

The Round-Up Annex
Squared Circle Study Group Newsletter

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A CORRESPONDENCE FROM BARRY DOUGLAS

Study Group member Barry Douglas sent along the following reports of items in his collection that extend data contained in the Fourth Edition Handbook:

PRECURSORS

LONDON - Strike on 3c Small Queen, AP 20 11A/92.

OTTAWA - Strikes with A6 and 6P: AU 31 A6/92 and FE 19 6P/92.

TYPE I HAMMERS

LONDON, ONT. (state 2) - Month-day invert error reading PM/h d v/96.

OTTAWA, ONT. - Month-day invert error reading 3/ n f 6/93.

ST. ANN'S, ONT. - Cover with 3-letter month dated -/JUN 19/06.

TYPE II HAMMERS

COBOURG, ONT. - A record late date of -/NO 7/97

MERRICKVILLE, ONT. - A late use of blank time mark on -/FE 20/95

MOUNT BRYDGES, ONT. - A 1914 one cent green Admiral postcard dated -/MR 17/14

OWEN SOUND, ONT. - A late use of blank time mark on -/MR 29/97

ST. THOMAS, ONT. - An inverted day on PM/MY 8/95

WATERLOO, ONT. - Early 1915 use of PM time mark on a 2c red Admiral PM/JA 22/15

WELLINGTON, ONT. - Late 1898 usage on 98/DE 2/-

WHITBY, ONT. - First period of use extended to -/JY ?0/94

WOODSTOCK, ONT. - First period of use extended to -/OC 28/95

GOLDEN, B.C. - An 1894 strike on -/DE 27/94

NANAIMO, B.C. (state 2) - 1898 PM usage extended to PM/NO 3/98, and an AM strike during the time mark 1 period on AM/JY 10/03

NAPINKA & WINNIPEG M.C. No.1 - A 1904 strike EAST/JY 1/04

ADDITIONAL REPORTS

Tony Shaman specializes in Ottawa on Jubilees and reported an inverted time mark 2 on 1c Jubilee dated JY 16/97. On the same date he has 3,4,5 and 6 so the invert is really a 2 and not an error for 5.

THE ROSTER PROJECT

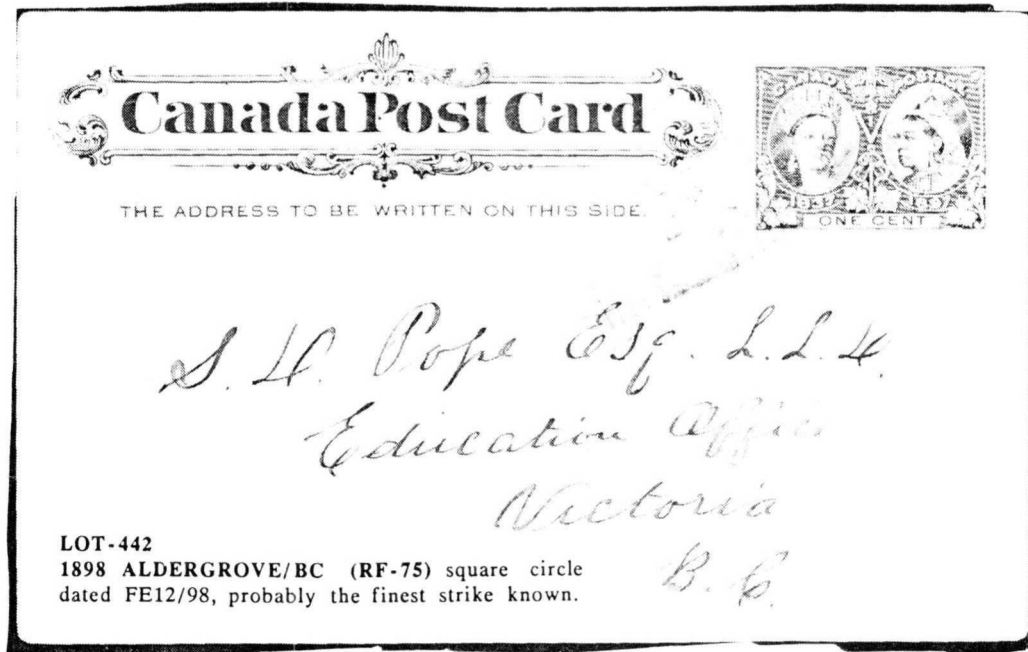
Forms are coming in from collectors on Sheet #1 sent out with the last newsletter. Sheet #2 is enclosed herewith. A note on combination covers or pieces cut square (e.g., a single 5c Small Queen and a single 3c Small Queen paying an 8c rate - should be reported as the higher of 2 denominations (#42 in this example).

ILLUSTRATIONS

1898 usage is not listed for Aldergrove in the 4th Edition Handbook - the Jubilee postcard dated -/FE 12/98 from Ron Leith's 1994 sale is a real gem.

The Orangeville 5c Register was recently found by your Editor - partial, shows ORANG only.

The London Type II 1/JU 7/14 on 1c Admiral was contributed by Gerry Carr; the usual time marks at this time are 10 thru 24. Gerry also reports a London (3-L1) Orb on half cent Quebec with inverted year on 24/OC 11/14.



