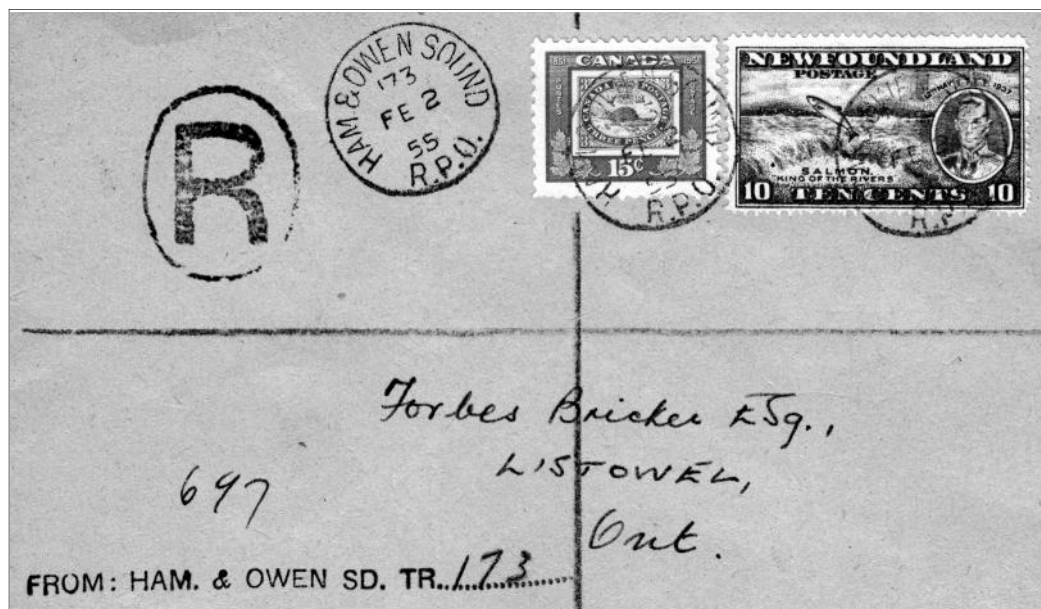


In this issue we feature more new reports and updates from **Ron Barrett**, **Jack Brandt**, **FVH Stamps**, **Colin Lewis** and **Peter McCarthy**.

Editor **Ross Gray** describes some interesting items found on some old old scrap book pages and notes some catalogue corrections.



**Colin Lewis** shares this registered cover, which originated on the northbound Hamilton & Owen Sound R.P.O. The clerk cancelled the stamps with his regular steel hammer, **ON-181**, HAM. & OWEN SOUND / R.P.O. , 173, FE 2, 55 , and added a straight line rubber stamp normally reserved for post office forms, **ON-182**, FROM: HAM. & OWEN SD. TR..... This example **corrects the text of the catalogue listing**, as well as providing **a new late date** and previously **unreported train number, 173**.



