

**THE NEWFIE NEWSLETTER
OF THE NEWFOUNDLAND STUDY GROUP OF BNAPS**

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Welcome to issue #52 of the Newfie Newsletter. I hope the weather in your part of the world is better than it is here in Newfoundland. We are having an old fashioned winter with lots of snow, wind and frost.

This edition of your Newsletter contains the following articles:

- Page 2-5** *The first part of Palmer Moffatt's "Box & Oval Cancells of Newfoundland", updated from the report of 1988.*
- Page 6** *Continuation of N. Duncan Campbell's collection of the early postal history of Newfoundland.*
- Page 7-8** *Continuing David Peircey's "Labrador Town Cancells".*
- Page 9-10** *A new Newfoundland booklet found by C. Francis Rowe, the Dean of Newfoundland collectibles.*

From this Newsletter onward, I will list the articles in this way, to let you know when they are beginning or ending. Many of the articles on hand are lengthy, but they can be used in sections, leaving room each Newsletter for shorter pieces.

I wish to thank members of our group who are sending articles for the Newsletter. Your input continues to make the Newfie Newsletter one of the most informative and interesting in the B.N.A.P.S. Study Group.

AUCTION NEWS

Auction catalogues received in the previous 2-3 months have not had any Newfoundland material of note.

NEWFIE CHATTER

Do not forget ~~O~~apex 95, if you have an exhibit that has to qualify for Capex 96. Contact Paul Burega, 16 Aldgate Crescent, Nepean, Ontario, K2J 2G4.

*The B.N.A.P.S. Convention for 1995 will be held in Edmonton, Alberta from September ~~8-10~~ ¹⁻³ ← **NOTE NEW DATES** contact Keith Spencer, 5005 Whitemud Road, Edmonton, Alberta, T6H 5L2.*

☐ *If an X appears in this box, you have not paid your dues. If dues are not paid, this will be the last Newsletter you will receive.*

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Newfoundland Box and Oval Date Stamps

A study done by the Nfld. Study Group of B.N.A.P.S.

Compiled by Palmer Moffat

This study of the large box and oval date stamps of Newfoundland was started in 1986. The original list was compiled from information reported by Capt. Douglas Campbell and John Forrest, from their extensive holdings in England, plus historical material (Dan Myerson, Frank Campbell, et al.) and from the writers collection. The purpose was to identify the offices that had used these box/oval date stamps and record the earliest and latest dates of use, colour, etc.

These markings were first discussed in the Newfie Newsletter of March/April 1988, when Ed Wener suggested that they could be an interesting area to collect. Our editor (C.A. Stillions) published the data that had been gathered up to that time, with a request that our readers report any new data from their collections. As a result, a revised listing appeared in the May/June 1990 Newsletter. A few listings slipped in which really don't belong. "Money Order and General Delivery" markings were kept but St. John's Registration date stamps are not included. Also omitted are RPO/TPO, Military, special events, (First Flights, Royal Visit) and others that have been researched and reported in other studies. H.M. Customs are included because quite a few have been found cancelling the stamp on covers.

How can you help? Check your boxes and ovals for new offices, a different colour, a variety in punctuation or spelling, or an earlier or later date of use.

Please send a xerox copy, which is clear enough to show the details of your report, to the address below. Updates will appear in this Newsletter. Good Hunting!

Our grateful thanks go to Lucinda Butt, our Editor's daughter, who compiled the material for this report.

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Colour Key

B	- Black
BL	- Blue
G	- Green
M	- Magenta
P	- Purple
R	- Red

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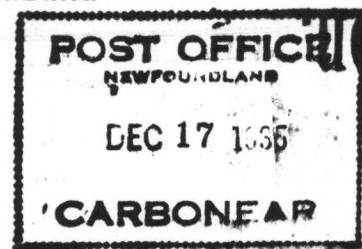
Abbreviations

D	- Date
P.O.	- Post Office
T	- Town
D M Y	- Day-Month-Year
PO/D/T	- Post Office/Date/Town

