by three retail offices, the latter of which is still open.
First Postmaster was Tryphena Baker, followed by Mrs. Lavinia Andrews in 1895. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Nathaniel Coates. PM on July 01 1948 was Winston Coates. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Upper Gullies station. One split ring seen.



UPPER ISLAND COVE

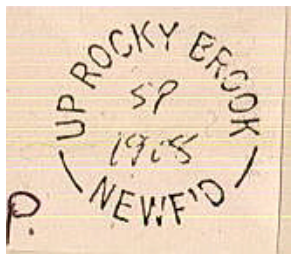
Open	1931	Closed	Still Open	Population	942
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map 17 E 25	
Distributing Office		Same			

Postmaster in 1931 was Archibald Crane. PM in 1936 was John W. Coombs. PM in 1936 Mrs. G. Crane, followed by John Osborne on October 01 1937 who, refused the appointment and was succeeded by Miss Nita Janes on November 01. Mrs. J.J. Foley was PM in 1942. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway. No split ring proofs or strikes seen.

UPPER ROCKY BROOK

Open	Dec. 20 1907	Closed	March 03 1913	Population	54
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound Random	Map 16 B 23	(Monroe)
Distributing Office	Likely	Clareville			

Renamed Monroe in 1913 and served under that name until February 19 1971. Postmaster was Mrs. Manuel Stone. Mails distribution not known. One split ring proof exists.



UPPER SMALL POINT

Open	1885	Closed	May 13 1920	Population	157
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map 17 D 26	(Kingston)
Distributing Office		Not known			

Renamed Kingston in 1920 and served under that name until August 06 1970. Open as a way office in 1885 with Grace Hayden as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Grace as first Postmaster, followed by son Mr. Hayden in 1913. Mails distribution not known. One split ring proof seen.



VALLEYFIELD

Open	1897	Closed	1928	Population	384
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map	10 W 23
Distributing Office		Badgers Quay			

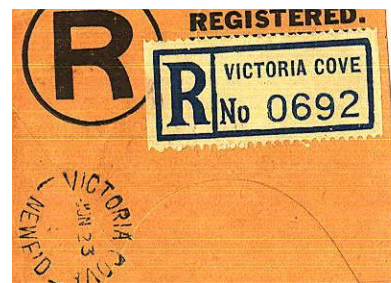
An alternate name for this location was North West Arm New Bay Bonavista Bay. There already was a post office called North West Arm New Bay in Notre Dame Bay. First Postmaster was Frederick Martin. Became a MOO on January 23 1911. Only one very bad split ring proof seen.



VICTORIA COVE

Open	March 27 1906	Closed	Still Open	Population	212
Bay	Hamilton Sound	Location	Gander Bay	Map	9 V 20
Distributing Office		Same			

This location was called Old House Cove until March 06 1897 but, there never was a post office by that name. First Postmaster was Miss Sarah Oake, followed by Benjamin Torraville in 1906, Olivia Torraville in 1908 and Miss Matilda Record in 1918. September 24 1919 "New Postal Telegraph office. Miss Rilla Forsey to be PM and TO". PM in 1931 was Doris M. Torraville. Mails were weekly from St. John's by S.S. Home on way to Fogo. Only one split ring seen.



VICTORIA VILLAGE

Open	1890	Closed	1912	Population	818
Bay	Inland	Location	Conception Bay North	Map 17 E 25	(Victoria)
Distributing Office Carbonear					

Renamed Victoria in 1912 and served under that name until the present day. Opened as a way office in 1890 with Sarah Powell as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Sarah as first Postmaster, followed by Rebecca Powell in 1908 and Nicholas Powell in 1911. Became a MOO on March 22 1911. Mails distribution not known. One split ring seen. Still using VICTORIA VILLAGE in 1914.



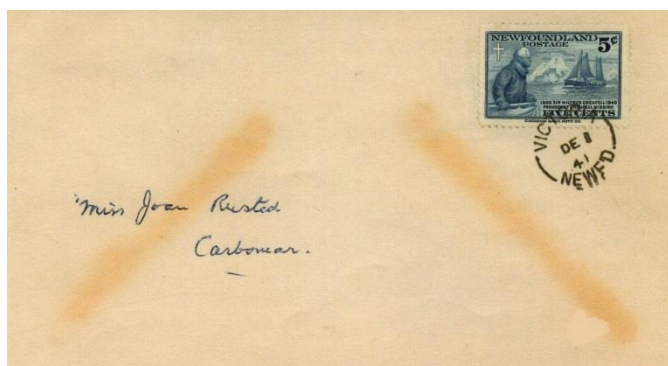
courtesy John Oldford



VICTORIA

Open	1912	Closed	Still Open	Population	1004
Bay	Inland	Location	Conception Bay North	Map 17 E 25	
Distributing Office Carbonear					

Previously called Victoria Village and served under that name from 1890 until 1912. First Postmaster was Mr. Powell, followed by John T. Waters in 1919. July 12 1919 "PO building to be erected at a cost of \$1000". PM in 1931 was J. E. Waters. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. One split ring seen. Still using VICTORIA VILLAGE in 1914.



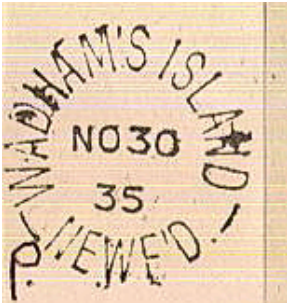
VOYS BEACH

An entry exists for this office with no other particulars than PP, supposedly Port Au Port. No dates are given only a population of 53. There is a Voys Beach on the south shore of Bay of Islands. Map 6 X 6. No proofs or strikes have been seen.

