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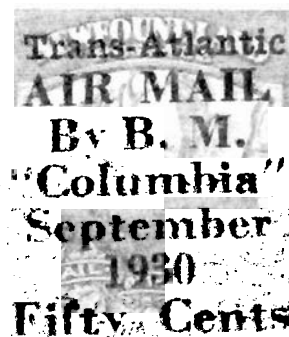
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CONTINUE TO WATCH OUT FOR THE ABOVE 'CINDERELLA' SET

The above set of "air mails" has returned to ebay in various forms, including colour trials, etc. The ink is still wet on these creations by Gerald King of Great Britain. *Linn's Stamp News* published my article on these farces at the end of September – I hope to get permission to reprint all the details in the next issue, January/February, as they own the copyright.

BNAPEX2003

A good time was held by all at the convention. Sammy Whaley regaled a dozen or so at the Newfoundland Study Group workshop, hosted by J. Don Wilson - I'm sorry I couldn't make it this year, but plan on attending next year's show. Four Newfoundland exhibits were shown:

Newfoundland 1897-1918: Royal Family, Dead Letter Seal & Map Stamp Issue – John Walsh

Newfoundland: The Postal Issue of 1865-1908 – David Piercey

The Newfoundland 'JOHN GUY' issues of 1910-1911 – John Jamieson

Newfoundland Perfin – Barry Senior

John Walsh won a Gold, Reserve Grand and the Meyerson Award. David got a Vermeil, John Jamieson a Silver, and Barry a Silver-Bronze. Congratulations! The Grand was won by Warren Wilkinson for his **British Columbia and Vancouver Island Postal History: 1850-1871.**

