



PENCE-CENTS ERA STUDY GROUP

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Dear Study Group Member,

When summer is coming to an end and September is upon us, BNAPEX is a great way to get back into our hobby. Collectors have worked hard to put together great exhibits to look at. The Study Group meetings give you an insight into different areas of the hobby with great presentations and collectors displaying some of their prized possessions. And there is a camaraderie of collectors enjoying good conversation at fabulous dinners on Saturday and Sunday evening.

Now is the time to book your hotel room. There are many fine hotels in Quebec City but I like being close to the event and this year's BNAPEX is at the Hotel Plaza Quebec which is a 20 minute drive from Jean Lesage International airport.

Quebec City is a friendly and fun tourist spot with a European atmosphere in the old part of the city. It is the oldest city in Canada (1608) followed by Montreal (1642). This is also the place where the *Montreal Ocean Steamship Company* (aka The Allan Line) ships departed for Britain after it took control of the Royal Mail Contract from Samuel Cunard in 1856.

Originally an Iroquois village named Stadacona, Jacques Cartier came to this site in 1535, and the founder, Samuel de Champlain arrived just after to build a wooden fort named L'habitation which still exists today.

Beautifully positioned on the St. Lawrence River, the Algonquin word *kebec* means "where the river narrows".

Jim Jung, Editor Pence Cents Newsletter

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1859 Issue Covers - Post April 1, 1868 by Wayne Smith

In February 1868, the 17c rate to Great Britain via New York was reduced to 15c. The 15c Large Queen was issued around that time (2 off cover copies known March 2). The other Large Queens were not officially released until April 1 when several other rates changed. At that time post masters were to return left over copies of the Cents issue. Only a very few 15c rate covers are known with Cents stamps used between the rate reduction and April 1. Those covers could have been considered for this article, but were not, as the Cents Issue stamps were still being sold by the Post Office.

The author would appreciate the help of other collectors.

Please send scans of any covers not listed or listed as 'Seen = N' to waynesmithtor@yahoo.ca

Figure 1: This table from Page 27 of Duckworth's 2nd Edition lists the Earliest Known Dates of Large Queen covers by Denomination. Note that there are two 15c (off cover) dated MR 2 68, almost two months after the rate change for the Cunard Service via the United States.

The next earliest examples of the 15c are Mr 9, 16 and 23rd - seems to line up with sailing dates. The earliest covers are Mr 16 and 23rd.

Table I-3
Earliest Dates of Use of Large Queens

Value	Date	Post Office of Origin	Reference
½ cent	MR 31 68		1
1 cent	MR 26 68	ST CATHERINES	2
	MR 26 68	Same as above?	3
2 cent	MR 26 68	?/ONT	4
3 cent	MR 26 68		1
5 cent	SP 28 75	MONTREAL/EAST/10/C.E	5
6 cent	AP 1 68	SHEFFIELD/N.B	1
	AP 1 68	LONDON/PM/C.W	4
	AP 1 68	MONTREAL/PM/C.E	4
12½ cent	MR 31 68		1
15 cent	MR 2 68	OTTAWA/AM/C.W	1
	MR 2 68	Same as above?	6

1859 Issue Covers - Post April 1, 1868 by Wayne Smith continued ...

The following list consists of covers that used 1859 Decimal Issue stamps after the Large Queens stamps were released. Once the Large Queen stamps were released, each Post Office was requested to return all of the old stamps to the head office, so the stamps used on these covers were remainders that people and businesses had previously purchased.

Firby Y = in his list

Seen Y = recorded by this author.

If N and Y then it is newly recorded.

All stamps are Cents issue unless noted otherwise.

Footnotes

a – In the Firby notes, the cover is listed as 12-28-68 but with a scan of the cover clearly dated 12/3/68

b – cover rated as regular mail and 7 due

c – all 5c non-registered covers are 2c overpaid

d – sold as part of a lot – description noted additional stamps maybe missing

e – forward to USA, rated “PAID 6”

f – Firby listed this cover as having an 1859 1c instead of 2c

g - exactly 1 year after similar cover – Firby notes the 68 cover is ex Firby and 69 over is ex Greene, Firby

h – 2c adjoining town rate and 2c registration

i – I have part photo with lot description: *Reg'd, Locke Island NS cds on front*. No mention of Bowmanville, likely same cover

j - short paid, not charged – Montreal (despatch) is from Firby notes but lot description I have seen has same date/destination with Port Hope despatch.

