

THE NEWFIE NEWSLETTER
OF THE NEWFOUNDLAND STUDY GROUP OF BNAPS

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Newfoundland Study Group Meeting Report
3 p.m., Friday, September 30, 1994, at Burlington, Vermont

The meeting opened with twelve members in attendance. The Annual Report of the Chairman (John Butt) and Treasurer (Martin Goebel) were handed out by Don Wilson. It was agreed that both would be accepted and the annual dues would not change.

Bill Robinson was the main speaker for the meeting, giving an excellent talk on Costal Steamer R/P/O & T.P.O.'s. This included the earlier runs, starting in 1888, plus a visual part (in the form of a 20 page handout photostatted from his own collection) on modern costal boats, 1940's - 1960's. This included maps, covers and postcards showing the strikes.

We are all indebted to Bill for his presentation and effort on R.P.O./T.P.O. markings continuing on the wonderful work of Lew Ludlow.

J. Don Wilson

NEWFIE NOTES

During the study group meeting at Vermont, a discussion took place as to the validity of the unique marking S.S. Lewisporte split circle, dated Dec. 9, 1916. Upon his return to St. John's, Don Wilson checked with Capt. Joe Prim, former Capt. on C.N. Vessels, who is now a historian of Newfoundland wrecks. He had listed the S.D. Lewisporte as lost off Beniots Cove in 1902. He says the date he has is wrong and the vessel was lost off Beniots Cove after 1916. He, like Don, says Lewisporte has no South Side as it is too small a settlement.

AUCTION RESULTS

Talman

Lot 312 - 105 Covers or Cards (1897-1918) Town Cancels A-B. Est. 200 - Sold 260
Lot 314 - 109 Covers or Cards (most pre 1950) Town Cancels C-D. Est. 200 - 300
Lot 315 - 116 Covers or Cards (most pre 1949) Town Cancels. Est. 200 - Sold 280
Lot 317 - 90 Covers or Cards, I-F Town Cancels. Est. 200 - Sold 280
Lot 321 - 88 Covers or Cards, R-T Town Cancels. Est. 175 - Sold 220

R.A. Lee

Lot 765 - 57 Nfld. Covers or Cards 1922-1987. Est. 40 - Sold 70

Ian Kimmerly

Lot 648 - # 18. Est. 150 - Sold 120
Lot 651 - # 21. Est. 250 - Sold 140
Lot 661 - # 166 imperf at night. Est. 100 - Sold 45
Lot 674 - J1 - J6 on Cover. Est. 100 - Sold 50

Jim Hennock (June)

Lot 390 - 21 Slogan Covers. Est. 250 - Sold 85
Lot 394 - Set of Cabot Large Die Proofs. Est. 5000 - Sold 2700
Lot 397 - Set of Cabot Plate Proof Pairs. Est. - Sold 260

~~At the group meeting in Vermont a suggestion by Palmer Moffat was put into use. Each member attending was asked to give his name and home town and if they had visited Newfoundland or Labrador.~~

On a personal note, I would like to thank Don Wilson for arranging and Chairing the Newfie Group Meeting for us. Great job Don.

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Treasurer: Martin Goebel, 79 Highland Drive, St. John's, NF, A1A 3C3

EDITOR'S NOTES

In this issue we have: the finale of David Piercey's fine article on "Corks & Cancellations on the First Cent: Issue", the beginning of a supper article on "Labrador Postal Markings" by Kevin O'Reilly of Edmonton, plus the usual bits and pieces. My supply of longer articles is dwindling, so come on guys, lets dig in and write an article on your favourite Newfoundland subject. Whether long or short, all items will be put in our Newsletter.

On a more personal note, I have to make an apology to our former Editor and Chairman, C.A. Stillions. Upon returning from the B.N.A.P.S. Convention, Don Wilson told me that C.A. hadn't received the past three or four Newsletters. As I do not mail out the Newsletter myself, I did not notice this. C.A., as this is no excuse, I apologize and say that it won't happen again.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

If there is a "X" on your address label, this denotes that you have not paid your dues. A membership form is included on page 10 of this Newsletter. Please make remittance to Martin Goebel as soon as possible, as we do not want to lose any members. This will be our last notice for unpaid dues.

1937 LONG CORONATION ISSUE

FROM **POPE'S FURNITURE FACTORY**

Handle With Care

Miss S. Hiscock
Trinity
T.B.

Phone 659 & 2187

Factory, Office and Show Rooms
George, Waldegrave and Water Streets, St. John's, Nfld

A shipping tag from Papes Furniture Factory on Water Street, St. John's, to Trinity. A two cent Omnibus and two seven (cent Long Coronation values used to cover the sixteen cent charge for shipping a two pound package (8¢ per lb.).

