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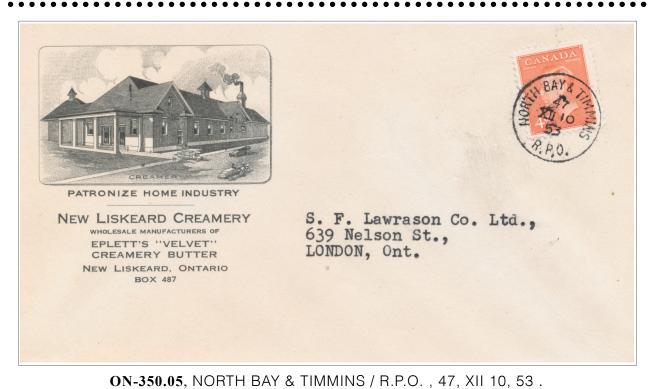
The Newsletter of the Canadian R.P.O. Study Group (B.N.A.P.S)

In this issue we see new reports from Jack Brandt, Richard Colberg, Ross Gray and Richard Hautala. There are also new hammer studies for ON-259, ON-304, ON-350 and ON-351 and our Chairman, Peter McCarthy reports on the study group meeting held at BNAPEX 2015.

A New Late Date for QC-241



QC-241, MONTREAL & ROUSES PT. RAILWAY P.O. / No. 1, A, UP, APR 29, 1859, is a new late date for this rare, early Quebec postmark. This is only the 4th reported example and the current location of two of those is unknown.





 $MT\text{-}87.05,\,\text{HX}.\,\text{BR}.\,\&\,\text{YAR}.\,/\,\text{R.P.O.}$, 88, JUL 3, 52 , is a new $early\;date$ for the hammer.

MT-235.02, M^{\Box} ADAM & EDMUNSTON · R.P.O. / . , blank, JAN 15, 04 , is the first report of a **blank** indicium for both for the hammer and listing.





MT-242.02, MONCTON & CAMPBELLTON / P.C., S, AU 5, 9(2), is the first report of an 'S' direction for this hammer.

On a 'Major Roy' favour cover to Hamilton is the first report of train 19 for MT-261, MONCTON & SAINT JOHN \cdot R.P.O. / \cdot N. B. \cdot , 19, V 12, 55.



QC-20, DRUM. & SUTTON - R.P.O. / . , N, MY 19, 39 , is a new **late date**.

QC-149.03, MONT. CAL. & OTT. / \cdot R.P.O. \cdot , 422, 12 MR, 54 , is a new late date for the hammer

QC-209.08, MONT. & NORTH BAY \cdot R.P.O. / . , 502, JAN 17, 36 , is the first report of train 502 for the hammer.

QC-209.10, MONT. & NORTH BAY · R.P.O. / . , 17, MR 9, 56, is a new late date and the first report of train 17 for the hammer.









QC-209.11, MONT. & NORTH BAY \cdot R.P.O. / . , 502, FE 7, 39 , is a new **early date** for the hammer.

QC-212.02, MONTREAL & NORTH BAY / · R.P.O. · 106, 17, XI, 68, is the first report of **train 106** for the hammer.

QC-228.03, TRAIN N $^{\circ}$ / MONT. & OTT. R.P.O. 509, JAN 6, 19, is a new late date for the hammer.





QC-253.06, MONTREAL SI JOHN / M.C. , W, SP 25, 07 , is a new early date for the hammer.

QC-253.04, MONTREAL S^I JOHN / M.C. E, SP 25, 07, is a new late date for the hammer.



QC-450.01, QUEBEC ROB' L. & CHIC' T' I. R.P.O. / a , S, NO 16, 04 , is a new early date for the hammer. (Noting the preliminary hammer study on page 1995, this early strike does not show the breaks in the rim or the 'O'which were present by 1907.)





QC-564, J. M. HALL / FORT COVINGTON / N.Y. / Montreal & Dundee Ry., JUN 4 (94) North, on the back of a 3ϕ Small Queen cover addressed to Bolton Centre, P.Q. with a HOWICK / QUE. c.d.s. on the front dated JU 2, 94, is a new **late date**. It is also the first report of the **North** direction.



On a favour post card to William Vestal, is a new **early date** for hammer **ON-17.031**, BEETON & COLLINGWOOD \cdot R.P.O. / N^Q 3 , 391, JUN 4, 43 .



ON-87, CHAT. & WALK. - R.P.O. / . , is a new early 2nd period date.



ON-142, FT W & WPG / R INGLIS , TR 3 DEC 12 , is the first report of train number 3.

 $\mathbf{ON-188.55},$ HAM. and OWEN SD, R.P.O. / K. N. IVISON , 174, DEC, 22 , is an additional month/day date, circa 1949.