There is a 7½ pence imperf cover known dated Oc 4/1868 but it is fake.

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Usage by Period	
April 1868	28.0%
May - Dec 1868	52.9%
1869	10.2%
1870 and later	9.0%
Total Covers	160

Domestic Rate Covers	1c x 3	15
	5c	17
	1c + 2c	9
Domestic Registered	5c	5
Crossborder	1c LQ (#22) + 5c	18
	1c + 5c	12
United Kingdom	12 1/2c	12

Date	Franking	From	To	Firby	Seen	Footnote	Notes
Domestic 1c rate							
04/04/68	1c	Montreal	PEI	Y	N		Date is backstamp
05/13/68	1c x 8	Bayfield UC	Goderich	N	Y		8 x Printed Matter Rate
07/09/68	1c	Cobourg	Cambellford	Y	Y		
08/14/68	1c	Montreal	Montreal	Y	Y		
12/03/68	1c x 2	Hamilton	Glenford	Y	Y	a	
01/11/69	1c	Toronto	??	N	Y		
08/01/69	1c	Toronto	Quebec	N	Y	b	
1870	1c	St. Catherines	St. Catherines	N	Y		Undated annual report
10/25/71	1c	Acton	Drummondville	N	Y		

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Domestic 3c rate		From	To	Firby	Seen	Footnote	Notes
Undated	1c x 3	Montreal	Toronto	N	Y		Tied by 4 ring 516
Undated	1c x 3	??	West Frampton	N	Y		
??-??-68	1c x 3	Barrie	Cookstain	Y	N		
04/01/68	1c x 3	Kingston	Toronto	Y	Y		
04/01/68	5c	L'Original	??	N	Y	c	
04/02/68	1c x 3	Alenburg	Shetland	N	Y		
04/02/68	1c x 3	Toronto	Clinton	Y	Y		
04/02/68	1c + 2c	Greenbush	Spencerville	Y	Y		
04/02/68	5c	Penetanguishene	Ottawa	Y	N		
04/03/68	5c	Kingston	Picton	Y	N		
04/04/68	5c	Quebec	Granby	Y	Y		
04/06/68	1c + 2c	Greenbush	Spencerville	Y	Y		
04/06/68	1c x 3	Quebec	St. Joseph Beauce	Y	Y		
04/06/68	5c	GWR	St. Catherine	N	Y		
04/06/68	10 + 2c	Goderich	Toronto	N	Y		4 x 3c rate
04/08/68	1c x 3	Quebec	Aux Ecureuils	N	Y		
04/09/68	1c + 2c	London	Owen Sound	Y	Y		
04/09/68	1c + 2c	Toronto	Goderich	Y	Y		
04/09/68	5c + 1c LQ	Peterboro	Toronto	Y	Y		Double rate
04/11/68	1c + 2c	Montreal	Halifax	Y	Y		
04/14/68	5c	Georgetown	Whitby	Y	N		
04/17/68	10c	Almonte	Lanark	N	Y		Overpays 3 x 3c Rate
04/17/68	1c x 3	Belleville	Albury Co.	Y	Y		
04-27-68	5c	London	Prescott	N	Y		
05-??-68	1c x 9	??	??	N	Y	d	
05/01/68	5c	Toronto	Whitby	Y	Y		
05/11/68	1c + 2c	Cambellton, NB	Riviere de-Loup	Y	Y		
05/18/68	1c x 3	Kingston	Vittoria	Y	Y		
05/22/68	1c + 2c	Arden	Marchmount	Y	Y		
05/25/68	1c + 2c LQ	Alymer	Toronto	Y	Y		
05/25/68	5c	Hamilton	Montreal	N	Y		
05/29/68	5c	Montreal	Amherstburg	N	Y		
06/06/68	1c + 2c	Port Dalhousie	Port Robinson	Y	Y		
06/09/68	5c + 3c LQ	Goderich	Toronto	N	Y		Overpays double rate