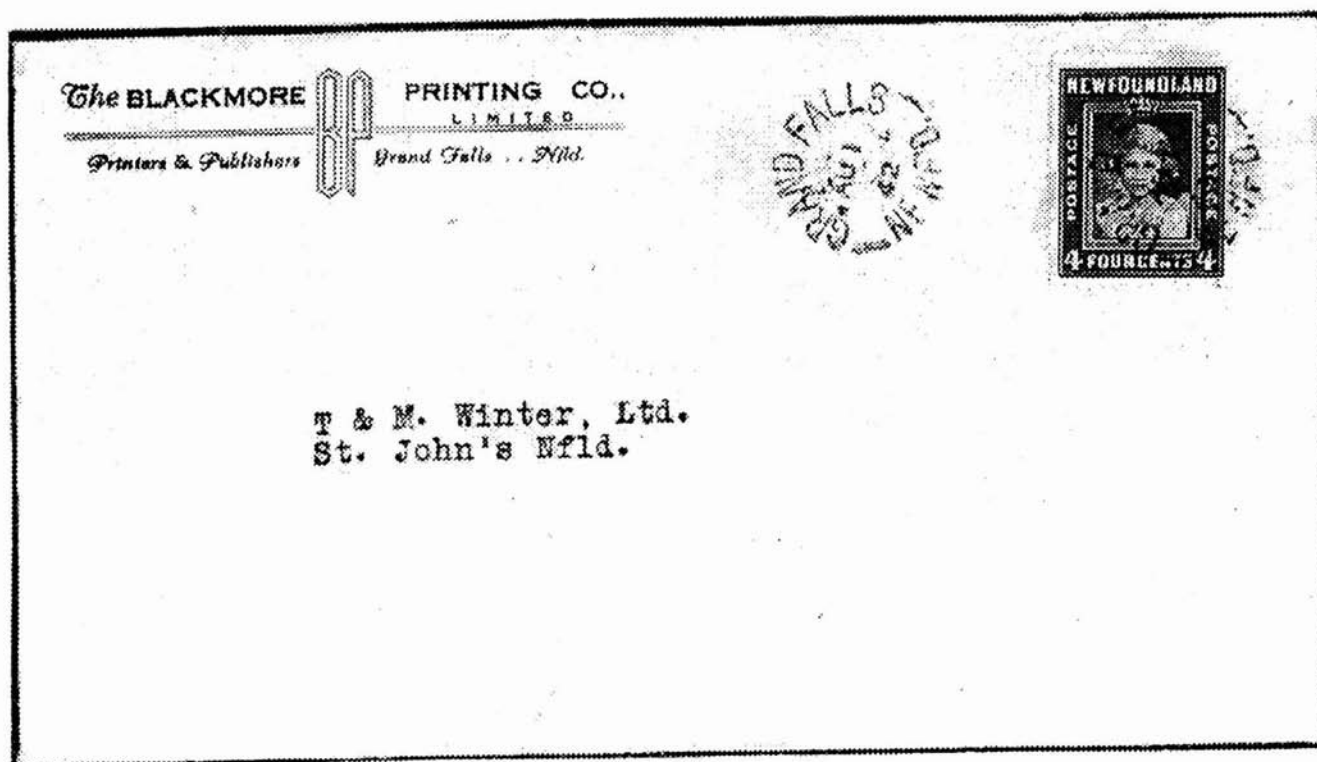
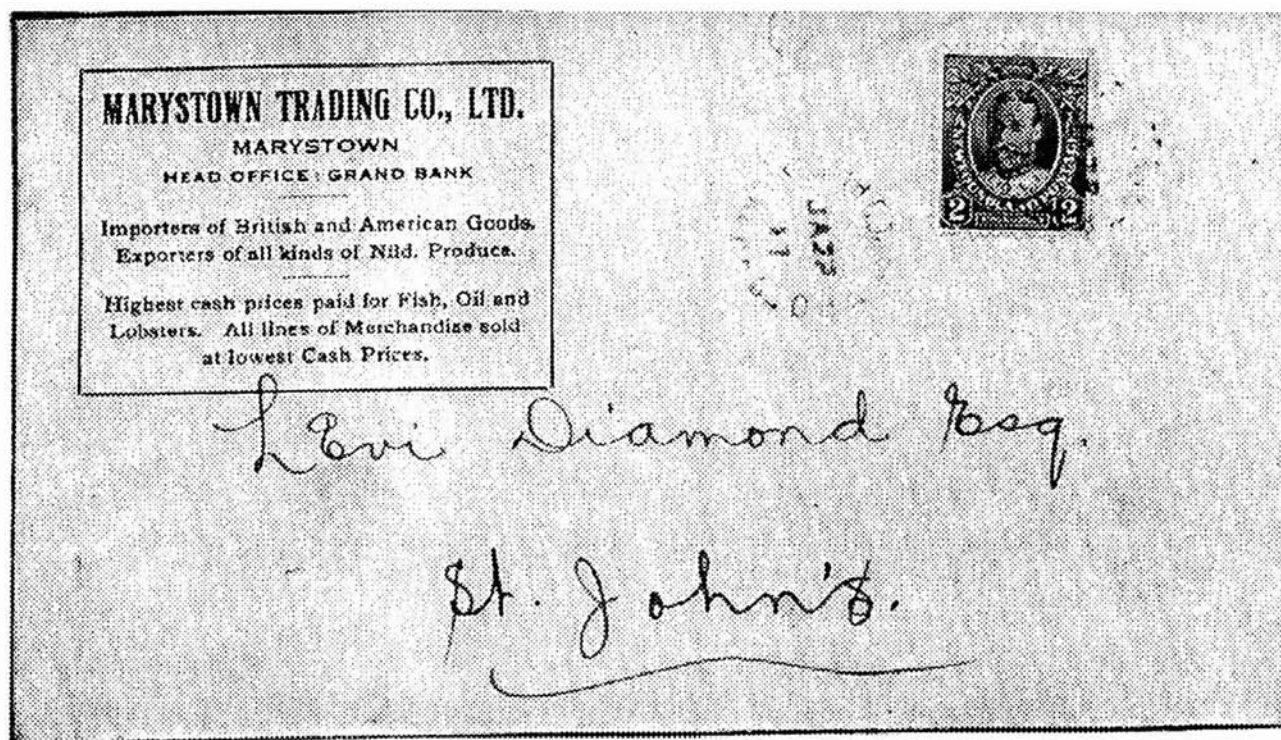
Support our dealer members: David Eisenhauer, John Jamieson, Bill Longley, R.L. McGillivray and J-Claude Michaud

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TWO UNLISTED ADVERTISING COVERS FROM DEAN MARIO



These advertising covers are *not* listed in the Newfoundland Specialized Stamp Catalogue. The top cover is from 1917, the bottom one from 1942. Dean mentions that the latter is similar to NSSC #B120 but with a different message.