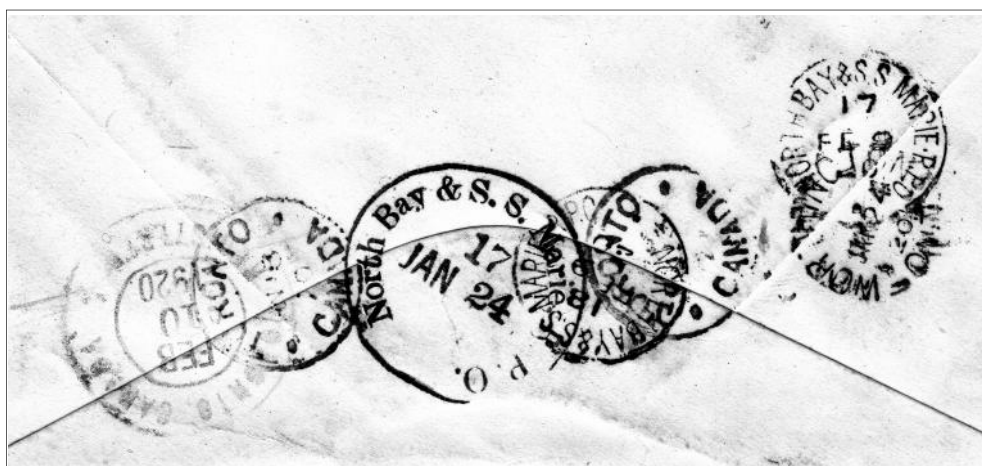
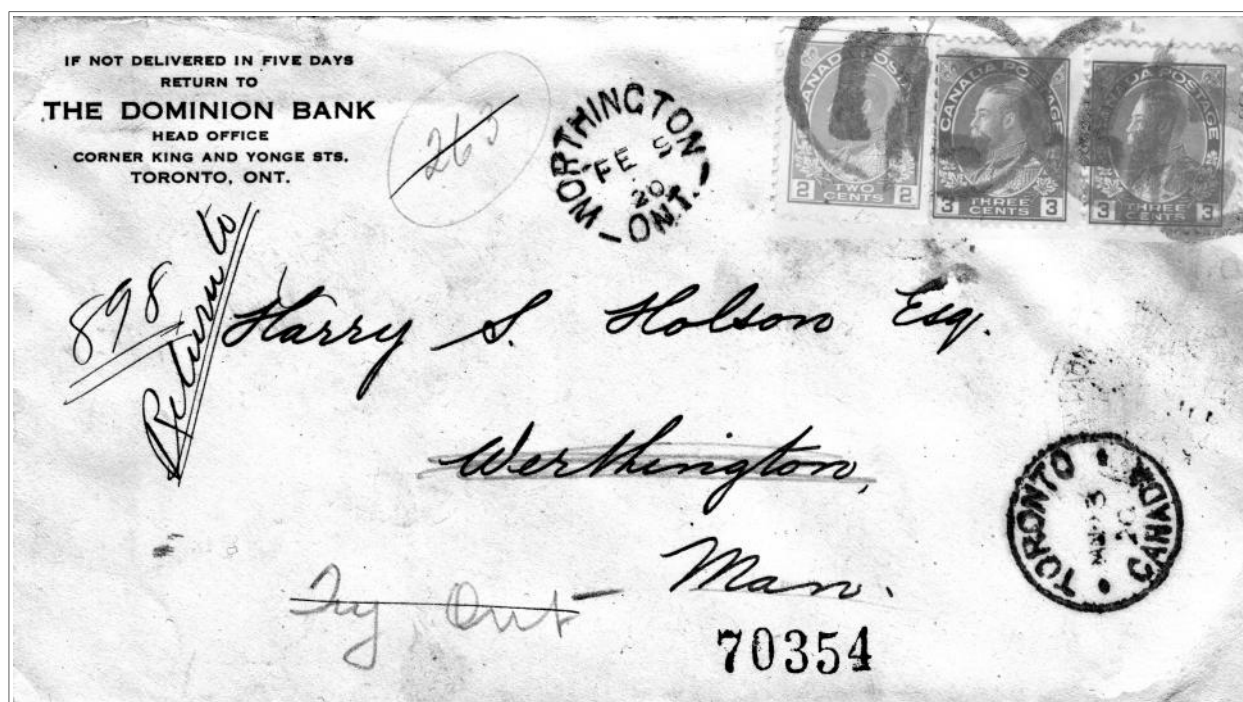
We are grateful to **FVH Stamps** in Vancouver for providing a scan of this item from one of their weekly on-line auctions ( <http://www.fvhstamps.com> ). It is a previously unlisted private clerk's handstamp, W'PG & REGINA R.P.O. / J. FEGAN , Tr. 54, JAN 14, 1938 , found on a large piece of a Postage Due form.

This is the first reported clerk's stamp for the Winnipeg & Regina run and will be listed as **WT-961.55**, Type CC6R, RF G.

#### Update #5 to the "Travelling Post Office Postmarks of Newfoundland & Labrador"

Update #5 to the "Travelling Post Office Postmarks of Newfoundland & Labrador" by Brian Stalker is now available on the BNAPS website, from the philatelic exhibits pages, <http://www.bnaps.org/philatelic/displays.htm>.

## A New Late Date and Train Number for ON-341 from Ross Gray



This cover was registered at TORONTO / CANADA , JAN 13, 20 and addressed to a non-existent post office, Worthington, Manitoba. Presumably the letter arrived in Manitoba and a manuscript notation, "Try Ont" was added and it was redirected to Worthington, Ontario, which was situated on the C.P.Ry. line between Sudbury and Sault Ste. Marie.

Eleven days after being sent from Toronto, it was backstamped on the westbound North Bay & Sault Ste. Marie R.P.O. with **ON-341**, North Bay & S. S. Marie R.P.O. , 17, JAN 24, (20) and was received at WORTHINGTON / \_ ONT. \_ , JAN 24, 20.

After not being picked up after over two weeks, the postmaster at Worthington postmarked the front, WORTHINGTON / \_ ONT. \_ , FE 9, 20 , and added a manuscript, "Return to" notation. It was then transferred to the westbound North Bay & Sault Ste. Marie R.P.O. and backstamped with **ON-340**, NORTH BAY & S. S. MARIE . R.P.O. / . , 17, FE 9, 20. Somewhere before reaching Sault Ste. Marie, it was transferred to the eastbound North Bay & Sault Ste. Marie R.P.O. and backstamped, **ON-340**, NORTH BAY & S. S. MARIE . R.P.O. / . , 18, FE 9, 20. Upon receipt back in Toronto, it was postmarked, TORONTO, CANADA / REGISTERED , FEB 10, 1920.

