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This Is Whole Number Seventeen:

After the last issue was sent out I received a few letters from readers who like to keep tab on the exact progress of the Annex and I checked through my files to verify that this is, indeed, Whole Number Seventeen, page 181. Perhaps I caused some confusion when I combined Whole Numbers Thirteen and Fourteen with the Gary Arnold proofs.

The Handbook:

Bill Moffatt and I have been busy ever since I returned from New York at the end of January and Bill has sent me no less than ten mailings, all at 1st Class rate, each containing no less than fifteen to twenty pages. We have been working on the town listings as we both felt this was the logical place to start and we're now working well into the middle of the Ontario listings. A number of collectors are giving us a helping hand. Brian Plain has sent in a number of good items for illustration; Narcisse Pelletier has, as always, helped out; Gary Arnold has sent in a number of items that will likely find their way into the book; Don Fraser and Harold Wilding here in Winnipeg are producing the maps that will be used and many others have helped either voluntarily or as I have called upon them. Target date is still early November of this year for a manuscript ready for approval by BNAPS Board of Directors at McAllen.

How To Report Strikes:

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As an interim report to readers of Annex: work on the new Fourth Edition Handbook is proceeding well. As you may know by now, the enormity of the mass of data to be processed makes it impossible for me to handle alone. Glenn Hansen will co-author the Handbook with me; the partition of effort is analysis of data by myself, with Glenn putting it into form for the printers, assembling photos and other illustrations, and contacting a printer. As I write these notes, I have forwarded to Glenn the data pages for all of the Type I hammers and Type II for N.S., N.B.; P.E.I., QUE., and ONT. through SMITHS FALLS; the remaining towns are being worked on. Target date is a completed manuscript by Convention time.

This is a community effort; we can do nothing more than collate data and perhaps, when it is gathered, see some patterns of use which might otherwise not be evident to other individuals with a lesser amount of data at their disposal. I can report that as a result of reader response to earlier listings of year dates for which no strikes had been reported at various towns, many of the gaps are now filled in and, in fact, at some towns for which two or more distinct periods of use had been postulated I now find continuous use between earliest and latest reported dates.

But the influx of data has created some new problems: I now find that some new questions are raised and I need your help to resolve them. Before proceeding with specific questions, let me digress a moment to tell you of some problems with data as I often receive it, and how to solve the problem.

Many questions which now arise are related to changes in indicia style, period of use of specific time marks, and extended periods of indicia errors. For this reason, it is no longer adequate to report only the date; I need the complete indicia, including time mark (if any), or a clear indication that the time mark slot is blank. This calls for some unambiguous way of reporting the information. To illustrate what the problem is, let me cite the following:

(1) Dates are often reported as 6-2-97 or FE/2/97, presumably because that is the form commonly used for current dates by the person making the report. This causes me great confusion because I can't be sure whether it is a "Quaker Date", - / 6 2 / 97 (rare example of which are known); a true three-line date FE/ 2 / 97 (a style known at several towns during all or part of the period of use); or simply - / FE 2 / 97. It would be most helpful if the date is reported exactly as it occurs, using the two slashes to represent indicia bars.

(2) In many cases "Blank", especially in the upper slot (or normal time-mark slot) occurs; but missing digits often occur in the day or year date. In some cases it may be evident that a digit or time mark was present but for any of several reasons (blurred, faintly struck, etc.) is unidentifiable. Please use a dash or hyphen (-) to represent "Blank" and a question mark to represent something present but not recognizable. Several examples

follow: - / FE 2 / 97 (Blank / FE 2 / 97)
 ? / FE 2 / 97 (Time mark present, but unreadable)
 - / FE 2 / -7 (Blank time mark and missing digit in year date)
 - / FE 2 / 9? (Blank time mark, unreadable digit in year date)
 - / ?? 2 / 97 (Blank time mark, unreadable month)
 - / ?E 2 / 97 (Blank time mark, partial identity of month; there are circumstances in which it is helpful to know that the month was either FE or DE)

