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GREETINGS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR !!! Most of you are probably wondering what happened to the ANNEX and yours truly since the last issue in August, 1987. During a shift of offices at work in October, I misplaced my entire file of Study Group correspondence and information for the ANNEX. I was confident it would show up sooner or later and, finally, last week the file "surfaced". So, we're back in business and the ANNEX I had hoped to get out in early December is finally here.

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REPORTS OF NEW FINDINGS

BEAVERTON, ONT (Ted Kerzner) - A new late date of use for the blank time mark slot; -/FE 2/94. ✓

BROCKVILLE, ONT (Bill Wegman) - Bill has narrowed down the damaged "IL" of BROCKVILLE to either February 3rd or 4th, 1897. Bill has an undamaged PM/FE 3/97 and a damaged PM/FE 4/97.

RAT PORTAGE, ONT (Jim Karr) - A new early date on a 3 cent Small Queen; strike is dated -/MY 1/93. ✓

FREDRICKTON, N.B. (Lee's Auction No. 45) - New earliest date of use; PM/JA 26/94. *JB has 1-22*

ANNAPOLIS, N.S. (Jerry Carr) - A first reported strike on the E1 Special Delivery; strike is dated PM/SP 3/99.

YARMOUTH, N.S. (Lee's Auction No. 45) - First reported strike on a Map stamp; dated 7/70 DE/98.

MATANE, QUE (Pierre Dussault) - A new late date; AU/29/93.

ST. ANNE DE BEAUPRE, QUE (Lee's Auction No. 45) - Inverted date indicia "30" on a strike dated -/Q3 JY/95.

ANGUS, ONT (Lee's Auction No. 45) - New late date for the first period of use; -/OC 21/96.

ARNPRIOR, ONT (Ted Kerzner) - New earliest date of use; -/JA 5/94.

BLEECKER STREET/TORONTO (Ted Kerzner) - New latest day of use: -/JY 25/00.

CORNWALL, ONT (Tom Almond) - Date indicia error on 3 Cent Jubilee; strike dated -/AU 50/97 - the indicia is a "5" not an inverted "2"

REPORTS OF NEW FINDINGS (CONTINUED)

YORK STREET/TORONTO (Lee's Auction No. 46) - New earliest date for an "AM" time mark; AM/MR 1/94.

KAMLOOPS, BC (Jim Miller) - New late date; -/DE 1/00.

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Allan Steinhart sent this cover with an Admiral period strike of the PRINCE ALBERT, SASK squared circle hammer, along with the following comments:

This cover was mailed from Prince Albert on June 13, 1916 with an International machine cancel which missed the stamp. As a result, the stamp was cancelled by a PRINCE ALBERT -/JUN 13/16 squared circle cancel. The cover is addressed to a member of the 8th Battalion, 2nd Brigade, 1st Division, B.E.F., France. On the reverse is a Field Post Office/13 JY/16/5x date stamp which was assigned to the 2nd Canadian Brigade during phase I of the security period of F.P.O. markings.



In addition, on the reverse is a two line unit handstamp and on the front a "Canadian Contingents/JUL 28 1916/Record Office/postal Red'd" handstamp. The cover is endorsed "Hospital" and "Killed in Action". It was returned to Canada and bears a "Dead Letter Branch/AM/SP 9/16/Ottawa, Canada" date stamp and it was returned under cover to the sender. The cover is franked with 3 cents, the domestic letter rate and rate to Great Britain, which was extended to Canadian troops overseas on the continent.

COMMENTS AND NOTES FROM JACK GORDON

As noted in the previous issue of ANNEX, Jack Gordon of Reston, Virginia has maintained a regular correspondence with yours truly over the years. I have a number of his comments on hand, including the following:

On LONDON Squared Circles/3 Ring Cancels

The note on Handbook page 24 per the 3 Ring London hammer prompted me to look further in my collection of this hammer. I have 18/JA 20/98 but no squared circle for this date. Some other matched SC/3 Ring cancels were found: (Squared circles listed first then 3 Ring)

5/AU 10/97 - 9/AU 10 & 15/AU 10	5/JU 30/98 - 14/JU 30 & 18/JU 30
3/AU 11/97 - 10/AU 11 & 18/AU 11	5/JY 8/98 - 22/JY 8
5/SP 22/97 - 20/SP 22 & 15/SP 22	1/AU 11/98 - 9/AU 11
?/JA 24/98 - 17/JA 24	5/AU 24/98 - 15/AU 24
1/MY 20/98 - 17/MY 20	?/SP 20/98 - 18/SP 20
5/MY 21/98 - 15/MY 21	5/SP 23/98 - 9/SP 23
1/JU 8/98 - 18/JU 8	5/NO 16/98 - 12/NO 16 & 17/NO 16

A search among the LONDON TYPE 2 strikes, which ^{are} common in October, 1898 was fruitless. This 3 Ring hammer is interesting to collect in its own right. In a collection of 250 examples, the time mark frequencies are as follows:

<u>TIMEMARK(S)</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE</u>	<u>TIMEMARK(S)</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE</u>
18	24.7	9 & 22	4.0
17	14.3	20	2.8
15 & 12	10.0 each	10	2.4
16	9.5	13 and 21	1.6
24	6.4	11	1.2
14	5.2	1,8,19 & 81	0.4, i.e. one strike

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On the 8 Cent Leaf Squared Circle Strikes

Jack reports a strike of SOURIS & WINNIPEG MC NO. 2 on an 8 Cent Leaf. "Some" "Large towns appear to have only used CDS (Cancellers) on registered mail in 1898, eg. London, Kingston, Halifax and Toronto. This will affect the rate at which the 8 Cent Leaf strikes can be discovered."