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06/11/68	1c + 2c	Windsor	Toronto	N	Y		
06/12/68	1c + 1c x 2 LQ	??	Ingersoll	N	Y		CDS is light, town not clear
06/13/68	5c + 1c LQ	Dundas	Trecastle	Y	Y		Double rate
06/16/68	5c + 1c LQ	Oshawa	Knowlton	Y	Y		Double rate
06/29/68	5c	Hamilton	Drummondville	Y	N		
07/01/68	1c + 1c x2 LQ	Wroxeter	Goderich	Y	Y		
07/02/68	1c x 3	Bedford	Besbeles	N	Y		
07/02/68	5c	Seaforth	Orillia	N	Y		
07/12/68	1c x 3	??	Cobourg	N	Y		Backstamp
07/14/68	1c x 3	Collingwood	Bell Ewart	Y	Y		
07/25/68	5c	Markham	Oakville	Y	Y		
07/26/68	5c	W. Flamboro	??	Y	N		
08/04/68	5c	Rapides des Joahims	Ottawa	N	Y		
09/07/68	5c	Seneca	Port Robinson	Y	N	e	
09/16/68	1c x 3	Niagara	Toronto	Y	Y		
10/12/68	1c + 2c LQ	Thurso	Vanleek Hill	Y	Y		
10/14/68	5c	Brockville	Perth	N	Y		
10/19/68	1c + 2c LQ	Thurso	Vanleek Hill	Y	Y		
10/23/68	1c x 5 Over pay	St. Catherines	London	Y	Y		
12/11/68	10c	Kingston	Nanaimo, Vancouver Is	Y	Y		
01/04/69	1c + 2c LQ	Thurso	Vanleek Hill	N	Y		
02/02/69	1c + 2c LQ	Sarnia	Widder Stn	Y	Y		
04/03/69	2c + 1/2c x 2 LQ	Coulson	Eugenia	Y	Y	f	
06/05/69	1c x 3	Toronto	Guelph	Y	Y		Firby list this cover as 06-08-69
06/13/69	5c + 1c LQ	Dundas	Trecastle	Y	N	g	Double rate
06/24/69	1c x 3	??	Toronto	N	Y		
09/11/69	1c + 2c LQ	Simcoe	Toronto	Y	Y		
03-??-70?	5c + 3c LQ	New ?xxxxx?	Toronto	N	Y		Overpay double rate
11/18/70	1c + 2c LQ	Hamilton	Trenton	Y	Y		
11/29/75	1c x 3	Falkenburg	Toronto	Y	N		
??-??-91	1c x2 +3c x2 SQ	Orangeville	Islington	Y	N		

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Domestic Reg'd rate		From	To	Firby	Seen	Footnote	Notes
04/04/68	5c	Quebec	Granby	N	Y		3c + 2c Registration Fee
04/10/68	5c	Ottawa	Lanark	N	Y		3c + 2c Registration Fee
06/06/68	5c	Montreal	Beauharnois	N	Y		3c + 2c Registration Fee
08/09/68	5c + 1c x 2	Toronto	North Gower	N	Y		Paying the old rate of 5c + 2c Registration
09/14/68	5c x 3 + 3c LQ	Windsor	Toronto	N	Y		Front. 5 x Domestic Rate, 2c Registration paid in cash.
10/02/68	2c + 2c LQ	Fergus	Guelph	Y	Y	h	
12/10/68	5c	Janetville	Toronto	N	Y		3c + 2c Registration paid with one 5c stamp
03/20/69	12.5c + 2c LQ	Bowmanville	Ragged Is	Y	Y	i	
06/01/70	5c	Montreal	Port Hope	N	Y		3c + 2c Registration paid with one 5c stamp
01/17/72	17c	York Mills	Toronto	Y	N		5 x 3c rate plus 2c registration
United Kingdom TransAtlantic			To	Firby	Seen	Footnote	Notes
04/03/68	12½c	Fonthill	England	N	Y		
04/06/68	10c	???	England	Y	N		Hamilton transit cancel – under paid with GB 1d stamp
04/13/68	5c + 10c	Hamilton	England	Y	Y		Has 1d GB for forwarding
04/20/68	12½c + 3c LQ	Toronto	England	N	Y		
04/24/68	12½c	Montreal	England	Y	N		
04/28/68	12½c	Montreal	England	N	Y		
05/01/68	12½c	Montreal	Scotland	N	Y		
05/04/68	10c	Montreal	England	N	Y		
05/15/68	12½c	Quebec	England	Y	Y		
05/18/68	12½c	Kingston	England	N	Y		
05/29/68	12½c	Niagara	England	N	Y		
06/08/68	12½c	Jarretts Corner	England	N	Y		
06/18/68	12½c	Toronto	England	Y	Y		
07/03/68	12½c	Montreal	England	N	Y		
07/07/68	17c	Hamilton	England	Y	N		
07/20/68	12½c x 2	Kingston	England	Y	N		
08/10/68	12½c + 3c LQ	Clifton	England	Y	Y		
08/24/68	10c + 3c LQ	Muskoka Falls	England	Y	Y		
01/01/69	5c x 3	Georgina	England	Y	N		
01/27/69	12½c + 1c + 6c LQ	Hamilton	England	Y	Y		Registered cover, one 1c stamp missing
04/11/69	10c + 1/2c + 2c LQ	Montreal	England	Y	N		Forgery
06/30/69	12½c	Toronto	Ireland	N	Y		
08/19/69	5c x 3	Renfrew	Scotland	N	Y		
03/25/70	10c + 1c x 2 SQ	Quebec	England	Y	Y		

