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EDITOR'S NOTES

Welcome to the 49th edition of the "Newfie Newsletter". It has been a super summer here in Newfoundland, so stamp news is very sketchy.

In the issue I am continuing David Piercey's article on "Corks and other Cancellations found on First Cents Issues" and the first of a two part series by Peter de Groot on "Waterlow Punched Proofs of the Second Resources Issues" plus a few tidbits.

September will start our Newsletter year so all members are asked to send in their dues for the September 1994 to August 1995 issues.

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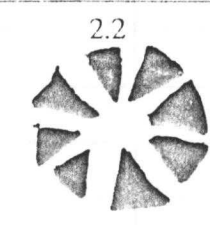
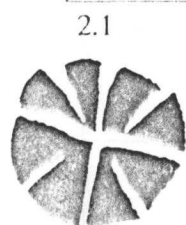
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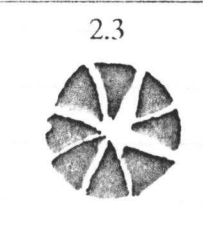
"Corks and Other Cancellations on Newfoundland First Cents Issues" by David Piercey

2. MULTIPLE SEGMENTS

| | | | |
|------|--------------------|--|------------------|
| 2.1 | Quartered Cork (?) | 5¢ (1865) | St. John's, 1866 |
| 2.2 | Eight Segments | 24¢ (1865) | |
| 2.3 | Eight Segments | 12¢ (1865) | |
| 2.4 | 22 mm. Ring | 5¢ (1868) | |
| 2.5 | Six Segments | 2¢ (1870) | |
| 2.6 | G.P.O. Ring | 1¢ (1871) | St. John's |
| 2.7 | Five Segments | 6¢ (1870) | |
| 2.8 | Eight Segments | 12¢ (1865); 6¢ (1870) | |
| 2.9 | Six Segments | 3¢ (1877) | |
| 2.10 | Seven Segments | 3¢ (1873) | |
| 2.11 | Seven Segments | 3¢ (1877); 1¢ (1880); 3¢ (1880) | |
| 2.12 | Eight Segments | 3¢ (1880) | |
| 2.13 | Nine Segments | 6¢ (1870); 3¢, 5¢ (1880), 2¢ post card (1880); 2¢ (1896) | St. John's, 1884 |
| 2.14 | Six Segments | 1¢ (1880) | |
| 2.15 | Seven Segments | 5¢ (1887) | |
| 2.16 | Five Segments | 1¢ post card (1880) | Hopedale, 1892 |



Eight Segments



Eight Segments



22 mm. Ring



Six Segments



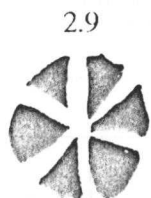
G.P.O. Ring



Five Segments



Eight Segments



Six Segments



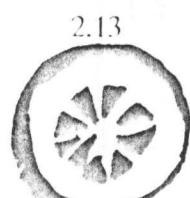
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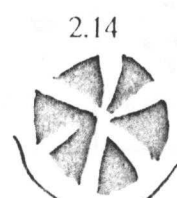
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Eight Segments



Nine Segments



Six Segments



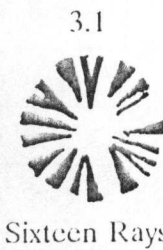
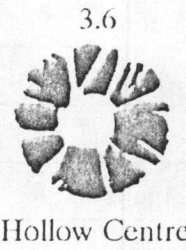
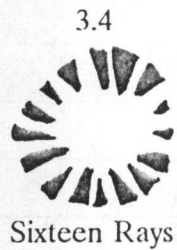
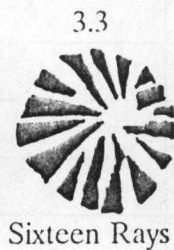
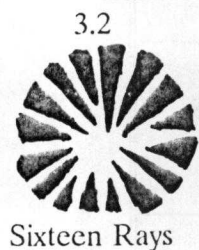
Seven Segments



Five Segments

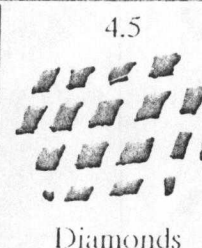
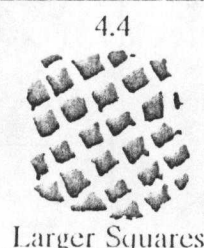
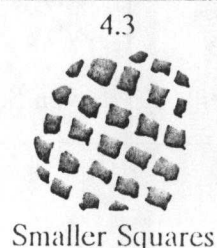
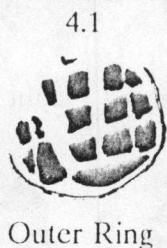
3. SUNBURSTS


