



# THE ROUND UP ANNEX



THE SQUARED CIRCLE NEWSLETTER

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## Advertising In The Annex:

After my note in the last issue there has been considerably more reaction to the idea of allowing advertising in the Annex. It seems now that most response is against it although there were a few suggestions that the dealers can be identified as such, if they so wish, so that those of us who wish to could contact them in search of material. One good suggestion from a Texas member was that we give thumb nail sketches of each member of the group, somewhat in the order of an original listing of membership in BNAPS, indicating whether a member is willing to correspond, trade, etc., and what his major field of interest within the Squared Circles is.

Another suggestion that has been made is that a swap corner be established in which members could list material they particularly wanted and what they had for swap in exchange. On the surface this sounds good but I am afraid that we might find it almost impossible to differentiate between dealer and collector if this were allowed. Between now and the next issue I will design a form for membership in the study group, something that is needed in any case, on which will be included such things as BNAPS number, Squared Circle areas of interest, etc., and from the response to that I will publish a new membership list which will include fuller information on each member, if desired.

## My Trip To Texas:

My visit to Texas, from my point of view, was a great success. I really enjoyed visiting the Texas Beavers. Made a good trade with Barry Shapiro with some of my cover material for some nice material on stamp. Included in the lot I got from Barry were three items from the Ed Richardson collection, a Donald, B.C., a Sandon, B.C. and a Rossland, B.C., all on multiples. Ed Richardson was wonderful to me during my visit and he and Mickey certainly made me feel at home. It goes without saying that I certainly saw some wonderful material in Ed's and Mickey's collections which I was privileged to see. Just wish I had been able to be there a week or more to really begin to scratch the surface of their collections. Jeffrey Switt and I had a long chat and a major portion of this issue is devoted to material Jeffrey sent along to me. Jeffrey works with the Type Ones as his special interest and his method of mounting his material is most attractive and interesting as you can see.

The Texas Beavers gave me a great day at their meeting and I was really very impressed with their enthusiasm, their friendliness, and the type of material they had. Of course, really only Barry, Jeffrey and I are Squared Circle nuts but I noticed more than one or two with dangerous leanings in that direction.

## The Contents of This Issue:

This is going to be the best issue to date!

First, there is material on the forerunners as supplied by Bill Moffatt. Secondly, there is Jeffrey Switt's material on the Type Ones. Thirdly there is

Lew Ludlow's letter to me outlining, in particular, his R. P. O. Squared Circle material. This is just what I have been hoping for. If my actual contribution could be limited to just a few remarks on the first page and the balance of the issue devoted to things from you, the members, I would be able to do a much better job and we certainly could have a much more interesting Annex.

#### The Forerunners.

The foremost of the forerunners, of course, was the Ottawa Squared Circle of 1880-81. This was a true Squared Circle and was, to my way of thinking, a very attractive cancel. This has already been well illustrated in the handbooks and in various articles in Topics but here is another clear strike which came, I believe from some material sent me by Warren Bosch. Bill Moffatt would like information on this so any of you lucky enough to have examples, let Bill know what you have, on cover, off cover, earliest and latest dates—including time marks, and any other information you consider pertinent.



The 1892 Postmark, often called the Barred Circle, is also illustrated in the Third Edition of the Handbook and in various articles appearing both in Topics and Maple Leaves. As well there has been at least one definitive article on the subject in the Canadian Philatelist. Here is information Bill gave me on these.

Halifax: JA 22/92 to NO 22/92.

Hamilton: JA 20/92 to SP 9/92.

London: JA 21/92 to JU 2/92.

Montreal\*: AP 26/92 to NO 25/05. No strikes have been reported for 93, 03, 04.

Ottawa: JA 19/92 to DE 30/92 and MR 8/93 to MR 20/93.

St. John, N.B.: JA 22/92 to OC 23/92.

Seaforth: FE 4/92 to MR 8/92.

Toronto: JA 29/92 to DE 13/92.

