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EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Welcome to Issue #75 of our Newsletter. In the last issue I mentioned that I would explain the coastal vessel and postal town lists introduced in the last issue.

The T.P.O. clerk list was taken from information in the Newfoundland Year Books and Gazettes at the archives in St. John's (this was done while I checked dates etc. for the postal town list).

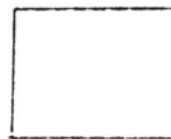
The postal town list was gathered from many sources such as Newfoundland Year Books 1850-1932, Palmer Moffatt's Newfoundland Study Group Report 1900-1949, B.N.A. Topics 1443-1970, numerous auction sale and price lists. This list has the first post person where possible - to show authenticity, the opening and closing dates to 1998 * and the population at its peak. I am waiting for copies of the Canadian Post Office Credit Book Reports to find the post person and latest dates 1949-1998.

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On behalf of Martin Goebel, J. Don Wilson and myself, I hope all our members had a Merry Christmas and all our wishes for a Happy New Year.

1998-99 ANNUAL DUES - This is your second reminder. our year ends at the BNAPEX Annual Meeting. If there is a check mark in the box to the right, you still owe 1998-99 dues, and this will be your last Newsletter. Please remit \$13 CAD in Canada, \$ 9 U.S. in U.S.A., and 5 pounds sterling for U.K. addresses.



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FROM OUR ROVING REPORTER DON WILSON

A note of thanks.

I wish to draw to everyone's attention that all the people involved in BNAPS do their work as a labour of love. From the Chairman, President, Secretary, Treasurer, Editors of Topics and Portraits, and on down. However, coming closer to home and to you, I think of John Butt, your President of this Newsletter group and also Editor of this letter, 6 times a year, year after year. His wife, Loretta, who stamps and addresses the envelopes and his daughter does all the typing of the Newsletter. I think of Martin Goebel who looks after our registration, collects all our money, pays all our bills and produces a financial statement year after year.

I have an easy job, copying, collating and folding the Newsletter. While Jean helps me stuff and seal the envelopes and take them to the Post Office (always hoping that some will not be returned because of overweight.

It is a labour of love because we know how much you appreciate receiving our Newsletter, just as we all do in receiving the Newsletter from the many other study groups.

Why not drop a note of appreciation to one of the hard working officers of BNAPS and tell them how much you appreciate their efforts. I am sure they would be elated.

**BNAPS NEWFOUNDLAND STUDY GROUP ANNUAL MEETING
ORLANDO, FLORIDA, OCTOBER 30, 1998**

J. Don Wilson acted as chair and recording secretary. 7 members were present for part or all of the meeting. Financial report to September 30, 1998, was presented and approved. John Butt, president and Martin Goebel, treasurer were re-elected by acclamation. Special vote of appreciation was given to Newsletter editor, John Butt, for his dedication and hard work in providing six Newsletters each year over the last number of years and appreciation that he agreed to carry on with this project.

The chair explained to the group that the Atlantic Province had acquired 120 new exhibit frames, 240 faces, at a cost of \$33,000 and asked for a donation of \$1,000 CDN. from the Study Group. After discussion the proposal was accepted. Some members were disappointed they could not exhibit at BNAPEX '97 due to lack of frames. At that time there was only 80 frames available. A round table discussion on Newfoundland material etc. Before we knew it, our one hour time slot was gone. As a side note, the frames are held in trust for use in the Atlantic Province Stamp Club by Atlantic Exhibition Frame Society, 1070 Bland Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, B3H 2S8 (phone: 4020423-7687). The Society's Chair is Dr. J. J. MacDonald with Dr. Graham McCleave (Fredericton, NB) and J. Don Wilson (St. John's, NF) as Directors. The Board of BNAPS and RPSC also gave an additional donation of \$2,000 CDN toward the cost of 40 additional new frames.