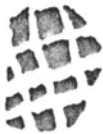








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|-----|--------------|----------------------------------|------------------|
| 3.1 | Sixteen Rays | 3¢ (1870); 6¢ (1874) | St. John's, 1877 |
| 3.2 | Sixteen Rays | 10¢ (1875); 1¢ (1880); 5¢ (1880) | |
| 3.3 | Sixteen Rays | 1¢ (1880); 2¢ (1880) | |
| 3.4 | Sixteen Rays | 2¢ (1880) | |



4. CORK DOTS







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|------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| 4.1 | Outer Ring | 5¢ (1876) | |
| 4.2 | Tortoise Shell | 1¢ (1877) | |
| 4.3 | Smaller Squares | 2¢ (1879) | |
| 4.4 | Larger Squares | 1¢ (1880) | |
| 4.5 | Diamonds | 1¢ (1877); 3¢ (1877) | |
| 4.6 | 3 by 3 | 2¢ (1870); 3¢ (1880); 5¢ (1880) | |
| 4.7 | | 3¢ (1880) | |
| 4.8 | | 3¢ (1880) | |
| 4.9 | | 3¢ (1880) | |
| 4.10 | | 1¢ (1880) | |
| 4.11 | | 2¢ (1880); 5¢ (1880) | |
| 4.12 | | 3¢ (1890); 2¢ Royal Family (1897) | Seal Cove, 97-98 |
| 4.13 | | 3¢ Cabot (1897) | |
| 4.14 | Large Dot | 8¢ Cabot (1897) | |



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| 4.6  3 by 3 | 4.7  | 4.8  | 4.9  | 4.10  |
| 4.11  | 4.12  | 4.13  | 4.14  Large Dot | 5.1  Fifteen Rays |

5. LEAFS

| | | | |
|-----|------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|
| 5.1 | Fifteen Segments | 2¢ (1870); 12¢ (1870) | |
| 5.2 | G.P.O. Ring | 10¢ (1865); 2¢ (1870) | St. John's |
| 5.3 | G.P.O. Ring | 2¢ (1870); 1¢ (1877); 3¢ (1877) | St. John's, 1878 |
| 5.4 | G.P.O. Ring | 1¢ (1877); 3¢ (1877) | St. John's |
| 5.5 | Ten Segments | 3¢ (1877) | |
| 5.6 | Eleven Segments | 5¢ (1876); 3¢ (1877) | |
| 5.7 | Ten Segments | 3¢ (1877) | |

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|---|---|---|--|---|--|
| 5.2  G.P.O. Ring | 5.3  G.P.O. Ring | 5.4  G.P.O. Ring | 5.5  Ten Segments | 5.6  11 Segments | 5.7  Ten Segments |
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| 3.5 | 1¢ (1880); 5¢ (1880) | Heart's Content, 1885 |
| 3.6 | Hollow Centre 2¢ (1896) | |

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The balance of this article will be continued in the Sept. - Oct. Issue

Identifying the Waterlow & Sons proofs of the last issues of Newfoundland

by Peter de Groot

Introduction. The re-issue of the resource definitives (Scott 253-266), the 4 cent Princess Elizabeth (Scott 269) and the 5 cent Cabot commemorative (Scott 270) of Newfoundland were printed by Waterlow & Sons. John Ayshford (The Last Stamps of Newfoundland, 1978, Robson Lowe Ltd., London) thoroughly described these stamps by indicating the printing orders, plates and notations inscribed by the printers on the proof sheets. The imperforate proof sheets were hole punched by the printers and various sizes and placements of the punch holes are evident. It appears that all these proofs were, and perhaps most still are, available on the philatelic market, but are usually in pairs or blocks of four, thus making it difficult to separate the various printings and plates.

The purpose of this study was to describe the patterns of hole punches and determine if plates or printings could be distinguished on the basis of the patterns. I wish to acknowledge my appreciation to Mr. C. A. Stillions for sending me the photocopies of the bottom two rows of the proof sheets which showed the inscription data described by John Ayshford.

Materials and Methods: Punch holes were measured on photocopies of C. A. Stillion's photocopies of the imperforate sheets. Hole sizes on the photocopies were compared with proofs in my collection to determine accuracy. The measurements corresponded well, and hole size could be placed unambiguously into the different size classes. Measurements in metric were unsatisfactory as they were approximate, thus Imperial units in 1/32 of an inch were used as these measurements appeared accurate.