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NEWFOUNDLAND STATIONERY EARLIEST KNOWN POSTMARK LISTING

Rob Moore

WEBB #	<u>ENVELOPES</u>	DATE
EN1	3¢ violet 5.5 x 3	June 17, 1890
a	4.75 X 3.75	January 8, 1890
EN2/2b	5¢ blue 5.5 X 3	February 17, 1891
a/2c	4.75 X 3.75	January 8, 1890
 <u>POSTAL BANDS</u>		
W1	1¢ green, buff paper	January 3, 1894
a	cream paper	?
W2	2¢ carmine, buff paper	?
a	cream paper	September 23, 1893
W3	3¢ brown, buff paper	September 6, 1900
a	cream paper	May ? 1896
 <u>REPLY LETTER CARD</u>		
L1	2¢ + 2¢ carmine *	July 15, 1912
 <u>POSTAL CARDS</u>		
P1	1¢ green	October 27, 1874
P2	2¢ vermilion	July 26, 1879 **
P3	1¢ green	February 11, 1881
a	thin cream card	July 19, 1898
P4	2¢ vermilion	April 30, 1881
A	thin cream card	July 14, 1897
P5	2¢ on 1¢	May 14, 1889
P6	2¢ +2¢ red 30mm inscription	May 16, 1892 ***
a	34 mm inscription	?
P7	1¢ green Edward VII	April 16, 1904
P8	2¢ red Alexandra	February 18, 1906
P9	1¢ green George V	March 24, 1911
P10	2¢ vermilion Mary	October 27, 1914
P11	1¢ green profile	July 12, 1913
P12	1¢ green Whitehead Morris	November 6, 1915
P13****	1¢ green Perkins Bacon	October 29, 1930
---- ****	Die II	July 20, 1937
P14	2¢ green	February 12, 1934