WADHAM'S ISLAND

Open	1899	Closed	Not known	Population	9
Bay	Hamilton Sound	Location	Near Fogo Island	Map	10 U 22
Distributing Office		Possibly	Musgrave Harbour		

This location was a seasonal office, open only four months of the year. There is confusion in regards to this office. Some records say closed in 1904. I have a Postmaster for 1911. There is no record for 1931. There is a proof for 1935. Palmer Moffat's list has entries of 1937 to 1942. The largest island in this group was Peckfords which was open from 1900 until 1927. There are five other islands in the group besides Offer Wadham which, had its own post office. Those are the only known facts. First Postmaster was Annie Abbot, followed by Joseph Dyke in 1911. Mr. A. Way was appointed for the seasonal four month period on June 01 1939. Seasonal PM for 1940 was Walter Hicks. Office closed for the season in 1942 on October 31. Mails distribution not known but likely from Musgrave Harbour. A split ring proof exists for 1935 so, there was obviously an earlier device.



WALDRON'S COVE

Open	March 22 1911	Closed	1931	Population	24
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Near Fortune Harbour	Map	7 U 18
Distributing Office		Fortune Harbour			

First Postmaster was Matthew Hamilton. PM in 1931 was John Lyner. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Fortune Harbour. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier. One split ring seen NDB for Notre Dame Bay.

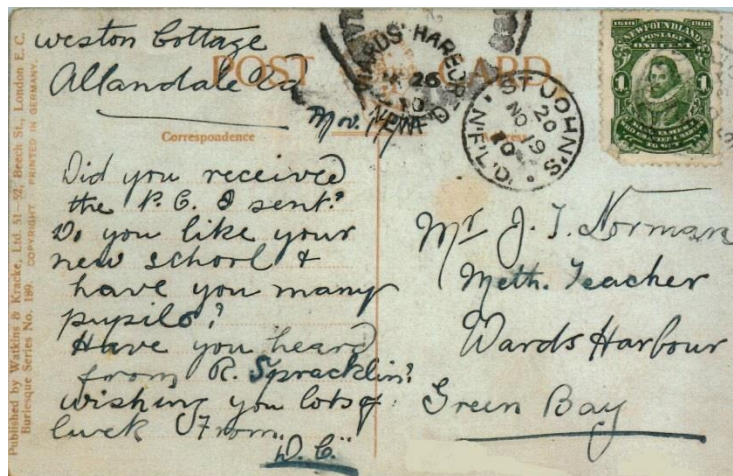
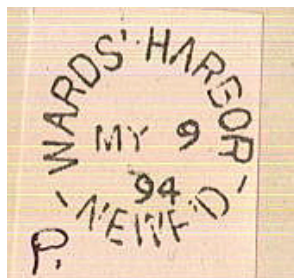


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WARDS' HARBOUR

Open Bay	1894 Green	Closed Location	May 13 1920 Long Island	Population 47
				Map 8 U 16
				(Beaumont North)
Distributing Office		Pilley's Island		

Renamed Beaumont North in May of 1920 and served under that name until 1933. First Postmaster was Samuel Short, followed by Kenneth K. Short in 1904, Mrs. K.K. Short in 1904, Mrs. Susan B. Rowsell in 1907 and Miss S. Rowsell in 1913. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Pilley's Island. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Pilley's Island. One split ring proof seen.



WAREHAM

Open	1933	Closed	February 01 1969	Population	94
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map	10 X 22
Distributing Office	Same				

This office became Wareham Centreville in 1969. No Postmasters are listed. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. One split ring seen. BB for Bonavista Bay.



WEBBER BIGHT

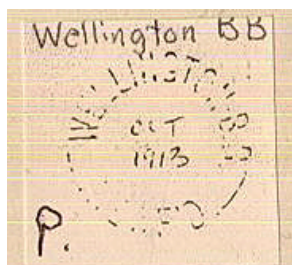
Open	1914	Closed	1924	Population	31
Bay	Not known	Location	Twillingate District		
Distributing Office	Not known				

Postmaster was Joseph Byrne. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

WELLINGTON

Open	May 1913	Closed	1931	Population	267
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

Previously called Shoal Bay (BB) and served under that name from April 16 1910 until May 1913. First Postmaster was Mrs. Amelia A. Pilley, followed by Mrs. Maud Preston in 1915 and Miss Alice Stuckless in 1917. PM in 1931 was Amelia Pilley. Mails distribution not known. One split ring proof exists.



WELLMAN'S COVE

Open	Dec. 12 1900	Closed	1933	Population	96
Bay	Halls	Location	Sunday Cove Island	Map 8 U 15	
Distributing Office		Port Anson			

This location eventually joined the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Mr. F. Wellman. PM in 1931 was Dexter Wellman. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Port Anson. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier. One split ring seen.

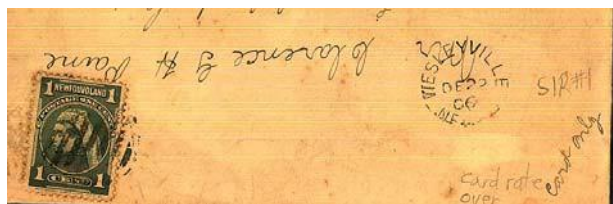


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WESLEYVILLE

Open	1897	Closed	Still Open	Population	1182
Bay	Bonavista	Location	New Wes Valley	Map	10 W 24
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster was George Hann, followed by Miss M.J. Hann in 1902 and John Kirby in 1905 who, was also telegraph operator. PM and TO in 1931 was E.B. Sainsbury. PM and TO in 1936 was Geo. Ralph. Miss Elizabeth Grandy became PM and TO on September 01 1937. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff. Two split rings seen. BB for Bonavista Bay.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2 BB



WEST BAY CENTRE

Open	1931	Closed	Still Open	Population	135
Bay	Port AU Port	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map 5 Z 3	
Distributing Office		Port Au Port			

No Postmasters are listed. Mails were from Stephenville Crossing station via Port Au Port. One split ring was in use at this office. P AU P for Port Au Port.