Perfins on Stamps of Newfoundland

On March 26, 1995 an article was published in The BNA Perforator (Vol 16, Number 1- Whole Number 92) which presented the results of a survey begun some 10 years earlier. This survey, completed by Russ Deveau, listed all known perfin patterns on stamps of Nfld. These were listed by pattern, issue and position of the perfin. Two additional updates boosted the number of known perfins to some 500+. Until recently this information was taken for granted and no questions were raised as to its accuracy.

Anyone collecting Nfld stamps will surely understand the problem of identifying some of the issues which were issued with different perforations, new dies or watermarked vs unwatermarked papers. I know that some of the original information was erroneous and with this article I hope to begin a process to correct these problems and issue an accurate update. Part of the problem with the original survey was that it sat unattended for about ten years. After such a long interval it was impossible to contact some of the original respondents for obvious reasons and corrections / confirmations could not be done.

My intent is to undertake a new survey of all known perfins on stamps of Nfld. including documents, covers etc. I am asking that all collectors with Nfld perfin material please send me a list of your holdings with the stamps identified by pattern, issue and perfin position as well as how many of each item you have. To help with some of the harder items I am including a check list to help differentiate one issue from another. The original survey had a total of 113 respondents from Canada the United States and Great Britain. With this in mind I am sending this article to the BNAPS Perfin Study Group, The Perfins Club in the United States and the Great Britain Perfin Society, as well as the BNAPS Newfoundland study group. If you know of anyone who collects this area and is not a member of one of the above groups please invite them to respond as well. The more people involved the more accurate the survey will be.

The following table lists stamps which have the same pattern (picture), but were issued with two different perforations. The first column lists the original Scott (Unitrade) number (perf 13.5), and the second column lists the second issue (perf 12.5).

Perf 13.5	Perf 12.5
184	253
190	257
191	
191a	
193	260
194	261

195	262
196	263
197	265
199	266
209	259
245	254
246	255
247	256
248	258

The other area with major difficulty in identification is the three series of the Publicity Issue. Perforations are not a concern here since all three sets were issued in a multitude of perforations. There are however some major differences in the three sets. The first issue, in 1928, was printed by Whitehead, Morris & Co but in 1929 Messrs. John Dickinson & Co, through Perkins Bacon & Co, used re-engraved dies for the second printing. This on unwatermarked paper. The third issue, using the re-engraved dies, was printed on watermarked paper. The major differences in the dies are summarised below.

Value	1928	Notable Characteristic	1929, 1931
1	Above	Cape Bauld vs Cape Norman	Below
2	Two	Rear mast guy wires	One
3	White	Left Column Pillar	Shaded
4	Six	Side Rosettes	Five
5	No	Spur around ornament of 5 tablet	Yes
6	Yes	Period after JOHN'S	No
8	Yes	Stylized "x" before NEWFOUNDLAND	No
10	One	Left side flame tips	Two
15	A	"L" of LEAVING under	T
20	Flat & Square	Bottom points of "w" in NEW	Pointed
30	NO	Period after FALLS	Yes

This table used with permission of Newfoundland Specialized Stamp Catalog (NSSC), John M. Walsh and John G. Butt editors.

I urge everyone with any Newfoundland perfins to please send in your list so we can compile this list as accurately as possible. Please send your list to:

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NEWFOUNDLAND POST OFFICES 1851 - 1998