* Intended for domestic use, all known used copies are to foreign destinations

** There is a question about earliest date per Newfie Newsletter #102 [Editor's Note]

*** THE POSTAL CARD issue of March 18, 1892 reported this card had been issued

****Two dies noted by Horace Harrison –

I- thin "T" in "CENT" & weak right serif; II- thick "T" with strong right serif

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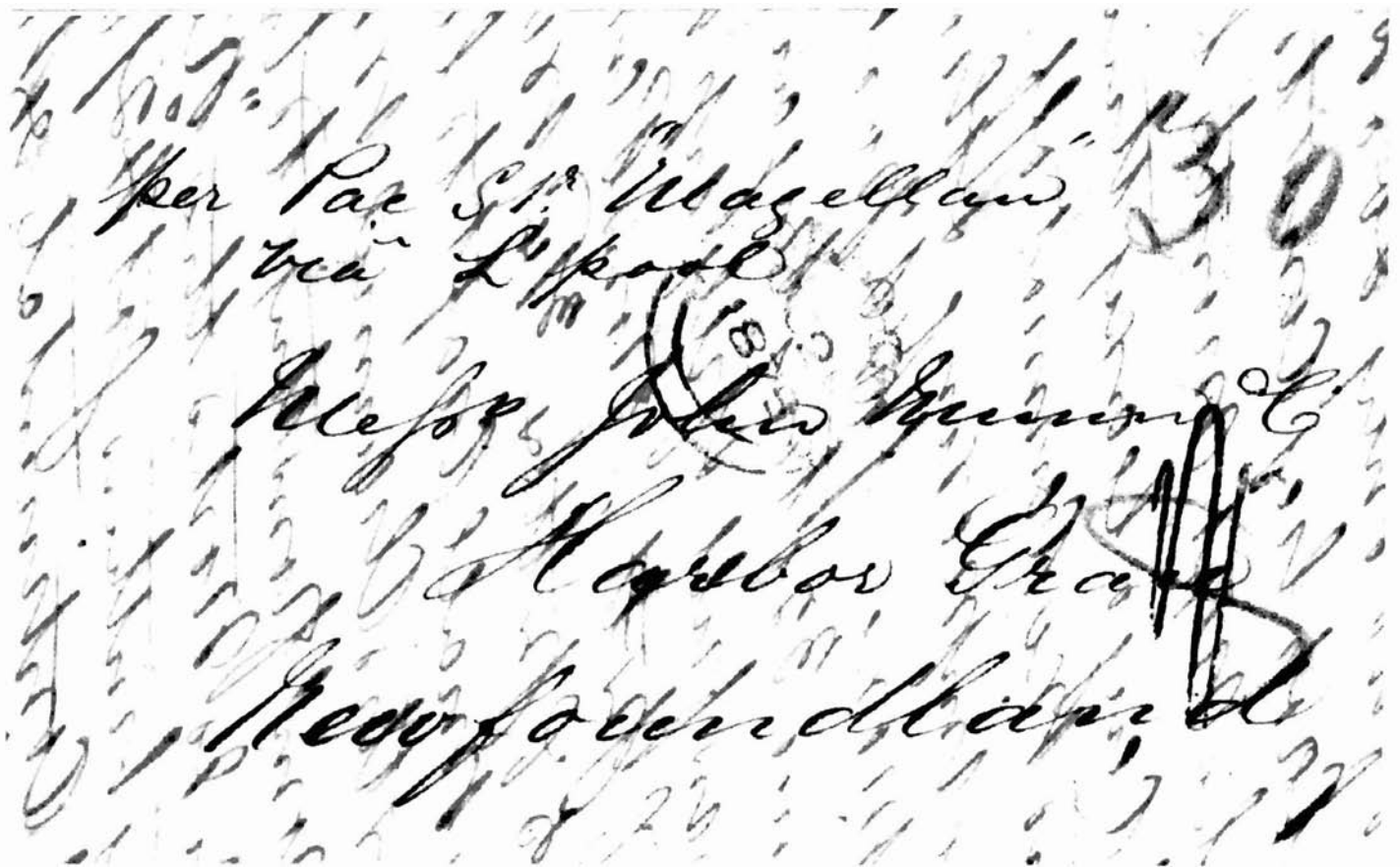
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TWICE ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

Colin Lewis

An often neglected part of a country's postal history is its incoming mail, and Newfoundland is no exception to this rule. However, if one is to fully understand the rates and routes that some of the early mails followed it is very necessary to research this aspect of postal history. Due to the sparseness of pre-1900 incoming mail to Newfoundland many of the surviving letters are one-of items. Such a letter is this one mailed from Brazil to Harbour Grace in 1873. It is probably worth mentioning that although there are a handful of letters recorded from South America, there are no known surviving letters from Newfoundland to that part of the world.



This letter is datelined Pernambuco Brazil 14 September 1873 and also carries a faint Pernambuco CDS of the same date plus the written instruction that it is to be carried via England aboard the Pacific Steam Navigation Company Steamer "Magellan". The "Magellan" sailed on or about the same for Liverpool. Upon arrival at Liverpool it was struck with the 5 line circular datestamp **4E / LIVERPOOL / P.S. PACKET / 2 OC / 73**. This handstamp [see illustration next page] was only applied to mail carried by the Pacific Steam vessels and primarily from South America. There are about 15 items recorded that have this handstamp applied and this is the only one addressed to Newfoundland. It was also at Liverpool where the 1/- Sterling rate hammer was struck and signified the unpaid Trans-Atlantic rate for a half-ounce letter from GB to Newfoundland.