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Tilfordburg*

On CANSO, N.S. Strikes

"I have not been able to find any examples on CANSO on 2 Cent Numeral or Map issues, and suspect the Handbook late date may be one (1) year off. Can Study Group members report any dates after -/OC 23/98?"

On 3 Cent Leaf strikes

Jack has developed a checklist for strikes on the 3 Cent Leaf issue; anyone interested in a copy please drop me (Gary Arnold) a line.

YORK STREET/TORONTO TIMEMARK STUDY
By Tom Southey

After mounting a bunch of YORK STREET squared circles, I have developed the uncomfortable feeling that the "periods of use" as reported in the Handbook may be in need of certain revisions. I have checked thru the Annex from 1980 to the present and have found no changes reported for the YORK STREET.

AM TIME MARK - Periods of use are shown as AM/MR 8/94 to AM/MY 28/94; AM/OC 5/95 to AM/OC 12/95; also AM/DE 4/95. In my collection, I have the following "AM" time marks which are outside the stated periods:

AM/DE 4/94 on 3 cent Small Queen
AM/JY 19/94 on 3 cent Small Queen
AM/DE 24/94 ON 1 CENT Small Queen

PM TIME MARKS - The periods of use are PM/JA 22/94 to PM/FE 19/96; also PM/SP15/99. Among others, I have the following outside the stated periods:

PM/JY 13/95 on 3 cent Small Queen
PM/MR 12/95 on 3 cent Small Queen
PM/AP 5/94 on 3 cent Small Queen
PM/NO 7/00 on 2 cent Leaf

3.30 TIME MARKS - Periods of use reported as every year from 3.30/AP 11/96 to 3.30/AU 2/00. I wish to report an earlier date, 3.30/MR 4/96. Incidentally, I also have the late one, 3.30/AU 2/00. ✓



3.30/MR 4/96



3.30/FE 2/98



3.30/AU 19/99



3.30/AP 2/00 (LATE)

AU 2 2

6.00 TIME MARK - This seems to be a new find! I have a vertical pair of 1 cent Numerals on piece with a full strike dated 6.00/DE 13/98.

6:00
NOT REPORTED
IN HANDBOOK



6.00/DE 13/98

Doubled
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A PARIS, ONTARIO TIME MARK STUDY

I hate to admit this, but it's been almost a year since Jim Felton sent this study of his PARIS strikes. Note Jim's comments relative to Geoff Newman's tabulation on page 356 of the January, 1987 ANNEX issue.

YEAR	TIMEMARK				TOTAL
	A	B	C	D	
1893	1	1	1	-	3
1894	2	3	-	1	6
1895	12	17	4	7	40
1896	4	4	2	1	11
1897	1	2	1	1	5
1898	-	1	3	-	4
1899	-	2	-	-	2
TOTALS	20 28%	30 42%	11 16%	10 14%	71 100%

"I'd say his accumulation is untypical in scarcity of time mark "A" (and untypical in distribution/year as well). Glad he (Geoff) shared his collection with us."

3	1	5	1	7	
4	3	17	9	2	31
5	13	26	6	14	59
6	7	10	4	6	27
7	3	8	4	5	20
8	7	10	11	5	33
9		4	2		6
		3	1	2	6
	34	83	38	34	189

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7	10	11	5	33
	4	2		6
	3	1	2	6
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Emerson Clark sent this photocopy of a cover from Jamaica he picked up at CAPEX. "It originated in Cambridge, Jamaica, then through Kingston, New York, Lancaster and finally its destination of WILLIAMSTON, ONT. All this is on the back of the envelope, nothing is on the front except the address!

CORRESPONDENCE UPDATE

WHIT BRADLEY - Whit sent the latest issue of his Maps Study group newsletter. I always look forward to this "exchange"; it's one of the best, if not the best, study group newsletter around.

TED KERZNER - In addition to the reports of new findings, Ted offered the following comments regarding Geoff Newman's pages in ANNEX No.46:

DUNDAS, ONT. - My experience is otherwise; AM and PM seem to be found in the same frequency.

SHERBROOKE, QUE - I have seen examples dated each of AP 11, AP 12 and AP 13/94.

TOM SOUTHEY - Accompanying Tom's YORK STREET/TORONTO study was a interesting three page letter; the following are excerpts from his letter:

"The Roundup Annex of August, 1987 states that I am an "avid OTTAWA Type 1 calendar collector." My Ottawa holdings should more correctly be described as a "collection of Matched time marks" rather than a calendar collection.

I have so many spares that they represent in themselves a second collection of matched time marks..... I would appreciate it if you would, through the medium of the Annex, let others know that my spares are available to other collectors of OTTAWA matched time marks - preferably as an exchange but by sale if need be."

ALEX CSUCS - Alex reports several relatively new acquisitions of Map stamp covers for SHANNONVILLE, ONT., LITTLE CURRENT, ONT. and THORNHILL, ONT. all first reported examples of these towns on Map covers.

WILMER ROCKETT - Wilmer's Revenue Study Group newsletters are received on a regular basis and are greatly appreciated.

CLOSING COMMENTS AND THOUGHTS

- Alex Csucs' letter and reports brings up a question for which I do not have a good answer. Where do I draw the line in reporting new finds? Generally, I report new early and late dates, new timemarks, timemark and indicia errors and new strikes on a particular stamp. However, in the past I have not updated the roster at the back of the Handbook to reflect first off-cover or cover strikes of a particular issue. What do you think?

- Several study Group members have indicated that they did not receive some of the previously issued Annexes. If anyone is missing particular issues, please drop me a line and I will replace the copies lost in the mails.

-I have included much of the on-hand material in this issue of the ANNEX. and have enough for about one more issue. So please keep the mail coming. I promise to keep better track of my files from now on. Thanks.