WEST BAY

Open	1909	Closed	1948	Population	237
Bay	Port Au Port	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map	5 Z 3
Distributing Office		Port Au Port			

First Postmaster was Charles Benoit. PM in 1931 was A.J. AuCoin. Mails were from Stephenville Crossing station via Port Au Port. Two split rings seen. STG for St. Georges (District).

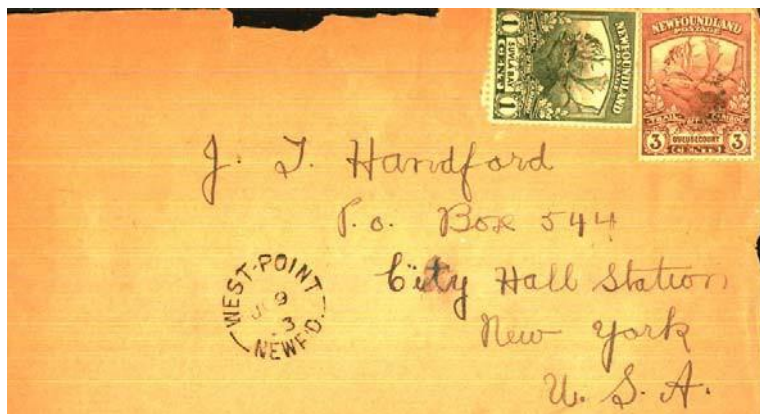


split ring No. 1 STG split ring No. 2 Port Au Port

WEST POINT

Open	1911	Closed	1931	Population	170
Bay	Ocean	Location	South West Coast	Map	12 F 5
Distributing Office		La Poile			

Previously called Western Point and served under that name from 1890 until 1910. Postmaster was Peter McDermott who, was still PM in 1931. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via La Poile. One split ring seen.



WEST ST. MODESTE

Open	1889	Closed	Still Open	Population	330
Bay	Strait of Belle Isle	Location	Mouth of Pinware River	Map	1 H 12
Distributing Office		Same			

First Postmaster not known. PM in 1936 was Wm. Lawrence Fowler. Mails in Summer were weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. Sagona. In Winter by dog team from Quebec via Forteau. No proofs or strikes seen.

WEST WABANA

Open	Not known	Closed	Not known	Population	Not known
Bay	Conception	Location	Bell Island		
Distributing Office		Bell Island ?			

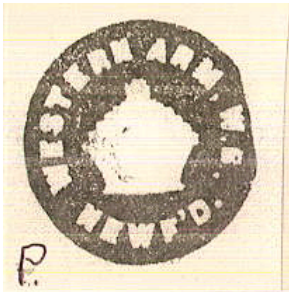
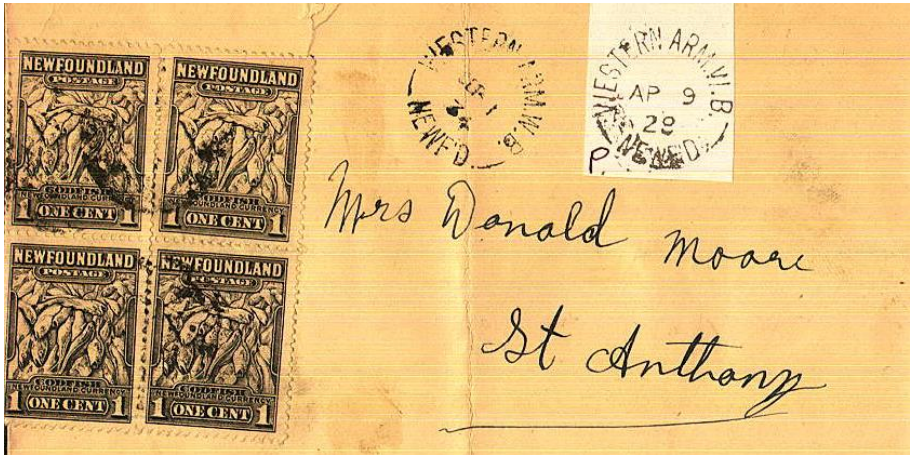
No records exist anywhere. There is a split ring and a crown seal proof for this office. Palmer Moffat lists a Wabana West for the period 1943 to 1945. The split ring date is 1926. The Bell Island Mines post office was renamed Wabana in 1951. BI for Bell Island ?



WESTERN ARM WB

Open	1929	Closed	July 22 1959	Population	83
Bay	White	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map 7 T 12	
Distributing Office		Same			

This location became part of the Resettlement Programme. Postmaster in 1931 was Emma J. Budden. Western Arm is listed as closed on June 13 1946 to be replaced by an office at Bear Cove White Bay to open July 09 1946. This may have happened BUT, the office at Western Arm reopened on November 29 1946 with Sidney Norman as PM. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier via Hampden. One split ring seen. WB for White Bay.



WESTERN ARM

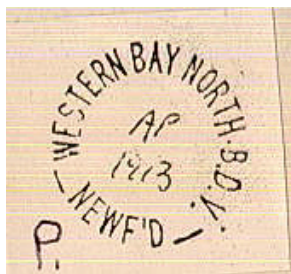
Open	1889	Closed	March 05 1906	Population	296
Bay	Hamilton Sound	Location	Fogo District	Map 10 V 21	(Carmanville)
Distributing Office		Not known			

The marking for this office read "Rocky Bay". The name was changed to Carmanville on March 05 1906 and continues to serve under that name until the present day. Open as a way office in 1889 with Matilda Parsons as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Matilda as first Postmaster, followed by Miss Ella Carnell in 1906. Became a MOO on June 04 1906. Mails distribution not known. See entry on Rocky Bay for illustration of split ring in use at this office.

