



# NEWFOUNDLAND NEWSLETTER BNAPS NEWFOUNDLAND STUDY GROUP



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## BNAPEX 2024

- Martin Goebel

Congratulations to Malcolm Back, Editor of the *Newfoundland Newsletter of the BNAPS Newfoundland Study Group*.

It has come to my attention that Malcolm Back is this year's recipient of the prestigious John S. Siverts Award. It was awarded to Malcolm at the BNAPEX 2024 convention. This Award is given annually to the editor of the best study group newsletter published during the previous calendar year (2023). The winner is chosen by a selection committee comprised of the President, the Vice President Study Groups, the author of the Study Group Centreline column, the editor of BNA Topics, and a fifth member appointed by agreement between the President and the Vice President Study Groups.



The selection committee uses the following criteria in judging the Study Group newsletters:

- 1) The information in the newsletter should be new, substantive, and useful to the members of the Study Group. Emphasis should be placed on major new contributions to BNA philatelic knowledge and articles updating and expanding upon previous research.
- 2) The articles should contain relevant philatelic and collateral material.
- 3) The articles should demonstrate interaction among Study Group members, and not just include material of interest to the editor.
- 4) The articles should be well edited as regards structure, spelling, and punctuation. They should be easy to read, follow, and understand.
- 5) Newsletters should have a clean overall layout and be consistent in style.
- 6) Articles should acknowledge not only authorship but also those members contributing to an article and their contributions, unless a member requests otherwise, in which case this request should be noted in the article.

John S. Siverts was one of the earliest members of BNAPS, having joined in May 1944. His interests in BNA included squared circles, RPOs, town cancels, revenues, the Pence issue, and pre-Confederation provinces. He exhibited at several BNAPEX conventions and at CAPEX 1951. He wrote several articles for BNA Topics, served on the BNAPS Board of Governors from 1983 to 1986, and was inducted in the Order of the Beaver in 1984. John Siverts died on 14 April 1988. The award was first presented to Ralph Trimble in 1989 and notably later to Norris (Bob) Dyer in 2010 and 2012 as Editor of the *Newfie News*.



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Malcolm has been the editor of the *Newfoundland Newsletter* since January 2015, and without fail, has put together a quarterly newsletter ever since. In 2022 he initiated a monthly newsletter as well. It is a testament to Malcolm that our study group has thrived and that there is such a keen interest in Newfoundland philately. The Newfoundland Newsletter certainly meets and surpasses all the judging criteria. Of course, Malcolm attributes the success of the Newsletters to the contributions made by the many study group members, but it is Malcolm's leadership and his skill as editor, that makes him so deserving of the John S. Siverts Award. On behalf of all our members, Congratulations Malcolm.

### **From the Editor:**

**Brian Stalker**, our friend, colleague and fellow member has been very ill since suffering a stroke earlier this year. Our thoughts, best wishes and prayers are sent to Brian, his wife Freda and family for a speedy recovery.

**BNAPEX 2024 Speakers:** Thank you to the following speakers at our SG session at BNAPEX 2024.

- 1) **Robin Moore:** A presentation on “**Surviving Cancel Devices of Newfoundland**”, a bit of a show and tell.
- 2) **Greg Pope:** A presentation on “**Notable Halifax Airmail Covers**”.
- 3) **Richard Judge:** A presentation on "**The location of Set-Offs on BNA stamps**" It is a short slide presentation summary of our paper in Topics to be published.

Although we had some technical issues with the live stream of the final two presentations, the audience was treated to three excellent presentations. For those of you who missed it, I am pleased to include the pictures of the Surviving Cancel Devices of Newfoundland courtesy of Ron Moore. Rob has some legitimate concerns about the security of such devices. In the wrong hands they could be used to produce fraudulent Postal History pieces. If you can add to the story, Rob would be pleased to hear from you.

I wish to acknowledge the contribution of the many authors who have submitted articles for the Newsletter. The quality and accuracy of the contributions has made my job as editor much easier. The Siverts award is really for all of you that have contributed articles over the years. My Thanks.

The September 2024 edition of the Newfoundland Newsletter is Number 197. That means that Number 200 will be published next July. I would like to make Number 200 a special issue as I believe this is quite a Milestone for our Study Group. If you any ideas to make this a Special Issue I would love to hear from you. Also please consider preparing an article for this Special or any Edition leading up to it.