Results: Appendix I shows the printing order number, plate number, the size of the punch hole in the margin and in the stamp design for each stamp. There was only one punch hole in the centre margin within a block of four, and one punch hole per stamp design. There were no consistent patterns in the placement of punch holes in the stamp designs. Appendix II shows the punch hole characteristics for each printing order. These two data sets were analyzed to determine which printing orders and plate numbers could be identified on the basis of the punch hole pattern. The results of this analysis are given below.

One Cent (Scott 253): Three plates; 10 printing orders; 13 imperforate proof sheets; 8 hole punch patterns; all printing orders can be separated by hole punch patterns except 160691 and 127125; all sheets can be identified to plate number by the punch hole pattern.

Two Cents (Scott 254): Five plates; 10 printing orders; 16 imperforate proof sheets; 6 hole punch patterns, printing orders can be separated by hole punch patterns except orders 160691 and 127125, 51984 and 52366, 83005 and 125556, and 125743 and 355822; 3 sheets can be identified to plate number by the punch hole pattern.

Three Cents (Scott 255): Four plates; 10 printing orders; 12 imperforate proof sheets; 8 hole punch patterns, printing orders can be separated by hole punch patterns except

orders 160501 and 160691, 51984 and 52366, 83005 and 125556, and 357082 and 124963; 8 sheets can be identified to plate number by the punch hole pattern.

Four Cents (Scott 256): Two plates; 7 printing orders; 8 imperforate proof sheets; 5 hole punch patterns, printing orders can be separated by hole punch patterns except orders 160691 and 127125, and 83005 and 125556; all sheets can be identified to plate number by the punch hole pattern.

Four Cents (Scott 269): One plate; 3 printing orders; 3 imperforate proof sheets; 2 hole punch patterns, printing orders can be separated by hole punch patterns except orders 140860 and 355822.

Five Cents (Scott 257): Six plates; 7 printing orders; 14 imperforate proof sheets; 5 hole punch patterns, printing orders can be separated by hole punch patterns except orders 160691 and 127125, and 51984 and 52366; 2 sheets can be identified to plate number by the punch hole pattern.

Five Cents (Scott 270): One plate; 1 printing order; 3 imperforate proof sheets; 1 hole punch pattern (but see discussion).

Seven Cents (Scott 258): One plate; 2 printing orders; 2 imperforate proof sheets; 2 hole punch patterns, printing orders can be separated by hole punch patterns.

Eight Cents (Scott 259): One plate; 7 printing orders; 8 imperforate proof sheets; 5 hole punch patterns, printing orders can be separated by hole punch patterns except orders 160691 and 127125, and 355822 and 357082.

Ten Cents (Scott 260): Three plates; 7 printing orders; 7 imperforate proof sheets; 5 hole punch patterns, printing orders can be separated by hole punch patterns except orders 51984 and 52366, and 125743 and 355822; 5 sheets can be identified to plate number by the punch hole pattern.

Fourteen Cents (Scott 261): One plate; 5 printing orders; 5 imperforate proof sheets; 5 hole punch patterns, printing orders can be separated by hole punch patterns except orders 355822 and 357082.

Fifteen Cents (Scott 262): One plate; 5 printing orders; 7 imperforate proof sheets; 6 hole punch patterns, all printing orders can be separated by hole punch patterns.

Twenty Cents (Scott 263): One plate; 4 printing orders; 5 imperforate proof sheets; 4 hole punch patterns, all printing orders can be separated by hole punch patterns.

Twenty Four Cents (Scott 264): One plate; 4 printing orders; 5 imperforate proof sheets; 4 hole punch patterns, all printing orders can be separated by hole punch patterns except order 355822 and 357082.

Twenty Five Cents (Scott 265): One plate; 5 printing orders; 7 imperforate proof sheets; 5 hole punch patterns, printing orders can be separated by hole punch patterns except orders 160691 and 127125.

Forty Eight Cents (Scott 266): One plate; 4 printing orders; 4 imperforate proof sheets; 3 hole punch patterns, printing orders can be separated by hole punch patterns except orders 355822 and 357082.

Discussion: Of the 119 imperforate sheets produced, 88 or 74% of the sheets can be identified to plate number by the pattern of punch holes. Of this group of 88 sheets, however, 49 sheets were produced for stamps that had only one plate and thus the punch hole pattern is not needed for identification. Nevertheless, the punch hole patterns for the 39 sheets from stamps with more than one plate can now be used to identify the plate number.

