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1. EDITORIAL

What have we accomplished over the past few years within the newsletter?

These past few years we have enjoyed many informative, well researched articles by members of this study group.

"Oval cancels of the Small Queen Era"

"The 3 cent Rose Carmine Small Queen"

"The 3 cent Small Queen Blotting Paper Variety"

"The 3 cent Small Queen on thick soft paper"

The articles mentioned above in my opinion are worthy of being printed and published - say, as monographs, so that other BNAPS members and all philatelists can learn and enjoy the Small Queens Issues. Lets' hear your opinions and perhaps something good may happen. The future of the newsletter is up to you. Comments, Ar ticles, and criticisms are welcomed.

2. NEWS LETTER SUMMARY

Duplex cancellations of the Small Queen Era - Part 6-John T. Burnett.

"Caveat Emptor," or read the "Small Queen Newsletter" - G. Arfken.

3. NEW MEMBERS

I am pleased to welcome to the study group - Victor L. Wilson, 2818 Pierre Pl. College Staion, TX 77840.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT - 1984

Balance December 31, 1983		2.18
Revenue - Dues (Donations)	297.57	
Interest on S/A	1.70	<u>299.27</u>
	TOTAL	<u>301.45</u>
Expenses - Postage	139.21	
Printing, Stationary	63.47	202.81

Caveat Emptor or Read The Small Queen Newsletter

George B. Arfken

Figure 1. is adapted from a recently received philatelic price list. The caption to the picture of the cover makes a number of reasonable statements. #37d Perf 12 1/2 x 12 1/2? No reason to challenge that at this stage. Illustrated by Boggs? Yes, Boggs does not show the entire cover but he does illustrate the stamp and cds on F.277, Quarterman edition. Exhibition piece? Sure, most of us would be happy to exhibit it. The real problem arises with the flat, unmodified statement "and is the earliest recorded usage, Feb 7, 1870." Boggs was more careful. His statement was "This is the earliest date we have noted for this perforation."

Actually "earliest recorded usage" may be a defensible description if these words are interpreted to mean described and illustrated in philatelic journals such as ENA Topics. But this is not the "earliest recorded usage" if the words may be interpreted to include a very detailed listing in the Small Queen Newsletter. In Volume 3, No. 3, November 1978 Keith Elliott listed the perf 12 1/2 covers known to him. The first five covers on his list were

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| 1. Halifax "H" duplex | Jan 24 | Ex. Jarrett, see Sissons cat. Mar 30, 1960 #186. Now in S.F.Cohen collection. |
| 2. St. John #7 2 ring | Feb 1 | No. 159 of the Pickard covers, addressed to Amelia Pickard. |
| 3. Halifax | Feb 2 | Ex. R.W.T. Lees-Jones collection. |
| 4. St. John #7 2 ring | Feb 4 | No. 160 of the Pickard covers. See Sissons cat. July 10, 1969. |
| 5. St. John #7 2 ring | Feb 7 | Illustrated in Boggs' "Canada" |

Far from being Number 1, the cover shown in Figure 1. is fifth on Elliott's list! Anyone buying this cover under the impression that it actually was the earliest dated cover might be disappointed. Caveat emptor and read the Small Queen Newsletter.

