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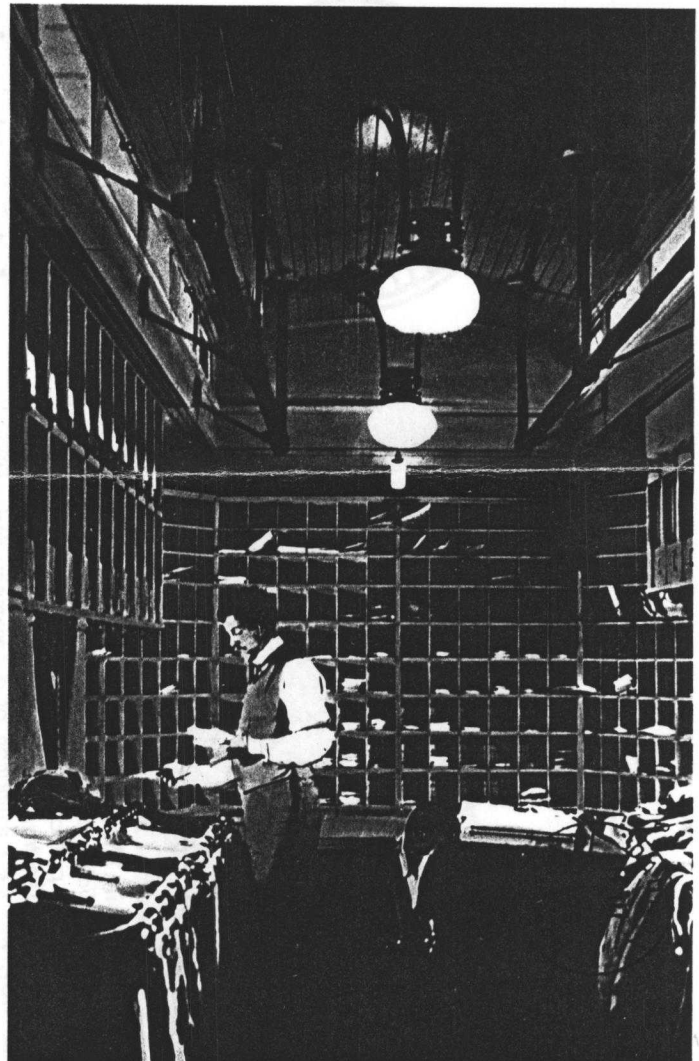
NEW MEMBERS - We welcome John L. Watson, Lyngarth, Huddersfield Road, Penistone, South Yorks, S30 6BU, England; Brian A. Hargreaves, 87 Fordington Road, London, N6 4TH, England; Colin Troup, Box 82, 2730 Prince William Street, Jordan Station, ON, L0R 1S0; and Martin P. Shelton, Box 8154, Woodlands, TX, 77387, U.S.A. to membership.

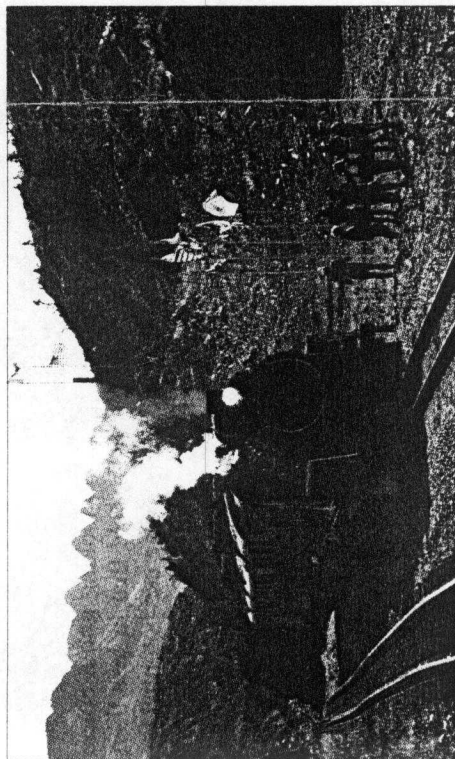
MISSING - Mail has been returned from our member John F. Edgett, Box 456, Glenhaven, CA, 95443, U.S.A. Does anyone know where he is ?

