The Round-Up Annex Squared Circle Study Group Newsletter

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The copyright release in writing for the 4th edition has now been received from the Hansen estate and we are working with the publications department to establish a publication date of the 5th. With the new postage rates it will be feasible to publish a 8-page (4 sheets) letter without incurring excessive postage charges to our Canada and overseas subscribers.

NEW REPORTS

Precursor Halifax - an interesting 3c postal stationery item received from Frank Livermore, an innocent looking AP 23 A6 / 92 on the front addressed to Kentville, received MY23 the same day. The weenie in the Halifax postoffice set up the hammer with the wrong month. Looking through the archive set up by Dr. Moffatt, there are no strikes in the period MY22-29.

Montreal Hammer I - P5 time mark on face (Montreal dispatch to Utica) with 3c s.q. and 5c Register dated MR 15 P5 / 94, cover supplied by Gary Konopka.

Montreal Hammer II - the 4th Edition Handbook would have you believe that this marking is not associated with 3c Jubilees. This cover recently sold by Eastern (Gary Lyon) was apparently reported to Dr. Moffatt many years ago by Bob Doull, but the franking was never recorded.

Montreal Hammer III - JY13 A9/97 cleanly struck receivers on back of a 3c Jubilee + 5c sm.q. cover from Cardinal, JY12 dispatch, submitted by Bill Radcliffe. There are no previous reports of this hammer with Jubilee stamps.

Montreal Hammer IV - late use on JY 16 P12/02, transit bs on 5c + 2c cover from Neilsonville Que. JY 16 to New York City arriving 18th, illustrated Victor talking machine on reverse, transit cds of Quebec, found by your editor in a dealer's box of covers.

Ottawa - the early record by 2 hours is JA 19 5P/92 on a 10c sm.q., from Norm Wagner.

Toronto - Norm also reports that the time mark on the late report (SP16) is 1P.

Type One Beeton - early use on -/JA13/97 on a 5c sm.q., from Bill Radcliffe.

Ottawa - inverted time mark on <u>4</u>/MY27/94, reported by Tom Southey. Inverted month on 3/<u>UJ</u>6/93, reported by Bruce Kalbfleisch. Many years ago Stan van Allen reported ?/<u>UJ</u>6/93 to Dr. Moffatt; the entry in the 4th Edition Handbook is wrong.

More Ottawa - unauthorized commercial use on pair of U.S. postage, on piece with stationery of the Canadian Atlantic Railway, dated 5/JY26/97. The attached correspondence describes how the railroad company kept a supply of 2c U.S. postage in their Ottawa office for use on mail destined for U.S. addresses (the existing U.S. domestic rate being 2c). Letters were carried privately to the border and posted in the U.S., a worthwhile saving if large volumes of mail were involved. In this case the destination seems to have been within Canada, requiring 3 cents but no U.S. 3c stamp existed at the time. Since the rest of the envelope is missing we will never know whether the recipent had to pay 6c due (this item submitted by Bruce Kalbfleisch).

Type Two Baddeck - the first 1897 report on a 1c Jubilee, Joe Smith.

Halifax I - inverted 3 TM on 3/?E24/? on a small queen in one of the eBay lots.

North Sydney - early use on -/MR14/97 on an 8c sm.q., from Bob Cumming.

Yarmouth State 2 - the earliest report yet of the reversed date on PM/1 DE/98, from Bruce K.v

Alma II - early use on an 8c small queen, -/FE 8/94, submitted by Bob Cumming.

Arnprior - -/JU 1/07 on 2c Postage Due reported by Bruce K., these turn up once every 40 years or so.

Martintown - another example of the missing year digit on -/20AP/9 on a 1c green postal card, submitted by Bruce K.

Niagara - the first Map cover report, a tying strike -/MR14/99, received from a dealer in Calif. It was in a group of Niagara Map covers, all cds, about the same period. The 99 revival of this hammer was extremely brief.

Peterborough - the time mark on the 1898 late MY 6 strike is 3 (Hennok sale, 3c Maple Leaf).

Port Perry - 1901 use on a partial strike on 2c red, no month or day are visible, received from a dealer in British Columbia. Check your holdings, there ought to be more of these around.

Shakespeare - the first report on 3c jubilee cover on -/AU 3/97 from new member Brian Copeland, with a Morden 37/AU 6/97 receiver backstamp.

Simcoe - Brian also reports early use on -/FE28/95 (3c sm.q.).

Thamesford - a zero spacer on -/JY07/06, free strike on 2c E7 cover, from Bill Radcliffe.

Parliament Street - the cover in Hennok's December sale is actually the second 3c Jubilee cover known for this hammer; the other one PM/SP21/96 was illustrated in the 3rd Edition.

Brandon - inverted MMDD line on -/SP11/93 (3c sm.q.), reported by Brian Copeland.