THE ORBS

By Jim Miller

Discussion #8: OTTAWA/CANADA

The Small Diameter Orbs, Hammers 3-04 and 3-05

Two smaller diameter orbs appeared early in the Admiral period, with 3-04 having been proofed 17/AP 2/12 and 3-05 proofed 9/MR 13/15. 3-04 has the smallest diameter of all the orbs, 28 mm, while 3-05 measures 28.5 mm. The 2 mm to 3 mm smaller size diameter when compared to 3-01 to 3-03 makes hammer separation easy.

3-04 and 3-05 are not difficult to sort out. The most striking difference is that 3-04 has a small dot after CANADA, whereas 3-05 has no dot. Both hammers have side dots, in 3-04 they sometimes appear as squares, in 3-05 the side dots are definitely round. Also the three year spread between the proof dates can help. An acetate overlay made from the proof strikes would provide the easiest method of identification. Unfortunately the darker colours of the Admiral period stamps tend to make light strikes difficult to read, especially the indicia.

These two smaller diameter orbs are not rare, though they are not overly common either. Perhaps their use was for covers missed by machine cancels? Within my collection, I cannot detect any particular postal use trends, other than normal first-class letters and a few used as receivers or as a transit for forwarding. My inventory of fully dated strikes includes:

3-04	50 stamps + 20 covers = 70 total strikes
3-05	62 stamps + 15 covers = 77 total strikes

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19 EARNSCLIFFE ROAD
TORONTO, ONT.

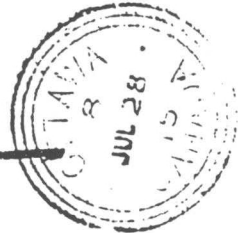


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Partage La Prairie
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Cover with both 3-04 (17/JY 27/15) and 3-05 (8/JUL 28/15).

3-04 OTTAWA / CANADA.

Reported:

Jim's:

Proof: 17/AP 2/12

ERD: ?/NOV 6/12*

20/FE 9/14

LRD: 15/OC 8/17

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Characteristics:

3 rings.

Outside ring diameter: 28 mm. Inner ring diameter: 22 mm.

SMALLER diameter (See also 3-05).

ONLY Ottawa 3-ring orb with DOT after CANADA.

Short 'TT'.

Timemarks:

1, 2, 8#, 10 to 24

Reported Years of Use:

12*, 14, 15, 16, 17



Errors:

Comments:

2 letter months except JAN & JUN. We have only one July example, 17/JY 27/15 using 2-letter month.

Several small dents in outer ring above OTTAWA noted throughout period.

This hammer may have been replacement for 3-01.

Also, a short revival of 3-02 (our dates from 12/OC 26/17 to 22/NO 5/17) may have replaced 3-04 until 3-06 became available (proof 20/DE 6/17).

THE A.W.AULT CO.,
LIMITED.
OTTAWA, CANADA.

3-04
14/DE 30/16

AVONMORE
ONT.
-/DE 30/16



*The A.W. Ault Company Ltd
50 Queen St
Ottawa
ON*

3-05 OTTAWA / CANADA

Reported:

Jim's:

Proof: 9/MR 13/15

ERD: 22/AP 1/15*

18/AP 30/15

LRD: 10/JUL 12/19

10/JUL 12/19

Characteristics:

3 rings.

Outside ring diameter: 28.5 mm. Inner ring diameter: 23.5 mm.

SMALLER diameter (See 3-04).

No dot after CANADA

Longer 'TT', late dates show short 'TT'.

Timemarks:

3, 8 to 24

Reported Years of Use:

15, 16, 17, 18, 19

Errors:

17/JUN 11/81 year date error for 18.

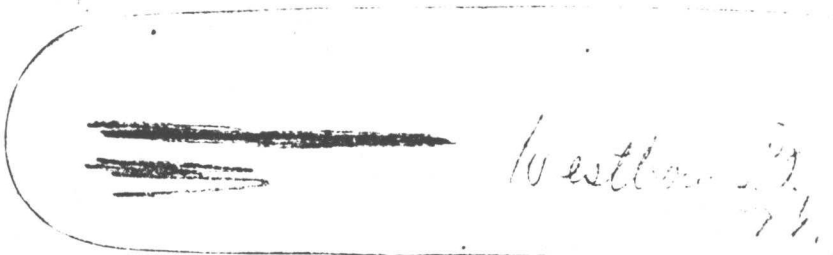
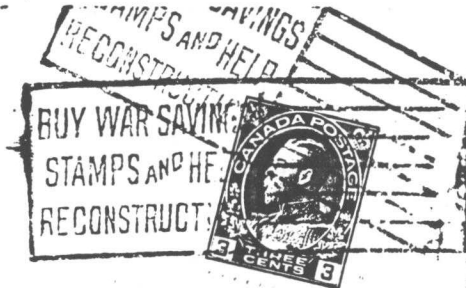
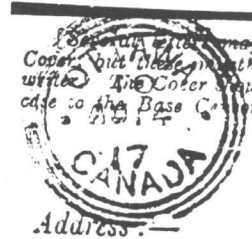
22/AU 5/18 inverted 22.

Comments:

2 letter months except JAN, JUN, JUL.

Late dates quite worn and weak strikes.

This hammer probably replaced 3-03 (LRD 15/MR 28/15).



3-05 10/JUL 12/19 (LRD) used as a forward transit cancel

* Bob Smith

Updated as of:
Oct. 7, 1996

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