**As always, I am always looking for articles for upcoming Newsletters. I have no articles in the bank at the moment.**

## **BNAPEX 2024 Kingston - BNAPS Exhibit Awards**

### **SPECIAL EXHIBIT AWARDS:**

#### **Horace Harrison Grand Award – Best Exhibit in Show**

In Defense of the Border - Canadian Military Mails 1667-1885 - David Hobden

#### **Allan Steinhart Reserve Grand Award – Runner-Up to best in Show**

The Canadian Fiscal War Tax Stamps of World War One – John Hall

#### **Lola Caron Award – Best Quebec Postal History Exhibit**

Quebec Law Stamps and documents: 1912-1970 – David Schurman

#### **William G. Robinson Award – Best Exhibit of Railway Post Office Postal History**

Halifax – Yarmouth Railway Post Office Clerk Cancels and Related Paperwork– **Sean Weatherup**

#### **John D. Arn White Queen Award – Best Exhibit of QE II stamps or postal history**

Introducing "Singular" First Day Covers – John McEntyre

#### **Canadian Military Mail Study Group Award – Best Exhibit of CDN Military Postal History**

In Defense of the Border - Canadian Military Mails 1667-1885 - David Hobden



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**SPECIAL EXHIBIT AWARDS:**

**Wilmer Rockett Revenue Award – Best Exhibit of Revenues**

The Canadian Fiscal War Tax Stamps of World War One – John Hall

**Order of the Beaver Novice Award - Best exhibit of a BNAPS member exhibiting for the first time at a BNAPEX**

More to Pay: Fees & Fines Paid by Addressees to Receive their Mail in Newfoundland 1840- 1949”-**Blair Ashford**

**Herbert L. McNaught One Frame Award – Best Single Frame Exhibit**

Usages of Canada's First Special Delivery Stamp: 1898-1923 – Raymond Villeneuve

**Meyerson Award – Best Exhibit of Provinces before Confederation or Territories**

Newfoundland 1932-38 First Resource Issue – **Robin Moore**

**Ed and Mickey Richardson Award – Exhibit that best represents one or more of the elements of BNA philately**

1950 King George VI Definitive Issue of Canada: Original Design – Douglas Irwin

**The Canadian Aerophilatelic Society Award – Best Airmail Exhibit**

Canadian Pioneer Airmail Flights of 1918-1919 – **Dave Bartlet**

**GOLD Medal Awards:**

Patrick Durbano – 4-Hole OHMS Perfin Mail to Foreign Destinations (5)

Charlie Girard - BNA Transatlantic Rate Handstamps 1840 – 1875 (6)

John Hall - The Canadian Fiscal War Tax Stamps of World War One (8)

David Hobden - In Defense of the Border - Canadian Military Mails 1667-1885 (8)

Douglas Irwin - 1950 King George VI Definitive Issue of Canada: Original Design (7)

Charles Livermore - Thanks for the Smokes (5)

Peter McCarthy - Identifiable Mail to and From Canadian Naval Personnel During World War II, 1939 – 1945 (8)

David McLaughlin - Householder Mail in Canada 1889 -1989 (5)

**Robin Moore** - Newfoundland 1932-38 First Resource Issue (6)

**Sean Weatherup** - Halifax – Yarmouth Railway Post Office Clerk Cancels and Related Paperwork (2)

**VERMEIL Medal Awards:**

Christopher Ellis - Canada's One Cent Green Victoria Maple Leaf Issue Postal Stationery Cards (2)

**Richard Judge** - The inks and shades of the 3c orange red Small Queen and 2c carmine (2)

Ted Nixon - Newfoundland 1880-98 Issue by the British American Bank Note Co. (2)

**SILVER Medal Awards:**

Richard Baxter - Post Cards of the Edwardian Era (5)

Robert Carswell - A Survey of the Canadian Pence Stamps (2)

David Schurman - Quebec Law Stamps and documents: 1912-1970 (4)

David Schurman - The Canadian Federal Bill Stamps: Major Varieties and Usage on Promissory Notes (4)

Gordon Turnbull - Admiral Booklets and Coils (3)

**SILVER Bronze Award:**

Haifa Selo - Canada's Queen Throughout 70 Years of Her Reign (6)