Morden - Brian also provides the first 09 report on -/AU11. Steve Melanson reports a new earliest on -/AP 3/94, on 8 cents.

Portage la Prairie - late use on NO18/97 on 3c Jubilee, reported by Colin Banfield.

Moose Jaw - early use on -/OC25/93 (3c sm.q.), reported by Brian Copeland.

Prince Albert - early use in the 2nd usage period on -/DE21/98 on a 3c Numeral, from Bruce K.

Nanaimo II - late use of PM on OC30/98; late use of AM in 00 on MR30 and MY 2; abnormal 2 above date on JU11/00; abnormal AM on AP22/03 (all from Brian C.).

Vancouver - the 4th Edition mentions blank indicia above the date, but no examples are included in the archive prepared by Dr.Moffatt. Dave Eisenhauer has provided a -/DE11/93 specimen on a pair of 3 cents. Will readers holding other examples of blank indicia please report to the editor.

Victoria III - inverted PM time mark on OC18/97 on a 3c postal stationery entire, provided by new member Dave Eisenhauer

ORAPEX

We anticipate there will be the usual meeting of the study group at ORAPEX on Sunday May 6, time to be determined later.

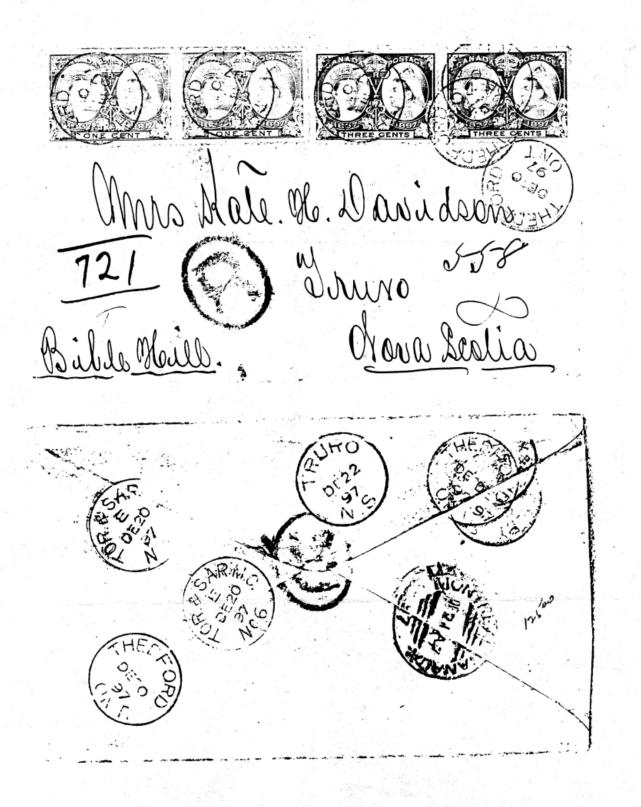
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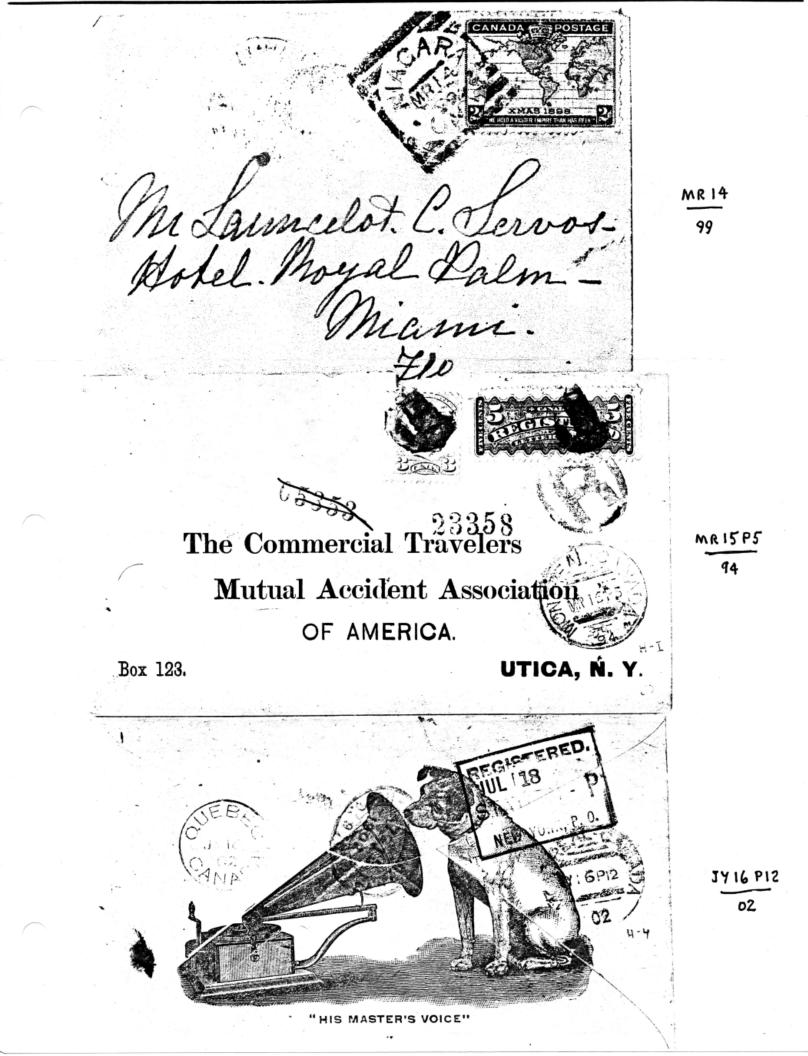
Jim Miller continues the discussion of the Winnipeg hammers with Article No. 26, attached