Winnipeg: JA 25/92 to NO 25/92.

St. John's, NFDLD: 18 DE/94 to 18 AP/99. No strikes reported for 96.

\* Montreal had five distinct and identifiable hammers but this report includes these as one. Some effort should be made to separate these out.

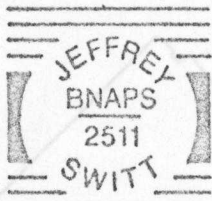
Bill would like reports on these listing Off Cover, On Cover Backstamp, On Cover on Face Free Strike, On Cover on Face Tying Stamp. This material is needed so that the Fourth Edition of the Handbook can be as complete as possible. Please send the needed information in to Bill as soon as possible.

According to Bill if Montreal could be separated into the five hammers with some degree of certainty Montreal may be the scarsest of them all! Of 115 copies of all Montreal Hammers reported to Bill to date 62 have been backstamps, 36 free strikes on face, 5 have been tying strikes and 12 have been off cover. Seaforth, with only one hammer, lists 79 examples while St. John's, Newfoundland lists 39 examples, the majority on face and tying. The listing Bill has is so spotty, representing only a portion of those who filled out the roster form a few years ago. It is too early to set up any type of rarity factor on these but Bill now places these between RF 15 for Hamilton and RF 40 for St. John's, NFDLD.

Toronto, Bleecker Street:

Bill now very definitely places the Nude strikes found on the 1 Cent Numeral and 1 Cent Edwards as the Bleecker St. error placed in use in this way. This can be called the Second State of the Bleecker St. error. A full listing in the next annex.

SOME TYPE 1 PUZZLES



3962 BELFORD  
FORT WORTH  
TEXAS 76103

In trying to put together a comprehensive collection of the Type 1 towns, I have become aware of many of the idiosyncracies that you veteran collectors have known for many years. As this 'publication' can serve greatly in the collection and dissemination of information I would like to see what we can come up with on what are three of my favorite squared circle towns.

BEAVERTON: The Handbook says "Clear strikes general, often two on a cover. From '99, the stamp was generally cancelled with a circular grid, and the squared circle marking was used as a date-stamp on the face."

I have found that the second strike is located upside-down in the diagonally opposite corner as though the stamp were cancelled and the cover turned 180 degrees and struck again. I have such covers dated '95, '96, and '98 (PM/MY 5). These are both envelopes and cards.