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Crossborder To United States			To	Firby	Seen	Footnote	Notes
04/01/68	1c + 5c	St. Thomas	NY	Y	Y		
04/01/68	10c	Knowlton	NH	Y	N		Pays rate in effect previous day then 6c
04/01/68	10c	Ingersoll	NY	N	Y		Pays rate in effect previous day then 6c
04/15/68	5c + 1c LQ	Northport	Watertown, US	Y	Y		
04/22/68	1c + 5c	Komoka	Mich	Y	Y		
04/23/68	1c + 5c	Nairn?	NY	N	Y		
04/23/68	1c + 5c	??	Mich	N	Y		
04/24/68	1c + 5c	Smith Falls	NY	N	Y		
04/25/68	1c	Quebec	Maine	Y	Y		Rated 10c due (5c x 2 unpaid penalty)
04/27/68	1c + 5c	Kingsville	Mich	Y	N		
04/27/68	1c + 5c	Pentanguishine	NY	N	Y		
04/27/68	5c + 1c LQ	Toronto	NY	Y	Y		
04/29/68	1c + 5c	Toronto	NY	N	Y		
05/02/68	5c x2 + 2c LQ L	ynedoch	NY	Y	Y		
05/07/68	1c + 5c	Trout River	California	Y	Y		
05/09/68	10c	Ottawa	NY	N	Y		Date possibly not May, cancelled by 4 ring 627
05/11/68	5c + 1c LQ	Colborne	Mich	Y	Y		
05/11/68	5c + 1c LQ	Montreal	Mich	N	Y		
05/22/68	5c + 1c LQ	Woodstock	Mich	Y	Y		
05/28/68	5c + 1c LQ	Montreal	Mich	Y	N		
06/09/68	1c + 5c	Montreal	Mich	N	Y		
07/04/68	10c	St. Mary's	California	Y	N		
07/06/68	5c + 1c LQ	Montreal	Mich	Y	Y		
07/08/68	5c + 1c LQ	Knowlton	VT	Y	Y		
07/16/68	5c + 1c Bill stp	Montreal	Mich	N	Y		
07/24/68	5c + 1c LQ	Montreal	Mich	N	Y		
07/25/68	5c + 1c LQ	Montreal	Mich	Y	Y		
07/29/68	5c + 1c LQ	Senaca	NY	Y	N		
08/03/68	5c + 1/2c x2 LQ	Peterboro	NY	Y	Y		
08/06/68	5c + 1c LQ	Montreal	Mich	Y	N		
08/10/68	5c + 1c LQ	Montreal	Mich	Y	Y		
08/29/68	5c + 1c LQ	Ottawa	Mass	Y	Y		
09-??-68	10c	Simcoe	NY	N	Y		
09/03/68	5c + 1c LQ	Waterloo	VT	Y	Y		
09/07/68	5c + 1c LQ	Montreal	Mich	Y	Y		
09/21/68	1c + 5c	Renfrew	Conn	N	Y		
10/07/68	1c + 5c	?????	NY	Y	Y		
10/08/68	5c + 1c LQ	?????	NY	Y	Y		Date is from Montreal backstamp
10/12/68	5c + 1/2c x2 LQ	Port Hope	Mass	N	Y		
11/17/68	5c + 1c LQ	Whitby	California	Y	Y		
11/25/68	5c + 1c LQ + 6c LQ	Montreal	Mich	Y	Y		
12/06/68	5c + 2c LQ	Princeton	Mass	Y	N		1c over paid
05/31/69	1c + 2c	Montreal	Missouri	Y	Y	j	
08/12/69	10c	Elora	Mo	Y	Y		
01/30/82	1c + 1/2c x 2 SQ	Niagara Falls South	NY	N	Y		On 1c Stationary