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**SINGLE FRAME EXHIBITS:**

**GOLD Medal Awards:**

**Blair Ashford** - More to Pay: Fees & Fines Paid by Addressees to Receive their Mail in Newfoundland 1840-1949

**Blair Ashford** - Registration Markings of St John's Newfoundland, 1870 to 1949

Michael Powell - Great War Censorship of the Mails to and from the Internment Camp at Fort Henry, Kingston

Derek Smith - New Brunswick Postage Rates, "Cents Issue" Period - 1860 to 1868

Raymond Villeneuve - Usages of Canada's First Special Delivery Stamp: 1898-1923

Jean Wang - The Toronto Hospital for Sick Children's Christmas Appeals to 1926: The Sweetest of All Charities

Jean Wang - A Call To Arms: Canadian Red Cross Blood Donor Appeals in WWII

**VERMEIL Medal Awards:**

**Dave Bartlet** – Canadian Pioneer Airmail Flights of 1918-1919

John McEntyre - Introducing "Singular" First Day Covers

Gordon Turnbull - 1949-1950 Vending Booklets Exposed

**SILVER Medal Awards:**

John Breukelaar - New Constant Plate Varieties on the Nova Scotia 8.5 Stamp of Queen Victoria

Richard Thompson - The One Cent Small Queen 1870 – 1897

Gordon Turnbull - Jacques Cartier Explorer (1855-1934)

**SILVER-BRONZE Medal Awards:**

Mark Oakley - Post Offices of NW Coastal British Columbia

Garfield Porch - The Rapid Cancelling Machine Experiments in Montreal, 1896 to 1900

**SERVICE AWARDS:**

**Vincent G. Greene Award** – Dean Mario

**John S. Siverts Award** – **Malcolm Back**

**Jack Levine Fellowship Award** – **Dave Bartlet**

**Ritch Toop Military Literature Award** – Wayne Schnarr

**OTB Lifetime Achievement Award** – Roy Houtby

**Induction into the OTB** – Hugo DeShaye, John Hall, Bill Longley

**BNAPS Hall of Fame Award** – **Charles Livermore**

**A Special Request from Blair Ashford**

I am putting the final touches on a Newfoundland exhibit, and I am having trouble finding three covers that should be relatively easy to find, but I have not been able to find in the past 15 years of searching.

I was wondering if you could search your covers for:

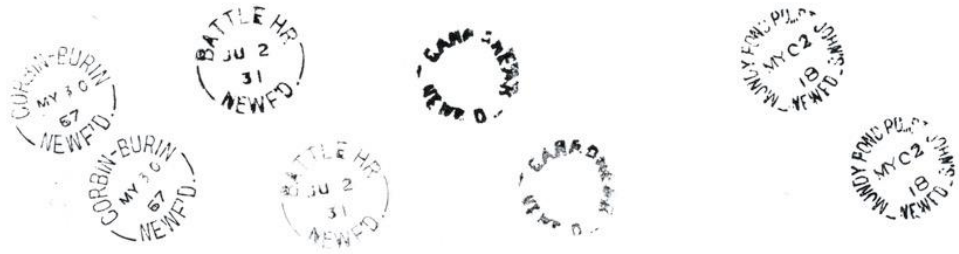
- 1) FDC of the Humphrey Gilbert issue with the slogan cancellation. I believe that they exist with two different slogans - I am trying to find a FDC of both slogans, but do not need to be the same stamp.
  - 2) The 7 cent foreign rate in the 1940-1944 period with the SAVE FOR SECURITY slogan. Preferred would be the Queen Mary Blitz stamp, since I have 2¢, 3¢, 4¢, 5¢, and a 5¢ +2¢ late fee Blitz covers already, but I am getting desperate, in just having the 7¢ foreign rate.
- Any help is appreciated. Cheers, Blair.

**SURVIVING NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL CANCELLATION HAMMERS**

by Rob Moore

Here's a proof sheet that I've done up using my Newfoundland hammers. As you can see some of the strikes are not very clear using a modern ink pad with the hammers that have not been used for so long a time and are quite dry. If I keep trying, I guess I would get a better impression after a few dozen times but don't want to beat them up any more than I need to. The worst impression surprising enough came from the Paid All, which is a fake, a little bit of a relief to all collectors. I'm sure it seems the soft silicone is break down already.

Newfoundland Pre-confederation canceling device made by Pritchard and Andrews known still surviving: Split Rings shown; Corbin - Burin, Battle Hr., Carbonear, Mundy Pond Rd St.John's also known Victoria Village, Doyle's Station, Tilting, others may add.



