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Trans-Atlantic
AIR MAIL
By B. M.
"Columbia"
September
1930
Fifty Cents

WASHINGTON 2006



Both Colin Lewis and I received medals at the May Washington 2006 international exhibit. Colin won a Large Vermeil for his *Newfoundland's Postal History 1857-1899* and I won a Gold for my *Postal Shortages And Surcharged Issues of Newfoundland*. The show was perhaps the most successful international held in the United States with an attendance estimated at 225,000!

EMAIL FROM MEMBERS

Pete Motson reports that Harry Bennett of Bennett auctions says his practice is **not** to report lots that didn't sell as UNSOLD on his Post Sale website data list. They are reported at their reserves!

David Handelman commented on Joseph Schlitt's "fabulous money packet" (NN #119). "I don't know for sure but I imagine NF's money packet service was similar to that of Canada. Money packet mail was sent in special armed trucks, and a fairly high rate of postage charged...In fact the rates in effect in Canada for money packets around this time were registration fee + 5¢ per ounce + 1¢ war tax (at a time when first class was 2¢ per ounce + 1¢ war tax). If this rate were in effect in Newfoundland, the weight of the packet would have been 43 ounces, which is fairly typical for Canadian money packets".

Doug Hannon sent scans of several more bisects (as did David Handelman) and opines that "there never was any authorized bisect but it did happen in modern times for the small communities..." He enclosed a letter of 1953 from the "District Post Office Inspector" in St. John's to a Murray Ernst about "a bisected 2 cent stamp of Newfoundland on 24. December, 1937, a Curling, Newfoundland". Inspector Ivany proclaimed that "the Postmaster at Curling had no official authority to accept this piece of mail." It reads like an after-the fact "cover-your-butt" response!

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RARELY-SEEN PERFIN ON COVER

Barry Senior, our perfin guy, sent me a photo of the cover and stamp below. Very few of the 2¢ and 4¢ surcharged issues of 1939 are known with the AYRE perfin, and on cover use is very rare.



Ayre window cover with AYRE perfin on 4¢ surcharged stamp for inland rate, 2 DEC 1939



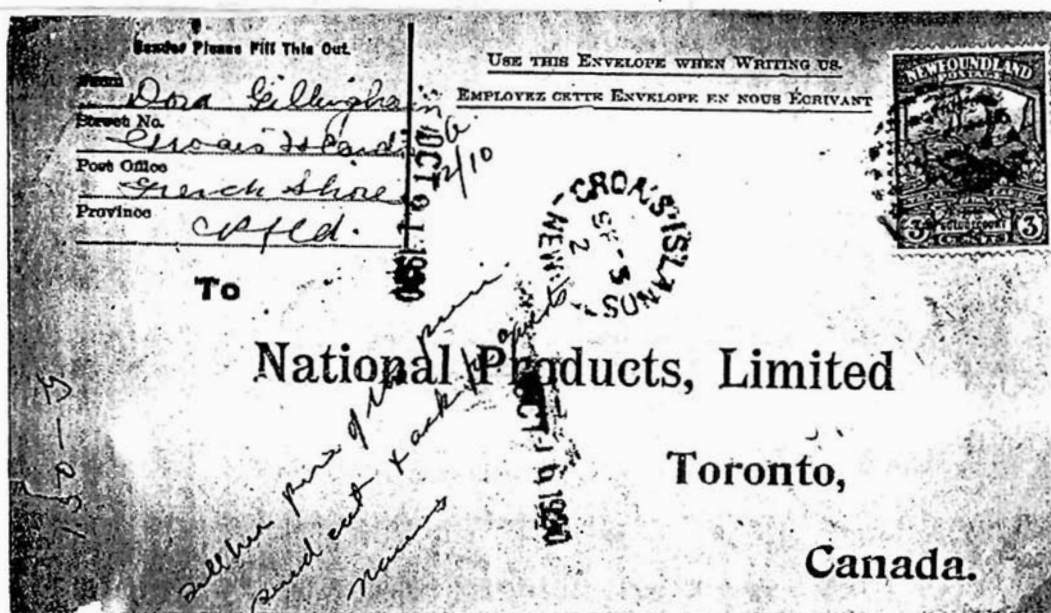
Perfin is at a slant to the right of the 4.