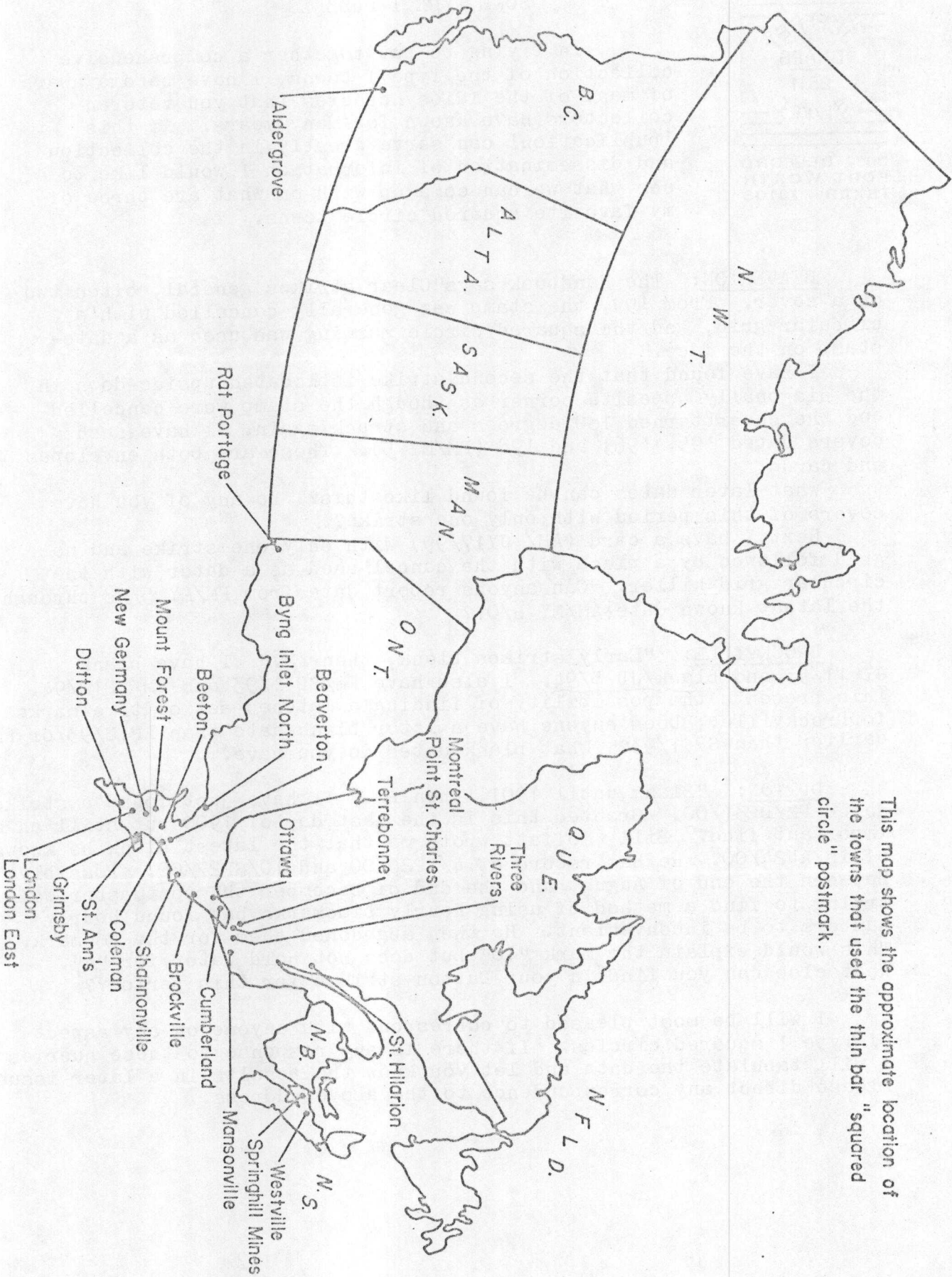
What later dates can be found like this? Do any of you have covers of this period with only one strike?

Next I have a card (AM/ JY17/99) with only one strike and no grid followed by a piece with the cancel used as a dater with the circular grid killer. Can anyone report dates from PM/MY 5/98 through the latest known date AM/MY 6/01?

BROCKVILLE: "Early strikes blank, then PM." I have blank JY 11/93 and blank/JU 5/94. I also have PM/SP 1/93 and PM/AP12/94. This presents the possibility of finding a matched set of time marks for Brockville. Does anyone have a later blank date than AP12/93 or PM earlier than SP 1/93? What blank dates do you have.

DUTTON: "Blank until 1901, then PM." I have just found a strike dated PM/DE31/00. Granted this is the last day of 1900 but still an important find. Bill Moffatt wrote me that the latest blank he knows of is AU24/00. He has record of 4/SP26/00 and 10/SP27/00. Possibly between the end of August and the end of December the postmaster was trying to find a method of using hourly timemarks but found hourly numbers to be inconvenient. He then abandoned them for the PM mark. This would explain the mark "10" but does not hold water for "4". What else can you find in your Dutton strikes for this period??

I will be most pleased to correspond with anyone on any aspect of Type 1 squared circles. If there is any response to these queries I will tabulate the data and let you know the results in a later issue. Please direct any correspondence to the above address.



This map shows the approximate location of the towns that used the thin bar "squared circle" postmark.