Large Rubber Hammer: New Melbourne ; Steel Crown seal ; New Melbourne



Register Hammers: "R", Register Rubber Boxes: Glendale, Davidville, Nfld



"NOT CALLED FOR", Eight bar killer cancelling device, Nfld Railway Express seal.



Fake "PAID ALL" circle made in the 80's by Dick's Company



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**INFORMATION REGARDING C.O.D. MAILINGS IN NEWFOUNDLAND**

- David Handelman

I stumbled across the March 2024 issue of the Newf'd Newsletter. I have a bit more information concerning COD, so could you please communicate this to Klaus Wehlt?

Various issues of the Newfoundland Gazette (despite the name, it was not the official outlet of the government, as the Canada Gazette was and still is), contain rates and procedures for parcel post, COD, and insurance (on parcel post) in 1931.

[https://collections.mun.ca/digital/collection/nl\\_gazette/id/1565/rec/2](https://collections.mun.ca/digital/collection/nl_gazette/id/1565/rec/2)

For example, here is a transcript (the 1931 COD rates are at the bottom, and there is a 1926 preamble): beginning of transcript from May 1926 Newf'd Gaz; announced COD service but gives no rates

ST. JOHN'S: Printed at the Office of The Trade Printers & Publishers,  
Ltd., Duckworth St., for David R. Thistle, King's Printer

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, TUESDAY, MAY 25, 1926.

NO. 20

Published by Authority.

AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND CAP. 35 OF THE CONSOLIDATED STATUTES (THIRD SERIES), ENTITLED "OF THE POSTAL AND TELEGRAPH SERVICES" AND THE AMENDING ACT 1.1 GEORGE V., CAP. 37 (1920).

(Passed May 20th, 1926)

OE in enacted by the Governor, the Legislative Council and House of Assembly in Legislative Session convened, as follows:

1. Sub-section 18 of Section 17 of the said Chapter

35 of the Consolidated Statutes (3rd Series) is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor, that is to say: n-i

18. Make such regulations as the deems necessary for establishing a system of Parcel Post, inspect of parcels, packets or other mailable matter passing by mail as well between places in Newfoundland, as between Newfoundland and the United Kingdom, or any British possession, or any foreign country, the fixing ire scale of charges or fees to be paid or prepaid in respect thereof; for establishing a system of "Cash on Delivery packets," that is to say, of the delivery of parcels, packets or other mailable matter to the respective addresses thereof on being paid such sum, not exceeding one hundred dollars in any one case, in addition to duties, as the sender thereof shall indicate or require, and the fixing the scale of charges or fees to be paid or prepaid in respect thereof; for establishing a scheme of insurance or indemnity against loss or damage in respect of any parcel, packet or other mailable matter but such indemnity not to exceed one hundred dollars in any one case "" and to be payable out of the general funds of this Colony, and the fixing the scale of premiums or fees to be paid or prepaid in respect thereof; and from time to time to revoke, amend or alter and make further or other regulations in respect of the said matters or any of them.

2. (1) WHEREAS by Article VII. of the Final Protocol of the Universal Postal Convention, concluded at Stockholm on the 28th day of August, 1924, it is provided that a fee of fifty centimes be charged for the registration of a letter. And Whereas it is expedient to make similar provision in this Colony. It is therefore enacted as follows: Section 20 of the said Chapter 35 is hereby amended by adding to sub-section (4) thereof, the following words as subsection (4) (a), that is to say:

(4) (a) The registration fee on a letter or other mailable article addressed to any place outside of Newfoundland shall be ten cents in addition to the ordinary postage.

(2) AND WHEREAS, in view of the foregoing subjection (1), it is expedient to increase the indemnity in the case of loss of a registered article. It is therefore enacted as follows:





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The indemnity to be paid in respect of the loss of a duly registered Article whether such loss shall happen within or without Newfoundland shall be increased to a sum not exceeding Twenty-five dollars, and the third clause of Section 41 of said Chapter shall be amended accordingly.