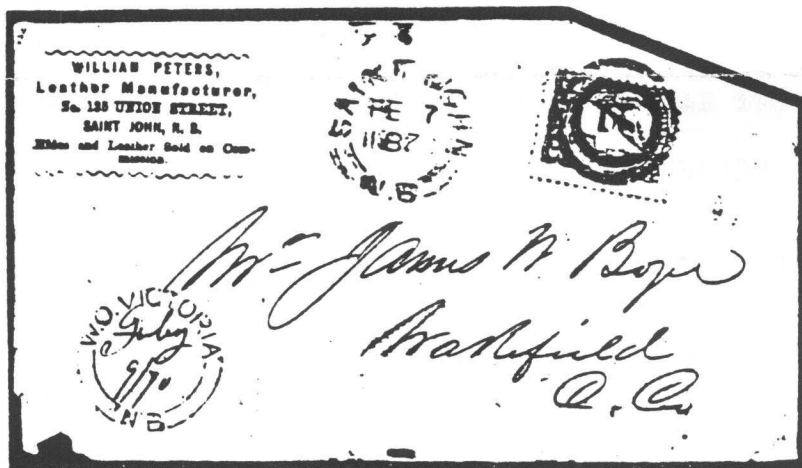
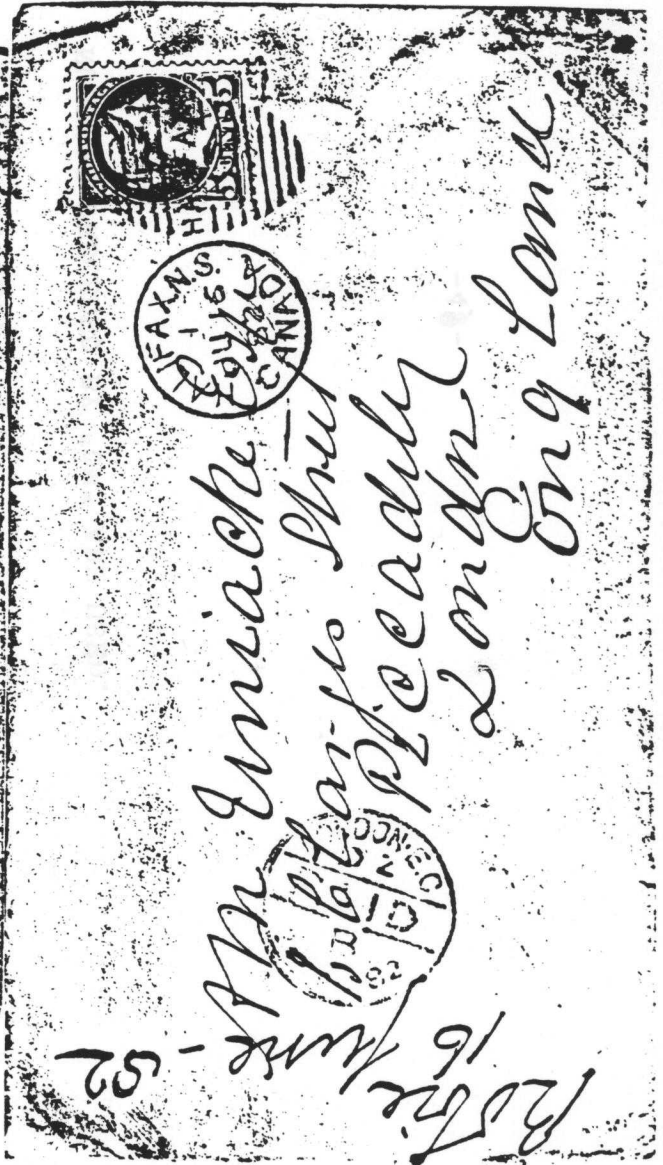


Figure 1.

#37d Perf 12 1/2 x 12 1/2 -- This cover is illustrated in BOGGS, and is the earliest recorded usage, Feb 7, 1870. Exhibition piece \$ 650.00

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EXAMPLES OF HALIFAX DUPLEX CANCELLATIONS



DM - 1
II·H·11

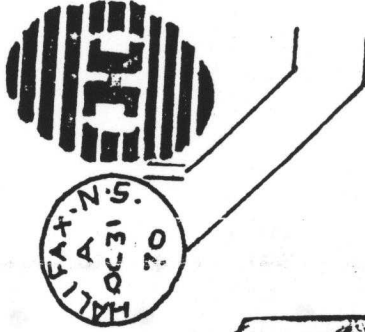
TO REVIEW A DUPLEX

TYPE H KILLER ELEVEN
THICK BARS ENCLOSING
AN "H"

GAP 2 MM

DATER TYPE II-20 MM
DIAMETER

DM - 5
II·H·14



OFFICIAL DUPLICES (CONTINUED)

- ST. JOHN, NEW BRUNSWICK (MARITIME PROVINCES)
- THESE DUPLICES ARE WELL RECORDED IN PROOF BOOK.
- ST. JOHN POST OFFICE APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN USING EIGHT OR NINE DUPLIX HAMMERS SIMULTANEOUSLY.
- NUMBERS PRECEDED BY "DM" ARE USED.

MARITIME PROVINCES
 DUPLEX CANCELLATIONS
 1870 - 1897

ST. JOHN N.B.