BEAVERTON  
ONTARIO

Usage -

Proofed: AP 26, 1893

Earliest: MY 4, 1895

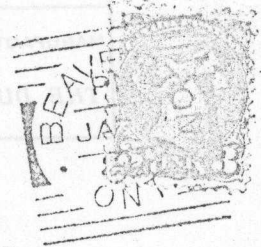
Latest: AP 2, 1901

If not called for in 15 days Return to

L. S. ...

GENE ...

L. ...



*Permitted by*  
*Post Office*  
*Beaverton*  
*Canada & Jarvis St.*



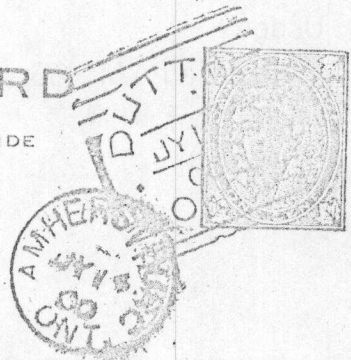
PM / JA 27 / 96

A characteristic of most Beaverton covers is two strikes of the cancel, one on the stamp and one in the opposite corner upside down.

The DUTTON squarish circle postmark used as a killer/cancel as a daver with a "cork" killer, and as a receiving mark.

CANADA POST CARD

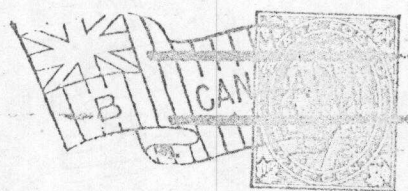
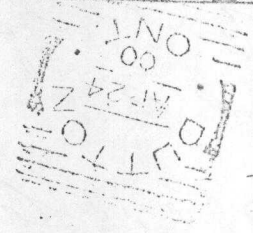
THE ADDRESS TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE



**DUTTON**  
MANUFACTURERS WANTED TO LOCATE HERE  
CORRESPOND WITH  
**THE DUTTON BOARD OF TRADE**  
SEE OTHER SIDE OF ENVELOPE



*Returned to sender*



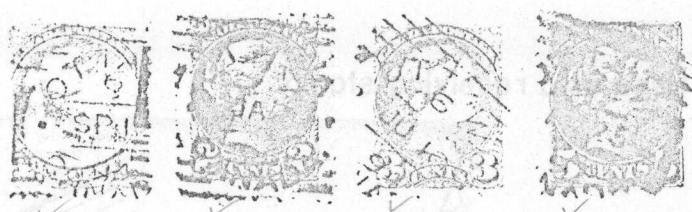
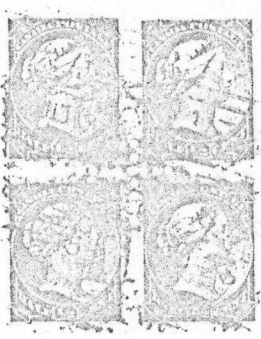
THE SPACE BELOW IS RESERVED FOR ADDRESS ONLY.

*Mr. C. St. Clair Retch  
Dutton  
Ont*

The DUTTON squared circle postmark used as a Killer/Dater, as a dater with a "cork" killer, and as a receiving mark.

OTTAWA  
ONTARIO

Small Queens Issue



20 Cent 15 Cent

1-2-3 J

1-3 L, S, 2

3 / AP 29 / 97 1-3 N, 2P  
1-2 ad  
map

Used on third class mail



EASTERN ONTARIO BRANCH  
TORONTO  
IF NOT CALLED FOR IN TEN DAYS  
PLEASE RETURN TO  
R. H. HAYCOCK,  
SPARKS ST., OTTAWA.



*A. H. Rowley Esq.*

*Or E. B. Eddy Co.*

*Full*

*P. Q.*

POINT ST. CHARLES  
QUE.