(3) A common type of report received is of the type SE 7/ 95 or SEP 7/ 95. You should be aware that the month slugs issued with the Squared Circle hammers were two inseparable letters on a single slug, and that the month representations were: JA, FE, MR, AP, MY, JU, JY, AU, SP, OC, NO, and DE. Thus, SE is not a proper month representation at all. However, at many towns where use of the hammer continued after turn of the century (examples: Danville, London, Port Arthur, etc.), three-letter months do appear at times (such as JAN, JUN, JUL, NOV). These are made by indicia slugs from other hammers - commonly, the duplex hammers - which, in spite of being slightly smaller type, did fit into the Squared Circle hammer. If the month is a three-letter month, please underline to indicate "just like this". For example:

- / JA 3 / 01 (two-letter month)
 - / JAN 3 / 01 (three-letter month)

(4) A cause of unending confusion to me is reports of the type:

OC 3 / 95 (inverted and reversed month and day) to represent
 E 00 / 95

Note that this is simply "inverted OC 3" and not "Inverted and reversed OC 3". The question here is whether the entire block of indicia "OC 3" is inverted, or only part of it. A similar type of report causing a great deal of confusion is: PM / SP 23 / 98 (all indicia inverted). In this case, I don't know whether it means:

Wd
 8Z dS
 86

All indicia inverted, but line-by-line, with each piece of data on correct line even though inverted

86
 8Z dS

Entire block of data, as a unit, inverted with

These would be better shown as above, or as:

Wd / 82 dS / 86 or 86 / 82 dS / Wd respectively.

- (5) Another common problem occurs in reading strikes in which the digits have not completely printed. You should be aware that '93 dates prior to JU/ 93 are either indicia errors (and they do exist) or else misreading an incompletely printed '8' to be a '3'. The key to avoiding this problem is to realize that the digit '3' issued with the Squared Circle hammers was always a flat-topped three, and not a round-topped 3 (such as printed by this typewriter). Thus, a strike which appears: PM / AP 17 / 93 has to be a 98 year date in which the left side of the '8' did not print for some reason (misalignment, poor inking, etc); of course, the key to this identification is that the apparent '3' does not have a flat top and thus is an incompletely printed '8'.

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Now, on to a consideration of areas in which more information is needed for the new Handbook; they are not in any particular order.

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It is our plan to include, where possible, a COMMENTS paragraph following each town listing to provide the collection with information on:

- (1) Quality of Strikes (such as: "usually well-inked, clear strikes", or "generally underinked, faint strikes")
- (2) Availability on Off-Cover Stamp (such as "generally available only as a free-strike on cover", or "late strikes on off-cover stamp are rare because of the practice, after 18XX, of using the Squared Circle Hammer as a dater, and use of a grid cancel to invalidate the stamp.")
- (3) Availability on Specific Stamp (such as "because of a long period of disuse of the hammer after brief initial use, and later revival after 1900, strikes on Small Queens are rare in comparison with strikes on KE VII issue", or "even though strikes are plentiful on Small Queens and Edwards, the hammer was evidently not in use from early 1897 to 1900 so that strikes on Jubilee or Map stamp are not yet reported")
- (4) Hammer Usage (such as "generally, multiple strikes on cover, once as an obliterator and again as a date stamp", or "usually found only on Registered mail covers", or "late strikes - after 18XX - are almost invariably receiving or transit markings")
- (5) Any other pertinent information (such as "found" hammers, indicia in them when found, etc.)

In addition, a portion of the listings will include data on hammer damage such as "Broken 'IL' at Belleville", "Dented bottom frame line, Dutton", "Nicked top, right hand corner, St. Hyacinthe", etc.

If you are specialist in one or several towns and have sufficient information to provide reliable comments of this type, please send a write-up to Glenn or myself. Of especial interest is information on permanent damage to hammers which constantly appear after some particular date, or which appear and get progressively more pronounced with time. I feel sure that some of you must have information of this type which is not common knowledge due to the fact that it has never before appeared in the Handbooks. An example, previously unknown to me until Jeff Switt called it to my attention, is the double nicks in the bottom frame line of Dutton late strikes.