Future work: The pattern of punches for each printing order may be useful to identify the various shades of each stamp by printing. An examination of the actual proof sheets would be required to determine if this is possible.

The above analysis did not include the perforated proof sheets as they were not available to me as photocopies.

Finally, did John Asyhford examine all the printing proofs?. It is highly likely that he did examine the bulk of the collection, however, the answer appears to be no. In my collection, as well as in the Auction Sale 263 (17 June 1992) by R. Maresch and Son, the 5 cent value commemorating the 450th anniversary of Cabot's discovery of Newfoundland (Scott 270), I have a plate proof with that has only the 5/16 " centre margin hole and lacks the 1/8 " hole in the stamp design. Ayshford indicates that the 3 proof sheets he examined were dated either 9 or 10 June, 1947. The block of four offered in the Maresch auction was dated 10 September, 1947, and stated to be from the final printing. Thus far, this is the only printing proof of which I have found that appears not to have been examined by John Ayshford. Are there any others?

If any members of the study group have proofs that have punch hole patterns different from described here, I would be grateful if you could send me a photocopy.

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Appendix I

One Cent (Scott 253)

| Order Number | Plate Number | Centre Margin Hole (mm) | Stamp Design Hole (mm) | Comments |
|--------------|--------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 160608 | 41711 | 1/16 | 1/16 | first sheet |
| 160608 | 41711 | nil | 5/32 | second sheet |
| 160691 | 41711 | nil | 1/16 | both sheets |
| 127125 | 41711 | nil | 1/16 | both sheets |
| 51984 | 42430 | 13/32 | 1/16 | |
| 52366 | 42430 | 5/16 | 1/16 | |
| 83005 | 42430 | | | no imperf sheet |
| 125556 | 42430 | 5/16 | 3/32 | |
| 125743 | 42430 | 5/16 | 1/8 | |
| 355822 | 42430 | | | not available |
| 357082 | 43965 | nil | 1/8 | 2 sheets, 2 panes of 100 per sheet |

Two Cents (Scott 254)

| Order Number | Plate Number | Centre Margin Hole (inches) | Stamp Design Hole (inches) | Comments |
|--------------|--------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 160501 | 41417 | nil | 5/32 | |
| 160691 | 41417 | nil | 1/16 | both sheets |
| 127125 | 42077 | nil | 1/16 | |
| 51984 | 42077 | 5/16 | 1/16 | both sheets |
| 52366 | 42613 | 5/16 | 1/16 | both sheets |
| 83005 | 42613 | 5/16 | 3/32 | |
| 125556 | 42613 | 5/16 | 3/32 | |
| 125556 | 43078 | 5/16 | 3/32 | |
| 125743 | 43078 | 5/16 | 1/8 | |
| 355822 | 43078 | 5/16 | 1/8 | |
| 357082 | 43078 | nil | 1/8 | |
| 357082 | 43968 | nil | 1/8 | 2 sheets, 2 panes of 100 per sheet |

Three Cents (Scott 255)

| Order Number | Plate Number | Centre Margin Hole (inches) | Stamp Design Hole (inches) | Comments |
|--------------|--------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 160501 | 41418 | nil | 5/32 | |
| 160691 | 41418 | nil | 5/32 | |
| 127125 | 41418 | nil | 1/16 | |
| 51984 | 41418 | 1/4 | 1/16 | |
| 51984 | 42429 | 5/16 | 1/16 | |
| 52366 | 42429 | 5/16 | 1/16 | |
| 83005 | 42429 | 5/16 | 3/32 | |
| 125556 | 43066 | 5/16 | 3/32 | |
| 125743 | 43066 | 5/16 | 1/8 | |
| 357082 | 43066 | nil | 1/8 | |
| 357082 | 43967 | 5/16 | nil | |
| 124963 | 43967 | nil | 1/8 | 1 sheet, 2 panes of 100 per sheet |

Four Cents (Scott 256)

| Order Number | Plate Number | Centre Margin Hole (inches) | Stamp Design Hole (inches) | Comments |
|--------------|--------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| 160501 | 41420 | nil | 5/32 | |
| 160691 | 41420 | nil | 1/16 | |
| 127125 | 41420 | nil | 1/16 | |
| 52366 | 42042 | 5/16 | 1/16 | |
| 83005 | 42042 | 5/16 | 3/32 | |
| 125556 | 42042 | 5/16 | 3/32 | |
| 125743 | 42042 | 5/16 | 1/8 | both sheets |

The balance of this article will appear in the Sept.- Oct. Issue.