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of the Newfoundland Study Group of BNAPS

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MORE LATHEWORK ON THE STAMPS OF NEWFOUNDLAND



Scott no. 245
comb perf 13.4

A number of members expressed interest in Newfoundland stamps with lathework to me during the convention in Hamilton. To my knowledge there has been no systematic study of this subject. However, Dan Meyerson did include in his BNA TOPICS column, "The Trail of the Caribou", stamps known to him to have engine turning or lathework. He listed the following as having lathework:

Scott No.	145	comb perf 14 x 13.8
Scott No.	146	comb perf 13.5 x 12.7
Scott No.	147	line perf 13.9 x 13.7
Scott No.	153	line perf 13.9 x 13.7
Scott No.	156	line perf 13.9 x 13.7

Two points must be kept in mind when reading this short list. First, Meyerson used an old Instanta perforation gauge and it gave slightly different readings than even the newer Instanta gauges of 1960. Second, his list only covered stamps between Scott no. 115 and 225.

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A RED CHECKMARK HERE MEANS YOUR DUES ARE DUE.

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Study group member John Walsh illustrated one of his points in his "NEWFOUNDLAND RESPONSE" on page 9 of BNA TOPICS for January/February 1989 with a photo of Scott no. 191, comb perf 13.5 which had lathework on its left. Obviously much more can be done on this subject. Lathework can be visually spectacular as was illustrated in the last issue of the newsletter. Anyone with examples are invited to send a good photocopy to the editor for publishing in future newsletters.

STUDY GROUP MEETING AT HAMILTON:

A meeting of the study group was held during the BNAPS convention in Hamilton, Ontario. The meeting was well attended with seven members present. After a short business meeting, Paul Burega discussed his exhibit of the First Cents Issue of Newfoundland. He used enlarged photocopies of his exhibit pages to illustrate his talk. Although they were not in color, they were very effective.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Report period	September 1988 - August 1989	
Balance as of 1 September 1988		\$164.58
Income: Dues from 7 new members	\$21.00	
Profit from INFOFINDER sales	7.46	
Stipend from BNAPS	25.00	
Contributions	24.00	
total income		\$ 77.46
Expenses: Postage for 6 newsletters		<u>\$154.60</u>
Balance as of 31 August 1989		\$ 87.44

Due to the condition of the treasury, it was voted to require dues for 1989-90. The dues will stay the same; \$3.00 in U. S. A. funds, \$4.00 in Canadian funds, and 2.00 in British funds. Checks should be made payable to C. A. Stillions in order to save on bank charges.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership as of 1 September 1988: 55
 Membership as of 31 August 1989: 60
 An increase of 5 members over 1987-1988.

NEW MEMBERS

Brian Stalker, 3 Rutherford Way, Tonbridge, Kent TN10 4RH,
ENGLAND

Victor B. Drozd, Box 3925, Bryan, Texas 77805

INFOFINDER

There still are a number of copies available of Bob Pratt's INFOFINDER, the index to his book THE NINETEENTH CENTURY POSTAL HISTORY OF NEWFOUNDLAND. If you do not have one, you can get one by sending your check to me, C. A. Stillions, 5031 Eskridge Terrace, N. W., Washington, D.C. 20016. The price is \$5.00US to study group members or \$7.00 to nonmembers. Remember, Bob is donating all profits from the sale of the INFOFINDER to the study group.

COMING EVENTS

VAPEX '89, November 10-12, The Pavilion, Virginia Beach, Virginia
fall meeting of the BNAPS Mid-Atlantic regional group Saturday
11 November at 10am

BNAPEX'90, October 18-20, 1990, Galveston, Texas, Annual
convention and exhibition of the British North America Philatelic
Society, Annual meeting of the Newfoundland Study Group.

BNAPEX'89

The 1989 Annual convention and exhibition of the British North America Philatelic Society was held at the Sheraton Hamilton Hotel in down town Hamilton, Ontario on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, September 22, 23, and 24. It was the best attended BNAPS convention yet. There were more members, more exhibits, more dealers, and more study group meetings than at any previous convention. There were more frames of BNA on display but only one exhibit of Newfoundland; Paul Burega's NEWFOUNDLAND FIRST CENTS ISSUE 1865-1898, for which he received a Gold medal. The Grand Award went to Horace Harrison for a fantastic showing of

CANADA'S REGISTRY STAMPS. Your study group newsletter editor got the surprise of his life when at the annual general meeting he was elected a Fellow of the Order of the Beaver. I am still dumbfounded over it. There was also a lot of good food and good fellowship. It was a fun convention. Mike Street and all his helpers are to be congratulated. If you have not attended a BNAPS convention; you should, for it is unlike any other stamp show you have ever attended.

POSTAL CONVENTION
BETWEEN
THE UNITED STATES AND NEWFOUNDLAND

The undersigned, being thereunto duly authorized by their respective governments, have agreed upon the following articles, establishing and regulating the exchange of correspondence between the United States of America and Newfoundland:

ARTICLE 1

There shall be an exchange of mails between the United States of America and Newfoundland by such means of transportation as are now, or shall hereafter be, established with the approval of the respective Post Departments of the two countries, comprising letters, newspapers, books, printed matter of every kind, and patterns or samples of merchandise originating in either country and addressed to and deliverable in the other country.