UNPAID MEMBERSHIPS - At time of writing, the following members have not paid their 1994-95 membership - Brown, Chatfield, Eggett, Stokes, Perry-Hooker, Richards. They will no longer receive News Letters until payment is received. I have heard unofficially that Hedley Stokes has sold his collection, but I wish people would let us know if they no longer wish to belong.

NEW REPORT - Ted Woodward has found what appears to be a Type 17A marking inscribed TORONTO & HAMILTON R.P.O./ No.1, direction W (inverted), dated OCT 31/05. It seems logical that this hammer and possibly a No.2 may have replaced O-344. A PROOF exists of TOR.& HAM. R.P.O./ No.3, dated AU 2/18. Why have these not been reported ? Did long distance mail get Toronto, Hamilton & London markings, and only local mail the Toronto & Hamilton cancels ? Reports from our Ontario specialists would be appreciated. Look at your collections these may be hidden with other markings.

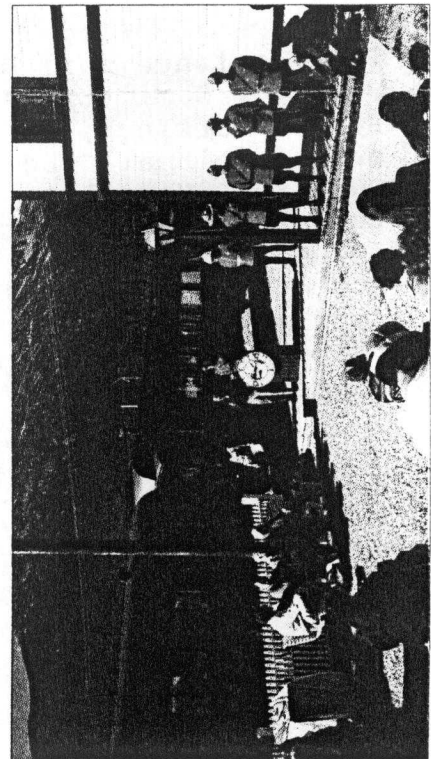
A Railway Post Office in operation on the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway in western Canada, 1909.
(Thanks to Jim Miller)./2





There's Still Gold in Them Thar Hills. At the summit of Alaska's White Pass, after a climb up the mountains, stands steam locomotive No. 73, providing a palpable symbol of the value that Alaskans place on their past. The train ride, which drew crowds and cheers along the way, was the culmination of a ceremony designating the White Pass & Yukon Route as an international historic civil engineering landmark.

A crowd assembles for the landmark-plaque ceremony at the White Pass depot in Skagway.



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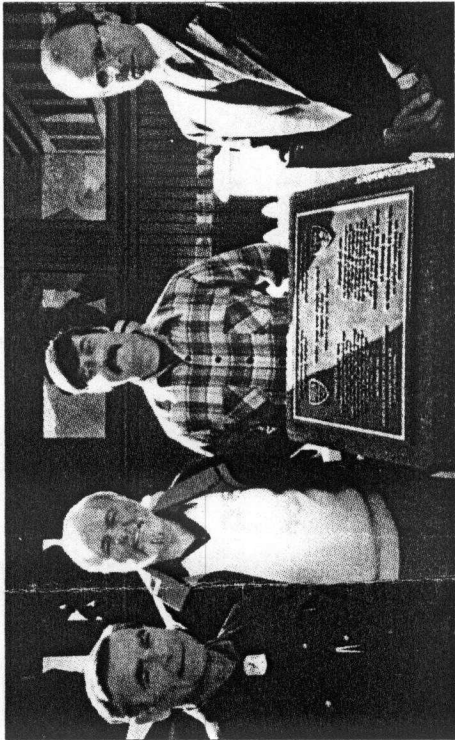
Alaska Rail Route Named International Civil Engineering Landmark

In a scene reminiscent of Yukon gold-rush days of a century ago, the White Pass depot in Skagway, Alaska was the site two months ago of a ceremony that officially designated the White Pass & Yukon Railway as an international historic civil engineering landmark.