WESTERN BAY NORTH

Open	1913	Closed	1933	Population	329
Bay	Conception	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Mrs. J. Tobin, followed by Miss Bertha Perry who, was still in office in 1931. Mails distribution not known. One split ring seen. BDV for Bay De Verde.



WESTERN BAY

Open	1869	Closed	Still Open	Population	686
Bay	Conception	Location	Conception Bay North	Map 17 D 26	
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1869 with Pierce Hanrahan as first waykeeper, followed by Jane Kennedy in 1882. Became a post office in 1891 with Jane as first Postmaster, followed by John Lynch in 1908 and Ewan Kennedy in 1909. PM in 1931 was Gertrude Kennedy who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were by Conception Bay Railway via Carbonear. One split ring seen.



Dotted line cancel
courtesy John Oldford



still used 93 years later!

WESTERN COVE

Open	1884	Closed	October 17 1911	Population	160
Bay	White	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map 7	T 12 (Westport)
Distributing Office		Not known			

Renamed Westport in October 1911 and has served under that name until the present day.
Open as a way office in 1884 with James Sparks as waykeeper, followed by William Rice in 1890.
Became a post office in 1891 with William as first Postmaster, followed by H.S. Pearce in 1908.
Became a MOO on September 15 1903. Mails distribution are not known. One split ring proof exists.



courtesy John Oldford

WESTERN HEAD

Open	1913	Closed	1931	Population	130
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Moreton's Harbour			

Postmaster was Azariah Jones "to be PM and courier to Moreton's Harbour, calling at Sampson Cove and Pierces Harbour". PM in 1931 was still Azariah. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

WESTERN POINT

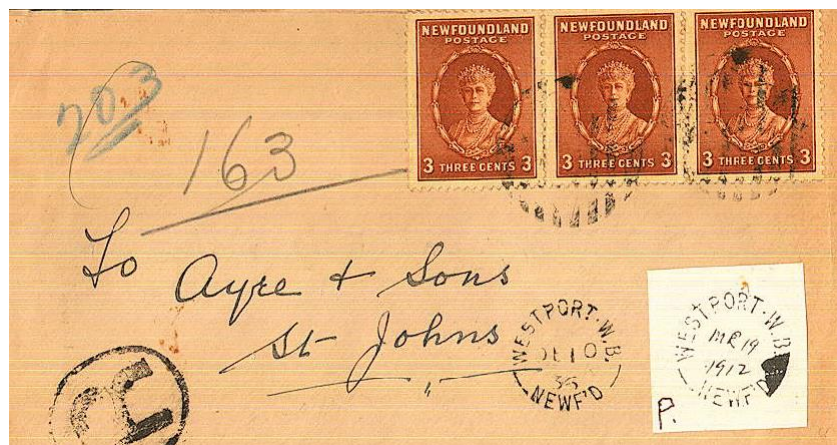
Open	1890	Closed	1910	Population	91
Bay	Ocean	Location	South West Coast	Map 12	F 5
Distributing Office		La Poile			

This office was reopened in 1911 and called West Point. It served under that name until 1931.
Open as a way office in 1890 with Peter McDermott as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with Peter as Postmaster. Mails distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

WESTPORT

Open	October 17 1911	Closed	Still Open	Population	111
Bay	White	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	7 T 12
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Western Cove and served under that name from 1884 until 1911. First Postmaster was H.S. Pearce. PM in 1931 was H.L. Pearce who, was also telegraph operator. S. G. Jacobs was appointed PM and TO on May 16 1937. PM in 1942 was Mrs. John Gale. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier via Hampden and Western Arm. One split ring seen. WB for White Bay.



WHALES BROOK

Open	April 13 1912	Closed	1931	Population	65
Bay	Trinity	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

First Postmaster was Mr. Louis Thorne who, still held the position in 1931. Mail distribution not known. No proofs or strikes seen.

WHALES GULCH

Open	1931	Closed	1981	Population	83
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	New World Island	Map	9 U 19 (general area)
Distributing Office		Moreton's Harbour			

First Postmaster was Chesley Rideout. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Moreton's Harbour. In Winter from Lewisporte by courier via Campbellton and Boyd's Cove. No split ring proofs or strikes seen. One crown seal, TWD for Twillingate District.



WHITBOURNE

Open	1891	Closed	Still Open	Population	520
Bay	Inland	Location	Avalon Peninsula	Map	20 G 24
Distributing Office		Same			

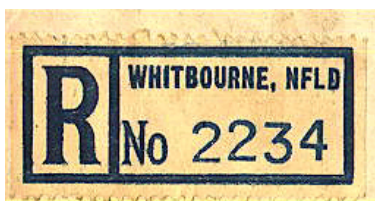
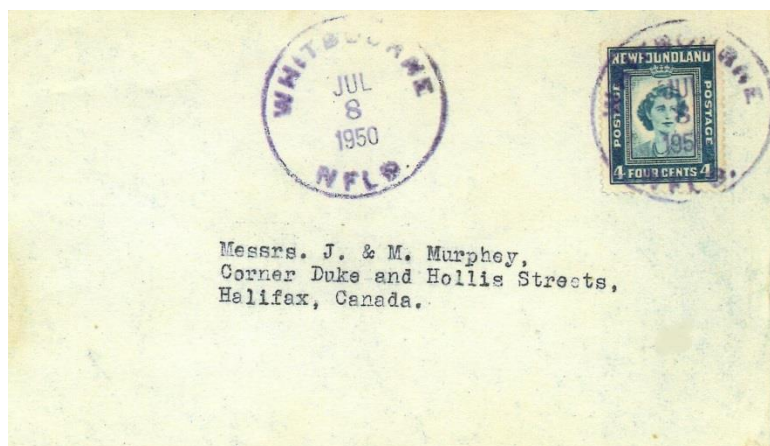
Previously called Harbour Grace Junction and served under that name from 1886 until 1891. First Postmaster was Lizzie Spracklin, followed by Mrs. Brazil in 1894 and Harold Leslie in 1894 until at least 1908. PM in 1931 was G. Hobbs who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 from Whitbourne station. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