POP	Town		1st Post Officer	Open	Close
284	Badger Brook	T	Cecil Cunningham	1907	1921
449	Badger	T	Telephone Operator	1906	*
316	Badgers Quay	B.B.	Bertha Hopkins	1916	*
68	Baie Verte	B.V.P.	H.M. Herbert	1903	*
180	Baine Harbour	P.B.	Eli Gardner	1891	*
27	Bald Nap	T.B.	William Guliford	1891	1902
14	Balena	F.B.	A. Neilson	1899	1916
91	Bank Head	St. G.	Margaret M. Power	1906	1931
248	Bar Haven (Barron Island)	P.B.	Mrs. Peter Shea	1912	1966
363	Barachois Brook	St. G.			*
216	Bareneed	C.B.	George F. Payne	1891	1953
220	Barren Island (Bar Haven)	P.B.	Eliza Shea	1891	1912
471	Barr'd Islands	F	Thomas Anthony	1903	1945
57	Bartlett's Harbour	N.P.	Thomas W. Rose	1900	*
45	Barton (Snook's Brook)	T.B.		1918	1931
265	Bauline	C.B.	Jemima King	1891	1962
298	Bay L'Argent	F.B.	Harriett Grandy	1891	*
230	Bay Du Nord	F.B.	Thomas Farrell	1891	1962
80	Bay Du Nord	H.B.	James Thomey	1903	1931
	Bay of Islands, Riverhead	St. G.		1904	1905
823	Bay De Verde	C.B.	Steven Blunden	1891	*
265	Bay D'Espoir (Ship Cove)	F.B.	George Collier, Jr.	1900	1923
1911	Bay Roberts	C.B.	William Fraser	1879	*
83	Bay de L'Eau	F.B.	Thomas J. Burton	1911	1931
	Bay of Islands	St. G.	William H. Bagg	1879	1909
808	Bay Bulls	S.S.	Martin Williams	1851	*
	Baytonna (Gayside)	B.P.			*

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POP	Town		1st Post Officer	Open	Cl
	Beachside (Wild Bight)	W.B.			
150	Bear Cove	W.B.		1965	
68	Beau Bois		Mary Wills Toop	1909	195
	Beaumont North	B.P.	George Dober	1891	193
456	Beaumont (Cutwell)	N.D.B.	Winnie E. Enlgand	1920	193
42	Beaverton	T	Winnifred Roberts	1920	*
89	Belburns	T	John A. Day	1909	1928
4645	Bell Island (Isle)		John A. House	1909	*
	Bell Isle	C.B.	Matthew Jackman	1891	*
284	Bell Island Front	S.B.I.		1962	
1392	Bell Island, Wabana	C.B.		1937	*
2645	Bell Island Mines	C.B.	John R. Butler	1928	1937
753	Belloram	C.B.	Robert Burke	1908	1957
187	Bellvue (Tickle Harbour)	F.B.	Julia Cluett	1891	*
	Bellvue East	T.B.	Margaret Lynch	1908	*
222	Benoits Cove	T.B.	Mrs. Jane Murphy	1920	1948
44	Benton	St.G.	James S. Evett	1891	*
35	Betts Cove	T	William O'Reilly	1896	*
305	Bide Arm	T	Edward W. McCurdy	1877	1919
65	Birchy Head	W.B.			*
89	Birchy Cove (Curling)	N.P.	Henery Halfyard	1891	1977
259	Birchy Bay	T	Herbert Ryan	1918	1931
450	Bird Island Cove (Elliston)	N.D.B.	Henery French	1903	*
395	Bird Cove	T.B.	Arthur Tilley	1891	1907
58	Biscay Bay	N.P.			*
74	Biscayan Cove	S.S.	Thomas Ryan	1910	1931
	Bishop's Falls Station	S.S.	Ambrose Rose	1918	1931
		G.F.D.	J. C. Hampton	1912	1931

Department of Posts & Telegraphs
Railway Mail Clerks 1898-1932

Labrador North T.P.O.

Charles Butler	1901-1909
George Sheppard	1910-1914
E.J. Wornell	1915-1920
Clarence Stone	1920-1930
John Guppy	1931-1932

Labrador T.P.O.

John McNiel	1900-1910
Moses Bartlett	1911
Patrick Hickey	1912-1913
R. Evans	1914-1915
T.B. Legrow	1916
George Field	1917-1919
J. W. Tarrant	1920-1925
T.B. Legrow	1926
T. Legrow	1926-1930
E.J. Dominey	1926-1930

N.N. & W. Railway

Charles Nicholl	1898-1903
Mark Davis	1898-1903
John Mesher	1898-1903

Notre Dame Bay T.P.O.