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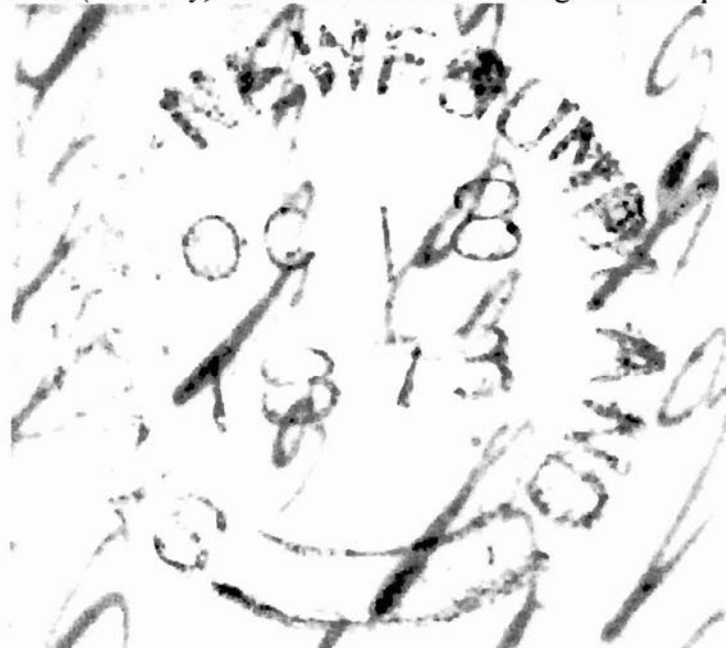
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Twice Across The Atlantic (concluded)



Its second Trans-Atlantic crossing was direct from Liverpool to St. John's aboard the Allan Line's "Austrian" where it arrived on October 18 (Saturday). At St. John's the 1-shilling handstamp was struck through and a.



collect fee of 30 (cents) applied. The fee was 24 cents for the Trans-Atlantic voyage plus 6 cents for an unpaid letter to Harbour Grace. The arrival datestamp at Harbour Grace is October 21 (Tuesday). Obviously, at this time, mail arriving at the weekend and requiring a fee assessment was not handled until the Monday. The unanswered question in respect to this letter is what fee was charged for the first sea voyage from Brazil or as is likely that was a private transaction between the sender and the carrier. The letter is a typical business letter of the day relating to delivery and prices of Cod. -----*Colin Lewis, Swansea UK*

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SEVERAL OLD STAMPS ADVERTISEMENTS

1. From 1900

NEWFOUNDLAND – STAMPS!

**One Hundred Newfoundland stamps assorted
Containing one set Royal Photo ½¢, 1¢, 2¢, 3¢ and
5¢ Cabot Jubilee Issue, 6¢ rose F. H. One hundred
in all. Catalogue value over \$5.00, my price for lot
only \$1.00. Cash with order. Send for price list
Free. Address,**

H.F. SNOW

P.O. Box 161

St. John's, N.F.

On back of flap of April 2, 1900 letter to Detroit. This was ebay Lot #2947154740. It went for more than I wanted to pay, just to get ad.

2. From 1952

A COLONY YOU CAN COMPLETE

No sudden demand for cash to pay for wonderful
unnecessary sets to fl.

Have you realised that

NEWFOUNDLAND

had no normal stamps of more than \$1 face value

Special offers, all superb mint, mostly unmounted.

1919	Caribou set of 12 to 36c	\$4 10 0
1929	Provisionals, S.G. 144, 146, 147, set 3	9 0
1921	"Halifax" Air, S.G. 148, scarce in.	22 7 4
	Ditto, S.G. 148a, scarce mint	61 12 4
1929-31	Re engraved, no wmk., S.G. 190-190	22 15 0
1931	Airmail wmkd. set of 7, S.G. 195-97	24 17 6
	Wmkd. set of 11, S.G. 198-208, scarce	26 10 0
1932	Set to 25c, S.G. 200-09	21 12 6
1932	August set to 24c, inc. both bc dies	11 0 0
1933	H. Gilbert set of 14 (cat. over \$12)	23 0 0
1937	Coron. set of 14 councl. S.G. 234-67	17 9 0
1937	HS Special. Complete set of all normal K.G. VI issues (S.G. 228a, 231-67, 268-94 and 191-96), 48 stamps	22 1 0

Want lists of single stamps or sets
of any other Newfoundland welcomed

Geo. C. GINN & Co.