WHITE ROCK

Open	1883	Closed	1937	Population	72
Bay	Trinity	Location	Smith Sound Random	Map	16 B 23
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1883 with William Field as first waykeeper, followed by Aaron Stone in 1890. Became a post office in 1891 with Josiah Frampton as first Postmaster, followed by Aaron Stone in 1901, John T. Stone in 1904 and Kenneth Frampton in 1914. PM in 1931 was Ezekial Frampton. Mails were weekly from Clarendville by S.S. Susu. One split ring seen. This office had a wavy line Box Cancel in use from 1929 until 1931.



courtesy Murray Smith

WHITEWAY

Open	July 27 1912	Closed	Still Open	Population	153
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	16 E 24
Distributing Office		Whitbourne			

This location was formerly called Witless Bay TB but, an office under that name never existed. First Postmaster was Nathan Rowe, followed by Mrs. Mabel Rowe in 1912, and Mrs. Elizabeth George in 1912 who, still held the position in 1931. This is another office that probably closed in 1931. Officially (re)opened on June 11 1948 as per CDS proof, with Mrs. Walter Drover as PM. Mails were by courier from Whitbourne. No split ring proofs or strikes seen from the first period.



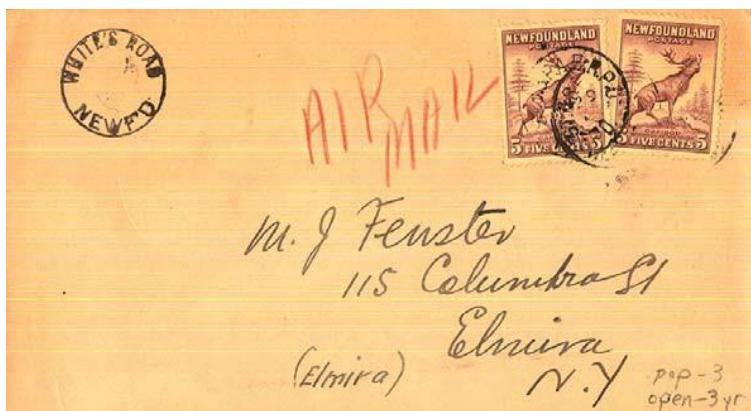
WHITE'S ROAD

Open	1936	Closed	1941	Population	3
Bay	Inland	Location	Near Stephenville	Map	6 A 5
Distributing Office		Same			

This location was the railway station for Stephenville. This office may be the former STEPHENVILLE CROSS ROADS. Became NOELS POND after Confederation.

No Postmasters are listed. Mails were daily Tr. 1 and 2.

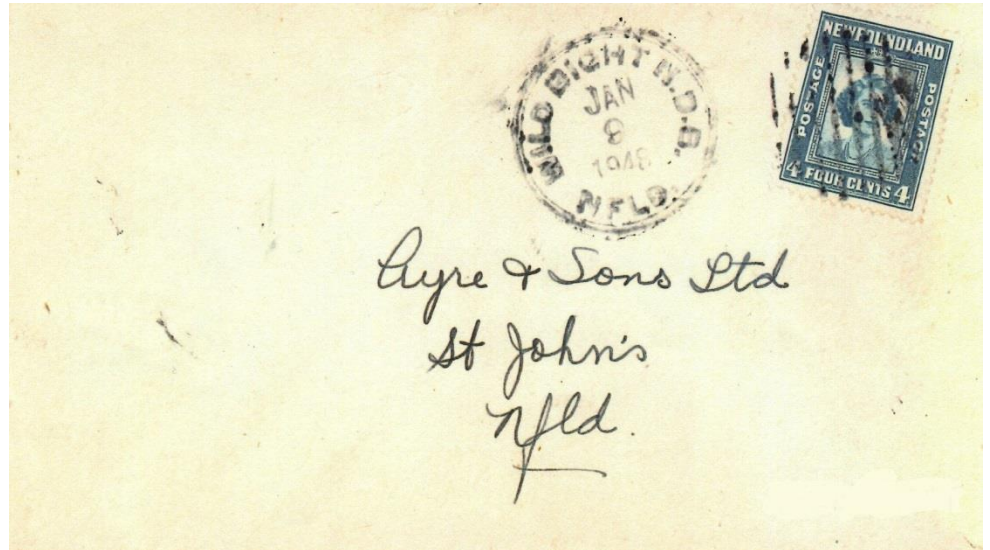
A NEWF'D CDS was in use in lieu of a split ring at this office.



WILD BIGHT

Open	February 1897	Closed	May 21 1964	Population	24
Bay	Notre Dame	Location	Little Bay	Map	8 U 15
Distributing Office			Little Bay Islands		

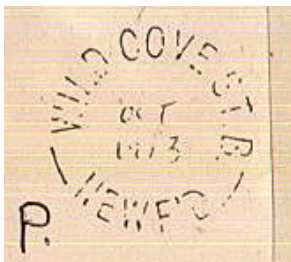
Renamed Beachside in 1964 and continued under that name until May 07 1970. First Postmaster was Mrs. F. Roberts, followed by Mrs. George Young in 1903, Mrs. Louisa Young in 1908 and Miss Hettie E. Young in 1911. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Hettie Wells (married ?). This office likely had a closed period, probably 1931. Officially open on December 12 1946 with Mrs. R. J. Young as PM. Mails in Summer were weekly from Lewisporte by S.S. Clyde via Little Bay Islands. In Winter from Springdale by courier. One split ring proof dated 1947 seen. Obviously an earlier device exists. NDB for Notre Dame Bay.