Alfred E. Manuel	1900-1902
John White	1901-1915
William Freeman	1903-1914
George Sheppard	1914-1925
John Bennett	1915-1918
A. Northcott	1919-1925
Stephen Penney	1926-1931
Herbert Taylor	1926-1929
Lewis Northcott	1930

Department of Posts & Telegraphs
Railway Mail Clerks 1898-1932

Notre Dame Bay South

H. Taylor 1921-1925

Notre Dame Bay North

F. Manuel 1921-1922
Stephen Penney 1923-1925

North East Coast

William Young 1905-1909
Walter Bishop 1910-1912
Stephen Jeans 1913-1915
John H. Collins 1916-1917
Earl Devon 1918
Walter Bishop 1918-1920
W.H. Adey 1921

P.A.B. & North Sydney T.P.O.

V.L. Billard 1921-1924
William Thistle 1925-1926

Placentia Bay T.P.O.

David Condy 1900-1908
J.D. Keilly 1909-1912
John Collins 1913-1932

Port au Basques

James Gushue 1914-1918
James Billard 1919

SNUG HARBOUR

Lat. Long.: 52° 53' N 55° 52' W

Population: 36 (1965)

Origin of Name:

Opened: 1888 [Walsh and Butt]

1890 (Way Office) [Almanac] [John Coady, waymaster]

1892 (Post Office) Labrador North [Almanac] [John Coady, postmaster]

1893 (Post Office) [Pratt] [John Coady, postmaster]

before 1948, summer office, no money order service

Closed: Mar. 31, 1949

Reopened: ?1962 Non-Accounting MOON

POCON 006408

July 2-Oct. 27, 1973

July 23-Nov. 14, 1974

July 10-Nov. 15, 1975

?-Nov. 30, 1976

July 5-?, 1977

June 12-Oct. 13, 1978

June 18-Oct. 6, 1979

?-Oct. 17, 1980

June 2-Oct. 31, 1981

June 7-Oct. 31, 1982

Postal Code: A0K 5J0

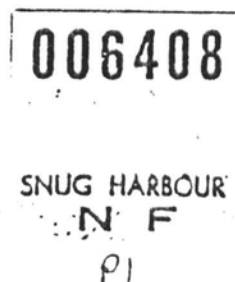
TYPE	COLOUR	PROOF DATE	EARLIEST	LATEST
C1		Sept. 1, 1962	?, 1974	Sept. 2, 1978
E1		June ?, 1982		
P1		Mar. 13, 1973		



C1



E1



P1

SPOTTED ISLANDS/SPOTTED ISLAND

Lat. Long.: 53° 30' N 55° 45' W

Population: 62 (1971)

Origin of Name:

Opened: 1911 [Walsh and Butt] (as Spotted Islands)
before 1948, summer office, no money order service

Closed: Mar. 31, 1949

Reopened: July 2, 1957 Non-Accounting MOON 54592
(as Spotted Islands)

November 1957 Changed to Spotted Island
POCON 006424

?-Oct. 9, 1973

July 8-Sept. 24, 1974

July 23-Oct. 23, 1975

June 7-Sept. 30, 1976

June 15-?, 1977

June 20-Oct. 12, 1978

June 11-Oct. 9, 1979

June 17-Oct. 18, 1980

June 15-Oct. 3, 1981

June 1-Nov. 8, 1982

Postal Code: A0K 5L0

TYPE	COLOUR	PROOF DATE	EARLIEST	LATEST
A1		Sept. ?, 1912		
C1		May 15, 1957		
C2		Nov. 6, 1957	Aug. 22, 1974	June 20, 1978
P1		Mar. 13, 1973	June 20, 1978	
R1			June 20, 1978	



A1



C1

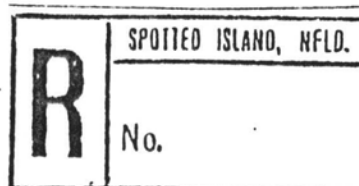


C2

006424

SPOTTED ISLAND
N. F.

P1



R1