This is only the **second report of ON-341** and is now the **latest date** as well as the **first report of train 17**.

## A New Late Date and Train Number for ON-341 from Ross Gray

TORONTO, SUDBURY AND SAULT STE. MARIE															
READ DOWN						Miles		TABLE 64		READ UP					
3	9	27	25							28	10	4	26		
*6.25	*5.15	*4.50	17	*7.45	259.6	Ar. SUDBURY	10*10	*1.10	*7.47	18.30	18				
A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	Ar. North Bay	16.10	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.				
		10.10			259.6	Lv. SUDBURY	19.55				*5.50				
		12.06			264.1	Copper Cliff	9.43				5.40				
		5.18	12.17		270.8	Naughton	9.28								
		5.32			277.9	White Fish	9.13								
		5.46			281.5	Victoria Mine	9.04				5.07				
		5.53	12.48		284.7	Worthington	8.55				5.00				
		6.00	12.56		287.9	Turbine	8.47								
		6.08			292.2	Nairn	8.38				4.45				
		6.33	1.10		301.5	Espanola	8.20				4.28				
		6.39	1.30		307.7	Webbwood	8.06				4.15				
		6.48	1.48		312.8	Maytown	7.51								
		6.58			318.0	Massey	7.40				3.50				
		7.11	2.06		325.9	Walford	7.24								
		7.26			331.2	Spanish	7.12				3.22				
		7.38	2.28		337.0	Cutler	7.01				3.08				
		7.50	2.38		344.3	Sheppard	6.43								
		7.58			346.9	Spragge	6.37				2.46				
		8.06	3.03		354.6	ALGOMA	6.22								
		8.33			361.9	Blind River	6.08				2.20				
		8.50	3.31		365.7	Mississauga	5.58								
		8.58			372.3	Dean Lake	5.47								
		9.14			381.4	Dayton	5.36								
		9.32			386.2	Livingston	5.22								
		9.42	4.22		390.3	Thessalon	5.14				1.36				
		9.58			392.7	Sherwood	5.06								
		10.06			394.4	Nestorville	5.02								
		10.11			396.3	Glen Otter	4.58								
		10.16			402.6	Bruce	4.44				1.16				
		0.32	4.44		408.8	Portlock	4.28								
		0.47			410.8	Desbarats	4.23				1.00				
		0.55	5.00		417.7	Isbester	4.08								
		0.59			420.0	Bar River	4.02								
		1.15			423.9	Echo Bay	3.53								
		1.18			430.2	Garden River	3.41								
		1.20			438.8	S.S. MARIE, ONT.	3.20				12.12				
		12.00	5.50		439.8	Steelon, Ont. E. T.	3.07								
		12.20				(Central Time)									
		11.35	*5.10		442.7	Ar. S.S. MARIE, MICH.	12.00				10*50				
			*5.35		442.7	Lv. S.S. MARIE, MICH.					10*30				
			*9.30		929.4	Ar. ST. PAUL					*6.55				
			10*15		939.2	Ar. MINNEAPOLIS					*6.15				
			*9.50		858.8	Ar. DULUTH					*6.30				
						(Central Time)									
			A.M.	A.M.											

For Explanation of Signs see Table 63.		For Equipment of Trains see Table 68.	
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C.P.Ry. Public Timetable - 1920

## ON-520 Catalogue Correction



Ross Gray recently acquired the original discovery copy of **ON-520**, STRAT. & GODERICH . R.P.O. / . , 28, MR 29, 26. This is the earliest reported date. Mounted on the same page is a second stamp postmarked with what is identified as the same hammer with the latest reported date, October 12, 1927. This item is not ON-520 but is actually **ON-827**, TOR. STRAT & GODERICH . R.P.O. / . , 31, OC 12, 27 .

As a result, we are left with only the **one confirmed date and train 28 for ON-520**. Readers are requested to report other dates and / or train numbers for this hammer, which was proof struck on January 9, 1926.

## A New Train Number for WT-898.01 from Ross Gray

Found as a transit backstamp on a registered cover which originated at MacGregor, Manitoba in the afternoon, on February 19, 1912, this **WT-898.01**, W'PEG. & M. JAW (LOCAL) R.P.O. / N<sup>o</sup> 1, 5, FE 19, 12, has a **previously unreported train number indicium "5"**. The timetable in effect at the time, suggests that this letter would have been transferred to local eastbound train 54. Perhaps the clerk had misplaced his "54" slug.

There is a Montreal transit postmark dated February 22 and a London, England receiving mark dated March 12.