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Other	Franking	From	To	Firby	Seen	Footnote	Notes
04/30/68	5c + 17c	London	New Zealand	N	Y		
05/13/68	10c x 4 + 2c, 3c, 6c LQ	Peterboro	France	Y	Y		
10/21/68	17c x 2	Ottawa	France	N	Y		
11/09/68	10c + 3c, 15c LQ	St. Catherines	India	N	Y		
05-20-70's	17c	Montreal	France	N	Y		No year in CDS but is style used in 1870's
12/01/70	5c + 10c x 2	Montreal	Peru	N	Y		
04/04/92	5c + 2c x 2 SQ	Montreal	Germany	Y	N		On 1c postal stationary
11/25/92	5c + 1/2c x 2 + 1c + 3 SQ	Montreal	Hungary	N	Y		On 1c postal stationary

Upcoming Shows



BNAPEX 2018 Ville de Québec - Québec City BNAPEX convention, exhibition, and bourse 21-23 September 2018

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London, Ontario

10c Prince Consort – Collecting the Imprint Positions by Jim Jung

While looking through a Dealer book at the annual Royal Philatelic Society of Canada Show, I came upon this 10c Consort stamp showing part of the Printer's Imprint described as Position 9. I've been slowly putting together an album page with Imprint positions of the 10c Consort stamp and needed this position for my collection so I purchased it. For each Imprint, there are two positions and there are eight Imprints on the sheet so when I complete the collection, I'll have 16 stamps. Many of the Imprint positions on the 10c Consort sheet have some sort of flaw or small variety. Position 9 looks like Position 3 displaying the right half of the Imprint but Position 3 has the String of Pearls variety. Position 9 has the C Flaw, but the C Flaw only appeared after the first general repair of the plate was done during the 17th Printing Order. This occurred in late summer 1864 with first stamps observed in Oct – Dec 1864.

A cursory check of the stamp did not show the String of Pearls variety. Even though I know that the variety is sometimes weak and difficult to see, there doesn't appear to be any dots that are not part of the postmark. But collector friends who looked at the scans I sent out gave the nod to Position 3 because the Imprint was added after the first general repair to the plate, believed to be in the 18th Printing Order. There is clearly no C Flaw on this stamp and the C Flaw is quite strong on the Position 9 stamp as shown on the Proof.

There is a 2nd difference between Position 3 and 9 that was found during this study. When you look at the comparison done by Scott Robinson below, you can see the Position 3 Imprint on the right being slightly higher than the Position 9 Imprint on the left. The left and right images taken from the Proof Sheet. My stamp, shown in the center matches the stamp on the right. This is conclusive proof that this is a Position 3 stamp with a very difficult to see String of Pearls variety.



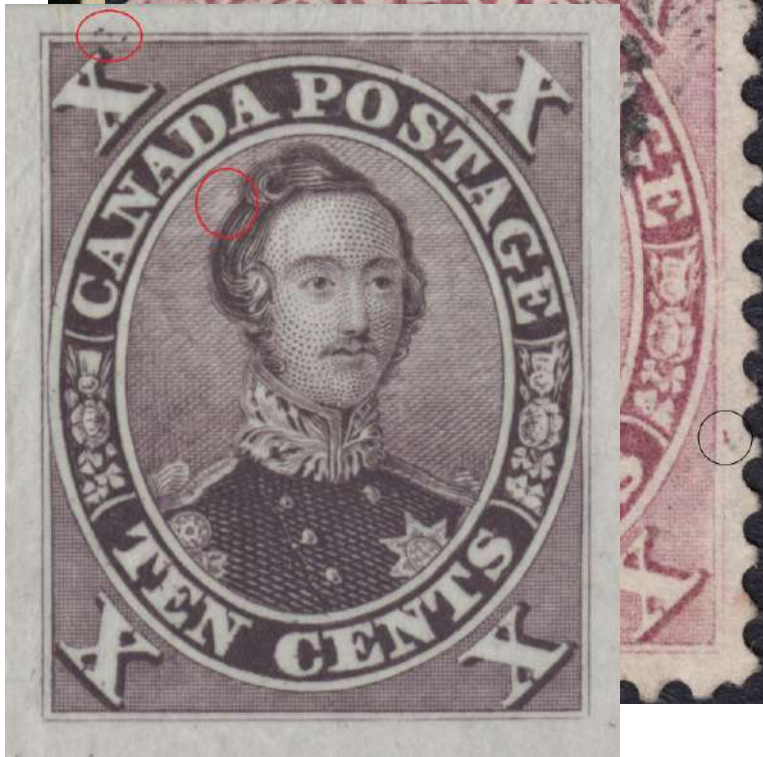
Top Left: Difficult to see String of Pearls. Lower left: Scott Robinson's Imprint comparison showing pp3 at right, pp9 at left and my stamp in the center. Right: The stamp I purchased as Position 9. Lower right: Position 9 from the Michael Smith's Proof Sheet showing the C Flaw clearly. Special thanks to Scott Robinson, Michael Smith, Jim McCormick and Earl Noss for their contributions to this Plate Study.