ARTICLE 2

The post-offices of Boston and New York shall be the exchange offices on the side of the United States, and the post-office of Saint John's shall be the sole office of exchange on the side of Newfoundland, for all mails transmitted between the two countries under this arrangement; and all mail-matter transmitted in either direction, between the respective offices of exchange, shall be forwarded in closed bags or pouches under seal, addressed to the corresponding exchange-office. Each mail shall be accompanied by a letter or post-bill, showing in separate columns the number of letters, newspapers, and other articles embraced therein, and the postages thereon.

ARTICLE 3

No accounts shall be kept between the Post Departments of the two countries upon the international correspondence, written or printed, exchanged between them, but each Department shall retain to its own use all the postages which it collects thereon.

The single rate of international letter-postage, in full, to destination, shall be six cents on each letter weighing half an ounce (15 grams) or less, and an additional rate of six cents for each additional weight of half an ounce (15 grams) or fraction thereof, the prepayment of which shall be compulsory at the office of mailing in either country.

The United States post-office shall levy and collect to its own use a postage-charge of two cents on each newspaper mailed in the United States and addressed to Newfoundland; and a postage-charge of two cents for each two ounces, or fraction thereof, on pamphlets, periodicals, books, other articles of printed matter, and patterns or samples of merchandise addressed to received from Newfoundland.

The post-office of Newfoundland shall levy and collect to its own use a postage-charge of two cents on each newspaper mailed in Newfoundland and addresses to the United States, and the established rates of domestic postage chargeable in Newfoundland, on pamphlets, periodicals, books, other articles of printed matter, and patterns or samples of merchandise addressed to or received from the United States.

Every international letter or newspaper shall be plainly stamped with the words "Paid all," in red ink, by the dispatching-office of exchange, and shall be delivered free of any charge whatever in the country of destination.

Newspapers, and all other kinds of printed matter, shall be subject to the laws and regulations of each country, respectively, in regard to their liability to be rated with letter-postage when containing written matter, or for any other cause specified in said laws and regulations, as well as in regard to their liability to customs duty under the revenue laws.

ARTICLE 4

The two Post-Departments shall establish by agreement, and in conformity with arrangements in force at the time, the conditions upon which the two offices may reciprocally exchange in open mails the correspondence originating in or destined to other

foreign countries to which they may respectively serve as intermediaries.

Either country forwarding or receiving such correspondence through the open mails of the other, shall account to such other country for such postage rates as are chargeable thereon, for exterior service, by its laws and regulations, or the requirements of its foreign postal arrangements.

ARTICLE 5

The two Post Departments may by mutual agreement, provide for the transmission of registered letters in the mails exchanged between the two countries, and may settle by agreement between them all measures of detail and arrangements required to carry this convention into execution, and may modify the same in like manner, from time to time, as the exigencies of the service may require.

ARTICLE 6

Dead letters which cannot be delivered, from whatever cause, shall be mutually returned without charge, monthly, or more frequently, as the regulations of the respective offices will permit.

ARTICLE 7

This convention shall come into operation the first day of December, 1872, and shall be terminated at any time on a notice, by either party, of six months.

Done in duplicate and signed at Washington the twentieth day of November, and at Saint John's the thirteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

[SEAL]

J. W. MARSHALL,
Acting Postmaster-General

[SEAL]

JOHN DELANY
Postmaster-General

I hereby approve the foregoing convention, and, in testimony thereof, I have caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

U. S. GRANT.

By the President:

HAMILTON FISH, Secretary of State.
WASHINGTON, November 20, 1872.

[SEAT].

ADDITIONAL ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENTS OF THE UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA AND OF NEWFOUNDLAND
ESTABLISHING

An Exchange of Postal Cards between the two Countries

ARTICLE I.

For the purpose of providing additional facilities of mail communication between the United States and Newfoundland, it is hereby mutually agreed that United States postal cards mailed at any post-office in the United States and addressed to Newfoundland, and Newfoundland postal cards mailed at any post-office in Newfoundland and addressed to the United States, when prepaid an additional postage of one cent, by affixing thereto an ordinary one-cent postage-stamp of the country of origin in addition to the stamp printed or impressed on the card, shall be reciprocally forwarded and delivered in the country of destination, free of charge. Postal cards not so prepaid will not be forwarded in the the mails between the two countries.

ARTICLE II.

The regulations and instructions governing the use and treatment of postal cards in the domestic mails of the United States and of Newfoundland, respectively, shall apply equally to the postal cards mailed in either country and addressed to the other country.

ARTICLE III.

Each country will retain to its own use the postage it collects at the prescribed rate on postal cards forwarded to the other country.

ARTICLE IV.

The present articles shall be considered additional to those agreed upon between the two offices on the 13/20 of November, A.D. 1872, and shall come into operation on the 1st of October, A.D. 1873.

In witness whereof the Postmaster-General of the United States of America and the Postmaster-General of Newfoundland have hereto set their hands and affixed their seals, at the date set opposite to each respectively.

[SEAL.]

JNO. A. J. CRESSWELL
Postmaster-General of the United States

AUGUST 21, 1873.

JOHN DELANEY
Postmaster-General of Newfoundland

SEPTEMBER 15, 1873.

I hereby approve the foregoing convention, and in testimony thereof I have caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

U. S. GRANT.

By the President:

W. HUNTER,

Acting Secretary of State

WASHINGTON, September 26, 1873.

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The preceding postal convention and its additional articles are located in the Library of the U. S. Postal Service in Washington, D.C.