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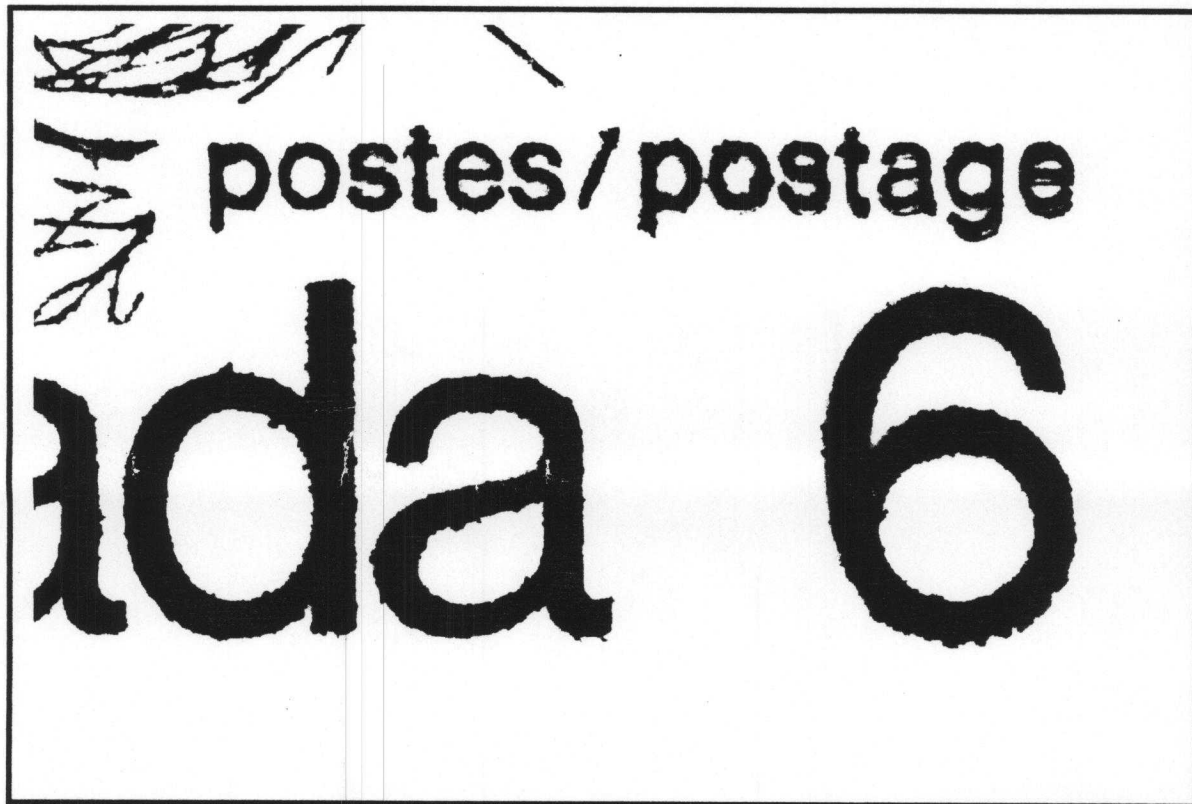
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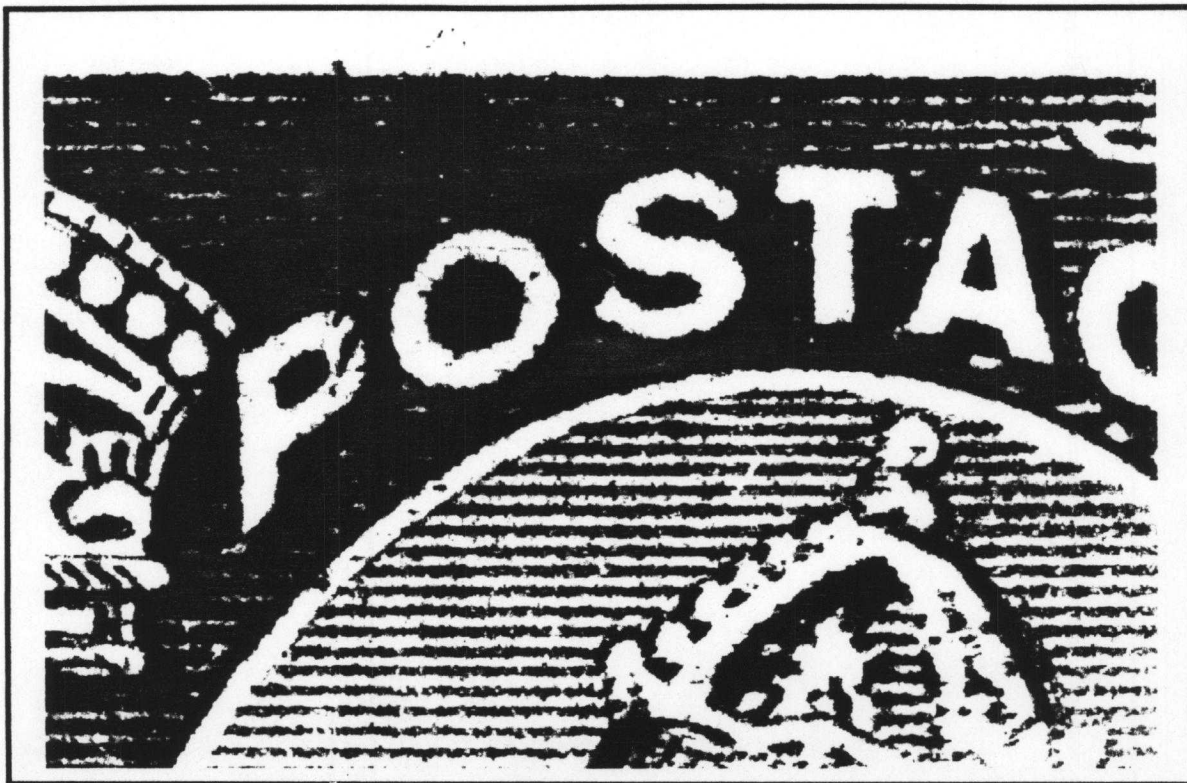
Well, did the photo on the front page catch your attention? It certainly caught mine the first time I laid eyes on this beauty! Obviously, there is a wonderful little 'twisted' re-entry in all of the letters of POSTAGE, being most impressive in 'age.' As you can see above, there is also doubling on the very bottom tips of the 'd' and 'a' of Canada, as well as the bottom of the '6' itself.