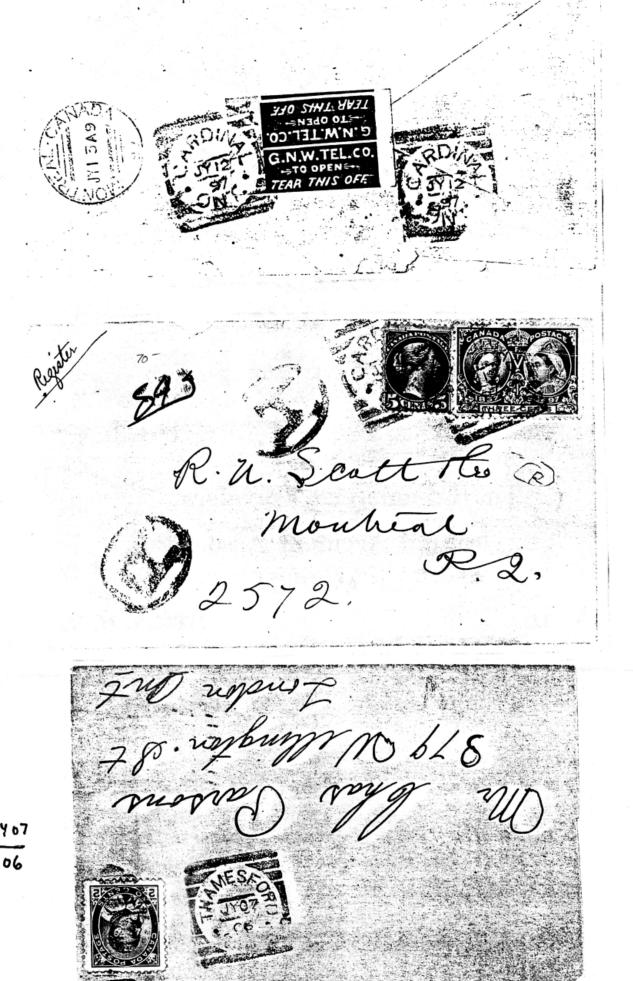
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Wd / OC 18 /97

3-W8	WINNIPEG / · CANADA ·			Reported:	Jim's:
Proof:	20/NO 2/25	1st Period:	ERD: LRD:	-/FE 10/27 -/FE 26/35	-/FE 10/27 -/FE 26/35
		2nd Period:	ERD: LRD:	AM/1 JUL/42 -/28 IV/67	AM/1 JUL/42 -/28 IV/67

Characteristics:

3 rings.

Outside ring diameter: 30 mm. Inner ring diameter: 24.5 mm. Even size, even spaced rings. Square dots, although at times may appear round.

Timemarks:

Blank, AM, 8, 9, 10, 13 to 16, 18, 20, 21

Reported Years of Use:

27, 28, 32, 33, 34, 35, 42, 46, 48, 49, 51-59, 61-67

Errors:

18/VI 26/58 with day & month inverted.

Comments:

Proof book shows two identical strikes. Research needs to be done on later usage to compare rim breaks, etc. to determine if two separate hammers exist or not. Later dates show considerable ring wear.
Very common Reg'd. commercial usage 1927-1935; except -/DE 10/28 & AM/MR 31/32 on FFC's AAMC #2853 & #3209. Note 3-W8 & 3-W10 are both

found on FFC AAMC #3209, I have one cover with both hammers!

1942-1967 usage is all philatelic & very common, mostly FDC's. All blank TM in 1st period except AM/MR 31/32. Blank, AM, and numbers are common to second period.

MO DAY/YR normal to -/FE 26/35; DAY MO/YR normal AM/1 JUL/42 to end, except AM/OC 1/48, 8/JAN 13/62, -/JUN 30/66, -/JAN 11/67.

Spelled months to 16/28 FE/55; Roman numeral months 14/9 X/56 to 16/28 IV/65 except 8/JAN 13/62 and 18/13 JUN/62; spelled dates 16/21 JUL/65 to end except LRD of -/28 IV/67.