Hosted by the ASCE Alaska Section, the Sept. 10 event had everything going for it, including an old-time Western town for its setting, ancient railway cars and locomotives as picturesque backdrops, and a troop of Royal Canadian Mounted Police for a little local color. It also had representatives of ASCE and the Canadian Society for Civil Engineering, the two groups that paid tribute to American and Canadian engineers who conceived, designed and constructed the 110 mi, narrow-gauge railway in 1900, the purpose of which was to develop the Yukon's gold fields (and ever since has provided a major transportation link to the region).

Some 400 people turned out for the ceremony, which was preceded the evening before by a banquet held during a meeting of the ASCE Pacific Northwest Council in Juneau, Alaska. At the dinner, author Roy Minter, who wrote *White Pass: Gateway to the Yukon*, held his audience spell-bound with his tales of times gone by.

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Plaque Posers. Chief among the officials gathered for the White Pass & Yukon Railway plaque presentation ceremony in September are, from left, ASCE President James W. Poirot; Canadian Society for Civil Engineering President Dan Burns; ASCE Alaska Section President Gene Rehfield; and M. Paul Taylor, senior vice president of the White Pass & Yukon Route. (Photos courtesy Joe Sonneman, Five Star Photography.)

LEWIS M.LUDLOW

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ANNEX XIII - CATALOGUE OF CANADIAN RAILWAY CANCELLATIONS - 1995

NEW REPORTERS - 319 - G.Raymond Newcombe

320 - Cecil Coutts

NEW TYPES

Nil

NEW LISTINGS

Listing	Cancellation	Type	Tr/Dir	Period	RF	Rep.
MA-19	CAM. & LEVIS / R.P.O.(Ham.6)	17H	619	4/9/68	500	142
Q-173Am	MON. & TOR., R.P.O. / J.R.MOORE	17J	19	10/26/38	500	142
Q-223A	QUEBEC - RICHMOND / A.HALLISSEY	6E	121	2/27/24	500*	142
O-47A	Brock & Ottawa, R.P.O.	5	-	7/8/19	500	249
O-427	WARROAD & DULUTH / R.P.O. (USRMS Duplex on Can,Northern run - see O-71, etc.)	17H	6	2/24/11	500	146
W-27Bb	CAL. & VAN./G.H.BURTON	5H	7	9/8/(45)	500	151
W-27M	FROM CAL. & VAN.Tr.	22	2	4/6/37	500	142
W-68A	MACLEOD & CALGARY, R.P.O. / L.WRIGHT, M.C.	1K	540	11/25/12	500*	320
W-126Ab	RIVERS & SASK., R.P.O. / R.BOWLEY	5H	11	5/24/52	500	151
W-131E	Robson & Arrowhead / J.W.Stevens	7B	-	1914	500	160
W-176D	WPG.B. & R./D.H.EVANS	7B	6	1/11/55	500	151
W-180Ce	WINNIPEG DISTRICT R.P.O. / H.L.GUY	12C	1	2/13/49	500	151
W-180Dc	WINNIPEG DISTRICT / E.H.LEWIS	12C	2	7/15/52	500	151
W-180Df	WINNIPEG DISTRICT / H.DUTTON	12C	3	10/10/52	500	151
W-194B	WPEG. & MOOSE JAW R.P.O. / F.E.PAGE	5H	3	4/22/48	500	151
W-195C	WPEG. & M.JAW / R.B.McMILLAN	5H	1	3/22/47	500	151
W-196Cf	WPG. & M.JAW R.P.O. / T.HOLLIER	17O	1	1/7/49	500	151
W-196Cg	WPG. & M.JAW R.P.O. / D.STEWART	17O	3	3/25/48	500	151
RG-34A	REGISTERED / SO.EX	30J	-	5/11/76	500*	142
S-105g	Canadian National Railways/ S/S GLENCOE	1A	-	8/3/51	500#	272
S-126B	CAN.PAC.RLY.CO. / PURSER/ STEAMER AMUR	1L	-	4/23/10	500*	97
S-277A	"S.S."VENTURE	22	-	1/17/08	500*	179