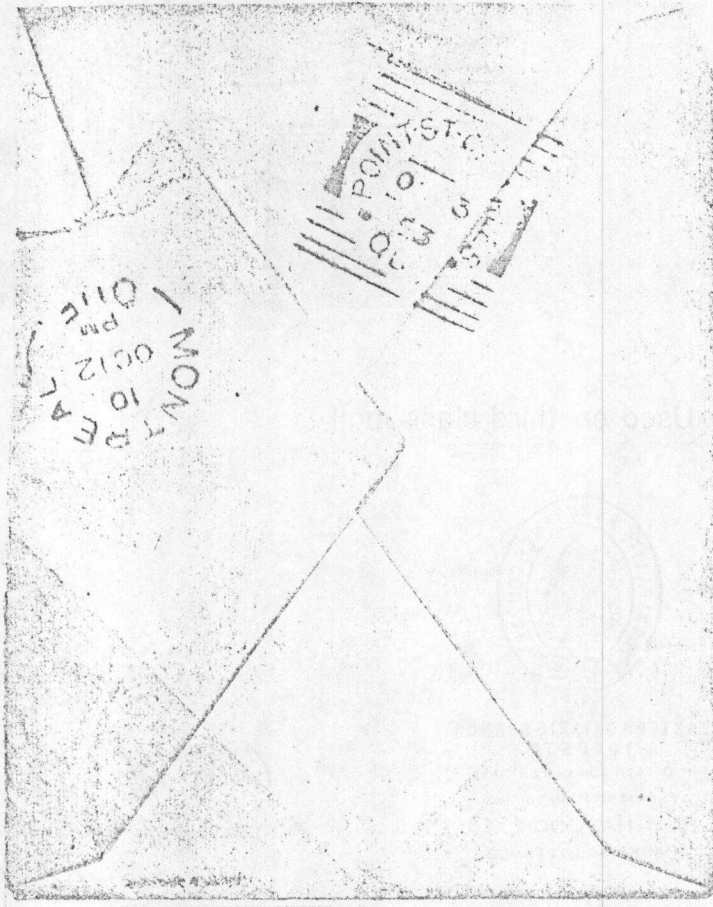
Usage -

Proofed: MY 3, 1893  
Earliest: MY 15, 1893  
Latest: MR 20, 1899

Indicia -

Time marks: blank

Used as a receiving stamp:



OC 13 / 93





LEWIS M. LUDLOW  
PRESIDENT

April 6, 1977

Mr. Glenn F. Hansen  
375 Jefferson Ave.  
Winnipeg, Manitoba  
CANADA R2V 0N4

Dear Glenn:

Before I left on my trip to Asia, I promised you that on my return I would give you a breakdown of my squared circle R.P.O.s. At long last, I am now back from my trip, and while I cannot at this minute find your letter, I will give you the breakdown as I promised, which is as follows:

QUE. & CAMP. M.C. LOCAL / No. 5

Proofed:	September 19, 1894
My Earliest:	September 25, 1895
My Latest:	October 5, 1911
Indicia:	E - 37 strikes
	W - 58 strikes
	150 - 6 strikes
	151 - 9 strikes
	Blank - 2 strikes
	D (either DE or DW) - 1 strike
Total No. Copies:	113
Covers:	1
Errors and In-	
teresting Items:	

1. We have April 7, 1897 and May 16, 1897, on two 2¢ Maple Leaves, an obvious impossibility.
2. We have "5" for "05" on November 8 and October 10, and "0" for "10" on July 8.
3. We have a strike in blue on a 2¢ Edward, but it is undated.
4. The DE or DW (of which only the D is visible) is March, 1909.