The Box and Oval Date Stamps of Newfoundland

Dotted Rectangle

"Post Office" Top Line
Size 41+mm x 26+mm

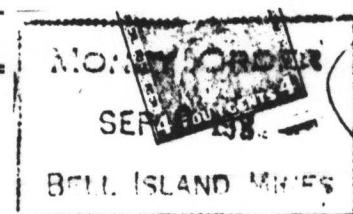


POST OFFICE	COLOR	E.R.D.	R	L.R.D.	R	NOTE
AGUATHUNA	B			07AP21	PM	
ANGLE BROOK, B.B.	BL			13MR21	PM	
ARNOLD'S COVE STATION	P,B,			11OC33	PM	
BADGER	B,BL,P,R	09SP29	DC	Q5MY34	PM	
BARENEED	P	15NO30	DC	30AP32	JF	
BATTLE HARBOUR	B	30MR31	DC	30MY31	PM	
BATTLE HR. LAB	P	01DE37	DC	8:DE45	DM	"NEWFOUNDLAND" OMITTED
BAY DE VERDE	P,R,BL	02NO29	DC	11MY38	JF	
BAY ROBERTS	P,B	02JY30	JF	07JY47	PM	
BELLEVUE EAST	BL	07NO21	PM			NEWFOUNDLAND AT BOTTOM
BELL ISLAND	P,B,R,BL	13SP20	DC	xx0C33	JF	
BELL ISLAND MINES	R	03OC23	PM	24xx30	DW	
BELL ISLAND MINES	BL,P	10SP20	PM	xxMR21	PM	"B","I","M" LARGER
BISHOP FALLS	R,P	22AP31	DC	16DE38	DH	"B" & "F" LARGER
BLAKETOWN	B	07MY31	PM	xxxxx33	DC	
BONAVISTA	B	15MY35	PM	02AUxx	JB	
BOTWOOD	P	18OC29	DC	25JA36	PM	
BRIGUS	BL,P	17NO30	DC	29OC35	DC	
BUCHANS	BL,P	13JU31	DC	18JU39	JB	
BURIN NORTH	BL,P,R	03JY29	DC	25NO35	DH	
BURLINGTON	BL,P	03FE28	PM	26SP32	JF	1931 IS D M Y
CARBONEAR	P	13FE33	PM	09DE35	DW	
CARBONEAR, NFLD	B			14AP21	PM	NEWFOUNDLAND OMITTED
CARMANVILLE	B			xxxxx32	PM	LETTERS 3mm
CLARENVILLE	B,BL	15MY30	DC	16xx35	PM	
CLARKE'S BEACH	P	29JA38	DC	16MR38	DC JF	

POST OFFICE	COLOR	E.R.D.	R	L.R.D.	R	NOTE
COACHMAN'S COVE	R	13NO29	DC	18JU31	PM	
COOK'S HARBOR	P	18AU24	PM			
CORNER BROOK	P,B,BL	xxSP29	DP	xxxx32	PM	"C" & "B" LARGER
CORNER BROOK	B	13MY47	BN	21OC48	DH	"C" & "B" SAME
DEER LAKE	P,R	06DE29	DC	21FE31	DC	
FRANCOIS	P	19NO30	DC	15DE33	JF	
GLENWOOD	B,P	03MR31	DC	09AU40	DC	
GRAND LAKE	R,M	16SP23	DC	19FE26	FA	
GRATE'S COVE	P,R	24AP31	DC	30AP34	PM	
GRIQUET	B,P,R	26OC29	DC	xxxx35	PM	
HAMPDEN	R,BL,P	30JY30	PM	31JA35	PM	
HARBOR MAIN	BL,P	12JY29	DC	29NO30	DC	
HAWKE HR. NFLD.	R	13JA23	DC	13MR23	PM	NEWFOUNDLAND OMITTED
HEARTS CONTENT	R,P	20AU32	DW	xxxx36	PM	
HEART'S DESIRE	B	10DE30	DC	xxFE32	PM	
HERMITAGE	B,P	xxxx29	DC	20JA33	PM	WORN MAYBE WAVY
HILLVIEW, T.B.	BL,P	28MR21	PM	18JU29	JF	
HOWLEY	P,BL,R	19FE30	PM	17MY35	PM	WORN, MAYBE WAVY
HUMBERMOUTH	B	xxxx32	PM			
LADLE COVE	P	20JU29	PM	28JY33	PM	
LITTLE BAY	G,P	12NO30	DC	31OC33	PM	
LONG BEACH, B.D.V.	B	05MR19	PM			
LONG HARBOUR	BL,P	xxJA31	DC	20OC34	JB	
LOWER ISLAND COVE	BL,P,R	17AP30	DC	24AP31	DC	
MARYSTOWN	B,P,R	22MR30	JF	27JA34	PM	
MILLERTOWN	P,BL	22JU28	JF	14MY32	PM	
MILLERTOWN JUNCTION	R	xxDE33	JF	31DE42	PM	
MONROE, T.B	B,BL	12JY29	DC	20JU31	DC	
MUNDY POND, St. John's	P,B	19MR32	JF	07JA41	PM	
NARDINIS		04MY18	DC			
NORRIS ARM	P	04MR37	DW	xxxx37	DC	
PASS ISLAND	B	27SP30	PM			