Barry writes: "This only the second cover I'm come across in almost 15 years of collecting Nfld perfins... The value of this cover is in its rarity and overall exceptional condition and a couple of pulled perfs would not detract in my mind... I have the 2¢ perfin but only on a document as a revenue usage. It is unrecorded on a perfin cover. I would love to have one postally used."

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN – CARL MUNDEN

GROAIS ISLANDS

These are two large, very high islands off the coast near Conche. The North Island, Groais (Grey) was the location for this post office. It first opened in 1895 and closed Oct. 10, 1966. Population 164



BELLE ISLE

The South island of the GROAIS group was called BELL ISLAND. The settlement was called French Cove... However there was already another Bell Island with a post office and 3 Frenchmans Coves. To avoid confusion, it was named BELLE ISLE. Opened June 18, 1953 closed Oct. 19, 1968. This was a Summer Office only. Population unknown.



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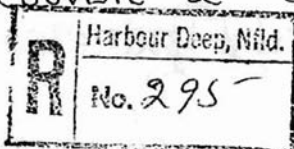
HARBOUR DEEP

Originally called GREAT HARBOUR DEEP, This location was abandoned in 2003. The office opened 1923. Closed June 2004. Population 130.

S.E. BUNGAY.
GREAT. HR. DEEP. Nfld.
Nfld.



TED FRASER'S BOOK BIN LTD
1247 GRANVILLE STREET.
VANCOUVER 2 B.C.



REGISTERED

CANADA HARBOUR

Located near Englee. Open 1910 Closed Sept. 17, 1970. Population 104



Ted Fraser's Book Bin
1247 Granville St.,
Vancouver 2, B.C.
Canada

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NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL HISTORY JANUARY 1857- JUNE 1893 – COLIN LEWIS

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Netherlands

Single Letter Rate 5 Cents Per ¼ Ounce



Belle Isle August 10th 1898
Portugal Cove August 10th 1898
St. John's August 10th 1898
Sgravenhage (The Hague) August 27th 1898

Single Registered Letter Rate 10 Cents Per ¼ Ounce



St. John's December 18th 1897
Liverpool December 31st 1897
London January 1st 1898
Sgravenhage January 2nd 1898

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INTERESTING 1918 WAR ISSUE COVER – The Editor

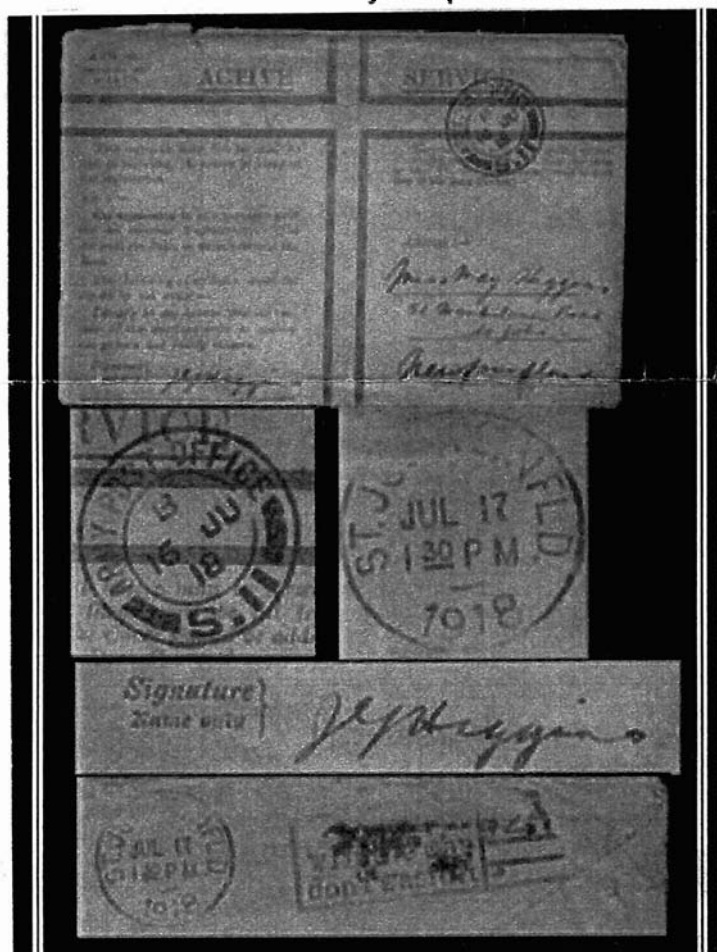
Here is another unique eBay lot, which went for \$113.61 in April. Dean Mario, eat your heart out!