WILD COVE

Open	May 12 1913	Closed	June 01 1988	Population	65
Bay	White	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula		
Distributing Office			Same		

After closing in 1988, this location was served by a retail office that is presently still open. This office had a closed period, likely from 1931. It (re)opened on February 24 1947. First Postmaster was John Small. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Bessie Small. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier via Hampden and Western Arm. Two split rings seen. STB for St. Barbe (District) and WB for White Bay.



split ring no. 1



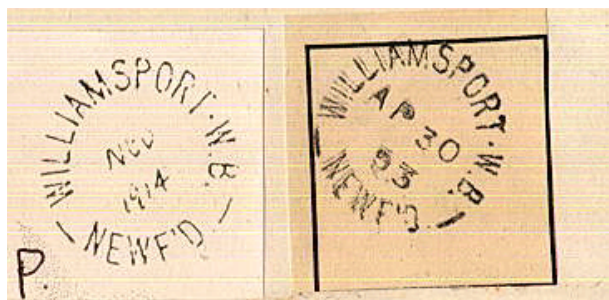
split ring No. 2



WILLIAMSPORT

Open	June 15 1912	Closed	October 17 1972	Population	83
Bay	White	Location	Great Northern Peninsula	Map	4 P 13
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Greenspond WB but there was no office of that name. It also joined the list of the Resettlement Programme. First Postmaster was Mrs. Martha Parsons. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Albert Randell. Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier over the ice via Hampden and Western Arm. One split ring proof dated 1914 is seen. It is uncertain whether there was an earlier device or they waited two years for it. WB for White Bay.



WILTONDALE

Open	May 1937 ?	Closed	Not known	Population	Not known
Bay	Inland	Location	Gros Morne National Park	Map	6 V 8
Distributing Office		Not known			

It is uncertain that this office ever opened. A split ring proof dated 1947 exists.

WINDSOR

Open	1938	Closed	1949	Population	1447
Bay	Inland	Location	Grand Falls	Map	8 X 16
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Grand Falls Station and served under that name from 1918 until 1938. In 1949 it was absorbed by the name of Grand Falls. It has since been named Grand Falls-Windsor but, this is only a retail office. Postmasters not listed. Mails were daily Trs. 1 and 2 at Grand Falls station. No split rings seen and there is a possibility that there are none, as a NEWF'D CDS was in use.



WINTERBROOK

Open	February 22 1013	Closed	September 23 1970	Population	118
Bay	Bonavista	Location	Northwest Arm	Map	16 A 23
Distributing Office		Portland			

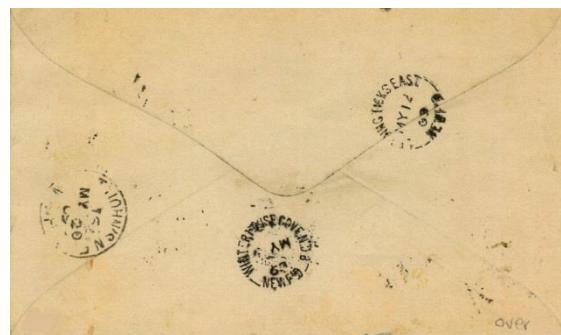
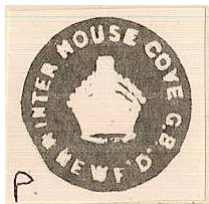
First Postmaster was John Fitzgerald who, still held office in 1931. Mails were weekly from Port Blandford by S.S. Malakoff via Portland. One split ring seen. BB for Bonavista Bay.



WINTERHOUSE COVE

Open	1908	Closed	Not known	Population	Not known
Bay	Green	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	8 T 14
Distributing Office		Not known			

According to ALL records, this office did not exist, HOWEVER, there are two split ring proofs and a crown seal for this location. NDB for Notre Dame Bay and GB for Green Bay.



WINTERHOUSES

Open	April 09 1910	Closed	1933	Population	104
Bay	St. Lawrence Gulf	Location	Port Au Port Peninsula	Map	5 Z 3
Distributing Office		Port Au Port			

First Postmaster was Anab Felix. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Margaret Huon. Mails were from Stephenville Crossing station via Port Au Port. Two split rings seen.



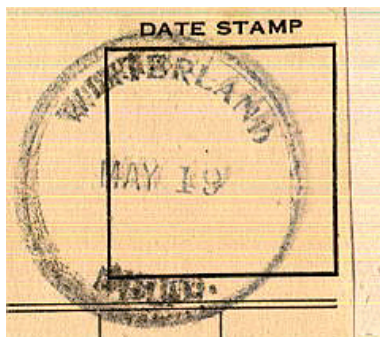
split ring No. 1

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WINTERLAND

Open	1943	Closed	September 16 1970	Population	79
Bay	Inland	Location	Burin Peninsula	Map	19 H 17
Distributing Office		Marystown			

After closing, this location is served by a retail office from August 1993 until the present. Officially listed as opened on July 28 1943 with Frank Collin as PM. Mails distribution not known. One Split ring seen.



WINTERTON

Open	May 06 1912	Closed	Still Open	Population	997
Bay	Trinity	Location	Conception Bay North	Map	17 D 25
Distributing Office		Same			

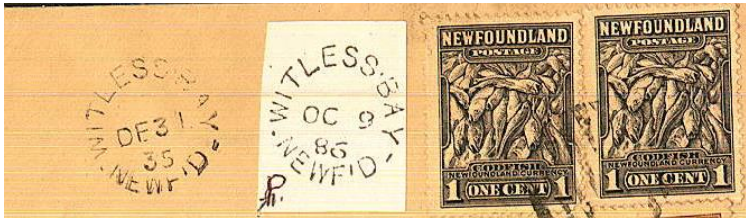
Previously called Scilly Cove and served under that name from April 1872 until May 1912. First Postmaster was Mr. Alison Kelland, followed by Augustus Kelland who, was paid "\$40 plus \$20 rent for PO and TO". PM in 1931 was A.J. Verge who, was also telegraph operator. Mails were weekly from Clarenville by S.S. Susu. One split ring seen. TB for Trinity Bay.