WINNIPEG AND BRANDON															
READ DOWN						Miles	TABLE 83	READ UP							
51	1	101	3	57	53			52	2	102	4	54	58		
22*15	22*35	18.00	14.00	18.30	18.00	0.0	Lv. Winnipeg	*6.45	*7.10	11.40	17.50	19.40	17.30		
		18.15		8.47	18.15	7.5	Bergen			11.24		19.23	17.13		
		18.29		9.01	18.26	15.2	Rosser			11.11		19.13	16.57		
		18.41		9.15	18.35	22.2	Meadows			10.59		19.03	16.44		
		18.53		9.28	18.46	29.0	Marquette			10.46		18.55	16.32		
		19.05		9.40	18.54	35.8	Reburn			10.34		18.43	16.21		
		19.16		9.51	19.03	40.5	Poplar Point			10.24		18.34	16.11		
		19.31		10.06	19.15	48.8	High Bluff			10.08		18.22	15.57		
23*45	24.05	19.45	15.30	10.20	9.30	55.6	Port la Prairie	*5.05	5.30	9.55	16.25	18.10	15.45		
		20.05		9.53	63.6		Burnside			9.40		17.52			
		20.21		10.06	71.1		Bagot			9.27		17.40			
		24.48	20.34	16.09	10.20	77.8	MacGregor	4.53	9.16	15.44	17.28				
		20.49		10.35	84.8		Austin			9.02		17.15			
		21.08		10.57	92.9		Sidney			8.46		17.01			
		21.19		11.07	98.2		Melbourne			8.37		16.52			
		1.50	21.54	17.10	11.20	105.8	Carberry	4.09	8.24	14.59	16.37				
		21.48		11.35	114.6		Sewell			8.06		16.21			
		22.02		11.47	121.8		Douglas			7.52		16.03			
		22.12		11.57	127.6		Chater			7.42		15.52			
		*2.40	22.25	18.00	12.10	133.1	Brandon	*5.15	7.30	14.15	15.40				

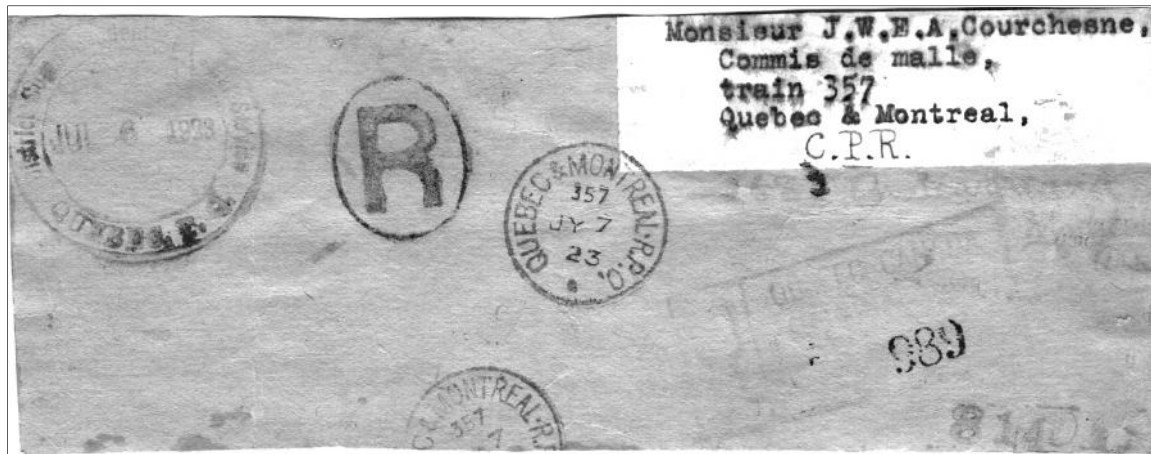
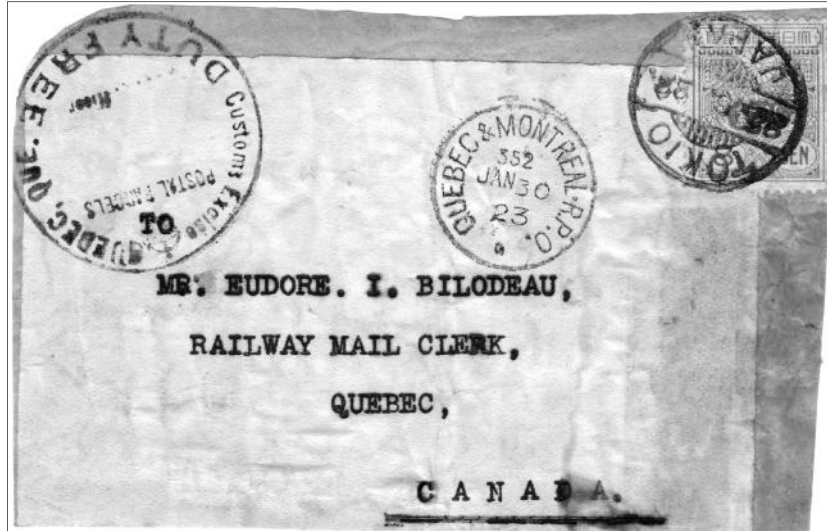
C.P.Ry. Public Timetable - September 4, 1911

