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A SPECIAL DOUBLE EDITION:--

What follows on the next fourteen pages is what I consider to be really fit material for a special edition of the Annex. Here are all but five of the strikes of the proof book of Pritchard & Andrews, Ottawa, Ontario.

Study circle group member Gary D. Arnold, of Grand Ledge, Michigan, visited Frank Campbell of Royal Oak, Michigan and was able to make photocopies of the over 298 Squared Circle hammer proof strikes found in the proofbook in Frank Campbell's possession. We are all indebted to both Gary and Mr. Campbell for giving us this wonderful research and reference tool.

Because I felt that most members may want to make their own photocopies and perhaps utilize these proof strike copies in many ways in their collections I chose to use one side only of the page so that all strikes would be fully available and so that further photocopies would not be degraded by see-through imagery of strikes on the reverse side of any page.

All Type 1 hammers are represented in this collection but the following are missing of the Type 2 group:--

A. Those Indicated By Boggs To have been in the Proofbook.

Halifax, N. S. 2nd. Hammer, proofed JA 12/94.

Port Hope, Ontario. proofed MY 16/95.

Windsor, Ontario. proofed SP 26/93.

Gretna, Manitoba. proofed MR 16/95.

Winnipeg, Manitoba. 4th. Hammer. proofed AU 28/93.

Blyth, Ontario. proofed NO 2/93. (indicated by Gary as being damaged in proofbook.)

B. Those Indicated By Boggs as being missing from Proofbook but proof dating arrived at by elimination (by Boggs.)

Truro, N. S. proofed JY 26/93?

Windsor, N. S. proofed SP 6/93?

Charlottetown, P. E. I. proofed SP 6/93?

Glencoe, Ontario. proofed JY 26/93?

Orangeville, Ontario. proofed JY 26/93?

Owen Sound, Ontario. proofed DE 20/93?

Bleecker St., Toronto. proofed FE 26/95?

York St., Toronto. proofed JA 12/94?

Vernon, B. C. proofed FE 26/96?

Vancouver, B. C. proofed OC 6/93?

C. Those Unknown To, and Unlisted by, Boggs and not in Proofbook as seen by him.

North Sydney, N. S.

St. John, N. B. 2nd. Hammer.

St. John, N. B. 3rd. Hammer.

Farnham, Quebec.

Granby, Quebec.

Notre Dame St. West, Montreal.

Quebec, Quebec.

Forest, Ontario.

Formosa, Ontario. 2nd. Hammer.
Lucknow, Ontario.
Markdale, Ontario. 3rd. Hammer.
Belleville, Ontario. 3rd. Hammer.
Mill Brook, Ontario.
Sarnia, Ontario.
Spadina Avenue, Toronto.
Wolseley, Assa. 2nd. Hammer.
Calgary II Innisfail, Alberta.
Ashcroft Station, B. C.
Rossland, B. C.
Victoria, B. C. 3rd. Hammer.
Sandon, B. C.

- D. Those Hammers Altered after delivery, probably by local employees of the P. O.
- Alma, Ontario. 2nd. State.
 - Bobcaygeon, Ontario. 2nd. State.
 - Formosa, Ontario. 2nd. State. Of two hammers?
 - Schreiber, Ontario. 2nd. State.
 - Wingham, Ontario. 2nd. State.
 - Nanaimo, B. C. 2nd. State.
 - Que. & Camp., No. 20. R. P. O. 2nd State.
 - Que. & Camp., No. 20. R. P. O. 3rd State.
 - Que. & Camp., No. 20. R. P. O. 4th State.
 - Que. & Camp., No. 20. R. P. O. 5th State.
 - Que. & Camp., No. 20. R. P. O. 6th State.

- E. Foreign Squared Circles.
Honolulu, Hi. Proofed FE 9/94.

While from time to time I have seen some of these proof strikes used to illustrate articles on Squared Circles this is the first time I have ever seen the complete grouping as indicated here. Perhaps Gary can still find the five Group A items listed above and let us have photocopies of them for a future Annex? Notice also the proof strikes of some of the forerunners, the Barred Circles.
FURTHER RESEARCH NEEDED:

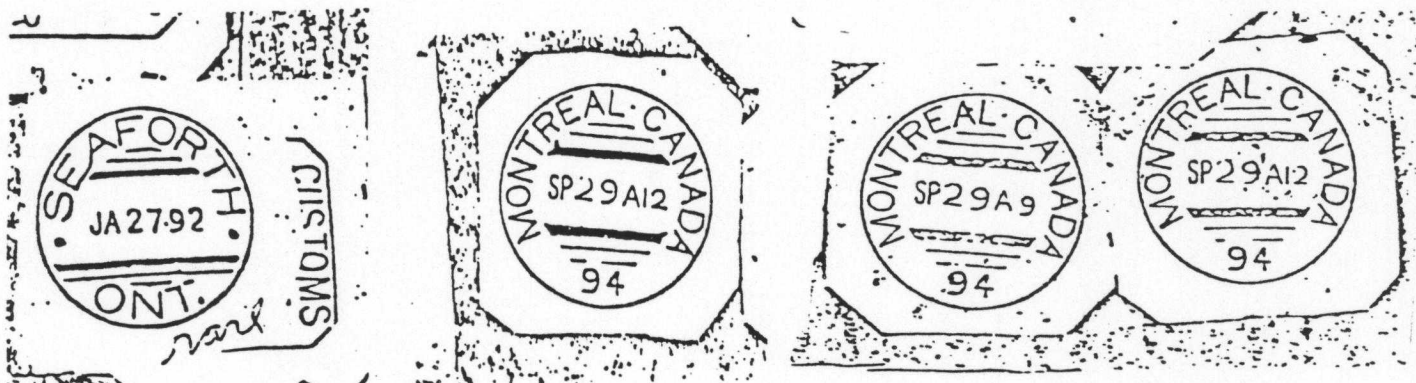
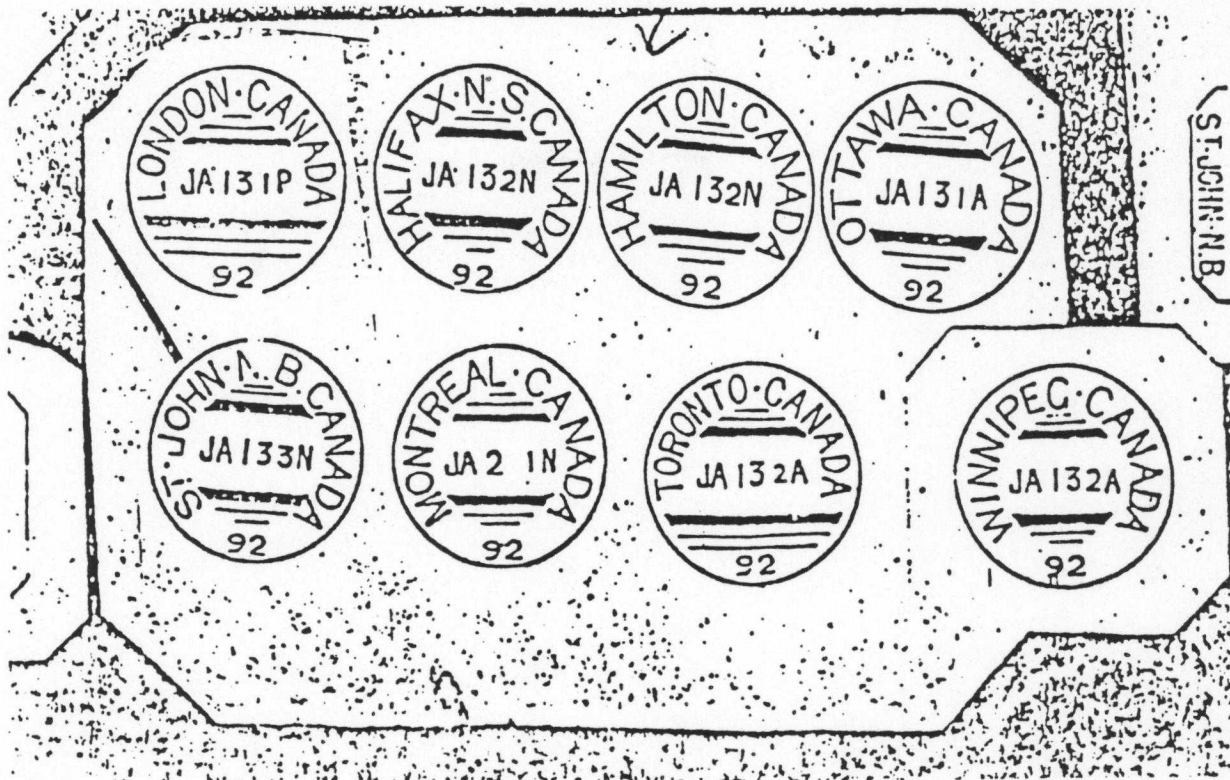
In studying these proofs which, according to Gary have been strengthened by some artwork, it seems to me that there is much individual research work that we can do to get together the full information these strikes make available to us. If any member discovers anything startling in studying these strikes please let us in on it. In looking at a couple of strikes in the group I have had some stirrings in my own mind that there is something just waiting under the surface here for someone to bring out.

QUEBEC CITY IN SEPTEMBER.

This should arrive at your desks just as a number of you are getting the bags packed to leave for Quebec City and the BNAPS gathering there at the Frontenac --I hope to see many of you and both renew old acquaintances and make new ones. It is expected that there will be a Study Group Seminar, likely a 2 hour affair, which will likely take place on Thursday the 13th. Dates of the gathering are September, 12th to 15th. Place, Quebec City, Chateau Frontenac. If you haven't planned on it why not change your mind now and come along? There will be no more formal invitations but the whole do is likely to be fun, friendship and philately.