(Stamp Dealers for 70 years)

115 MOORGATE :: LONDON, E.C.2

Telephone: MO Narch 0221

From **Philately**, March-April, 1952. Courtesy Dean Mario.

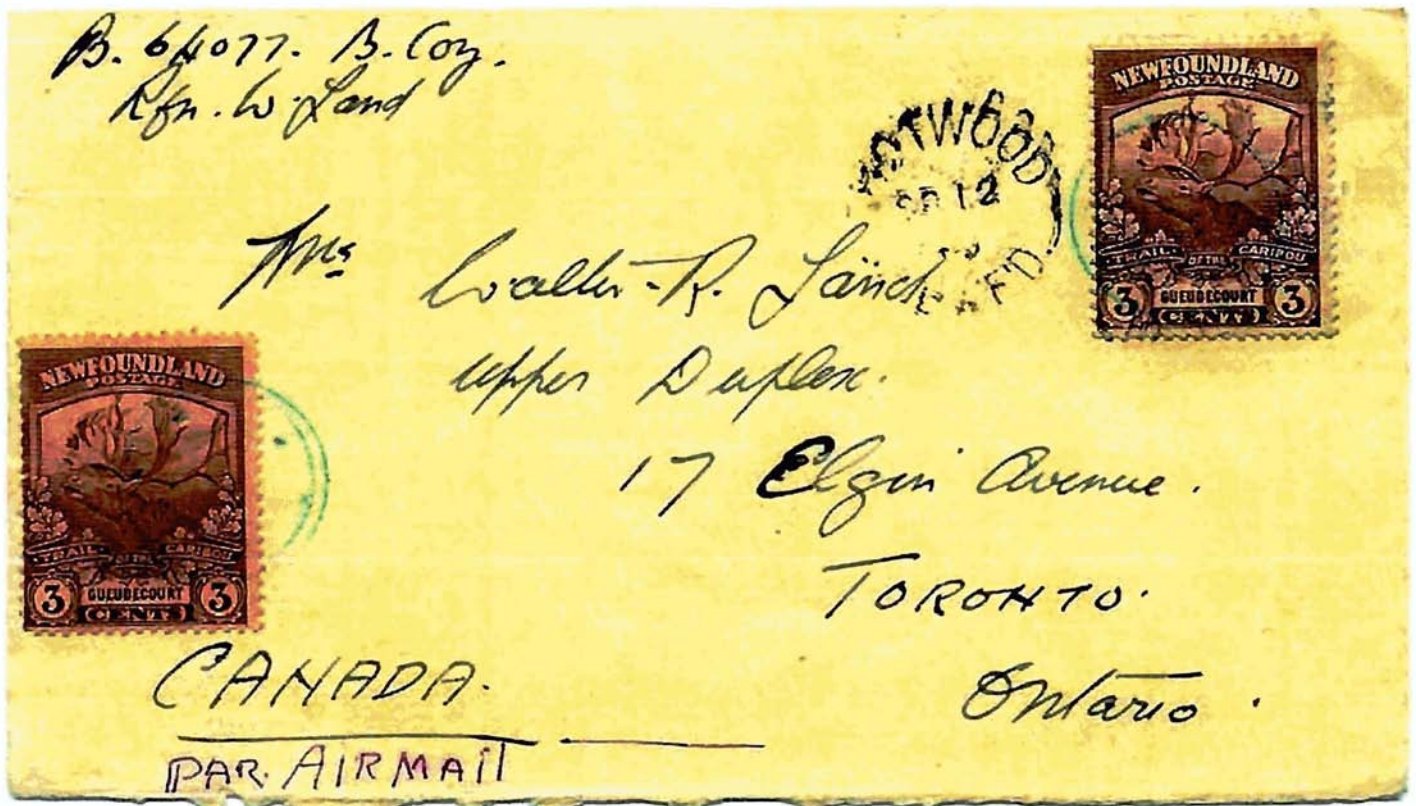
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CASE OF THE CURIOUS GREEN KILLER

Kevin O'Reilly



Extracted from CANADIAN MILITARY MAIL STUDY GROUP, May, 2003

The cover from Botwood, September 12, 1940, bears a green cork (?) killer tying the stamps...It's a pre-CAPO No. 3 which opened on September 1, 1941. Has anyone seen another cover with the curious green "killer" which appears like a double-ring circle?