ON-247.02, LONDON & NIAGARA FALLS / $\cdot R^{\perp}$.P.O. \cdot , T2E, JU 15, 98 , is a new **late date** for the hammer.

ON-256.01, LONDON & PALM. / \cdot R.P.O. \cdot , 171, AP 25, 40, is the first report of train **171** for the hammer.







ON-259.01, LONDON & SARNIA R.P.O. / . , W, NO 30, 08, is the latest reported date for the hammer.

ON-259.02, LONDON & SARNIA R.P.O. / . ,T.2.E, OC 22, 23, is the latest reported date for the hammer.





ON-259.03, LONDON & SARNIA · R.P.O. / . , T1E, JUL 21, 15, is the **only reported date** for the hammer.

> ON-259.05, LONDON & SARNIA · R.P.O. / . , T.2.E, JUL 21, 24, is the earliest reported date for the hammer.





ON-259.05, LONDON & SARNIA · R.P.O. / . . 112, DE1, 28, is the latest reported date and first report of train 112 for the hammer.





ON-259.06, LONDON & SARNIA R.P.O. / . , 6, MR 14, 32, is the first confirmation of train 6 for the both the hammer and listing.

ON-266.03, LON. & SOUTH / R.P.O., 178, JUN 5, 56, is a new late date for the hammer.

ON-282.03. LONDON & WINDSOR / R^Y , P. O. . E, AP 30, 00, is a new late date for the hammer.





ON-648.01, TOR. LON. & SAR. / R.P.O., 158, V 9, 70, is a new late date for the hammer.

ON-728.02, TORONTO & NIAGARA · FALLS / M.C. W, MR 21, 99, is the earliest reported date for the hammer.





ON-732.01, TOR. & NIA. FALLS . R.P.O. / . , 93, SP 21, 20, is the first report of train 93 for the hammer.

ON-732.01, TOR. & NIA. FALLS . R.P.O. / . , 83, FE 22, 44, is the latest reported date for the hammer.





ON-732.02, TOR. & NIA. FALLS · R.P.O. / . , 93, AP 30, 45, is the earliest reported date for the hammer.



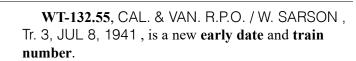
WT-8.01, BLAINE & VANCOUVER R.P.O. / . , W. AP 17, 08,

is a new early date for the hammer and the listing.









WT-153, CAL. & VAN. R.P.O. / TRAIN 7 / W. J. MANNING , AUG 11 1964 , is a new late date and train number.

WT-212.01, EDM. & PR. GEORGE \cdot R.P.O. / N $^{\circ}$ 1 , E, MR 14, 20 , is the first report of an 'E' direction indicium for the hammer.

WT-318.011, MACLEOD & CALGARY R.P.O. / N $^{\circ}$ 1 , 2, DE 21, 08 , is the first report of **train 2** for both the hammer and listing.

WT-381.051, M. JAW & CAL. R.P.O. / N O 5 , E, NO 22, 01 , is a new **early date** for the hammer.





WT-629, REGINA & N. BATT. R.P.O. / N. ST. JOHN , Tr. 6, MAY 18, 1944 , corrects the catalogue text.

WT-773.012, SOURIS & REGINA - R.P.O. / No. 1. 55, JUL 12, 45, is a new **late date** for the hammer.



WT-811.01, VIC. & COURT \cdot R.P.O. / B.C. , S, AU 4, 22, is a new **early date** for the hammer.

WT-811.01, VIC. & COURT \cdot R.P.O. / B.C. , 2, MR 3, 38 , is a new **late date** for the hammer.



WT-811.02, VIC. & COURT . R.P.O. / B.C. , 2, AP 6, 43, is a new late date for the hammer.

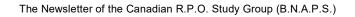
WT-811.03, VIC. & COURT \cdot R.P.O. / B.C. , S, JAN 28, 27, is a new **early date**, as well as the first report of the 'S' direction for the hammer.



WT-811.05, VIC. & COURT · R.P.O. / B.C. , 1, ?9 II, 50, is a new early date and first report of train 1 for the hammer.

WT-811.05, VIC. & COURT \cdot R.P.O. / B.C. , 2, 15 II, 52 , is a new late date for the hammer.

WT-827.02, VIC. & WEL. R.P.O. / B.C. , 6, FE 8, 13 , is a new late date for the hammer.













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WT-854.03, WPG. & BRED. R.P.O. / No. 3, 51, DE 28, 46,



is the first report of **train 51** for this hammer.

WT-886.02, WPG. & KAM. R.P.O. / No. 2 , 10, FE 15, 42 , is a new early date for the hammer.