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PLACENTIA	P,BL	16DE29	DC	29JA36	PM	
PORT DE GRAVE	P	30MR33	DH	06MY35	DC	
RATTLING BROOK, N.D.B.	B	09JU31	PM			
ROSE BLANCHE	B,BL	08JU31	PM	03FE34	PM	"R" & "B" LARGER
ST. ANTHONY, NFLD	BL	19MR21	PM			NEWFOUNDLAND OMITTED
ST. ANTHONY, I.G.A.	B	10DE18	PM	xxSP32	PM	
ST. BERNARDS	P	06DE30	DC	19FE34	PM	
ST. GEORGE'S	P,R	09OC29	DC	xxAP34	DP	
ST. JOHN'S, NFLD.	BL	14MR38	PM	14SP40	JB	T/D/ GENERAL DELIVERY
ST. JOHN'S EAST	B	04OC25	JF	10SP42	PM	
ST. JOHN'S EAST, N.F.	BL,P,B	09MR36	PM	10AU38	PM	NEWFOUNDLAND OMITTED
SHOAL HARBOR	B			30JA39	PM	
SPRINGDALE	P,R,BL	13AU28	JF	06FE34	PM	
STEPHENVILLE CROSSING	BL,P	12NO30	DC	09DE35	JF	
TERRA NOVA	BL,P	07DE34	BN	xxNO44	PM	

Dotted Rectangle
(other wording on top line)



POST OFFICE	COLOR	E.R.D.	R	L.R.D.	R	NOTE
BELL ISLAND MINES	P,B	12AU29	JF	22MY34	PM	MONEY ORDER/D/T
CHANGE ISLANDS, NFLD	B			25AP20	PM	POSTAL TELEGRAPH/D/T
CLARENVILLE	B			10MY21	PM	T/D/NEWFOUNDLAND
Come-By-Chance Crossing	BL			21JU20	PM	POSTAL TELEGRAPHS/D/T
I.G.A./ST. ANTHONY, NFLD	BL			03JU25	PM	I.G.A./D/T

Newfoundland



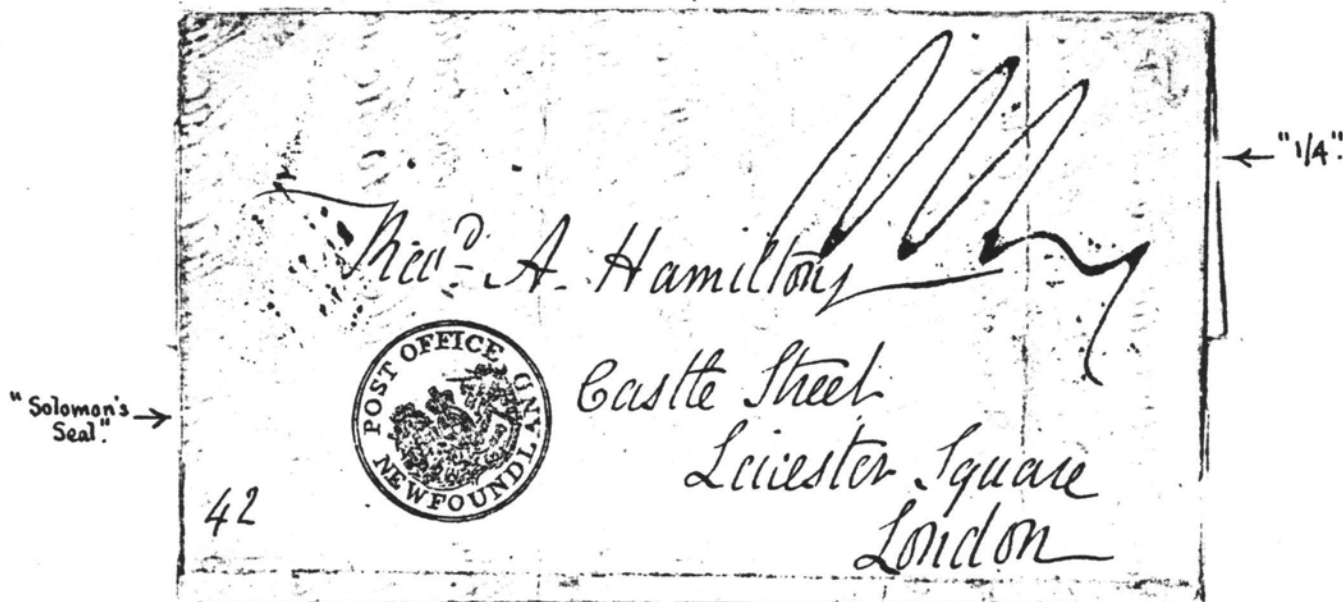
THE FIRST HANDSTAMP.