Editor: Kevin asked me if we could run this in the *Newfie Newsletter*. I decided when setting up this page to have it printed in colour to help in the search effort. Please let me know if you have seen others/and or know the basis for the green cancel.

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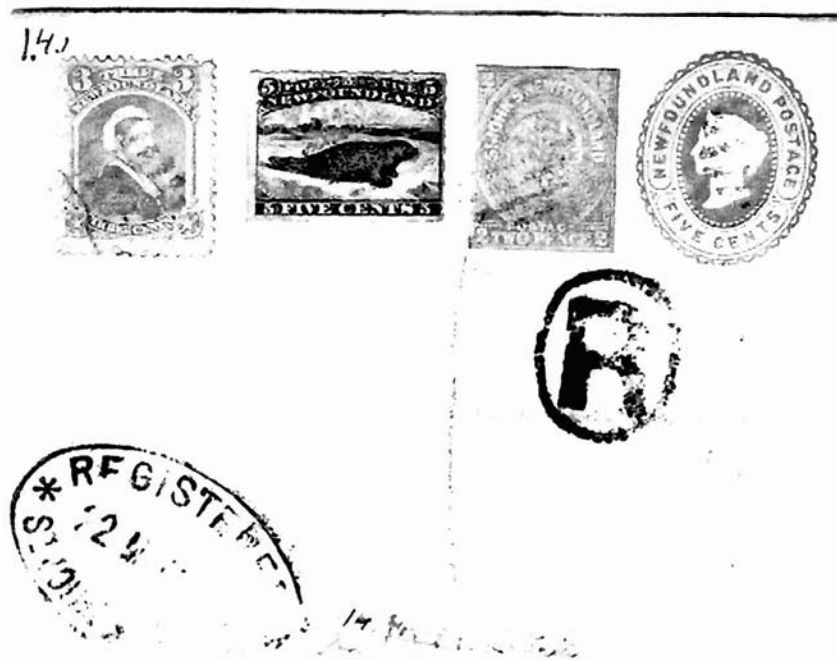
THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE MAY OFFEND THE TRUE PHILATELIST

Sammy Whaley

There is among us humans a rather interesting trait. We all have a tendency at times to commit an act so uncouth as to require one to first look over his shoulder to ascertain if being observed. Such is the case with the reading of this article. I warn the readers of the **NN** some of the following is not suitable reading for anyone who describes himself as a true philatelist. Do not read further until you make a solemn oath not to ever relate to any philatelist that you dared cast your eyes on the covers shown herein; heresy upon Grandma these things are philatelic!! However, the fact is – currently these disreputable #%&%& things are the hottest items among many hot items in Newfoundland philately. Grandma told us this new generation of collectors was going to pot!



Wanna win the next round of the latest Newfoundland philatelic trivia contest? What is the only Newfoundland Cents issue with an imprint block of four on cover? Oh, the 24¢ doesn't count – well buy the next round anyway!



Anyone know the conversion rate from pence to cents in 1913? Bet the postal clerk didn't! (Cont.)

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THE FOLLOWING...



The owner of this cover (me) has spent considerable time looking at it and asking himself "Who is more goofy? The person who in 1899 spent 51¢ to mail a local letter in St. John's or the person who spent \$200 to stare at the envelope in which that letter was posted?"



No in-depth article (such as this) dealing with such disgusting philatelic covers would be complete without paying homage to Rev. Butler. Thanks, Rev. for providing history with perhaps the latest usage of the #49, the 3¢ 1880 printing. However, it saddens me to inform the philatelic community that the stamp was used this late.