UNCONFIRMED LISTINGS CONFIRMED

W-133C	ST.P.& PORTAL N.D./ R.P.O.	17H	14	8/2/53	500	142
W-196Bb	WPG.& M.JAW R.P.O./H.BOTEL	17C	3	3/6/48	500	151

ONLY PROOF KNOWN LISTINGS CONFIRMED

MA-241	SYDNEY & TRURO / R.P.O. (Hammer 14)	17H	5	3/2/61	500	142
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UNCONFIRMED LISTINGS DELISTED

		Type
MA-258	TRURO & SYDNEY R.P.O.	17
Q-3	ARTHABASKA & 3 RIVERS R.P.O.	17
Q-19	HERVEY JC.& LA TUQUE /M.C.	9E
Q-37	LEVIS & CAMP'B'TON R.P.O.	17
Q-64	MON.& BROCK.GRD.TRK.RWY./ MAIL CLERK	6C
Q-109	MONTREAL & MALONE R.P.O.	17
Q-125A	MONT.& QUE.G.T.RWY / No.	8A
Q-154	MONTREAL & TORONTO / M.C.	9E
Q-161	MONT.& TORONTO G.T.R.WAY MAIL / No.	6D
Q-163	MONT.& TORONTO R.P.O./ No.	17A
Q-177C	NEWPORT & MONT.R.P.O./ No.	17A
Q-197B	QUE.& CAMP.M.C.LOCAL / No.	9H
Q-216	QUEBEC & MONTREAL C.P.R.M.C./ No.	10B
Q-292	Q.C.R.SHERBROOKE & STANSTEAD M.C.	10F
O-101	HAM.& LON.R.P.O.	17
O-184	TRAIN No./ NIAGARA FALLS & TORONTO R.P.O.	18
O-201A	N.B.& SOO R.P.O./ No.	17A
O-217	TRAIN No./ OTT.& DEPOT HARBOUR R.P.O.	18
O-268	PALMERSTON & HAMILTON R.P.O.	17
O-281	C.P.Ry.PORT ARTHUR & W'PEG M.C.	10F
O-291	Pt.DOVER & STRATFORD Rwy.P.O.	20A
O-314	SARNIA & STRATFORD / Ry.P.O.	20
O-345	TOR.& HAM.P.O.CAR	14
W-13	C.N.R.BRANDON & SASKATOON M.C.	10F
W-50	EMERSON & WINNIPEG C.N.R. R.P.O./ No.	19D
W-73B	MEDICINE HAT & NELSON R.P.O.	17
W-78	MED.HAT & NEL. R.P.O./ B.C.	17F
W-82	M.H.& NEL.R.P.O./ No.	17A
W-101	N.B.& ED.R.P.O./ No.	17A
W-109A	P.A.& NO.BATT.R.P.O.	22
W-110	PRINCE GEORGE & PRINCE RUPERT / R.P.O.	17H
W-112	PR.GEO.& PR.RUP./ R.P.O.	17H
W-119	REGINA & N.BATTLEFORD / M.C.	9E
W-130	RIV.& WATR.R.P.O./ No.	17A
W-182	W'PEG.& ESTEVAN R.P.O./ No.	17A
W-192	WINNIPEG & M.JAW LOCAL R.P.O.	17L
W-194	W'PEG.& MOOSE JAW / R.P.O.	17H
W-195	W'PEG.& M.JAW R.P.O./ No.	17A /3