The town listings pages identify, for each town, special stamps on which strikes have been reported; those selected are: 2¢ RLS, 5¢ RLS, 15¢ LQ, 3¢ Jubilee, 2¢ Map, 10¢ Special Delivery, and Admiral issues. Of course, I realize that there are collectors with other specialties: 1¢, 2¢, 3¢, 8¢ and other denominations of Small Queens, other denominations of Jubilees, Numerals, Edward VII issues, and others. But the ones selected are those which in my experience the largest following exists. Since there is a physical limitation to how detailed a subdivision can be made (to say nothing of data handling problems), we list only those recited, but provide additional space with blank headings so that collectors of other special stamps can fill in their own check lists. Now on to a consideration of what kind of information is needed.

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OTTAWA FORERUNNER: I am persuaded that this item is nowhere near as scarce as some auction statements would have us believe. Undoubtedly this is a direct result of the fact that the collector has no readily available information. Please state how many you have, on cover (or card), and off cover. Similarly, there seems to be no good record of earliest or latest dates. If you have one, or two examples, please state the dates; if more than two, please state earliest and latest dates.

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1892 BARRED CIRCLES: The situation is a little better here; I have some good inputs from Dr. Chaplin and Barry Shapiro. Will others please report number of examples of each town, on and off cover, and report any dates earlier or later than those listed below, or any TNR (Time-mark Not Recorded). If you report any of the TNR, please give complete date - it may help to fix transition to a different scheme of time marks (for example, a switch from A7 to 7A).

HALIFAX JA 22/ 92 to NO 22/ 92 TNR 1A to 11A, 12A; 3P; 8P to 10P; A2 to A4; A6 to A8; A11; and P8.

HAMILTON JA 20/ 92 to SP 9/ 92 TNR 1A to 4A; 6A to 8A; 12A or 12N; 10P to 11P; A1 to A10; P1, P10 to P11.

LONDON JA 21/ 92 to JU 2/ 92 TNR 1A to 9A; 11A; 7P; 10P to 11P.

MONTREAL I AP 26/ 92 to N) 27/ 99 (No strikes yet reported for 95, 96, 97)
TNR any time mark except A9, A10, A11 or P1, P2, P4.

MONTREAL II OC 4/ 94 to DE 23/ 03 (No strikes recorded yet for 00 or 02)
TNR A1 to A5; P8 to P12; 1A to 12A (or 12N); 1P to 4P; 6P to 12P.

MONTREAL III NO 29/ 94 to JU 8/ 00 (No strikes recorded for 95, 96, 97)
TNR A1 to A6; A10; A12 (or N12); P2; P8; P9; P12

MONTREAL IV AP 21/ 96 to JU 25/ 02 (No strikes recorded for 97)
TNR A1 to A6; A9; P1; P3; P8 to P11

MONTREAL V JU 11/ 00 to DE 26/ 02 TNR any time mark except 11A; 1P; 5P

OTTAWA Period I: JA 19/ 92 to DE 30/ 92 TNR 1A to 12A (or 12N); 1P; 5P; 6P;
Period II: MR 8/ 93 to MR 20/ 93 12P; A3 to A6; A8; (A10); P1

ST. JOHN, N.B. JA 22/ 92 to OC 23/ 92 TNR A1 to A11; P12; 1A to 10A;
12A (or 12N); 2P; 3P; 9P to 12P

SEAFORTH FE 4/ 92 to MR 8/ 93 (No time marks used)

TORONTO JA 22/ 92 to DE 13/ 92 TNR 1A to 4A; 6A; 9A; (9P); 11P

NOTE: I have seen Xerox of AU 23 7P/ 94; I don't know if this is a year date error, or there was actually a brief revival period in 1894; please examine year dates to see if you have other 94 dates.