WT-896.10, WP'G. & M. JAW \cdot R.P.O. / Nº 10 , 18, MY 29, 55 , is the first report of train 18 for the hammer.

WT-897.07, WINNIPEG & MOOSE JAW R.P.O. / N $^{\circ}$ 7 , 4, NO 2, 21 , is a new **late date** for the hammer.



WT-998.011, YORKTON & SASK. R.P.O. / Nº 1 , 52, MY 18, 36 , is a new **late date** for the hammer.

RY-51.04, G. B. & L. E. $R^{\perp} / N^{\Box} 4$, S, JA 15, 97, is a new **late date** for the hammer.

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RY-79.02, G. W. RWY. / ACCOM. , EAST, AU 19, 85 , is a new **early date** for the hammer.







 $RY\mbox{-}81.02,$ G. W. R. / _ SARNIA \cdot BRANCH _ , WEST, JA 24, 65 , is a new late date for the hammer.





RY-100.02, INVERNESS R'W'Y. / N.S. , W, AP 4, 17 , is **the only second period date** for this hammer. This date is later than the LRD (1916/12/26) for **MT-225** and a day after **MT-226**, (ERD 1917/07/02) was proof struck which may explain its temporary revival.

New Reports from Ross Crey

New Reports from Ross Gray

ON-716.09, TOR. & MONT. G.T.R $^{\underline{v}}$ / 9 , 3E, MY 26, 91 , is a new **early date** for hammer





ON-872, WALKERVILLE & RIDGETOWN / M.C , W, AU 28, 97 , is a new **late date**.

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ON-259 Hammer Study



Hammer	а	b	с	d	e	A R
ON-259.01	7 1⁄2	14 +	10 1/4	12 ½ -	12 3⁄4	A R
ON-259.02	6	15	11 1⁄4	12 3⁄4	13 1/2	A R
ON-259.03	5 3/4	13	11 1⁄4	13	15 ½	$A \cdot R$
ON-259.04	6 1/2 +	15 +	11	13	13 +	$A \cdot R$
ON-259.05	5 3/4	14 ½	10 3⁄4	13 1/2	14 ¼	$A \cdot R$
ON-259.06	8	16	10 -	12	12 ½	A R

Hammer	Proof Date	ERD	LRD	Indicia
ON-259.01	unknown	1904/05/16	1908/11/30	E,W
ON-259.02	1908/12/03	1908/12/07	1923/10/22	T1E,T1W,T2E,2E,T2W
ON-259.03	1915/06/05	1915/07/21	1915/07/21	T1E
ON-259.04	unknown	1916/10/02	1916/10/02	T2W
ON-259.05	1924/02/02	1924/07/21	1928/12/01	T2E,T1W,112
ON-259.06	1929/04/16	1929/07/16	1951/09/29	8,17,20,112
ON-259		1904/05/16	1951/09/29	E,W,T1E,T2E,T1W,T2W,2E
				5?,6,8,12?,15?,17,20,111,112



The dot at the base of ON-259.01 is a maltese cross. The rim of ON-259.05 is badly dented by the end of its short life.



Hammer	Proof Date	ERD	LRD	Indicia
ON-304.01	unknown	1911/03/04	1928/05/21	1,2,17,18
ON-304.02	1924/11/06	1925/07/22	1934/05/01	2,18,46
ON-304.03	1925/04/29	1928/11/06	1935/01/09	18,46,47
ON	-304	1911/03/04	1935/02/18	1,2,17,18,46,47

ON-304 Hammer Study

Train 12 was in the catalogue for both listings ON-304 and ON-305. It is considered unlikely and has been removed.





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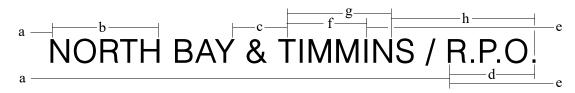
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ON-350 Hammer Study



Hammer	а	b	c	d	e	f	g	h
ON-350.01	6 1/2 +	10 3⁄4	6 ½ -	10	18	10	12	8 1/2 -
ON-350.02	8 1/2	10 1⁄4	5 1/2 +	10 1/4	18 1/2	9 ½ -	11 1/2	8 1/2
ON-350.03	7 ¼	11 1/2	6 1⁄4	10 1/4	18	10 1⁄4	12 ½	7 1⁄4



ON-350.01



ON-350.02



ON-350.04



ON-350.05

Hammer	Proof Date	ERD	LRD	Indicia
ON-350.01	1935/02/20	1935/03/18	1963/10/19	46,47
ON-350.02	1935/02/20	ОРК	ОРК	
ON-350.03	1935/02/20?	1935/06/06	1942/05/09	46
ON-350.04	1938/01/22	1939/12/16	1939/12/16	73
ON-350.05	1953/02/23	1953/12/10	1964/03/03	46,47
ON	-350	1935/03/01	1964/04/04	2,46,47,51,73,200