"SOLOMON'S SEAL".

1827-33.

Letter by Private Vessel to the U.K.

"Ship Letter Portsmouth"
Type S15 on back.



August 8, 1827. St John's to London, via Portsmouth. Received September 19.
"1/4" in manuscript denoted 1/4d to pay, made up of Ship Fee 6d, Captain's
gratuity 2d, inland rate Portsmouth to London 8d.

There were no postal facilities in Newfoundland before 1805, letters to be sent to places abroad being handed to the Master of an appropriate vessel as in this case.

In April, 1805, Simon Solomon, a watchmaker of St John's was made Post Master. Although Newfoundland was not included in the British Postal System, provision was made for connection with the regular trans-Atlantic mail packet at Halifax.

Mr Solomon engraved the seal, which was in use at least between 1826 and 1833. Of the 6 examples recorded, the earliest date is May 14, 1826; the latest May 2, 1833.

Transit time was 42 days.

BATTLE HARBOUR

Lat. Long.: 52° 16' N 55° 35' W

Population: 75 (1971)

Origin of Name:

Opened: 1882-1886 (Way Office) [Pratt] [William Bendell, waymaster]
 1890-1891 (Way Office) [Almanac] [William Bendell, waymaster]
 1892 (Post Office) Labrador North [Almanac] [George Hall, postmaster]
 1893 (Post Office) [Pratt] [George Hall, postmaster]
 before 1948 Accounting Office, year-round
 April 1, 1949 Non-accounting MOON 53035
 POCN 005886

July 2-Oct. 25, 1973
 July 2-Oct. 17, 1974
 June 26-Oct. 31, 1975
 June 7-Oct. 22, 1976
 June 13-Oct. 24, 1977
 June 12-Oct. 28, 1978
 June 12-Nov. 3, 1979
 ?-Nov. 8, 1980
 June 8-Nov. 9, 1981
 June 1-Oct. 12, 1982
 June 3-Oct. 5, 1983
 June 4-Oct. 16, 1984
 ?-Oct. 18, 1985
 ?
 June 25-Oct. 10, 1990

Postal Code: A0K 1G0

TYPE	COLOUR	PROOF DATE	EARLIEST	LATEST
A1		Sept. 19, 1889	Feb. 6, 1897	July 21, 1924
A2		Dec. ?, 1911	Jan. 15, 1927	Sept. 10, 1929
A3		Jan. 5, 1931	Dec. 20, 1891??	
B1		Aug. 15, 1932	July 18, 1933	Dec. 12, 1964
C1		May 30, 1963	Sept. 17, 1974	Sept. 17, 1979
C2		Aug. 29, 1965		
M1a	Reddish Violet	June 21, 1949	May 5, 1950	
M1			Sept. 6, 1950	
M1b	Blue		1954?	
M1			June 10, 1960	

P1 Mar. 13, 1973
 Z1 Mar. 12, 1931
 Z2 Sept. 25, 1945
 Q1 Sept. 26, 1945
 W1 Nov. 2, 1925



A1



A2



A3



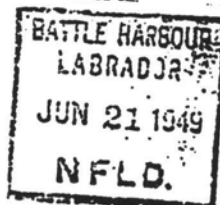
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C1



C2



M1

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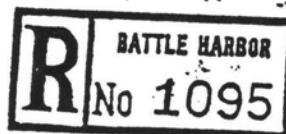
BATTLE HARBOUR
 N F
 P1



Z1



Z2



Q1



W1

NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAGE - THE CARIBOU ISSUE OF 1919.