WINNIPEG JA 25/ 92 to No 25/ 92 TNR 1A to 7A; 8P; 10P; 12P

ST. JOHNS, NFD DE 18/ 94 to AP 18/ 99 (Day invariably precedes month: 18 DE/ 94,

General: please report indicia errors; one type of error to watch for is, for example: WINNIPEG, SP 1 8N/ 92; another is impossible days: SEAFORTH, JY 32 92; others involve inverted figures.

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BARRED CIRCLES ON SPECIAL STAMP: Please list what towns you have on Registry Stamp or on 15¢ Large Queen; number not important, nor are dates - unless error dates.

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SQUARED CIRCLE TOWNS ON 2¢ or 5¢ REGISTRY STAMP OR ON 15¢ LARGE QUEEN. For Registry Stamps, please list dates (reason is that evidently much trading has gone on, and I think some items may be counted more than once; if the date you report is not on my list, I will know it is a new item); dates not needed for 15¢ Large Queen, nor number of examples - only whether you have one or more examples of the town on the 15¢ LQ.

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SQUARED CIRCLES ON ADMIRAL ISSUE: Please list towns, and complete indicia including time mark - if any for all strikes except LONDON and HAMILTON; for the latter two, only the earliest and latest dates or errors, would be needed.

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SQUARED CIRCLES ON E-1, 10¢ SPECIAL DELIVERY: Please list what towns you have on this stamp and whatever portion of indicia is readable.

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SQUARED CIRCLES ON 3¢ JUBILEE: How many and what dates, only for towns in the following list (which are those for which very few are presently reported - typically only 5 or fewer): Aldergrove, (Beeton), New Germany, (Rat Portage), St. Ann's; St. Hilarion; (Baddeck); Newport Landing; Port Maitland; Wolfville; Milltown, (Newcastle Creek); Sackville; Clifton, Summerside; Eastman, Lotbiniere; Notre Dame St. West, St. Johns, Que; (St. Polycarpe); (Sutton) Note; those shown in parentheses are towns fitting one of the following two categories: (1) Although no examples are yet reported, the known span of use includes the Jubilee period, or (2) although no copies are yet reported and the known span of use does not include any part of the Jubilee period, known dates are sufficiently close that it might possibly turn up, and would then also be a new record date. (Further listings in next Annex).

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SQUARED CIRCLES ON MAP STAMP: Same comments as above. Aldergrove; (Beeton); (London, Type I, 2nd State); Mansonville; New Germany; (St. Ann's); (Canning); Canso; Maccan; (Yarmouth); Baie Verte; Milltown; (Newcastle Creek); River Louison; Rothesay; Summerside; Acton Vale; (Farnham); Granby; (Levis); Lotbiniere; (Montreal-Belle.Rive); (Richmond); (Ste. Anne de Beaupre); St. Gregoire; (Victoriaville); Waterloo, Que. (Further listings in next Annex).

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Several other specific questions regarding Noel, Sarnia, and Subbury are detailed on tear-out sheet.

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Something For Nothing:

Gary Arnold produced a number of overlay strips with the proofs of the four Winnipeg hammers. These can be quite useful as an aide to identifying the Winnipeg hammers and should leave you with little doubt about which hammer strikes you have. There should be just enough of these to go around but I may be one or two short, in that case, I will omit a strip from the mailing to someone I know to be a dealer and will try to get a few more from Gary so that I can send the strip or strips along to the dealer missing one at a later date.

--And Something Pretty Expensive: (Lambton Mills has Also Been Found in Enough Copies to Drop Current R.F. from 175 to 125.)