WITLESS BAY

Open	1878	Closed	Still Open	Population	649
Bay	Ocean	Location	"Irish Loop" Avalon Peninsula	Map	21 G 27
Distributing Office		Same			

Open as a way office in 1878 with James Shanahan as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with James as first Postmaster until at least 1908. PM in 1931 was M.J. Shanahan. Miss Bridie Dinn was appointed PM on December 01 1936 BUT her appointment was cancelled and was replaced by Miss Jessie Tobin. PM on October 16 1937 was J.W. Carew. PM in 1942 was Mrs. M.S. Carew. Mails were from St. John's by Southern Shore Railway and/or courier. Two split rings seen.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2

WOMAN COVE

Open	1920	Closed	1923	Population	38
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Middle Arm	Map	6 W 7 (Old Woman Head)
Distributing Office		Not known			

No Postmasters are listed. Mails distribution not known. One split ring proof exists. This location was across the Middle Arm from Coxs' Cove and was due solely to a Herring fishery which lasted for only 3 years.



WOODFORD'S

Open	1939	Closed	Still Open	Population	57
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of bay	Map	21 G 26
Distributing Office		Same			

Previously called Woodford's Station and served under that name from 1918 until 1939. Name change occurred on November 01 1939. Postmaster was Mrs. Bessie Crawley. Woodfords was removed to Chapel Cove on April 01 1942. The office reopened on June 01 the same year with Michael Woodford as PM. Mails by railway. No proofs or strikes seen.

WOODFORD'S STATION

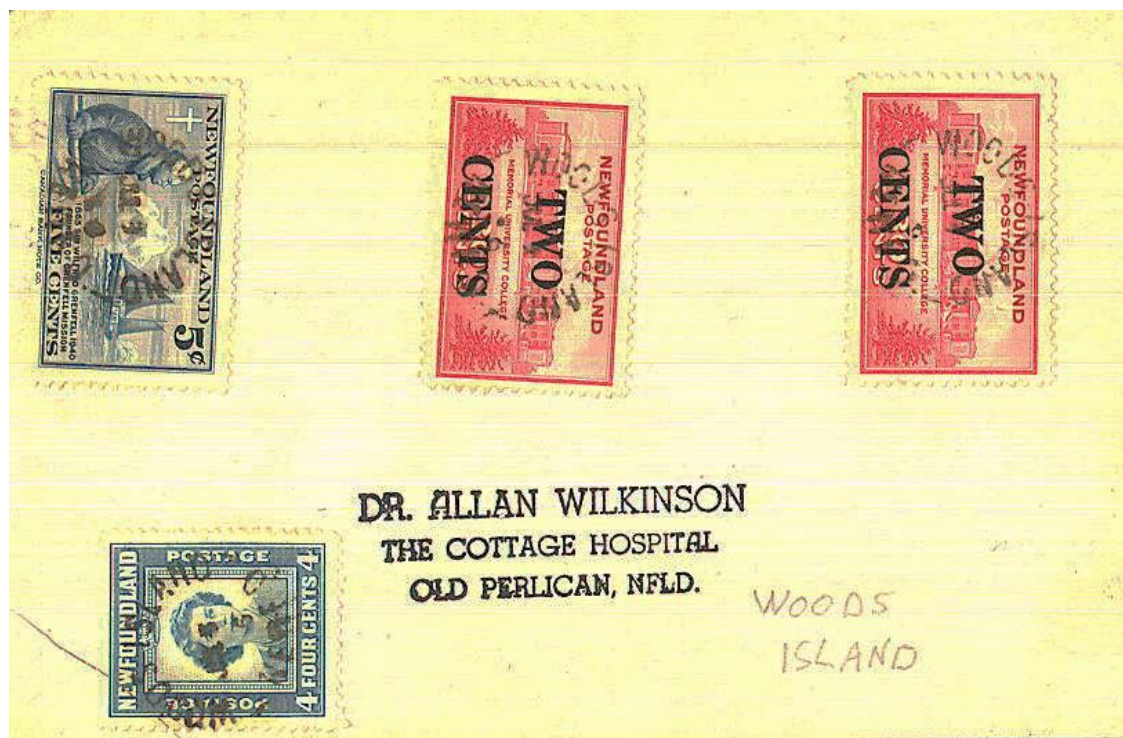
Open	1918	Closed	1939	Population	51
Bay	Conception	Location	Head of bay	Map	21 G 26
Distributing Office		Same			

Renamed Woodford's in 1939. First Postmaster was Mrs. Richard Woodford. PM in 1931 was Bessie Crawley. Mails were by railway. No proofs or strikes seen.

WOODS ISLAND

Open	1900	Closed	July 16 1962	Population	210
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Mouth of Humber	Map	6 X 6
Distributing Office		Humbermouth			

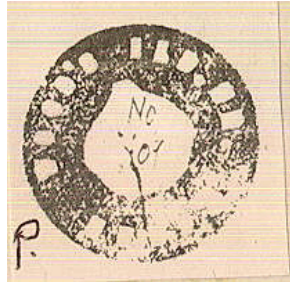
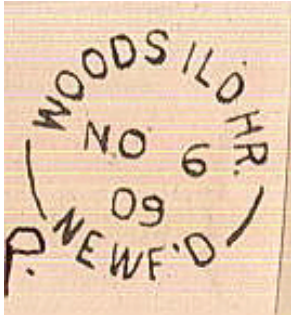
Renamed Innismara on November 08 1915 but, that name was never used for postal purposes. First Postmaster was Thomas Carter, followed by Laughlin McLean in 1901, Mrs. Laughlin McLean in 1904 and P.N. Costello in 1908. PM in 1931 was Loretta Hynes. PM on June 19 1948 was Ignatius J. Hackett. Became a MOO on November 08 1912. Mails were twice weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. One split ring seen.



