

The Round-Up Annex
Squared Circle Study Group Newsletter

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BNAPEX Vernon was very successful with good participation from the Study Group members, several new members expressing interest and a good stock of material with the dealers

NEW REPORTS

Precursor Montreal Hmr. I - Joe Smith reports an off-cover 10c Jubilee struck in purple dated JY 24 A9/00, later than Handbook. This gotta be philatelic in origin.

Ottawa - Dave Kelly reports FE15 6P/92 on 3c s.q. and 15c, previously unreported TM.

St. John's NF - what appears to be a favor strike ? ?P 63 on a 6 pence imperforate, with 2 other partial impressions of the hammer. Makes one wonder what other stamps were on the hand-back envelope. I thought clerks were fired for this sort of thing. Your comments please (this item submitted by Bill Radcliffe).

Type I Beeton - at Vernon, Bill was sold a very nice 8c Numeral cover with DE 98 date.

Type II Rothesay - Bill also found an inverted month on -/ON 8/93 on one cent.

St. John III - a backwards year on PM/AU21/89, on 10c small queen, also from Bill.

Type II Ripley - an early example of the 1907 revival on SP30, from Joe Smith.

Tavistock - Bill Radcliffe also acquired the first reported Map cover, a -/DE17/98 strike with one cent added.

Windsor - an inverted PM on FE14/94, on 1 cent, sent by Jim Miller.

Victoria III - an inverted time mark on TN/NO24/98 provided by Jim Miller, and an inverted PM on DE10/98, seen in a dealer's stock at Vernon.

Please note, we're not trying to make Mr. Radcliffe famous in this newsletter. The point is, if you don't attend these annual conventions, you will miss out on the goodies

THE ROSTER PROJECT

Responses are being received from members on Sheets #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 sent with the last 20 newsletters. Sheet #21 is enclosed; send completed sheets to the Editor, not to the Chairman

THE DUES

We asked for remittance of 1996-97 dues (annual 5.00 US, 6.75 Cdn.) last time. If your address label has a & after your name, you're paid up. Some members are sending in 1997-98 dues; these are welcome. Make checks payable to me, personally, otherwise the new owners of my bank refuse to honor them

ILLUSTRATIONS (three items submitted by Bill R.)

One of the scarce Freeport covers, this one an 8c registered dated FE 8/95 to Bridgetown with transit marks of Digby, and Annapolis & Yarmouth MC.

The Alma First State FE 4/94 record late described in the No. 87 newsletter.

A total of three Woodville MR30/01 strikes on a 5c + 2c registered to la Crosse, seed business illustrated on the back with Tor. & Lorne MC markings

THE ORBS

Jim Miller begins the discussion of the Winnipeg hammers with Article No. 20, attached

SAD NEWS

Don Fraser e-mailed from Winnipeg to say that former Editor and Handbook co-author Glenn Hansen passed away in late September

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PM/AU 21/89



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94



FE 4/94

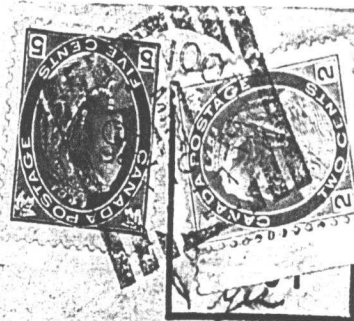


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No 24
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From George L. Stone

Woodville Ont

202 211



John A. Sager Seed Co.

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Cors. 7th & 8th and Adams St. 81714
Cors. 7th & 8th and Johnson St.

**LA CROSSE,
WISCONSIN.**

MR 30/01

FE 8/95

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REGISTERED



*Mr John G. Hicks
Bridgetown
V.S.*

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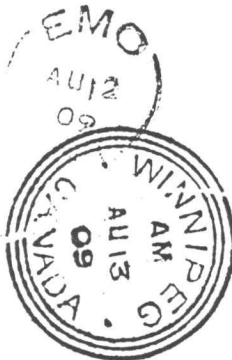
THE ORBS
By Jim Miller
Discussion 20: WINNIPEG Hammers
Hammer 3-W1

Winnipeg represents the most difficult of the orb hammer studies. I have identified 14 different hammers, most of which have overlapping usages within the 1909 to 1972 period. Some of the hammers are very common, while others are quite rare or unknown.

The Lee/Hughes *Proof Strikes of Canada*, Vol. VIII illustrate 11 examples on page 145. An overlay of the two hammers dated 20/NO 2/25 shows them to be exactly the same. With only a few examples, it is difficult to identify if there are two different NO 2/25 hammers. For now, I'll treat this date as one hammer; thus, I can say 10 different hammers are shown in the Lee/Hughes book, and 4 more are not illustrated.