In the past two years a number of ALDERGROVE covers have been surfacing in what appears to be a very carefully orchestrated marketing strategy. I suppose there is basically nothing wrong with this; after all, anyone with a product for sale should try to get the best he can for it, but the buyer should beware. The problem with collecting Squared Circles is that at no time can there be any certainty that one of the great rarities wont be found somewhere in relatively plentiful numbers. When this happens the inevitable will occur, the Rarity Factor of the discovery will drop and, naturally, the value. When one buys a rarity believing it to be a new and single find and then learns that it is only one of several there can certainly be a real feeling of deflation. ALDERGROVE is a good case in point. My understanding is that the find, from a single correspondence, was twelve covers, this drops the R.F. from 90 to 80, a quite significant drop and one that should reflect sharply in the

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I AM STILL SEARCHING FOR MORE SQUARED CIRCLE
MAP STAMPS, NOS. 85 and 86. THE FOLLOWING:
ALDERGROVE MANSONVILLE ANTIGONISHE KENTVILLE
INDIANTOWN MILLTOWN CHARLOTTETOWN ACTONVALE
GRANBY ST. GREGOIRE ATHENS AYLMER WEST LANARK
BRANTFORD MATTAWA MITCHELL NIAGARA TILSONBURG
ORILLIA OWEN SOUND ROCKTON WATERLOO SELKIRK
PIPESTONE SOURIS ESTEVAN And QUE. & CAMP 5.

PAUL H. GRIMM,

BOX 68 WINDSOR NOVA SCOTIA B0N 2T)

INTERESTED IN TRADING? I HAVE DUPLICATE
SQUARED CIRCLE MATERIAL ON AND OFF COVER.
MOSTLY MARITIME AREA. NEED HALIFAX, N.S.
4/JY 27/97 FOR MATCHED SET. WRITE SOON.

BNAPEX '80. McALLEN, TX. NO 6,7,8,. ATTEND
SUPPORT BNAPS ATTEND THE CONVENTION, THIS

STOP THE PRESS NEWS:

Just as this issue was finally typed, pasted up and paginated I received a letter from Stanley Cohen in England which included the following announcement:-

THE S. F. COHEN

SQUARED CIRCLES OF CANADA COLLECTION

FOR SALE

The 14 volume collection includes the original collection formed by Lewis Ludlow with the original Mission City find and very many Unique rarities of which several are photographed and included in the 3rd. Edition of the Whitehead Handbook on Squared Circles. Also includes the two Exhibition books which were awarded the Certificate of Distinction at the Sescal 1960 Exhibition held in Los Angeles.

Amongst other items included is the H. E. Canham collection with its unique find of Kingsville and Springhill Mines, N.S. The famous cover collection put together by the late Bob Thompson with the extraordinary Parliament Street Jubilee Cover with the 1897 date errors, as photographed on page 64 of the Whitehead Handbook is also part of the collection.

Rare Jubilees from the collection of the late T. B. Elliott; gems from an exemplary collection formed by Clarence Kemp (with the outstanding Lambton Mills) as well as an extensive collection of rare indiciae and covers formed by Mr. Cohen form a further interesting facet of the collection.

From a possible 311 Squared Circle Towns, 304 are in the collection.

Missing are: COLEMAN, MONTREAL (TYPE I), POINT A PIC, FONTHILL, PALMERSTONE, and REVELSTOKE.

The cover collections is particularly outstanding and only the following towns are NOT REPRESENTED:-- (in addition to the 7 indicated above.)

Byng Inlet North, St. Hilarion, Springhill Mines. All Type I.
Great Village, Noel, Matane, Belle Rive, Hochelaga, St. Gabriel, Sutton, Windsor Mills, Comber, Forest, Fort William West, Kingsville, Mill Brook, Pontpool, Waterdown, Mission City.

JUBILEE STAMPS: Second only to the Crawford collection in numbers with over 220 towns. The Collection has the unique Clifton 3 Cent Jubilee find and innumerable great rarities on Jubilee Issues. It is particularly strong in rare Duplicates.

2 Cent Map Stamp: The Third largest collection with over 150 towns, this collection Aldergrove and other unique items.

5 Cent Registered Letter Stamp: More than 20 towns, by far the largest known collection on this stamp and includes several remarkable covers. This collection contains about 30% of all known examples of Squared Circles on this stamp.