WOOD'S ISLAND HARBOUR

Open	June 19 1909	Closed	1931	Population	210
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	Wood's Island	Map	6 X 6
Distributing Office			Frenchman's Cove		

It appears that there was another settlement on Wood's Island as well as Inismarra. First Postmaster was Mrs. Elizabeth Hackett, followed by John P. Hynes in 1915. December 1915 "also courier to Frenchman's Cove". This must have been the earlier distribution before Humbermouth and the S.S. George L. PM in 1931 was Mrs. Thomas Hynes. Mails in 1931 would have been twice weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. via Wood's Island (Inismarra). One split ring seen.



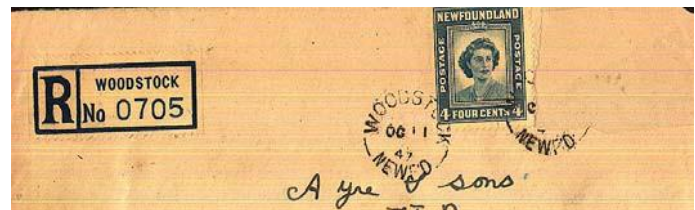
WOODSTOCK

Open	1925	Closed	Still Open	Population	154
Bay	Ocean	Location	Baie Verte Peninsula	Map	4 S 15
Distributing Office			Same		

Previously called Paquet South West and served under that name from August 23 1913 until 1925. Postmaster in 1931 was Harold Fradsham. This office obviously underwent a closed period, likely the 1931 mass closing date. It reopened on January 01 1938 with Mrs. H. Fradsham as PM. PM in 1942 was Mrs. Doris Fradsham (same ?). Mails in Summer were fortnightly from Lewisporte by S.S. Earl of Devon. In Winter from Deer Lake station by courier via Hampden and Western Arm. Two split rings seen. ST B for St. Barbe (district).



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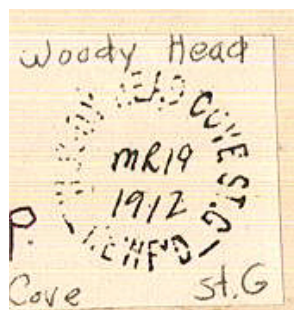


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WOODY HEAD COVE

Open	Nov. 30 1911	Closed	1933	Population	95
Bay	Not known	Location	Not known		
Distributing Office		Not known			

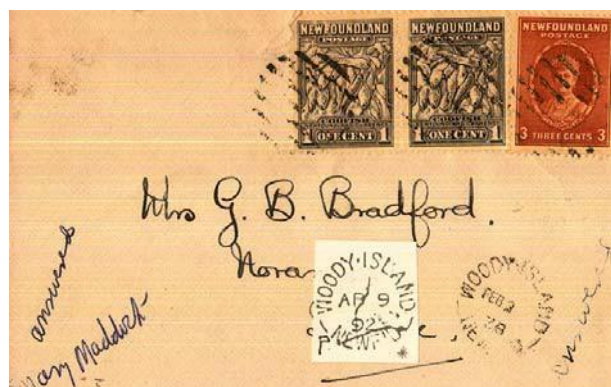
First Postmaster was George Collier. PM in 1931 was Mrs. George Collier. Mails distribution not known. One split ring proof exists. STG for St. Georges (District).



WOODY ISLAND

Open	1889	Closed	August 09 1977	Population	237
Bay	Placentia	Location	Head of bay	Map 16 E 22	
Distributing Office		Same			

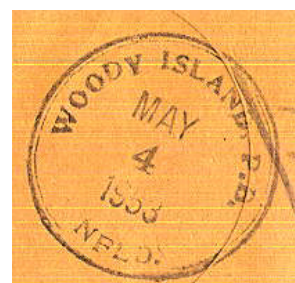
Open as a way office in 1889 with James B. Williams as waykeeper. Became a post office in 1891 with James B. as first Postmaster, followed by Mrs. Immer Williams who, still held the position in 1931. Mails were weekly from Arnold's Cove by motor boat. Two split rings seen. PB for Placentia Bay.



split ring No. 1



split ring No. 2



WRECK COVE

Open	1926	Closed	1931	Population	106
Bay	Fortune	Location	Bay de l'eau	Map	18 F 16
Distributing Office			Coomb's Cove		

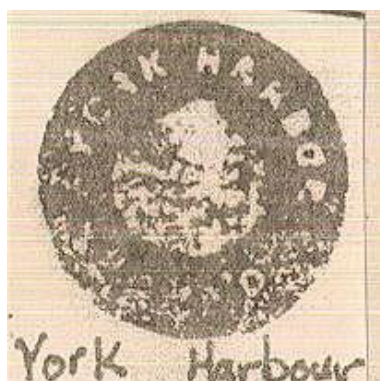
Postmaster in 1931 was Mrs. Sarah Cox. Mails were weekly from Argentia by S.S. Glencoe via Coomb's Cove. One split ring proof seen but, there obviously was an earlier one. FB for Fortune Bay.



YORK HARBOUR

Open	1903	Closed	1931	Population	73
Bay	Bay of Islands	Location	South side	Map	6 X 6
Distributing Office			Same		

See entry on Broom's Bottom. This office reopened after Confederation on December 01 1960 and remains open to this day. First Postmaster was Mr. J.W. Smythe, followed by Hedley Smythe in 1905, Miss Grace Sweetland in 1905 and Mr. A.G. Diamond in 1906. Broom's Bottom became part of York Harbour in early 1922. PM in 1931 was Frank Wheeler. Mails were twice weekly from Humbermouth by S.S. George L. One split ring seen.



courtesy Murray Smith