QUE. & CAMP. M.C. LOCAL / No. 20

Proofed: April 6, 1894

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(Continuation of QUE. & CAMP. M.C. LOCAL / No. 20)

FIRST STATE

My Earliest: May 1, 1894  
 My Latest: July 27, 1895 <sup>23</sup> No 94  
 Indicia: E - 1 strike  
 W - 11 strikes  
 Total No. Copies: 12  
 Covers: None

SECOND STATE

My Earliest: October 12, 1895  
 My Latest: February 10, 1898  
 Indicia: E - 9 strikes  
 W - 14 strikes  
 Total No. Copies: 23  
 Covers: 1

THIRD STATE

My Earliest: January 11, 1899  
 My Latest: January 16, 1900  
 Indicia: E - 5 strikes (E)  
 W - 15 strikes  
 Total No. Copies: 20  
 Covers: 2

FOURTH STATE

My Earliest: April 7, 1900  
 My Latest: January 19, 1902  
 Indicia: W only  
 Total No. Copies: 11  
 Covers: 1

FIFTH STATE

My Earliest: November 17, 1902  
 My Latest: March 6, 1903  
 Indicia: E - 1 strike  
 W - 4 strikes  
 Total No. Copies: 5  
 Covers: None

(Continuation of QUE. & CAMP. M.C. LOCAL / No. 20)

SIXTH STATE

My Earliest: August 27, 1903  
 My Latest: August 20, 1909  
 Indicia: E - 37 strikes  
 W - 58 strikes  
 42 - 2 strikes  
 Blank - 4 strikes

Total No. Copies: 101  
 Covers: 9

NAPINKA & WINNIPEG M.C. / No. 1

Proofed: January 16, 1894  
 My Earliest: February 23, 1894  
 My Latest: March 1, 1905  
 Indicia: EAST - 58 strikes  
 WEST - 1 strike  
 E - 1 strike

Total No. Copies: 60  
 Covers: 5  
 Errors: Quaker Date EAST/2 4/02

NAPINKA & WINNIPEG M.C. / No. 2

Proofed: January 16, 1894  
 My Earliest: June 6, 1899  
 My Latest: October 6, 1906  
 Indicia: EAST - 50 strikes  
 WEST - 2 strikes

Total No. Copies: 52  
 Covers: 7

SOURIS & WINNIPEG M.C. / No. 1

Proofed: January 16, 1894  
 My Earliest: October 16, 1894  
 My Latest: April 26, 1911  
 Indicia: EAST - 14 strikes  
 E - 12 strikes  
 W - 3 strikes  
 Blank - 1 strike

Total No. Copies: 30  
 Covers: 2  
 Errors: EAST is inverted on April 17, 1895 and  
 December 2, 1904.

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SOURIS & WINNIPEG M.C. / No. 2

Proofed:	January 16, 1894
My Earliest:	July 6, 1897
My Latest:	August 29, 1908
Indicia:	EAST - 34 strikes
	E - 4 strikes
Total No. Copies:	38
Covers:	7
Errors:	Known in purple, date unknown

Glenn, I'd like to tell you that this is the complete picture, but, quite frankly, I think I have some more that I could not quickly lay my hands on; however, for the time being, this is the picture as I see it. If at some later date I can give you any additional information, I will send it on.

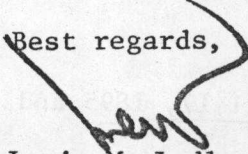
Regarding your newsletter and your request for clear copies of squared circle strikes, if you will refer to the Handbook and the two chapters there on the proof book in the Foundation wherein I did the original search for squared circle proofs (following that of Boggs as indicated), I can advise that I do have probably a couple of dozen copies of proof strikes from the Handbook that Win Boggs sent to me after our meeting at the Foundation. In view of the current Philatelic Foundation reluctance to make this proof book available, I am sure you will understand that I value these proof copies very highly. I would be pleased to make these available to you for copying, but I would want to be assured in advance of their safety and security and ultimate return to me.

Let me have your thoughts on how we should handle these. I could make Xerox copies here for you, or if you want to photograph them, I can send the originals to you.

Some time ago (several years?) I sent Bill Moffatt a rather detailed study of my Hamilton squared circles; did he ever give you a copy of this? If not, I will be glad to send you one.

There is probably other information I should send to you, and I will get around to it in due course. Incidentally, if you have a roster form you would like me to fill out, I probably should do so. Send one along to me, and I will return it when I can get the time.

Best regards,

  
Lewis M. Ludlow

LML:jb  