NO.	TYPE	DIA DATER	INDICIA	KILLER	REMARKS
DM - 8	II CANADA	24	AM/PM	A.13	THIN
DM - 9	II CANADA	24½	AM/PM	A.14	THIN
DM - 10	II CANADA	24	AM/PM	A.15	THIN
DM - 11	II CANADA	24	AM/PM	A.12	THIN
DM - 12	II CANADA	25	AM/PM	H.9	THICK ENCLOSING THICK 1 31 x 18
DM - 13	II CANADA	25	AM/PM	H.10	THICK ENCLOSING THICK 1 31 x 18
DM - 14	II CANADA	25	AM/PM	H.11	THICK ENCLOSING THICK 1 31 x 18

MARITIME PROVINCES
 DUPLEX CANCELLATIONS
 1870 - 1897

ST. JOHN N.B.

NO.	TYPE	DIA DATER	INDICIA	KILLER	REMARKS
DM - 15	II CANADA	22	AM/PM	H.14	THIN EXCL. 1 27 x 20
DM - 16	II CANADA	22	AM/PM	H.15	THIN EXCL. 1 27 x 20
DM - 18	II CANADA	25	AM/PM	A.9	THICK
DM - 19	II CANADA	22	AM/PM	A.9	THICK

EXAMPLES OF VARIOUS ST. JOHN DUPLEX CANCELLATIONS

1



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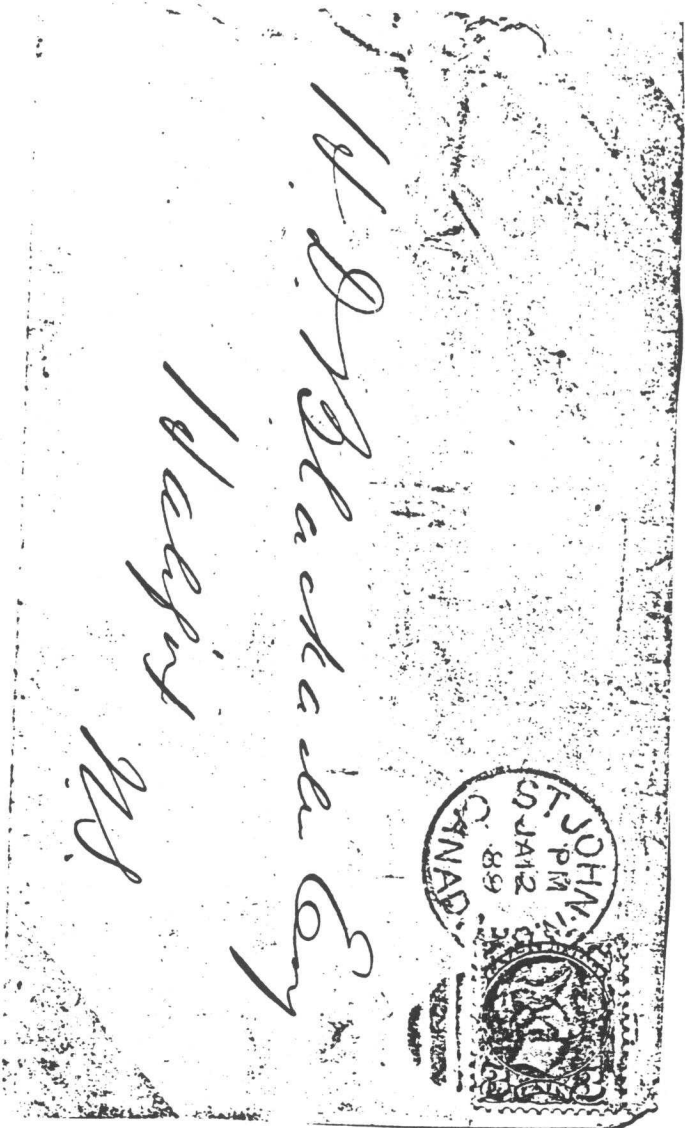
DM-18
II·A·13

DM-13
II·H·10

DM-15
II·H·14

1-FOUR VARIETIES ARE KNOWN 12, 13, 14, AND 15 THIN BARS IN KILLER
2-THREE VARIETIES ARE KNOWN 11, 14, AND 15 THIN BARS IN KILLER

EXAMPLE OF A ST JOHN, NEW BRUNSWICK, DUPLIX CANCELLATION



DM-12
II•H•9