10c Prince Consort – Collecting the Imprint Positions by Jim Jung ... continued



Since there are two Plate Imprints on each side of the sheet, how can you tell when you have a stamp from one or the other? On the 10c Consort stamp many of the stamps with Imprints have some small Constant marks that are very interesting to see. Here are two stamps with the left side of the imprint. One is from Position 2 and the other from Position 8. The Position 2 stamp has three dash marks in the upper left corner. Earlier printings of the Position 2 stamp have the Hair Flaw with a white area to the left of the Consort's head. The Position 8 stamp has a dot in the upper left and a larger mark in the lower right.

Position 21 and Position 81 on the left side of the sheet both have the bottom half of the Imprint. Position 21 has a constant reentry on the left edge of the oval and the vertical frameline to the left of the C of CANADA. Position 81 has a reentry in the Imprint itself.



Top: Position 2 Dashes at upper right. Middle: Position 8 dot upper left and flaw lower right. Bottom: Position 2 with Hair Flaw.



Left: Position 81. Middle: Position 81 closeup of Imprint reentry. Right: Position 21 with reentry left oval and vertical frameline.

10c Prince Consort – Collecting the Imprint Positions by Jim Jung ... continued

As we move to the right side of the sheet, position 20, the upper half of the Imprint has the Chin Flaw on some later printings. This flaw is usually very clear. If it is not on your copy then you should check for the dot in the N of TEN. This dot is constant in all printings. The Position 80 upper half of the Imprint has a noticeable strength “C” Flaw. Note that the position dots at 3 o'clock are also in different positions. This position dot can be useful in plating the right column of stamps.



Left: Position 80 “C” Flaw with closeup inset. Right: Position 20 with the Chin Flaw (closeup is from a Proof.).