3. Section 72 of said Chapter 35 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor, that is to say  
72. Everyone who forges, counterfeits or imitates any impressed or adhesive postage stamps, or any International Reply Coupon, or any postal identity card, issued or used under the authority of this Chapter, or by or under the authority of the Government or property authority of the United Kingdom, or of any British possession, or of any foreign country; or knowingly, uses, sells or circulates any such forged, counterfeit or imitated stamp, reply coupon or identity card, or engraves, cuts, sinks or makes any plate, die or other thing whereby to forge, counterfeit or imitate such ... stamp, reply coupon or identity card or any of them, or any portion thereof; or has possession of any such plate, die or other thing as aforesaid, except by the permission, in writing, of The Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, or of some officer or person who, under regulations made in that behalf, may lawfully grant such permission; or forges, counterfeits or unlawfully imitates, uses or affixes, to or upon any letter or packet, any stamp, signature, initials or other mark or sign, purporting that such letter or packet ought to pass free of postage, or at a lower rate of postage, or that the postage thereon or any part thereof has been prepaid or ought to be paid by or charged to any person or department, is guilty of felony, and liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three years with hard labour.

4. The following sub-section is hereby added to  
Section 75 of said Chapter as sub-section (1) namely:

(1) Everyone who orders, imports, knowingly, receives, encloses or causes to be enclosed in or with any letter, packet, or other mailable matter sent by post any opium, morphine, cocaine, heroin or any other drug or narcotic, except in pursuance of a license issued under the Dangerous Drugs Act, 1922, is guilty of an offence and liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months or to both fine and imprisonment.

5. Section S of the Act 11 George V. Cap. 37 (1920) entitled "An Act further to amend Chapter 35 of the Consolidated Statutes (3rd Series) entitled "Of the Postal and Telegraph Services" is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefore, namely:

3. A charge of ten cents shall be payable upon the delivery to the addressee of every parcel received from abroad and containing dutiable goods.

*end of first transcript (1926)*

*beginning of second transcript (1931) gives parcel post, COD, and insurance rates*

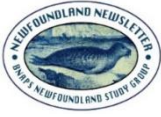
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Under authority vested in the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs by the Post Office Acts, and approval by the Governor in Council, the following Regulations respecting Fees or Charges for transmission by Post of Parcel Post Articles, Cash on Delivery Parcels, Insurance Fees on Parcels, and Commission Charges on Money Orders issued within Newfoundland, have been made, effective from Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> November, 1931.

IV. IV. HALYARD,

Minister of Posts and Telegraphs.

November 10th, 1931.



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**THE RATES FOR CONVEYANCE BY POST, OF ORDINARY PARCELS**

Under 1 pound 8c.

Over 1 pound but not over 2 pounds 16c.

Over 2 pounds but not over 3 pounds 24c.

Over 3 pounds but not over 4 pounds 32c.

Over 4 pounds but not over 5 pounds 40c.

Over 5 pounds but not over 6 pounds 46c.

Over 6 pounds but not over 7 pounds 52c.

Over 7 pounds but not over 8 pounds 58c.

Over 8 pounds but not over 9 pounds 64c.

Over 9 pounds but not over 10 pounds 70c.

Over 10 pounds but not over 11 pounds 74c.

Over 11 pounds but not over 12 pounds 78c.

Over 12 pounds but not over 13 pounds 82c.

Over 13 pounds but not over 14 pounds 86c.

Over 14 pounds but not over 15 pounds 90c.

**CASH ON DELIVERY PARCEL RATE VALUE \$1.00 TO \$50.00**

For collection of charges not exceeding \$10.00 10c.

For collection of charges over \$10 not exceeding \$20.00 15c.

For collection of charges over \$20 not exceeding \$30.00 20c.

For collection of charges over \$30 not exceeding \$40.00 25c.

For collection of charges over \$40 not exceeding \$50.00 30c.

**LOCAL INSURANCE PARCEL RATES**

For compensation in event of loss not exceeding \$10.00 10c.

For compensation in event of loss over \$10.00 not over \$20.00 15c.

For compensation in event of loss over \$20.00 not over \$30.00 20c.

For compensation in event of loss over \$30.00 not over \$40.00 25c.

For compensation in event of loss over \$40.00 not over \$50.00 30c.