During World War 1, 1914-1919 and for some time after Newfoundlanders served in the Sudan, a British possession dating from 1897 until it was proclaimed a Republic in 1956. This stamp booklet could have been prepared by the Sudanese Government for use by Newfoundlanders stationed there and supplied through the Military Base postal service.

Notes for information.

It is said that soldiers suffering from injuries or lengthy illness whilst serving in the Dardenells were sent to Egypt to recuperate. Letters by the soldiers were exempt from Egyptian postage. Mail was franked as Postage Paid, bore no stamp or were permitted to carry stamps of the country to which they were addressed. From the illustrated "Sudanese Booklet" it appears that the similar conditions prevailed in the Sudan where the Newfoundland One Cent Stamps of the Caribou issue of 1919 (Stanley Gibbons 130) were made available to fill the need for Newfoundland stamps if the sender chose to use stamps of his own country.

Stamps for the setting up of the booklets could have been obtained from the Newfoundland High Commissioners Office in London, England

The Caribou Issue of Postage Stamps was printed by De La Rue and placed on sale Jan2. 1919.

Sudanese stamps were also printed by De. La Rue.

The original owner was from Newfoundland and served as an officer in the Royal Navy (Captain?) with service in the Mediterranean, Red Sea and Indian Ocean during WW 1, 1914-1919

The perf of the stamps in the booklet is 13.9 x 14.1

Q U E S T I O N S ?? --

1. What is the true history of this booklet
2. Where and by whom was the booklet assembled.

Anyone able to provide further information on same would you kindly let the author know

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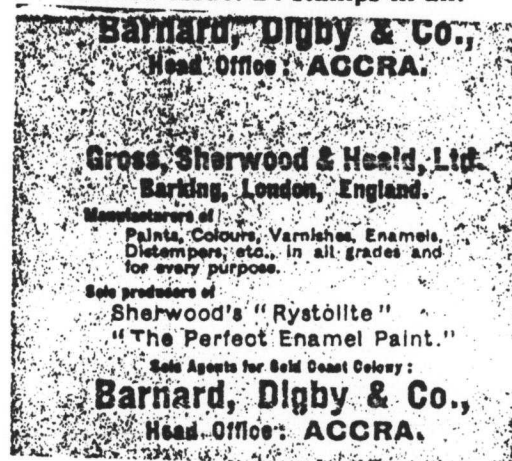
PRICE 100 MILLIEMES.



4 panes 3 x 2 of the one cent Caribou Issue. 24 stamps in all.



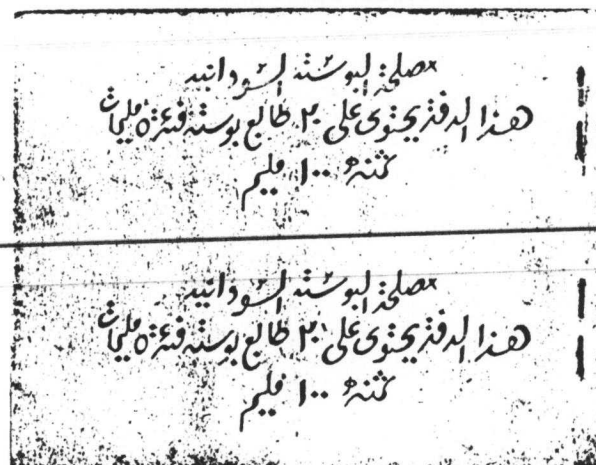
First interleaf



2nd & 3rd interleaves



4th & 5th interleaves



Outside back cover.

No printing on inside of front or back covers. It appears that the interleaves and covers were originally prepared for a smaller size booklet.