## Scrapbook Revelations from Ross Gray

Sometime ago, I purchased two large scrapbook pages from an eBay seller. Both sides of both pages were filled with glued down cut-outs of Montreal and Quebec City area postmarks and a few forms, including two money orders, with dates ranging from 1921 until 1932. Most importantly, there were a few interesting railway related items which attracted me, as well as other collectors, including at least one other study group member. Bidding was spirited!

I wanted to preserve as many of the glued down items as possible by removing them instead of just cutting out the most desirable pieces from the pages and thus destroying the pieces on the back. Fortunately, I discovered that a fluid called "Stamp Lift" was available and it proved to be remarkably effective in safely lifting most of the many, heavily stuck down pieces.

The two pieces below suggest that the original owner of the scrapbook may have been a clerk on the Quebec & Montreal R.P.O.



Two Superintendent of Railway Mail Service oval handstamps were among the postmarks. A number of these appear in the proof records but were not included in the catalogue because they were only used on internal post office documents.



## Scrapbook Revelations from Ross Gray



This **crown wax seal impression** is the fourth item of its type to be reported. It will be listed as **QC-413.55**, QUEBEC & MONTREAL C.P.R. / M.C. , Type CWS, Period Circa 1925, RF-G.

The other wax seals listed are QC-252, ON-419 and WT-93.

Unfortunately part of the text of this **new Windsor Station postmark** is unclear. It appears to read, MAIL TRANSFER AGENTS / WINDSOR STATION , NOV, 10, 27. It will be listed as **SN-40.55**, Type DC1R, RF-G.



Ludlow stated proof dates of 1921 and 1928 for **SN-33**, VIGER STATION / C.P.R. / Montreal, P.Q., probably based on proof records viewed decades ago at the Philatelic Foundation in New York. These records are unfortunately not available to us. This example on a cut out, probably from a post office internal form, is the **first date of use** discovered.



This **SN-35**, MONTREAL · P.Q. / · PLACE VIGER STA'N · , 11·PM, 2 MY, 32 , is the first that the editor has seen. No proof date is known.



This previously unreported private clerk handstamp, MONTREAL & QUEBEC R.P.O. / J. W. E. A. COURCHESNE , 357, JUN 25, 1929 , struck in purple, will be listed as **QC-236.55**, Type CC5R, RF-G. It is interesting to note that the terminal names are reversed compared to the contemporary regular postmarks used on the Quebec-Montreal run.

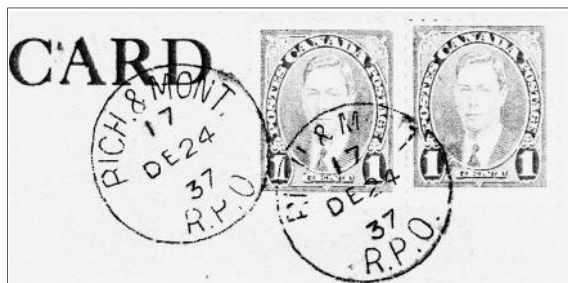


## New Reports from Jack Brandt

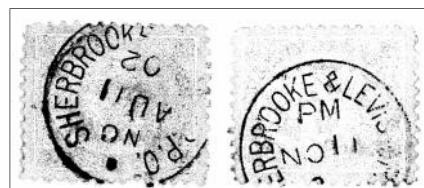


**QC-226, MONTREAL & OTTAWA / M.C. , W, SP 23, 02 , on a 2 cent Edward, is a new late date** by over a year, for this scarce listing, previously only known until 1901/04/26.

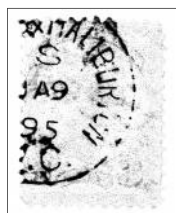
.....  
**QC-376, QUE & CAMPBELLTON / · EXPRESS · , W2, SP 30, ?9 , on a 2 cent Numeral issue, is the first report of a direction / train number indicium W2** for this listing, which has at least eight hammers.



