

THE ROUND-UP ANNEX

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COMMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

I would like to thank the members who have forwarded letters and information for the ANNEX over the past few months. I have about a dozen or so in hand and will begin incorporating the notes into the next issue. Included in this newsletter is a membership list (as of July 1, 1990), the promised TORONTO ORB hammer information from Jim Miller and reports of new findings.

Paid members will also find in this issue a strike of the GORE BAY, ONT hammer, courtesy of Bill Moffatt. Bill sent two packages of these strikes to me; these were made by Mike Squirrel who found the hammer at the GORE BAY post office some years ago.

REPORTS OF NEW FINDINGS

BURFORD, ONT (Lee's No. 56) - A new early date of use; -/DE 25/93. ^{OK}

GORE BAY, ONT (Lee's No. 59) - A new year of use, 1925, on a strike on stamp dated -/OC 12/25. ^{OK}

MORDEN, MAN (Lee's No. 56) - A new year of use, 1906, the usual backstamp, dated -/MY 21/06. ^{OK}

GOLDEN, B.C. (Lee's No.) - A new early date of use; -/FE 17/95. ^{OK}

NANAIMO, B.C. STATE TWO (Lee's No. 59) - A new year of use, 1923, multiple strikes on a block of four, dated AM/JAN 13/23. ^{OK}

NANAIMO, B.C. STATE TWO (Lee's No. 55) - A strike dated AM/JAN 1/39 extends the latest date of use of the AM time mark by almost two years. ^{OK}

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23
MEDICINE HAT. ASSA.

15
RED DEER. ALTA.

8
KAMLOOPS. B.C.

bottom



-/FE 18/99



-/JA 10/99



-/JY 13/99

2-T1 TORONTO/CANADA.

Jim's:

Proof: 10 AM/FEB 19/91 ERD: 6 PM/FEB 21/91 6 PM/FEB 21/91

LRD: 7 PM/AP 7/99* AUG 5/11 AM/97

Characteristics:

2 rings.

Outside ring diameter: 28.5 mm. Inner ring diameter: 25 mm.

Thick outer ring, thin inner ring.

Small dot after CANADA. No side dots.

Timemarks:

1 AM~, 9 AM to 8 PM, 11 PM to 12 PM

Reported years of use:

91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 99*

Errors:

JAN 2/7 PM/92 Upsidedown '2' in year date. How long did this last in 1892? Earliest normal JAN 20/10 AM/92^.

Comments:

Hammer saw regular use through to AUG 10/97 when Bickerdike Flag machine took over regular use, irregular use after.

Breaks in letters: 1.) Most interesting is major break in middle of 'C', occurs after 6 PM/SEP 10/91 but before 1 PM/SEP 12/91. Is progressive until SEP 16/11 PM/92; then gap in use as was probably sent for repair; to JAN 3/6 PM/93 where it reappears with one, sometimes two small gaps in the "C", through to end of use.

2.) Tail of '5' in year date is worn off 7 PM/APL 2/95 to end of year.

All 3-letter months except Handleman's latest date.

Indicia position switch: tm/mo. day/year from 10 AM/FEB 19/91 to 11 PM/OCT 6/91. Mo. day/tm/year from OCT 7/11 AM/91* to end, except: 7 PM/APL 2/95, 7 PM/APL 3/95, 7 PM/JUN 30/95, 11 PM/JUL 12/95+, 11 PM/AUG 22/95, 7 PM/FEB 17/96^, 11 PM/FEB 17/96, 7 PM/MAR 17/96

Later dates show larger dot, thicker letters, thicker rings, probably due to hammer wear.

~ Smith

^ Roling

+ Gutzman

* Handleman article.

Updated as of:
Dec. 27/89

2-T2 TORONTO/-CANADA-

Jim's:

Proof: JUL 26/2 PM/92

ERD: JUL 29/8 PM/92 JUL 29/8 PM/92

LRD: JUL ??/01*

JA 3/5 PM/01

Characteristics:

2 rings.

Outside ring diameter: 27 mm. Inner ring diameter: 24 mm.

Outer ring slightly thicker than inner ring.

No dot after Canada.

Large side dots.

Timemarks:

12 AM, 1 PM to 9 PM, 11 PM, 12 PM

Reported years of use:

92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98#, 99~#, 00+~, 01*~

Errors:

AUG 7/4 PM/92 should be AUG 17/4 PM/92.

Comments:

3 letter months are normal, 2 letter months noted: JA 01; FE 01; AP 97, 99; SP 00; OC 95, 96; DE 00.

2 letter months where same month is usually 3 letters in same year: OC 10/4 PM/92, NO 18/12 AM/92.

Month day/tm./yr. normal, reversed tm./month day/yr. noted: 7 PM/MAY 1/99, 7 PM/MAY 8/99, 7 PM/MAY 9/99~, 3 PM/AP 1/99, 8 FE/3 PM/00.

Use gap from MAY 7/6 PM/94 through to FEB 20/12 AM/95.