Houston, Texas in 1980.

Annex charter member Barry Shapiro is actively getting together a grand show for BNAPS in 1980 and it should certainly be Squared Circles oriented with an



The above strikes are taken from the Pritchard & Andrews proof book from a photocopy in the possession of Mr. Frank Campbell. Note that the only strike missing is that of St. John's, Newfoundland. I could not find the proof strike of this hammer in Mr. Campbell's copy of the P & A book.

About two years after the original Montreal hammer, it appears that at least one more hammer was produced, as evidenced by the three strikes above. These may be three strikes of the same hammer and that the two to the right may have been modified after the first strike(to the left). Note that there appears to be a tail effect on the left side of the upper heavy bar on the example to the left. This may have been corrected and re-proofed in the book.

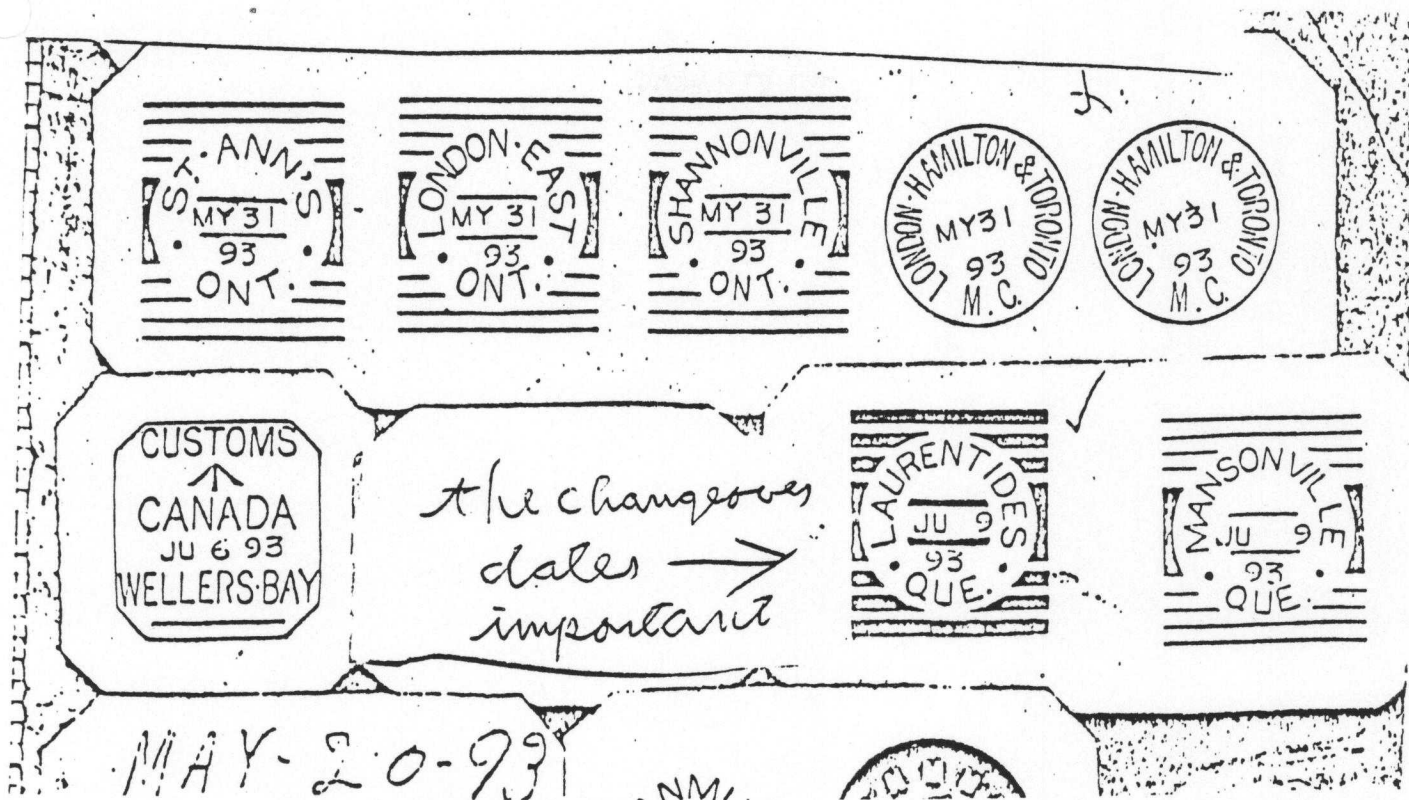


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The above excerpt from the proofbook shows the changeover date from the Type I to the Type II cancel - the notation is from Frank Campbell.



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