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**QC-467, RICH. & MONT. / R.P.O. , 17, DE 24, 37 , is a new late date.**



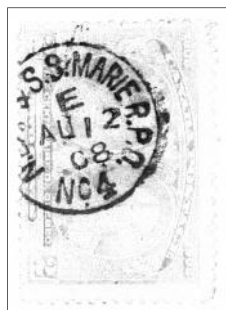
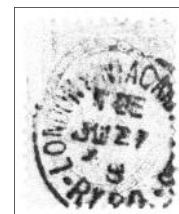
**QC-505, SHERBROOKE & LEVIS R.P.O. / . , NO, AU 11, 02 , is the first report of the “NO” month slug used as the direction indicator** for this listing, although it is reported for QC-507 with the clerk initial attachment. **QC-505, SHERBROOKE & LEVIS R.P.O. / . , PM, NO 11, ?? , is the first report of the time indicium “PM”** for the listing. Both examples are on 2 cent Numerals.



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**ON-230, LINDSAY & HALIBURTON / M.C. , S, JA 9, 95 , is a new early date** for this listing.

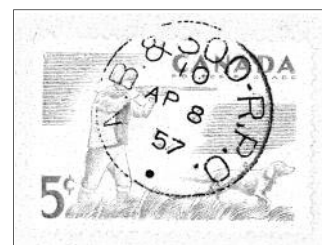
.....  
 On a 3 cent Numeral, is this **new late date for the listing, ON-247, LONDON & NIAGARA FALLS / · R.P.O. · , T2E, JU 27, 98.**

Readers should note that **both “E” and “W” direction indicia are known for this listing** (only hammer 3 of the 4 hammers) but were accidentally omitted from the catalogue.



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**ON-339.04, N. BAY & S. S. MARIE R.P.O. / N<sup>o</sup> 4 , E, AU 12, 08 , is a new late date for both the hammer and the listing.**

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**ON-345, N. B. & SOO · R.P.O. / . , 10, AP 8, 57 , is the first report of train 10** for this listing.



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**ON-415.122, C.P.R. OTT. & PI ARTHUR M.C. / 12 , 6, AU 22, 14 , is a new late date for the hammer.**

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**ON-461.05, C.P.R. PI ARTHUR & W'PEG. M.C. / 5. , W, AU 4, 97 , is the first report of “W” for the hammer.**

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**ON-461.05, C.P.R. PI ARTHUR & W'PEG. M.C. / 5. , E, OC 24, 87 , is a much earlier date for this hammer.** The RF will change to “C”.

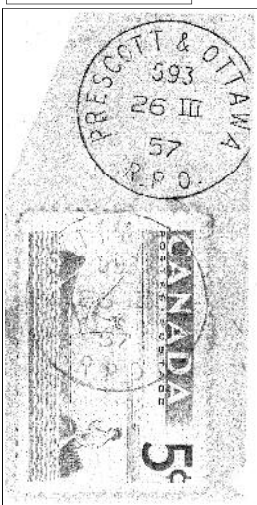


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**ON-461.061**, C.P.R. P. ARTHUR & W'PEG. M.C. / 6. , E, MR 9, 94 , is a **new late date** for the first of two "6" hammers in this listing.

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**ON-489**, PRESCOTT & OTTAWA / R.P.O. , 593, 26 III, 57 , is a **new early date** for this scarce late hammer, which was proof struck on February 1, 1957.

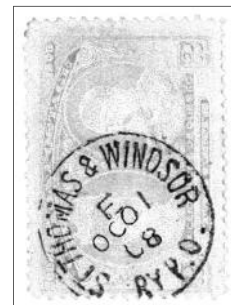
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**ON-503**, S. THOMAS & WINDSOR / R. P.O. , E, OC 01, 08 , is a **new, much later date** for one of the multiple hammers of this listing. (Measurements show that it is not the similar ON-504.)

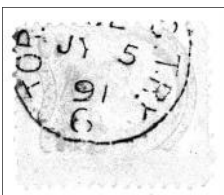
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**ON-596.02**, TOR. & GRAVENHURST. R.P.O. / N. 2 , S, NO 16, 01 , is a **new early date for both the hammer and the listing**.

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**ON-716.03**, TOR. & MONT. G.T.R. / 3 , 3E, JA 20, 91 , is the **first report of the "3E" train number/direction indicium for this hammer** and is a **new early date for both the hammer and the listing**. It was proof struck on December 9, 1890.



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**ON-716.06**, TOR. & MONT. G.T.R. / 6 , 3E, JY 5, 91 , is a **new early date for this hammer**.

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**ON-716.10**, TOR. & MONT. G.T.R. / 10 , 3E, OC 8, 91 , is the **first report of the "3E" train number/direction indicium for this hammer** and is a **new early date for the hammer**.

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**ON-740.021**, TORONTO & NORTH · BAY · R.P.O. / N. 2 , S, DE 14, 99 , is a **new early date for the hammer**.

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**ON-810.02**, TOR. & SAR. P. O. CAR / N. 2 , E, AU 19, 91 , is the **first report of the "E" indicium for this hammer**, whose current LRD (*eBay*) is 1891/12/28.