So, where does one find this incredible wee re-entry? Dig out your booklet panes, folks! Yes, this re-entry is found on the 6¢ Lester B. Pearson stamp in the U.R. corner of the 25¢ Booklet, Scott #BK 74, of the 1972-1976 Caricature Issue. The booklet pane contains three orange 1¢ Macdonald stamps, two ultramarine 8¢ Elizabeth II stamps, and one lonely little dark red 6¢ Pearson stamp. These booklets were issued with ten red aircraft cover designs. And to top things off, the plate position is even known! Apparently its stamp position on the sheet is BK658.

You know how excited I get when a 'new' re-entry is discovered, well, when such a sharp, clear re-entry shows up on a 'modern' issue and on a booklet stamp to boot, I'm...I'm..... §

99 YEARS AND COUNTING! — MORE JUBILEE RE-ENTRIES!

by R. Trimble



Amazing, isn't it? The Queen Victoria Diamond Jubilee stamps were issued 99 years ago and yet there are *still* re-entries to be found! At least, to *this* writer's knowledge there are numerous re-entries that have turned up lately that have not been reported in the literature before. Oh, it's true many of them may be sitting in re-entry collectors' collections identified as re-entries, but this knowledge has yet to be shared with the rest of us.

For example, how many of you know that there are at least *two* nice re-entries on the 20¢ Jubilee, Scott #59? Well, you do now! Above you see one of them. Note the heavy markings in the 'P' of POSTAGE. There are also lines and marks in the 'O', but they are not nearly as obvious. There are also extensions of horizontal background lines in the white oval below the 'PO'. In the LR corner of the stamp there is what may be a strong engraver's slip extending down vertically from the corner design, and this is crossed by a fine horizontal line which may be a guideline, or perhaps even part of the re-entry doubling. I tend towards the guideline theory myself.

I have a lovely mint copy of this re-entry which I purchased from John Jamieson earlier this year. But there's more! A couple of months ago I received three colour photocopies in the mail from John. One shows a top plate strip of ten plate proofs of the 20¢ Jubilee, while the other two photocopies show close-ups of two of the plate positions. The first is the above re-entry which is found in Plate Position #2 on the 5 X 10 sheet of 50. The other is another nice re-entry in Position #8. This one shows a mark in the UR of the 'P' of POSTAGE, as well as two nice heavy lines of doubling in the UR side of the central crown. Below is a scan of John's photocopy showing just the lines in the crown.

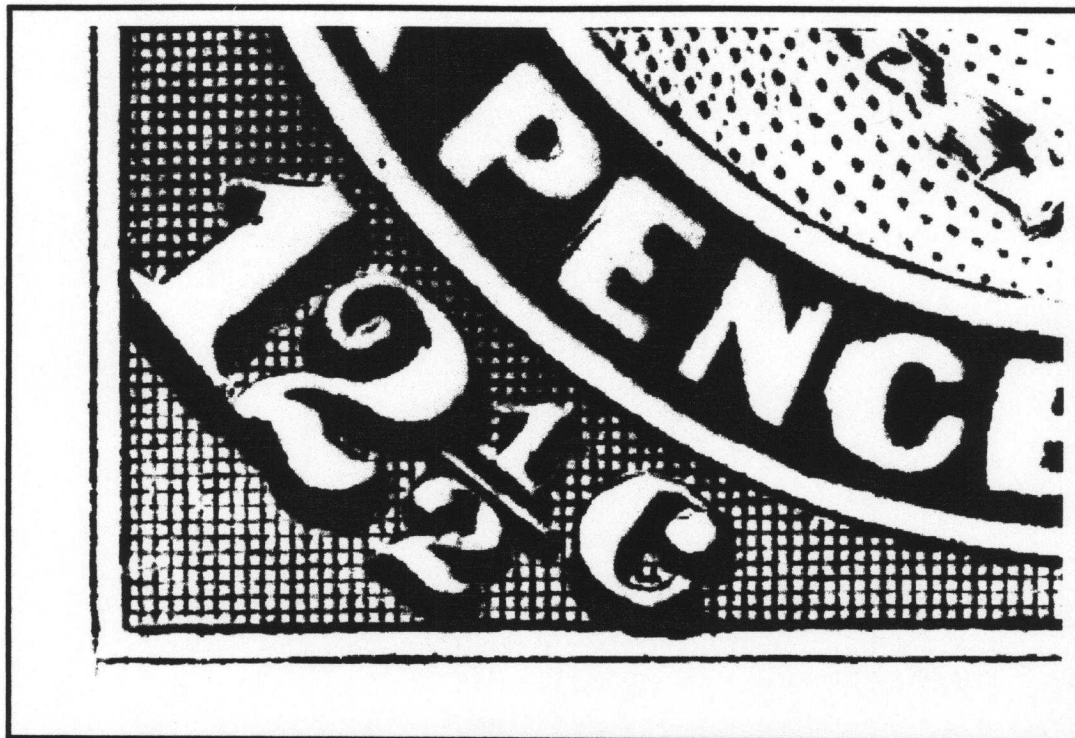


Amazing what turns up 99 years later!