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RR-3	ALT.R.COAL Co.M.C./ No.	9A
RR-12	CANADA ATLANTIC R.P.O.	17
RR-107	N.B. & C.RAILWAY / PASS'R.TRAIN No.	6C
RR-127	P.E.ISLAND BOAT / M.C.	9E
RR-162	THIS MAIL WAS CARRIED BY / TRAVELLING LETTER BOX	23N
RR-168	RECEIVED AT NORTH BAY, ONT./ IN TRAVELLING LETTER BOX	23N
RR-171	THIS MAIL WAS CARRIED IN TRAVELLING / LETTER BOX TO TORONTO	23N
RR-192	W.ONT.Ry./ M.C.	9E
TS-100	International Railway / SHEFFORD, P.Q.	3A

CORRECTIONS

N-94	ST.JOHN'S & LEWISPORT.T.P.O. (Add mid-vertical dot between T & T.	197
O-295A	PT.ROWAN & HAMILTON R.P.O. (Capital T in PT.)	273
W-115S	Add comma after GRONLID, change initial to D.C.Mercer	239
W-137m	Change name to McCusker	239
W-179E	Delete	
W-180Dc	Change from W-179E	
S-105c	Change from S-105	
S-234	Change Latest date to 5/19/37	313

EARLIEST AND LATEST DATES FOR PERIOD OF USE

N-26	Latest	7/12/03	No Change	197	
N-92	Earliest	9/26/55	No Change	197	
MA-11	Latest	4/24/71(Ham.1)	No Change	142	
	Latest	4/24/71	"	142	
	Latest	7/9/68 (Ham.3)	No Change	142	NOTE: for MA
MA-22c	Earliest	1/?/13	No Change	151	
MA-49	Latest	8/29/21(Ham.1)	No Change	142	hammer listings
MA-69	Latest	10/26/49(Ham.1)	No Change	142	Earliest &
MA-71	Earliest	11/21/01(Ham.5)	No Change	142	Latest Dates
MA-80	Latest	6/20/51(Ham.3)	No Change	142	
	Earliest	2/11/28(Ham.17)	No Change	142	are for that
	Earliest	7/31/29(Ham.20)	No Change	142	hammer only.
MA-115	Earliest	10/3/95(Ham.2)	No Change	142	
MA-116	Latest	5/21/20(Ham.3)	No Change	142	
MA-117a	Latest	1/11/20(Ham.3)	No Change	142	
	Earliest	9/13/20(Ham.6)	No Change	142	
	Latest	8/15/21(Ham.6)	No Change	142	
MA-129	Earliest	12/24/02(Ham.4)	No Change	142	
	Earliest	10/15/06(Ham.7)	No Change	142	
MA-138	Latest	12/27/28(Ham.11)	"	142	
MA-154	Earliest	4/7/11	No Change	142	
MA-193	Latest	11/27/95	No Change	146	
MA-199	Latest	1/30/69(Ham.1)	No Change	273	 /4