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**ON-849.04**, TOR. & SUD. R.P.O. / N. 4 , 6, NO 1, 56 , is a **new early date for the hammer and the listing**. Four hammers were proof struck on September 11, 1956.

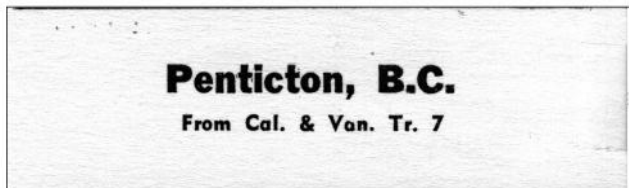
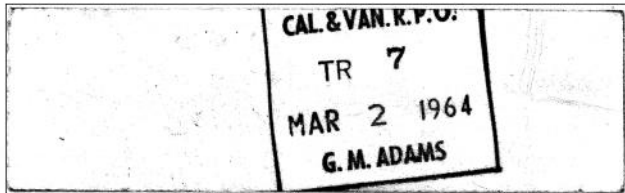
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**ON-865**, TRENTON & COE · HILL · R.P.O. / . , S, DE 21, 00 , is a **new late date** for this scarce hammer, which was used for less than 6 months.

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**WT-91.130**, C. & V. R.P.O. / + B.C. + , E, MR 25, 99 , is a **new early date for both the hammer and the listing**.



## New Reports from Jack Brandt



**WT-188**, CAL. & VAN. R.P.O. / G. M. ADAMS, TR 7, MAR 2 1964, on a bag slip, is the first confirmation for this listing. **It corrects the text of the listing and gives us a train number and date.**

REGISTERED LETTER BILL		Postes CANADA Post		100B 40M PADS 28-3-56	
DISPATCHING STAMP TIMBRE DU BUREAU DE PART		FROM ED. & DAW. CR. R.P.O. TR. 1		LISTE DES OBJETS RECOMMANDÉS	
Ed. & D. C. R.P.O. / J. H. LYALL, Tr. 1, NOV 18 1957		FOR POST DISPATCH No. LOCK No.		RECEIVING STAMP TIMBRE DU BUREAU D'ARRIVÉE	
J. H. LYALL		VIA TRAIN NO. FLT. NO. VOL NO M. V. S. S. ROUTIER		ALBERTA NO 18 BLUESKY	
INDICATE Bugs - B Money - M.P. Packets - M.P. Articles Other Than Letters - P		DÉPÊCHE No. CADENAS No.			
		(TO BE ENTERED WHEN ROTARY LOCK IS USED. DONNER CETTE INDICATION QUAND UN CADENAS ENREGISTREUR EST EMPLOYÉ.)			
DISPATCHED BY EXPÉDIÉE PAR		Bluesky			
THE DISPATCH OR RECEIPT OF MONEY PACKETS SHOULD BE INITIALED BY 2 CLERKS. 2 COMMISS DOIVENT APPoser LEURS INITIALES À L'EXPÉDITION ET À L'ARRIVÉE DES PAQUETS D'ARGENT.					
OFFICE OF ORIGIN BUREAU D'ORIGINE		ORIGINAL No. No D'ORIGINE		DISPOSITION OR DISPATCH TRAITEMENT OU EXPÉDITION	
1		Munich 1		705	
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On this Registered Letter Bill from the Edmonton & Dawson Creek R.P.O., we see **a new late date** and **previously unreported train 1** for **WT-202**, Ed. & D. C. R.P.O. / J. H. LYALL, Tr. 1, NOV 18, 1957, as well as a previously reported straight line postmark, FROM ED. & DAW. CR. R.P.O. TR. 1, which will be listed as **WT-197.55**, type SLOR, RF-G.



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This example of **WT-691.042**, SASK. & DRUM R.P.O. / No 4, 9, JUN 7, 61, is the **first report of train 9** for this rare hammer, which was proof struck on July 12, 1960 and is only reported used for about two months.



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**WT-861.04**, WPG. B. & R. R.P.O. / No. 4, 5, JUN 13, 63, is a **new late date for both the hammer and the listing.**

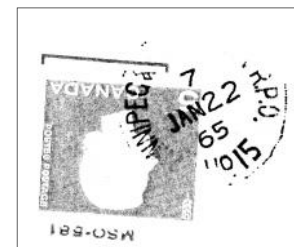


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**WT-861.02**, WPG. B. & R. R.P.O. / No. 2, 5, MY 28, 63, is a **new late date for the hammer.**

**WT-897.15**, WINNIPEG & MOOSE JAW R.P.O. / No 15, 7, JAN 22, 65, is a **new late date for both the hammer and the listing.**



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**WT-964**, WINNIPEG & RIVERS R.P.O. No 2, 104, 24 XII, 65, is the **first report of train 104** for this hammer.