M A Anderson-Brown
The Grebes
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UK

30th March 1994

Dear Messrs Walsh and Butt,

Please find enclosed a photocopy of a cover that I have had in my possession for some time. It is postmarked ST JOHN'S EAST DEC 7 1933, is backstamped (as far as I can make out) CARBONEAR DEC 8 1993 and has a postage paid rectangular handstamp POSTAGE PAID * W.S.L, in blue. I can find no reference in your catalogue or any other source for this particular postage paid cancel and would be most grateful if you could enlighten me as to its origin and what W. S. L means.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely



Michael A Anderson-Brown



The Reverend E.E. Rusted,
Carbonear.

USE OF THE FIRST PROVISIONALS - UPDATED CHART

In NEWSLETTER #48, was published a chart reflecting my observations of the days of use of the first provisionals, (SCOTT 75-77, NSSC 69-71) and the POST PAID handstamp (NSSC PP1). I asked for additional dates from readers and was able to fill a few holes. The updated chart is below. Any additional dates are still welcomed! One of the recent findings was use of POST PAID on Dec 4 97, the day when the 1¢ Victorias were purported to have become available (SCOTT 81, NSSC 73). As a "come-from-away", I could use some help on this matter, also. Anyone out there have a Dec 4 97 cover using the red 1¢ Victoria?

1897 USE OF PAID ALL & PROVISIONAL ISSUES UNTIL AVAILABILITY
OF 1¢ VICTORIA ON SATURDAY, DEC. 4.

PAID ALL	SCOTT #75-77 USAGE	SUNDAYS
9-24	10-19	9-26
9-27	10-20	10-3
9-29	10-21	10-10
10-1	10-22	10-17
10-2	10-23	10-24
10-12	10-25	10-31
10-13	10-27	11-7
10-14	10-29	11-14
10-15	11-1	11-21
10-16	11-2	11-28
10-18	11-5	
10-20	11-8	
10-21	11-11	
11-3	11-12	
11-4,	11-22	
11-26	11-27	
11-27	12-3	
12-4		

PAID ALL used exclusively through 10-18. Provisionals used solely on 10-19. PAID ALL used to supplement them from 10-20.

Please send any help to me or John Butt.

Norris (Bob) Dyer, 1708 Granada Court, Petaluma Ca 94954.

LABRADOR POST OFFICE MARKINGS

KEVIN O'REILLY

JUNE 1994

ADNAVIK

Lat. Long.: 55° 01' N 58° 50' W

Population: 9 (1951)

Origin of Name:

Opened: 1893 (Way Office) Labrador North [Henry Russell, waymaster]

1894 (Post Office) [Henry Russell, postmaster]

Closed: 1896 [last listing in Almanac]

1899 [Pratt]

1931 [Walsh and Butt]

No postal markings known.

AILLIK

Lat. Long.: 55° 13' N 59° 13' W

Population: 41 (1965) summer fishing

Origin of Name:

Opened: ?1952 Non-Accounting MOON 53002

Closed:

TYPE	COLOUR	PROOF DATE	EARLIEST	LATEST
C1		Feb. 22, 1952	Oct. 23, 1954	
R1		Feb. 7, 1952		



C1



R1

BATTEAU

Lat. Long.: 53° 25' N 55° 47' W

Population: 116 (1966)

Origin of Name:

Opened: 1890 (Way Office) Labrador North [Samuel Wilcox, waymaster]

1892 (Post Office) [Almanac] [Samuel Wilcox, postmaster]

1893 (Post Office) [Pratt]

Closed: March 30, 1949?

Re-opened: after 1949 Non-accounting MOON

POCON 005878

June 30-Sept. 28, 1973

July 2-Sept. 23, 1974

June 21-Sept. 28, 1975

June 16-Sept. 16, 1976

June 22-Sept. 15, 1977

June 20-?, 1978

June 12-Sept. 12, 1979

June 11-Sept. 6, 1980

June 8-Sept. 5, 1981

June 20-Sept. 17, 1982

Postal Code: A0K 1E0

TYPE	COLOUR	PROOF DATE	EARLIEST	LATEST
C1		June 27, 1962	Sept. 3, 1967	
C2		May 20, 1969		
P1		Mar. 13, 1973		



C1



C2



P1

Newfoundland

"EARLY POSTAL HISTORY"

1724-1856.

Settler's Letter.

1724.



October 1, 1724. Freshwater Bay to Highworth, Wilts, via London. "Bishop Mark." "In all 7" in manuscript, indicating 7d to pay.

Letter concerns the hardships confronting a would-be settler in Newfoundland at that time. To quote:-
 "We were forced to lie on ye cold ground for almost a fortnight till we could build houses to succour us.
 I never underwent more hardship in all my life as I have since here and I believe I shall never trouble this Country again if please God send me a safe return.

The rate marking of 7d represents 1d Captain's gratuity plus the inland rate of 6d to cover London to Highworth.

There were no postal facilities in Newfoundland before 1805, so this letter would have been given to the Master of a vessel calling at Freshwater Bay or nearby Bonavista.

An earlier such letter, dated 1708, has been noted.

From the Gold Award winning collection of early postal history formed by N.D. Campbell. Letters from this collection will be a regular feature.