ON-350.03

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		Hammer	а	b		с		
		ON-351.01	6 ¹ / ₄	9		8 1/2		
		ON-351.02 8 9 ½ 8						
ON	7-351.01	2 5 NNS 35 P.O.				2 46 2 DE 27 P.P.O	ON-351	1.02
	Hammer	Proof Date	Date ERD LRD Indicia		Indicia			
	ON-351.01	1935/10/05	1942/06/24 19		1964/02/14		46,47	
	ON-351.02	1935/10/05	1935/10/05 1935/12/27 1942/06/08 15,46,47					
]	ON-351 1935/12/27 1964/02/14 15,46,47							

New Reports from Richard Colberg



MT-323, S^I JOHN & VANCEBORO \cdot M.C. / NIGHT, blank, DE 21, 94, is the first report of a **blank** direction indicium for this rare listing.

QC-35.02, ISL^D · POND & MONTREAL · R.P.O. / 2, D.W., OC 7, 98, is a new **early date** for the hammer and is the earliest reported date for the listing.



This lightly struck example of **ON-232**, LIN. & HAL. \cdot R.P.O. / N $^{\circ}$ 2 , 489, DE 30, 37 , is the first report of **train 489** for the hammer and the run. The corresponding southbound train number 490 already was listed as a possibility although it remains to be verified. Unfortunately, I do not have a contemporaneous timetable to verify the existence of these 400 series trains which I believe may have been additions to or modifications of the usual trains 389 and 390 for the Christmas / New Years holiday period.





ON-634.031, TOR. & LON. M.C. / N° 3 , E, NO 5, 98 , is a new **early date** for the hammer.

WT-381.033, M. JAW & CAL. R.P.O. / No. 3 , 1, NO 29, 51 , is a new early date for the hammer.

WT-852.01, WPG. & BINS \cdot R.P.O. / Nº 1 , 106, FE 21, 44 , is a new late date for the hammer.



WT-896.022, WPG. & M. JAW \cdot R.P.O. / No. 2 , 8, NO 15, 50 , is the first report of train 8 for the hammer.







This report is the first example of an 'EAST' direction indicium for MT-77, HALIFAX & AMHERST \cdot R.R / = , EAST, AU 20, 75.

ON-211.021, HARRISBURG & SOUTHAMPTON \cdot M.C. / N^Q 2 , S, SP 28, 93 , is a new **early date** for the hammer and the listing.





WT-646.012, REST. & WOL. R.P.O. / Nº 1 , W, SP 26, 11 , is a new early date for the hammer.

Ross Gray reports a new **early date** for hammer **WT-951.021**, WINNIPEG & NAPINKA . R.P.O , W, DE 9, 07 , used as a transit backstamp on a registered cover from Regina to Lyleton, Manitoba.



R.P.O. Study Group at BNAPEX 2015 Report from Peter McCarthy

BNAPEX 2015 held at the Ramada Hotel in Niagara Falls was a good show despite the fact it rained continuously for two of the three days. The study group met for the first time since 2010 with seven members present.

Peter McCarthy explained how he became chairman of the group due to Brian Stalker's health issues. It was suggested a vice chairman be named but no one offered and an election for executive positions was not considered.

Ross Gray was congratulated for the work he has done in producing the new catalogue and sales by the way are very good.

Sean Weatherup exhibited his Halifax & Yarmouth R.P.O.s for which he received a Gold medal and was also presented the **William G. Robinson Award for best R.P.O. exhibit**. It may have been the only R.P.O. exhibit but it did fulfill the necessary criteria. Congratulations Sean. You are helping to put R.P.O.s on the map.

Peter McCarthy then showed a power point presentation on the theory of there being two hammers for the RY-169 cancellation, showing covers from the Gray, Stalker and McCarthy collection.

With regards to elections, we should elect a vice chairman and I believe that can be done on line or through the newsletter and mail. In fact if the membership feels an election of the executive is necessary, then it could be done by mail. I would suggest however that Ross remain as newsletter editor until such time as he decides to resign the position. One must be a member of BNAPS to hold a position or vote for a candidate. Please express your opinions to the editor, Ross Gray.

Members present at the R.P.O. meeting; **Sean Weatherup**, Lower Sackville, N.S. , **Ron Majors**, West Chester, PA, **Wayne Schnarr**, Toronto, ON, **Tony Hine**, Toronto, ON, **John Irvine**, London, ON, **Jim Jung**, Markham, ON, **Peter McCarthy**, London, ON and **Peter MacDonald**, Ottawa, ON.

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