Many thanks, John! §

THE MAJOR RE-ENTRY ON THE 12½¢ DECIMAL, POSITION #94

by R. Trimble



(Above: LL corner. Note the 'E' of PENCE and the marks in the numeral.)

(Below: Note the doubling in the lettering, but particularly the numeral.)



I just recently came to the realization that although I have shown you a number of very nice re-entries that I photographed from John Jamieson's Proof sheet of the 12½¢ Decimal, I have never shown you THE actual Major Re-entry from Plate Position #94. Although the main distinguishing feature is the 'E' of PENCE, the rest of the re-entry is also something to behold. —>

THE 12½¢ DECIMAL MAJOR (Cont'd)



(Above: Left Centre / Below: Right Centre)



(Note the doubling in ALL of the lettering and parts of the oval band.) —>

THE 12½¢ DECIMAL MAJOR (Conclusion)



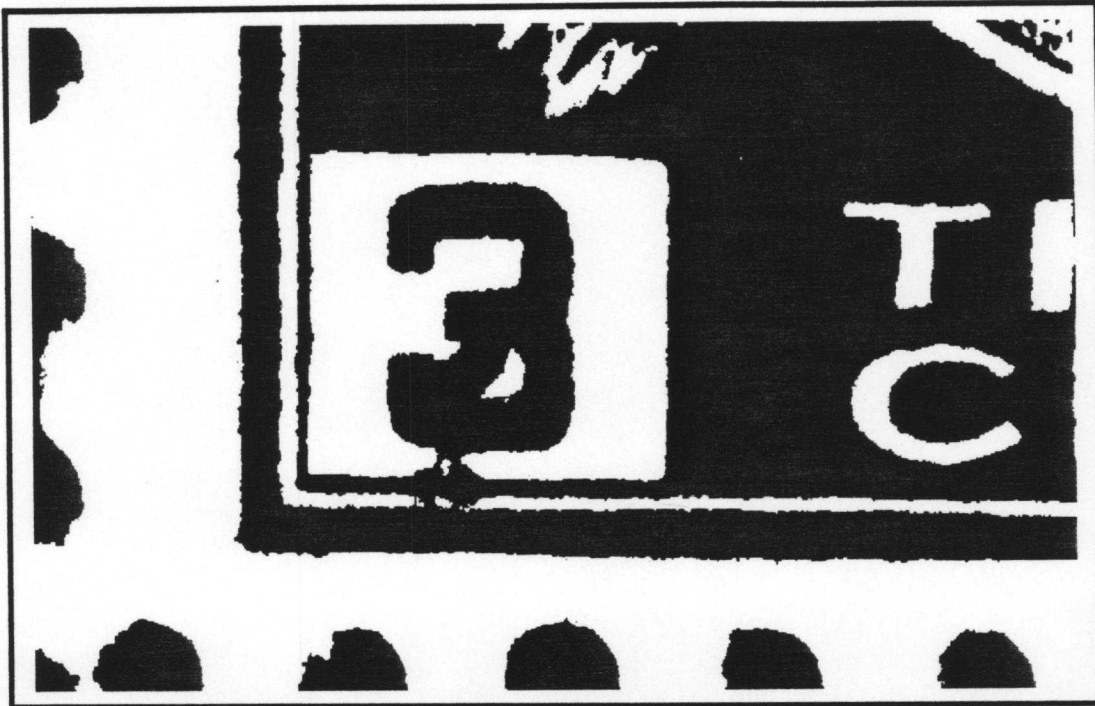
(UL & UR corners — note the doubling in lettering and UR numeral.)



ON THE ADMIRAL FRONT

by R. Trimble

• A 2¢ ON 3¢ ADMIRAL — NOT!!! •



OK, does everybody recall my blurb in the last Newsletter (Vol. 14, No. 2, p. 12) about a possible 2¢ on 3¢ Admiral? Well, unfortunately the specific stamp that was referred to in that article has now been examined and photographed by yours truly and appears above. I say 'unfortunately' because the hopeful 'Double Denomination' has turned out to be an inking problem and not a plate manufacturing problem.