10c Prince Consort – Collecting the Imprint Positions by Jim Jung ... continued

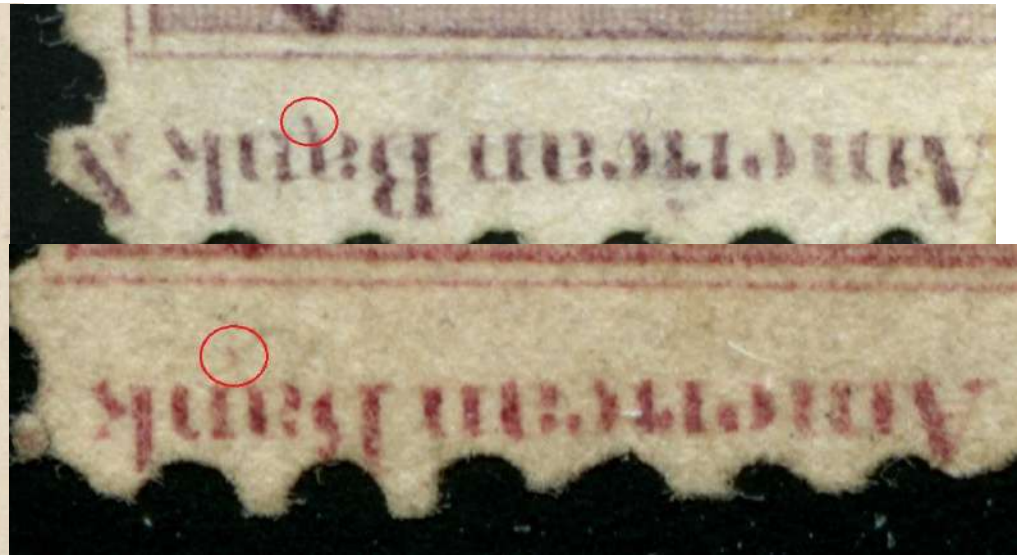
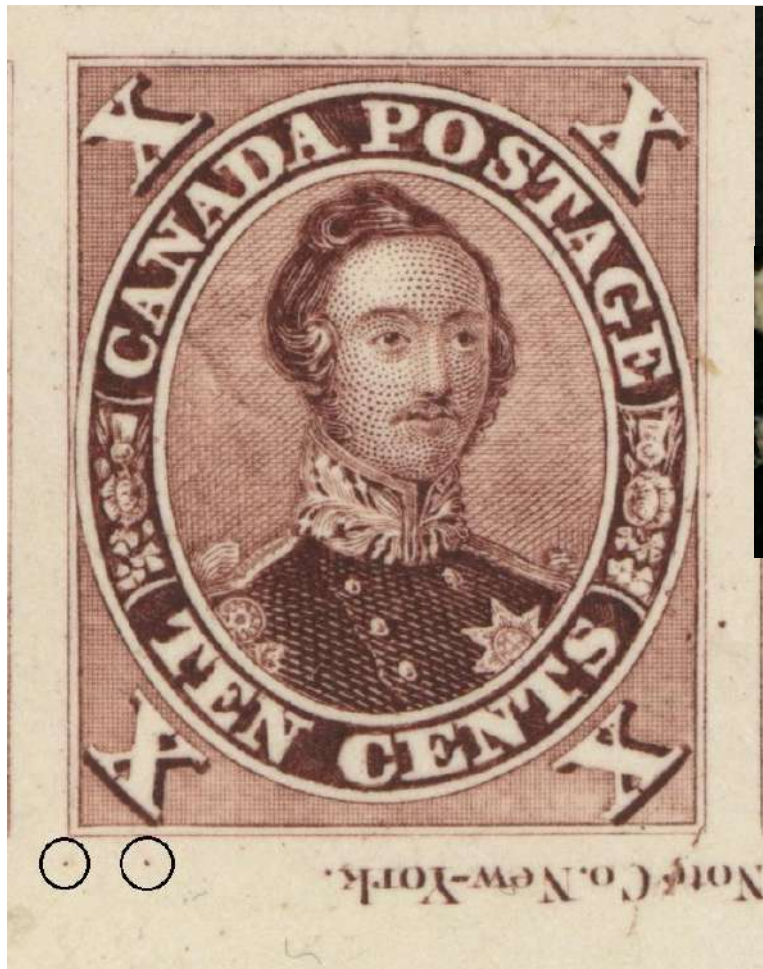
The big difference between the Position 11 and Position 71 upper half Imprint is the Short Transfer at the lower left spandrel. On the bottom half Right Imprint, both stamps have the "C" Flaw with Position 30 being slightly stronger. Position 30 also has a small dot in the margin above and to the left of the "C" Flaw and another dot above the O of POSTAGE. If you compare the position of the imprint, you'll find the Position 30 Imprint is slightly higher than the Position 90 Imprint.



Left: Position 11 Imprint. Bottom Right: Position 71 Short Transfer. Top Middle left to right: Position 90 "C" Flaw, Position 30: "C" Flaw, dot in left margin and dot above O of POSTAGE, Inset: Left: Position 30 Imprint and Right: Position 90 showing the slight difference in location of the imprint.

10c Prince Consort – Collecting the Imprint Positions by Jim Jung ... continued

The Position 92 left half Imprint has a large Plate Flaw in the lower right corner that goes through the Imprint. This is only on late printings of the stamp. This is extremely rare to find on a stamp. The two dots in the lower left margin are constant and this is a better indicator of this plate position. The right dot is also on Position 98. The bottom left half Imprint has a dot under the “a” in “Bank” at Position 93. At Position 99, there is also a dot but it is in a slightly different place.