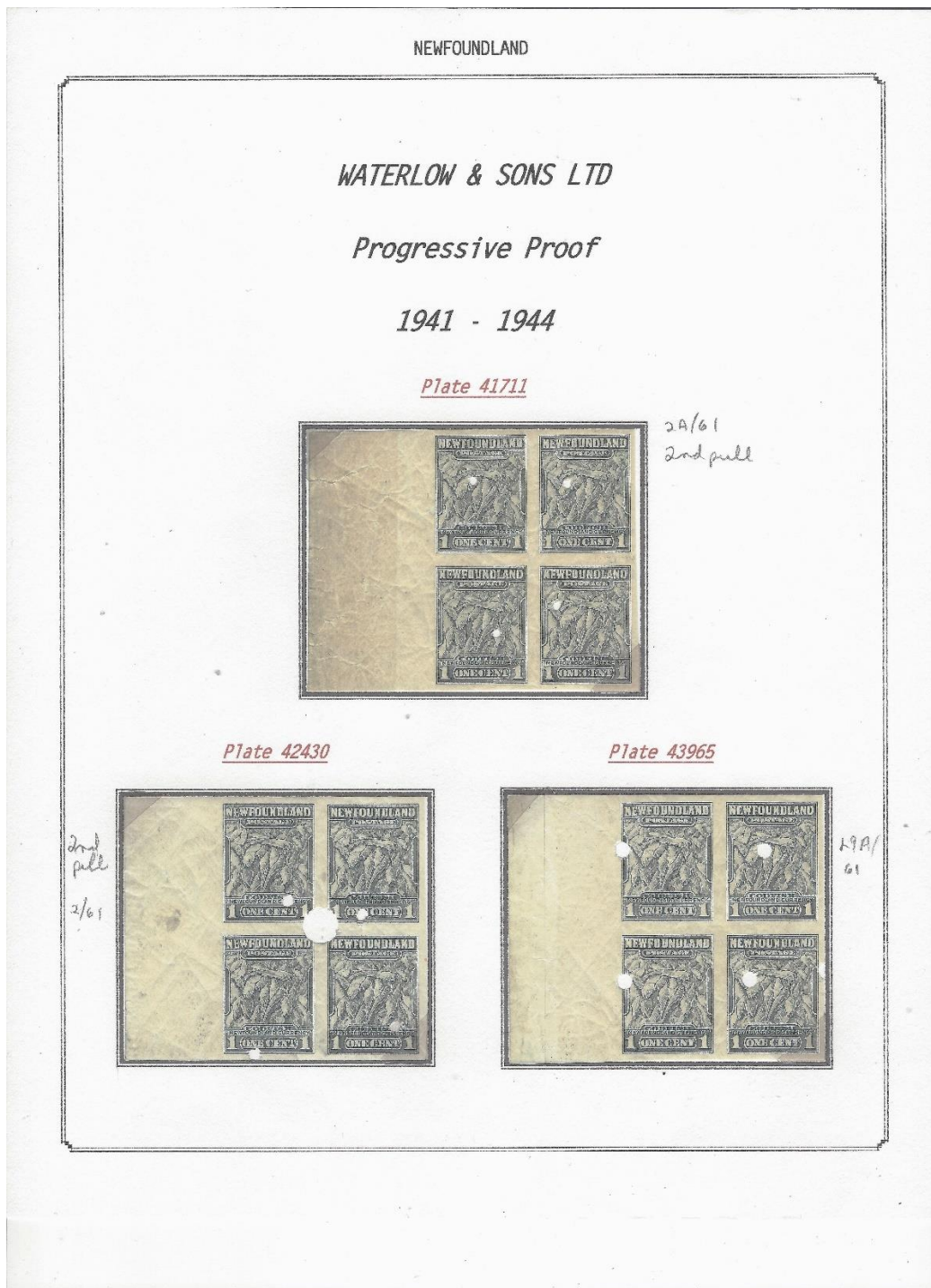
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I was only looking for parcel post and insurance rates. I couldn't find any later (that is, 1932 on) references to COD in the Newf'd Gazette, despite an extensive (and time-consuming) on-line search at MUN archives. I couldn't find anything at all for its predecessor, the Royal Gazette (of Newfoundland) which might have material on pre-1925 rates, etc.