The first Winnipeg orb is proof dated 24/MR 16/09. The Pritchard and Andrews microfilm records show two identical strikes. I have only 8 examples of 3-W1, and all show similar characteristics, however, we will have to leave the possibility open that a second similar hammer may exist. My 8 examples are all backstamps on registered covers, which is quite common with many of the hammers. I have 3-W1 usages in 1909, 1910, 1911, and 1921.

Three other Winnipeg orb hammers are in use from 1911 to 1913, but all three of these are smaller diameters, ranging from 27 mm to 28 mm for the outer ring. 3-W1 has an outer ring diameter of 31 mm. Attached is the spread sheet for 3-W1, to be followed with 3-W2 to 3-W4 in the next newsletter. As we work through the Winnipeg orb spread sheets in upcoming newsletters, I would welcome your feedback so we can have a more definitive study when this is all done.



Proof: 24/MR 16/09

ERD: AM/AP 11/09* AM/MY 24/09

Late Revivial LRD: -/MR 14/11 -/MR 14/11
ERD: -/FE 8/21 LRD: -/FE 8/21

Characteristics:

3 rings.

Outside ring diameter: 31 mm. Inner ring diameter: 25.5 mm.

Even size rings, outside space slightly wider than inside space.

Timemarks:

Blank, AM, PM

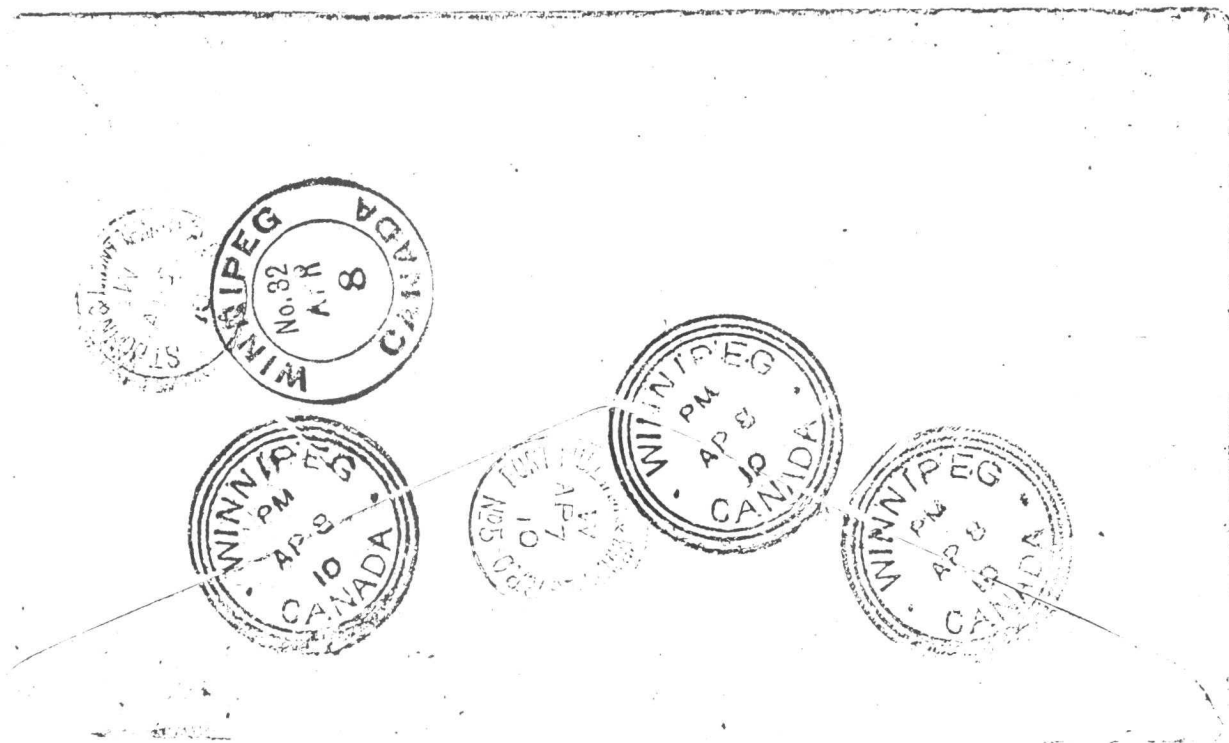
Reported Years of Use:

09, 10, 11, 21

Errors:**Comments:**

Pritchard and Andrews Proof Book shows two strikes; Lee/Hughes show one. Acetate overlay confirms they are identical, however research needs to be done on later usage to compare rim breaks, etc. to determine if two separate hammers exist or not.

I have 8 examples as backstamps on Reg'd. covers.



* Lot #647, Bob Lee Sale #57, Nov. 1989, is b/s on Reg'd. cover.

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