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MA-210	Earliest	5/24/00(Ham.1)	No Change	142
	Latest(1st)	7/6/28 (Ham.21)	"	142
	Earliest(2nd)	10/6/37(Ham.21)	"	142
MA-240	Latest	7/11/60(Ham.4)	"	142
	Earliest	5/17/59(Ham.5)	"	142
MA-241	Earliest	3/2/61 (Ham.14)	"	142
MA-256	Earliest	8/17/07(Ham.4)	"	142
Q-31A	Latest	1/28/20	500	142
Q-34	Latest	9/28/14	No Change	151
Q-49A	Latest	1/17/20	500	142
Q-68A	Latest	6/14/21	500	142
Q-176B	Earliest	8/18/14	No Change	151
O-9	Latest	5/5/97	No Change	246
O-14	Earliest	1/12/85	300	95
O-159	Latest	7/27/20	No Change	142
O-165	Earliest	10/17/00(Ham.I)	No Change	248
	Latest	3/09/14	"	181
	Earliest	5/24/10 (Ham.II)	"	181
	Latest	5/05/15	"	151
	Earliest	2/21/18(Ham.III)	"	151
	Latest	1/24/50	"	142
O-221	Latest	10/03/15	No Change	151
O-358	Latest	2/2/01	No Change	142
O-398	Earliest	5/01/11	No Change	142
W-7G	Latest	5/6/54	No Change	151
W-19	Latest	10/05/07	No Change	151
W-65	Latest	8/8/12(Ham.2)	No Change	151
W-84Ab	Earliest	10/27/52	No Change	151
W-84Ae	Earliest	12/15/52	No Change	151
W-95	Earliest	9/21/03	No Change	319
W-96	Latest	6/30/57	No Change	239
W-114Cb	Earliest	5/19/54	No Change	151
W-114F	Earliest	2/11/55	No Change	151
	Latest	8/1/55	No Change	10
W-116F	Latest	6/11/52	No Change	151
W-128	Earliest	8/24/10(Ham.1)	No Change	142
	Latest	5/30/18	" No Change	16
	Earliest	6/22/10(Ham.2)	No Change	142
	Latest	11/30/16	" No Change	16
	Earliest	4/08/11(Ham.3)	No Change	16
	Latest	11/30/16	" No Change	16
	Earliest	7/07/10(Ham.4a)	No Change	16
	Latest	2/23/14	" No Change	142
	Earliest	11/27/16(Ham.4b)	No Change	142
	Earliest	2/08/11(Ham.5)	No Change	142
	Latest	11/13/16	" No Change	16
	Earliest	10/16/12(Ham.6)	No Change	16
	Latest	10/16/16	" No Change	151

W-137F	Earliest	6/4/52	No Change	151	
W-137N	Earliest	4/9/?	No Change	151	
	Latest	6/6/?	No Change	151	
W-138	Earliest	12/15/35	No Change	239	
W-141D	Earliest	04/22/52(Ham. I)	No Change	142	HP 6/10/49
	Latest	5/31/60	"	151	
	Earliest	11/11/49(Ham. II)	"	142	HP 6/10/49
	Latest	4/19/60	"	142	
	Earliest	7/9/49(Ham. III)	"	151	HP 6/10/49
	Latest	7/4/54	"	142	
	Earliest	(Ham. IV)			HP 6/10/49
	Latest	"			
	Earliest	11/23/52	"	151	HP 10/24/52
	Latest	5/24/60	"	142	
	Earliest	10/30/48(Ham. V)		150	HP 4/24/48
	Latest	"			
	Earliest	9/20/53	"	151	HP 10/24/52
	Latest	4/23/60	"	151	
W-145A	Earliest	7/17/61	No Change	239	
W-146E	Latest	7/9/54	No Change	151	
W-176D	Latest	1/28/55	No Change	151	
W-179C	Latest	6/27/57	No Change	239	
W-180Cd	Earliest	1/14/49	No Change	151	
W-180Dc	Earliest	7/15/52	No Change	151	
W-180E	Latest	1/14/53	No Change	151	
W-180I	Earliest	10/9/52	No Change	151	
W-193C	Earliest	1/26/49	No Change	151	
W-193G	Earliest	3/27/48	No Change	151	
W-193I	Earliest	1/29/49	No Change	151	
W-196Cb	Latest	4/10/48	No Change	151	
W-196Ce	Earliest	4/8/48	No Change	151	
W-196D	Earliest	2/22/49	No Change	151	
W-196Gc	Latest	12/16/56	No Change	151	
W-196Gf	Earliest	4/25/51	No Change	151	
W-211C	Latest	1/16/26	No Change	277	
RR-170	Latest	8/26/51	340	270	
RG-1	Earliest	6/24/69(Ham.1)	No Change	16	
	Latest	12/1/74(Ham.1)	No Change	140	
	Earliest	10/2/75(Ham.2)	No Change	140	
	Latest	4/5/78 (Ham.2)	No Change	179	
	Note: Ham.1 - 25mm name, Ham.2 - 32mm name.				
RG-9	Earliest	3/06/77	No Change	140	
	Latest	1/29/78	No Change	151	
RG-20	Latest	8/10/76	No Change	140	
RG-27	Earliest	2/12/77	No Change	140	
RG-35	Earliest	1/3/76	No Change	140	
RG-43	Earliest	11/15/79	No Change	140	