**Waterlow & Sons Ltd., Progressive Proofs & Printer's File**  
**Examples of the 1941-1944 resources issue**

- Bill Coates

Bill Coates has kindly provided scans of a fine collection of Waterlow & Sons Ltd., progressive proofs & printer's file examples of the 1941-1944 resources issue. Many have printer's notes. I will be publishing these in subsequent issues. There are 23 sets in all



Waterlow & Sons Ltd., Progressive Proofs & Printer's File  
Examples of the 1941-1944 resources issue

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*WATERLOW & SONS LTD*

*Progressive Proof*

*1941 - 1944*

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*Plate 42430*



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*Plate 43965*



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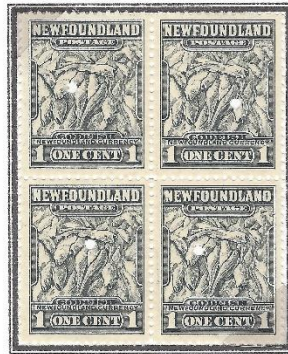
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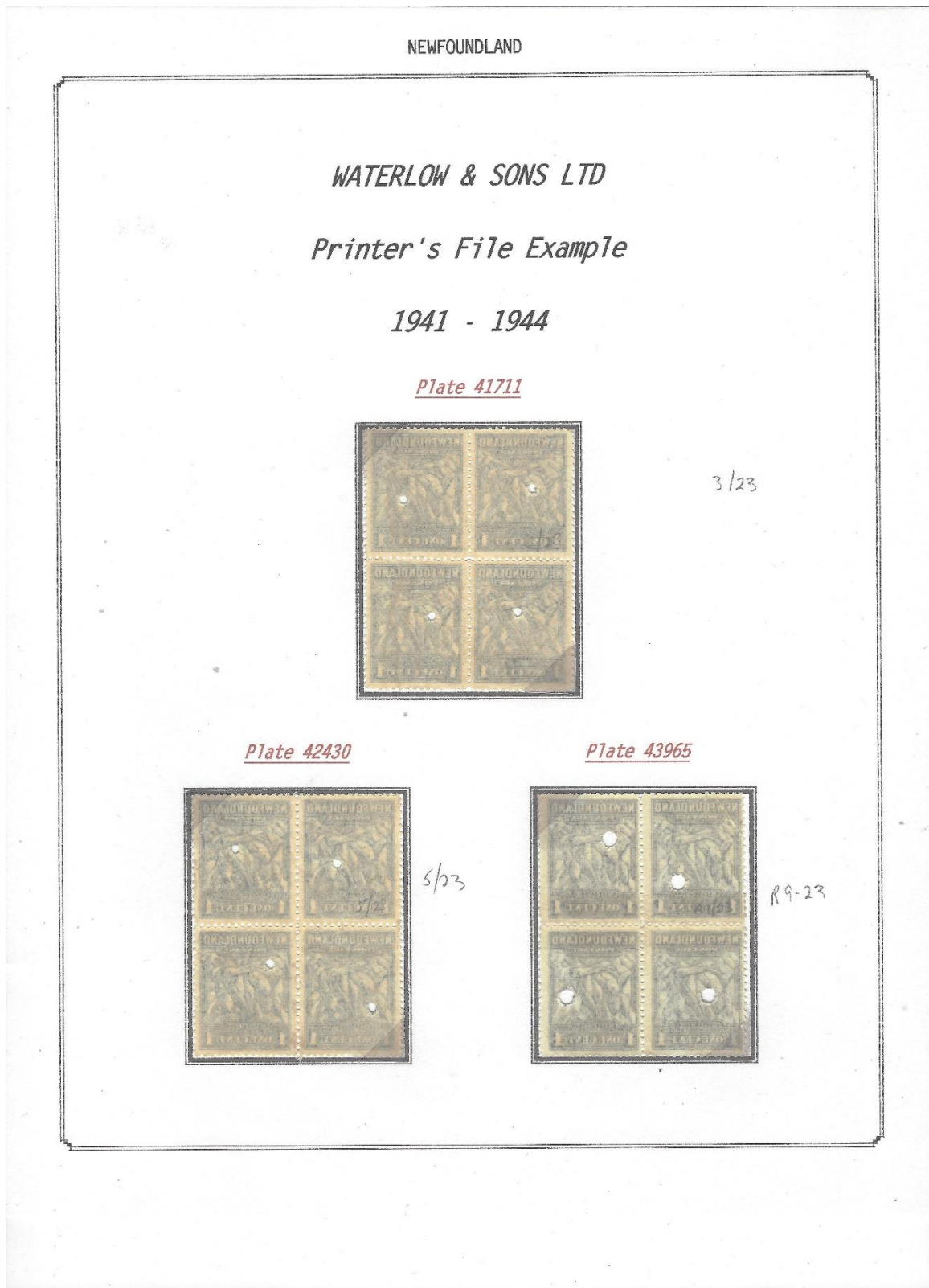
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*Progressive Proof*

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