Newfoundland - 1918 War Issue Cover

** A Unique item **

This cover was sent by the former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Newfoundland. His signature which has been enlarged is certainly one familiar to many in the legal profession of the Province. The address on the envelope is "Miss May Higgins, 31 Monkstown Road, St. John's, Newfoundland." Please note the very distinct Cancellation on the Double Circle Cancel in the UR corner of the Military Stationery, -- **ARMY POST OFFICE B 16 JU 18 S.II** and the Back stamp is # PS1 (Walsh CV\$ = \$20.00) **"FOOD Will Win The War Don't Waste It."** and the Single Circle - **ST.JOHN'S NFLD JUL 17 130PM 1918**

This is a cover with many aspects of interest ranging from that of Active Service during the First World War, the role Newfoundlanders played in that war, and of course having been something with relevance to the Former Chief Justice. In many respects it is a museum piece.



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HIGHEST NEWFOUNDLAND AIRMAIL RATE COVER - Doug Hannan



1944 cover with \$1.45 postage

The cover above is from a Canadian RCAF officer based at C.A.P.O. No. 5 at Torbay. The cover is franked with Newfoundland stamps #199 (pair), 257, 263 & 264 cancelled with the C.A.P.O. No 5 cds dates June 17/44, which pays the \$1.45 airmail rate on a Censored cover to Cape Town, South Africa, and then rerouted to Rondibosch. There is a South Africa received dated July 24/44.

This rate came into effect on May 7, 1942 when the rates were revised because of the new service of Air Mail (see Page 111, NSSC 6th edition). This rate was for a ½ ounce letter. It is the highest airmail rate shown in NSSC.



VIMY MEDAL

This souvenir was issued by the Gander and area Chamber of Commerce this year. The "Aviation Dollar" is "Series XXV". It is worth \$2.00 until the end of the year.

Makes one wonder what designs the first 24 featured. Comments? - The Editor

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A NEW NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR REVENUE STAMP - Christopher D. Ryan

Starting in the early 1990's, many Canadian municipalities have introduced "user-pay" programs for their garbage collection. Under these programs, residents are typically allowed to put out a fixed number of free standard-sized bags (or other containers) of garbage per collection. Any bags above these limits must be affixed with a tag purchased from the municipality. These tags are usually a self-adhesive stamp that is frequently placed around the neck of the tied bag in the form of a "flag".

Garbage tags/stamps are most commonly found in Ontario and British Columbia. They are rarely used on the East Coast. The first municipality in Newfoundland and Labrador to introduce a paid-tag is the City of Corner Brook. As of 1 May 2006, all bags of garbage over a weekly limit of four must be affixed with the \$1 self-adhesive stamp show below.

Corner Brook's stamp measures 191 by 25.5 mm and is black on yellow, with the City arms at left in multicolor and white panels on either end for the serial numbers. The black serial numbers are in gothic font at the right end and a roman font at left. The paper backing of the stamp bears instructions in black regarding its use. These stamps are sold only as individual items.

00866



CITY OF
CORNER BROOK

**GARBAGE
BAG TAG**

FOR USE ON ALL
GARBAGE BAGS OVER THE
WEEKLY BAG LIMIT OF 4

00866

Be sure to flag the "bag tag" around the top of your garbage bag.

Residents are allowed four garbage bags per weekly collection without bag tags.

- Additional items must be tagged to be collected
- Maximum weight per bag is 35 kg or 77 lbs.



- Attach bag tag as shown around the top of the bag.
- Avoid sticking to wet or moist bags.
- If using a reusable container, stick tags to the top item inside container.
- Do NOT use bag tag as a twist-tie.