As you can see, there is the strong brown curve in the bottom of the '3' that appears to be the curved lower part of a '2' — and *not* from an Admiral 2¢ either, but more like a Numeral Issue '2'. As exciting as this sounds, then there are the "fainter markings below the left corner of the '3' which touch the lower frameline of the numeral box" that I mentioned last time. On actual examination of said markings, they turn out to be caused by a hair or paper fibre stuck in the ink. Indeed, had the stamp belonged to me, I'm sure I could have pulled the hair/fibre off with a pair of tongs. However, I doubt the owner would have appreciated that! Anyway, the 'curve' in the '3' is in reality part of the ink blob stuck to this fibre. Oh, well!

Now, even though this example turned out to be a false hope, this does not eliminate the fact that other *reports* of multi-denominational Admirals are still floating around out there, as mentioned in the last issue. Please be sure to think of your kindly editor should you come across such a beastie! §

MORE RE-ENTRY GOODIES IN UNITRADE'S SPECIALIZED CANADIAN CATALOGUE

If you have picked up your copy of the 1997 edition of the above catalogue, you might notice a 'familiar' name when you check out the Title Page. Yes, that's your faithful editor's name at the end of the list of Editorial Associates. And if the 21 new actual photographs of many Major Re-entries that you will find scattered throughout the book also look familiar...well, what can I say?

(You'll also find my name on the page about Re-entries near the back of DARNELL'S new little book on CANADIAN E.F.O.'S (Errors, Freaks & Oddities.)



THE BUSINESS SIDEI'M B-A-A-A-C-K!

Hello there, Group! Well, as you can see, I'm back on the job with our Newsletters. Yes, this one is just a *little* bit late (Yeah, right ... like about a year, I know!). Uh, huh, my last issue was Whole No. 69, March-April 1995, Vol. 14, No. 2, so you'll notice I'm continuing on with that Volume for the remainder of 1996, and except for the *year*, everything else follows logically so your sets of Newsletters won't show any apparent gaps. So, that means this issue is Whole No. 70, May-August 1996, Vol. 14, No. 3. How does this affect your Fees, you might ask? Well, it doesn't. Everyone who was paid up to the end of 1995 has had their membership extended to the end of 1996. Everyone who was paid up in advance beyond 1995 has had their memberships extended for the extra year as well. Unfortunately, this does not mean you're getting any issues for 'free.' You will receive your usual five issues, only this time they are spread over two years instead of one. (I'd *love* to be able to give everyone a free year to try to make up for letting you all down, as I did, but I just don't have that kind of \$\$\$.) Actually, at the time of our last issue, there were still a few members who had not yet submitted their fees for '95, but without another reminder to follow up on that, I'm sending this issue to those members as well, in case they would like to renew. I hope this all proves satisfactory to you.

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE NEWSLETTERS?

Well, I don't really feel like discussing the reasons here why you haven't heard from me for so long, but suffice it to say, it *was* serious to me and while I am very sorry that I let you all down, I honestly feel it could not be helped. (If any of you *really* wish to know, write and ask and I'll send you a personal response.)

I must admit that I *was* a little 'surprised' that in the more than a year since you last received anything from me, I can count on one hand the number of members who wrote to ask what had happened to the Newsletters.

WHAT HAPPENED TO CAPEX?