## New Reports from Ron Barrett



One of the scarcer hammers for the run, this **WT-64.04**, CALGARY & EDMONTON · R.P.O. / N<sup>o</sup> 4 , 22, FE 11, 25 , is the first report of train 22 for the hammer.



Ron reports a new **early date** for **WT-267.012**, KAM. & SASK. R.P.O. / No. 1 , 9, 20 V, 50. This hammer was proof struck November 13, 1948.



Closing the gap between two of the “N<sup>o</sup> 2” hammers, is this **new late date** for **WT-381.023**, M. JAW & CAL : R.P.O. / N<sup>o</sup> 2 , 2, FE 19, 36.

**Train 123** has not been previously reported for **WT-870.01**, WPG. & DEL. R.P.O. / N<sup>o</sup> 1 , 123, FE 24, 54.

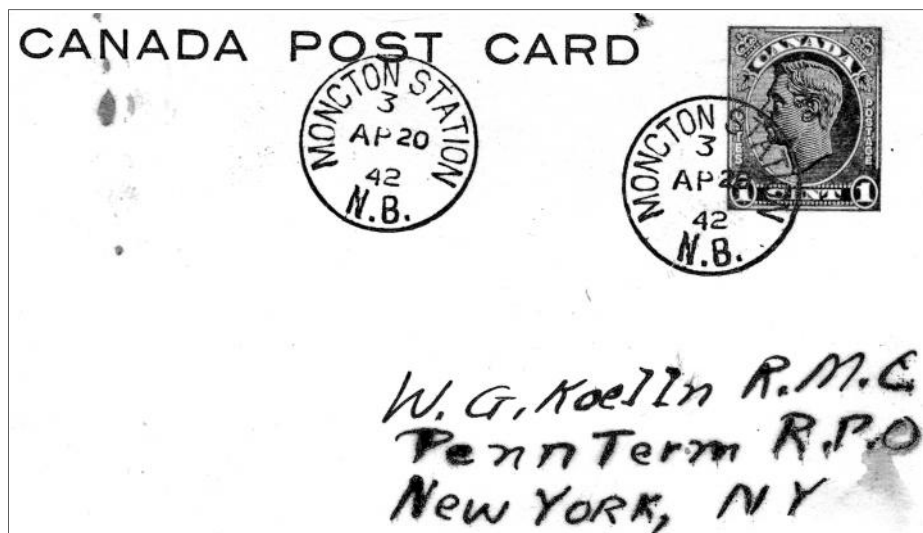


This **new late date** for WT-870.021, WPG. & DEL. R.P.O. / N<sup>o</sup> 2 , 122, SP 10, 37 , narrows the gap between the first and second “N<sup>o</sup> 2” hammers of this listing.

On a 4 cent Royal Wedding stamp is the **first report of train 15** for the hammer, **WT-975.012**, W'PEG. & SWAN RIVER · R.P.O. / · N<sup>o</sup> 1 · , 15, AP 26, 48.



On a 1 cent stamp, this is the **first report of train 51** for the hammer, **WT-989.03**, WPG. & YORK · R.P.O. / NO. 3 , 51, VII 17, 57 .



Ron found the **first reported example of time indicium “3”** for SN-23.04, MONCTON STATION / N.B. , 3, AP 20, 42 , on a favour post card to a postal clerk at Pennsylvania Terminal in New York. There is an additional strike on the back of the card but no message. It was previously recorded for the listing but the hammer was unknown.

## New Reports



Observed on eBay is this **new private clerk handstamp**, WPG. & M. JAW R.P.O. / GUS. W. GRONVOLD, TR. 8, JUN 15, 1943, struck in violet on an otherwise blank facing slip. This type CC5R marking will be listed as **WT-913.55**

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This facing slip offered on eBay has a **previously unreported train 2** for **WT-399**, M. JAW & CAL. R.P.O. / R. J. ARMSTRONG, 2, DEC 11, 1953



Also on eBay, we saw this facing slip with a "Washington DC" manuscript and a **previously unreported** type CC5R private clerk handstamp in purple, SASKATOON DIVISION / A. FELKER, Tr. 6, JUN 14, 1943. It will be listed as **WT-1053.55**.

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**Peter McCarthy** has found a **new early date** for **ON-614**, TOR. HAM. & LON. / R.P.O., 77, IV 29, 63, as a transit backstamp on a registered cover which originated in Peel, New Brunswick and is addressed to Rodney, Ontario. The hammer was proof struck on May 16, 1962.



## WT-91.138 Catalogue Correction



On page 188 of the catalogue, listing **WT-91.138**, the **left side ornament is incorrectly shown reversed**. The text should read, C. & V. R.P.O. /  $\%B.C.\%$

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