Before a reader rushes out to purchase any items such as those mentioned herein, one should be informed of the following disclaimer: The current owner is afflicted with the ability to say "ya'll" as though it were his native tongue. The affliction may be passed on to others by the handling of this type material, so buy them with this warning in mind.

Sammy Whaley give a great presentation at BNAPEX2003 on his pre-1897 material for 12 fans, so he can be forgiven for the above disreputable items since he has 100's of wonderful Cents covers. But Sammy, I thought "ya'll" was your native tongue?— Editor

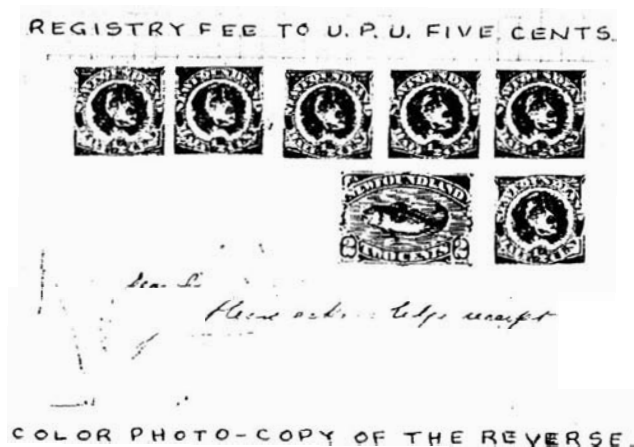
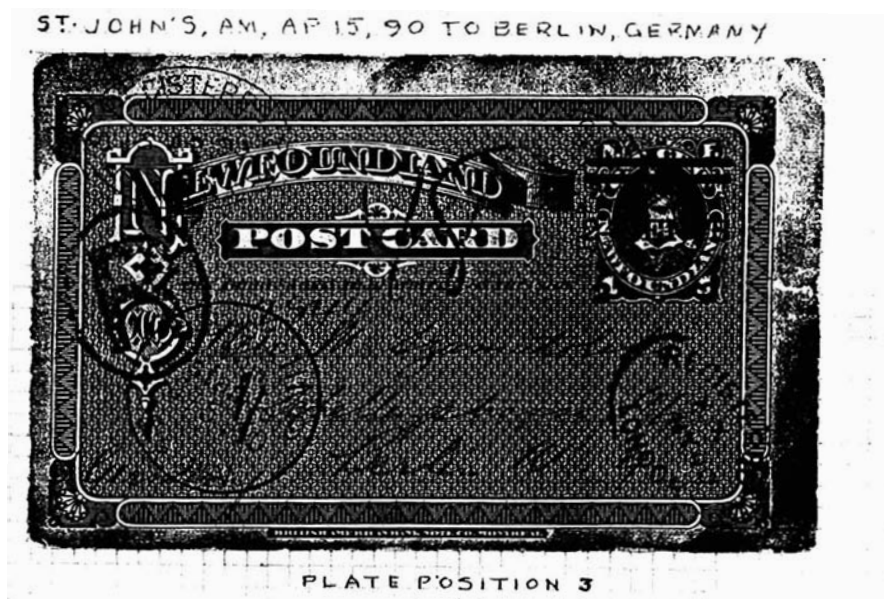
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NEWFOUNDLAND'S POSTAL STATIONERY 1873-1941 – Horace Harrison

THE VAST MAJORITY OF THESE CARDS WERE PURCHASED BY A SPECULATIVE COMBINATION WHICH SOLD THEM UNUSED TO COLLECTORS AND DEALERS. VERY FEW USED CARDS HAVE SURVIVED, PERHAPS FEWER THAN TEN, AND THIS REGISTERED CARD (TO GERMANY) MAY BE UNIQUE.



THE SPECULATIVE COMBINATION CONSISTED OF G. B. CALMAN OF N. Y. C., A STAMP DEALER; N. OHMAN OF ST. JOHN'S, A TRADER & COLLECTOR; AND GEORGE LEMUSSURIER, A POSTAL OFFICIAL. A NEW SUPPLY OF 24 U. P. U. CARDS HAD BEEN REC'D. BY JULY 22