I had planned to spend a fair amount of time at CAPEX and was really looking forward to meeting many of you, some for the first time and others to renew acquaintances from past meetings. But, things don't always work out as planned. As you know, I am a teacher. The first weekend of CAPEX I was working on my final set of report cards for the year, but I planned to get down to CAPEX during the next week and for much of the second weekend. However, on the Monday of that week I discovered that the two young men who were involved in Toronto's latest (at that time) fatal shooting were both former students of mine. The one who was initially shot had the bullet pass right through him, doing massive internal injuries, but he is a fighter and is recuperating. I taught him in Grade 2. The bullet, though, then struck and killed another fellow, who was an innocent bystander. I taught him in Senior Kindergarten and he then spent several years across the hall from me in another class, so I saw him virtually every day for years. He was a wonderful kid in the prime of his life who had had a tough time of it, and seeing him at the funeral home on the Wednesday night was more than I could bear. I could not get this tragic event out of my mind, and the last thing I could think about was trying to enjoy myself at a stamp show. I was so shocked and saddened that CAPEX was simply not a priority to me at that time. I have heard that a number of you were asking about me. All I can say, again, is I'm sorry.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

There are no new members to report at this time, but I have received a couple of inquiries about the Re-entry Group over the past year, and those folks will also receive this Newsletter.

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THE BUSINESS SIDE (Continued) (Some items to catch up on since my 'hiatus.')CLOSED ALBUMS

It is my incredibly sad duty to report that since our last Newsletter we have lost four of our faithful friends. We are all the poorer for their loss and they shall be sorely missed. On behalf of the group, I extend our sincerest sympathies to each of their families.

Member #4 Mr. Whitney L. Bradley, of Honey Harbour, Ontario

Member #11 Miss Cathleen A. Jones, of Halifax, Nova Scotia

Member #23 Mr. Geoffrey Whitworth, of Yorkshire, England

Member #95 Mr. Ian R. Bett, of Willowdale, Ontario

I could fill the rest of this page easily with thoughts and words of praise for the above fine gentlemen and dear lady and their contributions to our hobby. However, I'm certain many of you have your own fond memories to look back on and would rather remember them in your own way.

ISSN FOR OUR NEWSLETTER

You will notice that at the bottom of the front and cover pages of this Newsletter we now have an ISSN (International Standard Serial Number). Among other things, an ISSN will allow our Newsletter to be efficiently identified, catalogued and recorded in libraries throughout the world. This was a suggestion by the Judging Panel of one of the Philatelic Literature Exhibits in which our Newsletter was entered in 1995. (More on that subject below.) I would like to thank Cimon Morin of our National Postal Archives and Susan Pickett of ISSN Canada for their immediate assistance in having our Newsletter assigned a number. Two e-mail messages and within two days we had our number.

INTERNET ADDRESS

Speaking of e-mail messages, since you last heard from me, I now have an ISP (Internet Service Provider) and full Internet access. Over the next few issues I am going to be sharing with you some of the things that are available on the 'net' related to philately. You may (or may not!) be amazed to learn, for example, that there are numerous philatelic auctions, complete with colour photographs, going on over the Internet at this very moment. This is not a futuristic plan; it is happening right now! Anyway, what this means is that I have yet another 'address' for you. You will find it below my 'snail-mail' address on the front and cover pages of the Newsletter. My previous 'e-mail' address is still good, but my Internet address is: rtrimble@interlog.com

MORE AWARDS FOR OUR NEWSLETTER

Since my last medal announcement in Issue #66, our Volume 13 for 1994 has received:

SILVER at ORAPEX 95 in Ottawa

SILVER BRONZE at STAMPEX 95 in Toronto (Newsletter Index was included in scoring)

SILVER at STaMpsHOW 95 in St. Louis, MO

SILVER BRONZE at SESCOAL 95 in Los Angeles, California (Newsletter Index was included)

SILVER at the National Philatelic Literature Exhibition 1995 in New Zealand

URGENTLY NEEDED—Donations of stamps and related materials (old stock books, manilla pages, catalogues, books, tongs, magnifiers, albums, etc.) for my school stamp club that I run each year. I have a small group of *extremely* keen Grade 4 & 5 children, but absolutely NO budget whatsoever. Our little library does not even have a single book on stamps or collecting. So, instead of throwing out those old unwanted materials, PLEASE consider shipping them to me directly at Diefenbaker School, 175 Plains Road, Toronto, Ontario M4J 2R2. Many thanks, Ralph.