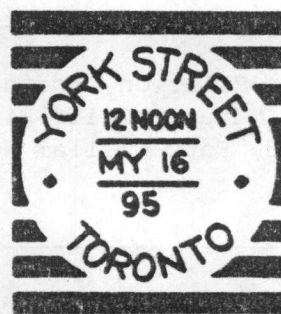
15 Cent Large Queen: Every possible known Town to be found on this stamp is in this portion of the collection, with no exception.

The Collection is offered INTACT AND ENTIRE but, because of the owner's special and continuing interest in The Large Cents Issue, this one portion of the collection may be excluded by mutual agreement.

JIM HENNOK PRIVATE TREATY OFFERS:

Received in the mail at the same time as the S. F. Cohen announcement was a very attractive brochure of Private Treaty offers from Jim Hennok. This was only Squared Circle material and included some rare and unique items as well as some of the other better items in Squared Circle material. Prices indicated for this sale may serve as a guide to the state of the market for Squared Circle material and all serious Squared Circle collectors should obtain a copy of the brochure for use as a file of information as well as to obtain some need material for the collection.

Contact Jim A. Hennok Ltd., 43 Adelaide East, Toronto, Ont., M5C 1J4.
Telephone (416) 363 7757.



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TORONTO, ONTARIO STREET POST OFFICES.

TEAR-OUT PAGE

This unnumbered page is not intended as a part of the permanent record of Annex, but only as a convenient report form for supplying information needed for the new Handbook. You will be credited with new early/ late reports or unusual information unless you check the "Anonymous" box below, in which case your wish will be met.

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From:

☐ 'X' here for anonymity.

To:

DR. WILLIAM G. MOFFATT
HICKORY HOLLOW, RR 3
BALLSTON LAKE, N.Y.
U.S.A. 12019

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Please attach an additional sheet if there is insufficient room.

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OTTAWA FORERUNNER: How many off cover (2)? How many covers ()?
Earliest and latest dates you have:

1 cent - 15/-0
15c thick paper clear deep violet (!) 3/ny 7/-

BARRED CIRCLES: Can you supply any information requested?

montreal 1/2 c Jubilee /00

BARRED CIRCLES on Registry Stamps or (15¢) Large Queen:

Ottawa OC 24 P3
OC 21 All
De 10 All

SQUARED CIRCLES on 2¢ or (5¢) RLS: What towns? Dates?

Brookville 84/ Jy 25/93

SQUARED CIRCLES on 15¢ Large Queen: What towns? (Dates not needed)

Stellarton	Hamilton 10	Ottawa 2, 3, 4, 5
Bellefleur "3"	Brantford Am	London 5 (type 1)
Winnipeg III "3, 5, 6"	St. John	
Toronto 5 pm	Quebec 4	
Kingston 3	Halifax "1, 2"	

SQUARED CIRCLES ON ADMIRAL ISSUES:

Prince Albert war tax m23
AP 4 16

SQUARED CIRCLES ON E-1, 10¢ SPECIAL DELIVERY:

none

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Squared Circles on 3¢ Jubilee: Any of towns listed in Annex; how many? Dates?

milldown PM AU 28 97

Summerside 2 cent

Newport Landing coin - date not available (in bank vault)

Northport JY 14 97

North Sydney 1 cent
Sarnia

Squared Circles on 2¢ Map Stamp: Any listed towns? How many? Dates?

Maccan

AP 3

NOEL: What date? Can you identify any mark in the time mark slot?

Corn JU 16 94

SARNIA: Dates of any strikes on 3¢ Jubilee; dates of strikes on any stamp if earlier than 1898.

SP 24 97

SUDBURY: Date of any 1902 strikes; dates for any strikes later than PM/ NO 17/ 03. Error year date - inverted 3 for 9 in December 1897 - any dates between DE 4 and DE 16 or between NO 25 and NO 30?

PM AP 20 03

DE 8 97 (41)

Other?