The last page of David Pigg feature on the 8 other Canees on First Canees



10 Bar Oval



Outer Ring



Thick Segments



Thin Segments



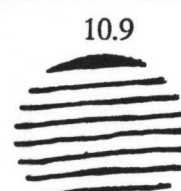
G.P.O. Ring



9 Bars - Small



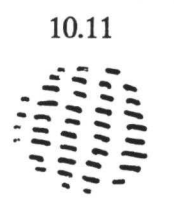
4 Parallel Bars



9 Bar Circle



Quartered



10 Bar - Scored



5 Bar Circle



Gear Wheel



Thick 9 Bars

10. BARRED STRIKES

10.1	10 Bar Oval	1865 on (general device)	
10.2	Outer Ring	13¢ (1865); 2¢ (1870); 12¢ (1870)	St. John's
10.3	Thick Segments	5¢ (1876); 1¢ (1877); 3¢ (1880)	St. John's, 1881
10.4	Thin Segments	2¢ (1879); 5¢ (1880); 5¢ (1984); 2¢ (1896)	St. John's, 1884
10.5	G.P.O. Ring, 5 Bars	3¢ (1870)	St. John's, 1873
10.6		1¢ (1880)	
10.7	Small 9 Bar Circle	12¢ (1870)	
10.8	Four Parallel Bars	3¢ (1880)	
10.9	9 Bar Circle	1888 on (general device)	
10.10	Barred & Quartered	3¢ (1890)	
10.11	Scored 10 Bar Oval	2¢ (1880); 5¢ (1894); 3¢ Royal family (1898)	
10.12	5 Bar Circle	8¢ Cabot (1897)	
10.13	Gear Wheel	4¢, 5¢ Cabot (1897); 3¢ (1898)	Whitborne, 1899
10.14	Thick 9 Bar Circle	1/2¢ (1898)	

The Newfoundland Study Group of B.N.A.P.S.Annual ReportJohn Butt, Chairman

The 1993/1994 Newfoundland Study Group year was a most enjoyable one for me, and I hope for you also. Our "Newfie Newsletter" was filled with articles from our members and I hope they keep writing articles, short or long, for your Newsletter. This makes my job as editor so much easier.

Martin Goebel, our treasurer, has concluded our financial statement. It is included, along with a membership form renewal on the reverse of this handout sheet. I hope you will approve same.

Our Membership list now includes 44 people from Canada, 33 from the U.S.A. and 9 from the British Commonwealth, plus 9 free-bees for a total of 95. We had 10 new members join us last year, so our study group is still growing!

I wish to thank Bill Robinson and Palmer Moffatt for giving of their time and knowledge presenting a "Show & Tell" at the meeting. As I am unable to attend the meeting, I would also like to thank my good friend Don Wilson for filling in for me.

I thank you all for attending the Newfie Group meeting and I am sure you will enjoy it. If you are ever in our area, make sure you call Don or I. You will be most welcome.

Faithfully yours,

John Butt
John Butt

Agenda for the Annual Meeting, Friday, September 30, 1994, at 3:30 PM:

1. Our last meeting was held on September 3, 1993, at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto. Acting Chairman, J. Don Wilson, welcomed attending members and received approval for Acting Officers and a new membership fee of \$13 Canadian.
2. Martin Goebel, our treasurer, has included our 1993/1994 Financial Report and a Membership Renewal Form. I hope you will approve this. Our budget for the 1994/1995 season is \$900.
3. ~~Financial Statement - see over - approval.~~
4. Unfinished and New Business
5. Election of Officers.
6. D. Wilson accepting dues from floor.
7. Bill Robinson and Palmer Moffatt - "Show & Tell".
8. Adjournment.

BNAPS Newfoundland Study Group**Financial Statement as of August 15, 1994**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
Aug 18/93	Balance Forward from Previous Year		101.95
var	Bank Interest		.67
var	Service Charges	4.00	
Mar 11/93	BNAPS Stipend 7 x 13		91.00
	Membership 5 x 28		140.00
var	Memberships 62		818.41
	Memberships in advance 2		23.00
var	Newsletter Postage	274.25	
	(6 Issues) Typing	109.00	
	Paper & copying	424.53	
	Labels	3.60	
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	TOTALS	815.38	1175.03
Aug 15/94	Balance on hand end of this year		<u>\$359.65</u>

----- Please Detach -----

**X IN BOX DENOTES MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM****YOU HAVENOT PAID DUES 94/95****BNAPS NEWFOUNDLAND STUDY GROUP**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

Telephone: (Home): _____ (Office): _____

Annual Fee: \$13.00 (Canadian Dollars)

\$10.00 (US Dollars)

£6.50 (British Pound)

Canadian funds payable at a Canadian Bank would be appreciated!

Please make your cheque or money order payable to:

BNAPS Newfoundland Study Group

care of the Treasurer

Martin Goebel, 79 Highland Dr., St. John's, Nfld, CANADA, A1A 3C3

All members are kindly requested to complete and remit this form
for our accounting and mailing purposes.