Regular use to AUG 9/97, Bickerdike Flag machine took over AUG 10/97, irregular use after.

Only one 1898 strike reported, partial on 1c. Jub. ?CT 16/?1 PM/98#. OCT 26/8 PM/99 reported on 1c. Jubilee#.

Smith
~ Roling
^ Gutzman
* Handleman article
+ Hollingsworth article

Updated as of:
Dec. 27/89

2-T3 TORONTO/CANADA.

Jim's:

Proof: Unknown

ERD: 13/JAN 13/02+

19/JAN 16/02

LRD: 22/DEC 7/03

22/DEC 7/03

Characteristics:

2 rings.

Outside ring diameter: 32.5 mm. Inner ring diameter: 29 mm.

Large diameter, large letters, large indicia.

Bars separating date similar to squared circles.

Timemarks:

7, 8^, 10, 11, 12*, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23*

Reported years of use:

02, 03

Errors:

22/DEC 7/03 has the tm. 22 inverted.

Comments:

Perhaps Canada's only unofficial orb cancel. The origin of the two ring circle is unknown, its large size is not common to any earlier orb not in use at this time. Indicia apparently taken from unofficial duplex Lee #DUN-137, LRD ?/JAN 10/02.

Useage seems most common to odd size letters and parcels that would not go through the machine cancelling process.

Dent in outer ring between 3:00 and 4:00, all dates. Did this exist prior to this useage as a cancelling device?

+ Jim Felton

* Hollinsworth article, Maple Leaves #97, Oct. 1967

^ Roling

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1990 MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

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Vernon Kembel, BC
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Hank Narbonne, ON
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Clinton A. Phillips, TX
Brian Plain, BC

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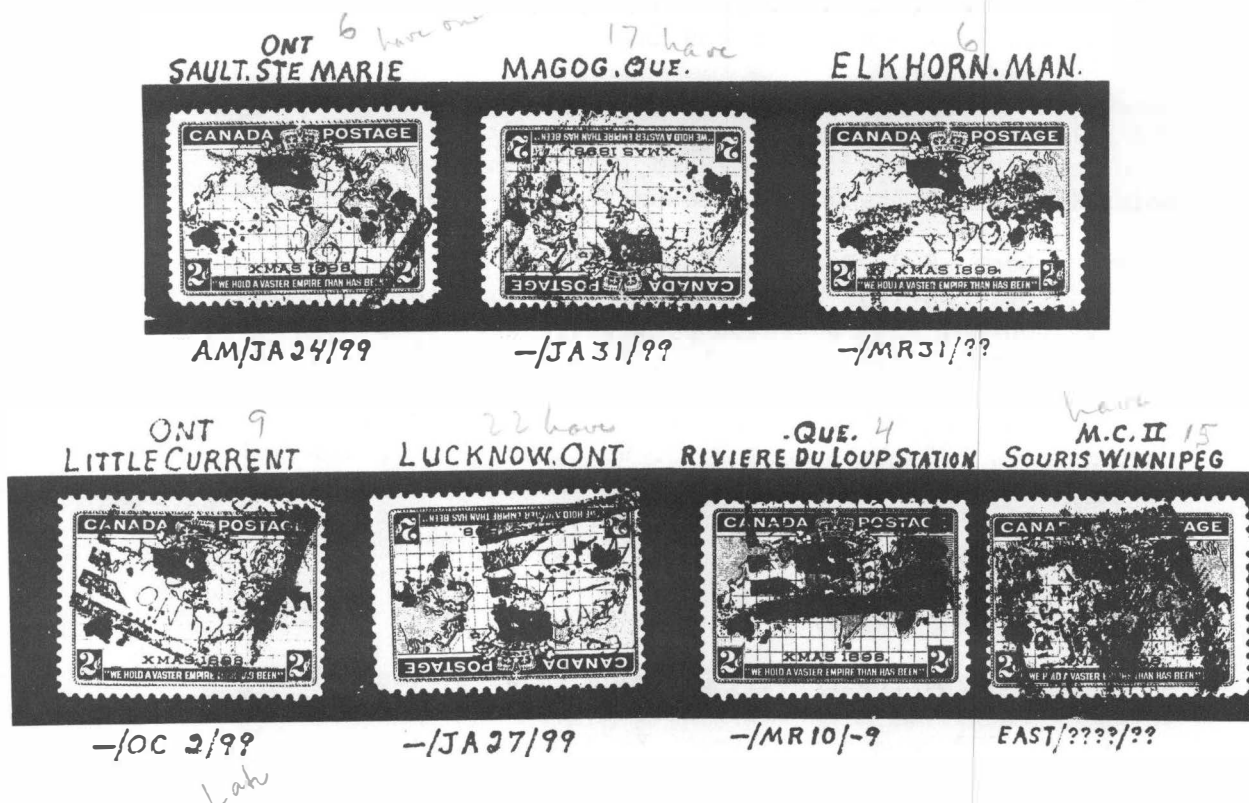
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Additional Map Strikes from Stanley Van Allen's Collection