Left: Position 92 with Plate Flaw at lower right. Top Right: Position 93 dot under “a” in “Bank”. Middle Right: Position 99 dot. Bottom Right: closeup pp92 Plate Flaw

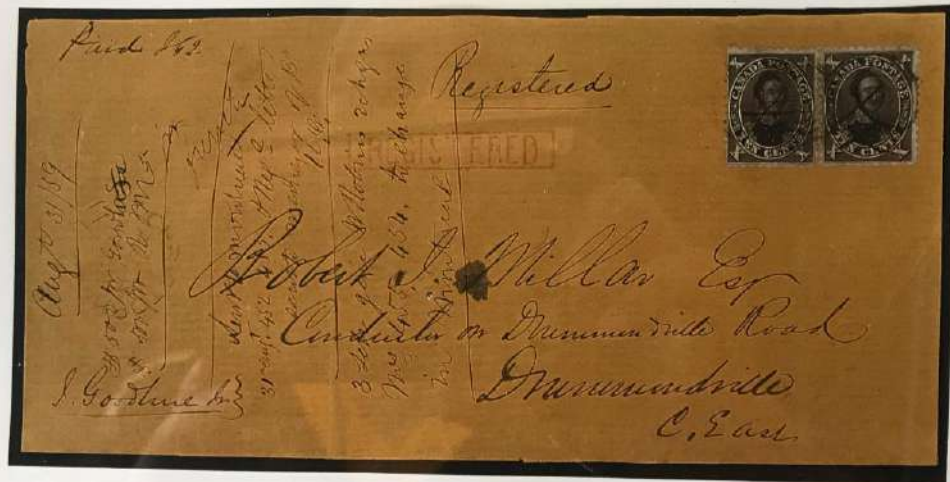
Proof Sheet scans are courtesy of Michael D. Smith

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Ex - Lussey V.G.G. 432
AU 31, 1859, St-Christophe, L.C. to Drummondville C.E. Chocolate brown pair paying the 4 times rate (5¢ per ¼ oz.) with the 2¢ registration fee paid in cash.

This show has a lot to offer for fans of Postal History. It's always nice to have a Ron Brigham Exhibit in the Court of Honour! This definitely draws collectors in to take a look. This gorgeous exhibit is a trophy case of the great wonders of Canadian Philately at its' finest.

The Dealers were all ready with their huge cache of covers to look through. The turnout was good but not overly crowded on Saturday.

There was a lot to keep you busy with interesting tours every day around the Niagara and Toronto region. There were buses and cars and food and wine.

Then there was the seminars and presentations that were interesting and informative showcasing areas of Postal History. These occurred regularly every day and were hosted by very knowledgeable collectors.

The Sheraton Hamilton is a premium venue attached to a Shopping Mall for convenience. Everything you need only steps away.

DA - PENCE

Twelve pence
Laid Paper



Ex - Dale-Lichtenstein, Nickle



Ex - Hind, Hewitt and Foxbridge

The two finest of the three recorded mint pairs in private hands



Ex - Pipkin, "Lindemann" RPS 161,323 (stamp lifted, cleaned and repaired)
The only marginal copy of the six recorded 12d. on cover.

DEC 19 (1855), Toronto, C.W. to New York., N.Y. The letter is believed to have been mailed in 1855. The Toronto circular date stamp has no year indicia and there is no backstamp, but the cover is docketed December 21, 1855. The 12d. charge, paying the double rate up to 1 oz. (6d. x 2) was levied by the Toronto P. O. against the owner of drawer 357 as indicated in the upper left of the envelope.

Top Left: Postage Stamp Vending Machines and Post Office Postmark Devices. Top Right: Try out the Manual Pitney Bowes Stamping Machine. Bottom Left: Two Photographic Printed Matter covers in the Decimal Period from Ron Brigham's Exhibit. Bottom Right: Magdalen Mail Buoy.



CANADA - CENTS 1859



One cent
Wove paper - Perf 11½, 12 x 11½, 12

Montreal to Peterborough and Quebec City. One cent decimals, perf. 12, paying the 1¢ per ounce printed matter rate.



Photographs were considered printed matter by the post office. Ex - de Volpi



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Articles or ideas about stamps, covers, revenues, errors, fakes, and just about anything in early Canadian philately qualifies. Whatever you are currently doing to your stamp collection is probably very interesting.

Write a few words about it, take a few pics and share your story with us. We would love to hear from you.