S-6	Earliest	6/6/12	500	97
S-29a	Earliest	7/07/19	No Change	179
S-36	Earliest	1/20/13	No Change	316
S-112e	Earliest	6/28/31	No Change	316
S-189b	Latest	6/26/38	No Change	313
S-190c	Latest	6/20/38	No Change	151
S-191d	Earliest	5/08/42(Ham.1)	No Change	313
S-193c	Latest	12/15/37(Ham.1)	No Change	313
S-215	Latest	12/17/37	No Change	313
S-231	Latest	8/16/39	No Change	313
S-247	Earliest	5/31/47	No Change	151
S-258	Latest	8/28/39	No Change	313
DD-84	Latest	11/13/50(Ham.1)	No Change	142
DD-102	Earliest	7/2/27(Ham.1)	"	142

NEW DIRECTION AND TIME MARKS

MA-19	619	Reporter	142	O-412	29	142
MA-241	603 (Ham.7)		142	O-414	IV	142
				O-420	63	142
				O-421	63	142
Q-20B	79(error for 76?)		142			
Q-31A	1		142	W-65	60	151
Q-41	356		142	W-84Ab	62	151
Q-49A	18		142	W-84Ac	62	151
Q-54	20		142	W-114F	66	151
Q-68A	W		142	W-126Ab	11	151
Q-73	151		142	W-126Db	11,12	151
Q-116	445, 467		142	W-137N	62	151
Q-120A	106		142	W-176C	3,5	151
Q-146	26		142	W-180Cd	3	151
Q-162	39		142	W-180Ce	1	151
Q-164	20		142	W-180Dc	2	151
Q-176	19		142	W-180Df	3	151
				W-180E	1	151
O-71	22		142	W-193G	1	151
O-155A	83		142	W-193I	1	151
O-159	28		142	W-194B	3	151
O-164	NO		142	W-195C	1	151
O-168	165		142	W-196Bb	3	151
O-180	11		142	W-196Cb	3	151
O-209	170		142	W-196Ce	3	151
O-243	E		142	W-196Cf	1	151
O-341	47		273	W-196Cg	3	151
O-356L	83		142	W-196D	5	151
O-358	2		142	W-196Gc	3,5	151
O-360	61		142	W-196Gf	1,3	151
O-372	20		142	W-211C	105	277
O-374	97-20 (dual No.)		142			
O-376	21		142	RR-18A	EAST	142
O-378	71, 103		151			
O-409	31		142	DD-102	5:30 PM	142

NEWFOUNDLAND RAILWAY MARKINGS - used on revenue documents (from C.A. Stillions). The markings on this page and on page 10 can't be considered as R.P.O. markings, as they

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St. John's, Nfld.

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UNITED NAIL & FOUNDRY CO., LTD.

By

in apparent good order properly marked and described as below (contents and value otherwise unknown) to be forwarded subject to the rules and conditions, printed on the regular bills of lading now used by the Company, signing this receipt addressed to

Consignee

Destination

Charge to

Our Order No.

No.	Description	Marks	Weight Lbs.	Charges
	Bags of Nails			900
	Bdls of Buckets.			100
	10 Bds from			
	11 Bds from			
	1000			



OWNERS RISK
J. L. C. Tessier

Agent

cancel stamps used to pay excise tax on Bills of Lading.

ANOTHER NEWFOUNDLAND RAILWAY REVENUE MARKING - cancelling
a stamp used to pay excise tax on Bills of Lading.
(from C.A. Stillions)

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No.	DESCRIPTION	MARKS	WEIGHT LBS.	CHARGES
<i>240</i>	Bags of Nails	<i>B N P&P M W 67236 BAIE VERTE</i>	<i>1100</i>	
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Agent

That's all for this time.

Bill

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