MORE AUCTION RESULTS FROM SOTHEBY AUCTION OF MAY 5, 2006

LOT #	DESCRIPTION	PRICE (U.S.)
290	Scott #1, block of 25, never hinged, Cat. \$3,125	\$3,450
389	Scott #53, sheet of 100, never hinged, Cat. \$77,500	33,350
400	Scott #59, sheet of 50, never hinged, Cat. \$7,500	5,750
412	Scott #43, sheet of 100, never hinged, Cat. \$12,500	7,475
415	Scott #49, sheet of 100, never hinged, Cat. \$7,000	8,625
484	Scott #115-126 and #124b, n. h., UL margin blocks, Cat. \$2,340	1,495
487	Scott #128, complete setting of 25, never hinged, Cat. \$7,500	5,175
620	NSSC AM2 , unused Martinsyde, "unique, the rarest stamp of Newfoundland and one of the great world airmail rarities". With the letter of authenticity from Major Raynham.	\$80,500

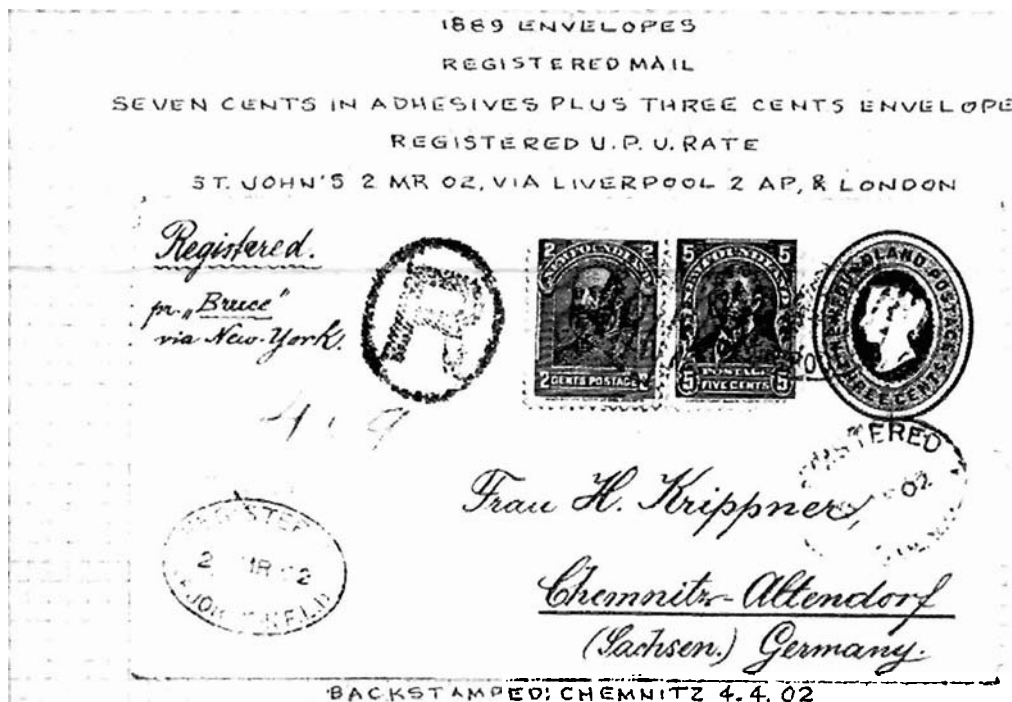
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FIVE CENTS IN ADHESIVES PLUS FIVE CENTS ENVELOPE
REGISTERED U. P. U. RATE



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Financial Statement as of August 15, 2006

	Item	Debit	Credit
Aug 15, 2005	Balance Forward from Previous Year		\$488.17
	BNAPS Stipend ^(Membership credits due)		235.00
	64 Membership dues ^(7 memberships were paid in advance in 2004/2005)		830.65
	1 Membership dues paid in arrears		4.08
	7 Membership dues paid in advance		88.76
	Newletter Reimbursement		85.00
	Advertizing		20.00
	Donations		219.60
	Service Charges (Cheques, etc.)	11.40	
	Newsletter Postage (6 issues)	462.06	
	Paper and Copying	888.11	
	Misc. Stationary and Postage	30.43	
	Totals	\$1,392.00	\$1,483.09
Aug 15, 2006	Balance on hand		\$579.26

-----X----- **Membership Application / Change of Information Form** -----X-----

If your dues are currently paid through 2006-2007, no payment is required at this time.

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Annual dues: \$13.00 (Canadian Dollars)
 \$12.00 (US Dollars)
 £7.00 (British Pound)

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 Thank you!*