

NEW REPORTS AND UPDATES

Mount Forest, ONT: First reported strike on 8 Cent Jubilee; unclear 1899 date.

Canso, NS: First reported strike on 20 Cent Willow Weed (below, left); dated AM SP 28/97

Sydney, NS Hmr I: Second reported example of the 2nd latest reported date; -/DE 15/99 on 2 Cent Red Numeral.

Angus, ONT: First reported strike on 1 Cent Small Queen; strike dated -/DE 7/94 (below, middle)

Blue Vale, ONT: First reported strike on 3 Cent Envelope (below right); strike dated -/OC 17/94



Gravenhurst, ONT: New Earliest Reported Date, AM/SP 18/93 (below, left).

Lindsay, ONT: David Robinson sent the following reports for Lindsay:

- Second report of Blank TM slot in AM/PM period; strike dated -/MY 29/94
- First report of AM TM in Blank TM period; dated AM/JY 31/94 (bottom row, middle)

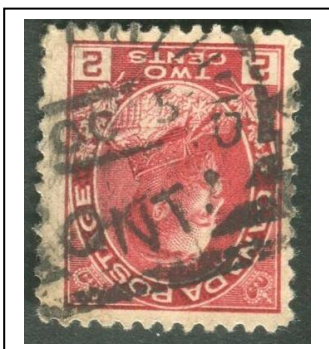
Merrickville, ONT: An additional example of a zero spacer in the day date; strike on a 3 Cent envelope is dated -/JU 03/96 (below right); Handbook lists a zero spacer for the next day,



NEW REPORTS AND UPDATES (Continued)

Port Arthur, ONT: Indicia error, no year indicia on 2 Cent Admiral issue; strike dated -/OC 5/- (below left). Also, first reported strike on 6 Cent QV Numeral; dated -/OC 11/98 (below center)

Schreiber, ONT State II: Partial strike on 1 Cent Edward stamp with what appears to be "21" in the time marks slot; unreported TM indicia. (Below, right)



Weston, ONT: A new earliest reported date; -/AU 26/93 on a 3 Cent Small Queen stamp (below, left)

Regina, ASSA: First reported strike on 7 Cent Edward; strike dated -/JY 29/05 (Latest Date)



Nanaimo, B.C. State 2: First reported strike on 7 Cent Edward; strike dated AM/DE 14/10 (Above, center). Also, an additional report of a late date, strike on QE Wilding stamp on piece; dated 14/JUL 3/56 (above right)

SAD NEWS

Don Fraser of Winnipeg passed away on March 2, 2020 at age 83. Don was an original member of the Squared Circle Study Group (September 1976). Don's collecting interests included Manitoba postal history/squared circles and the postal history of the Red River Settlement. Don received the Order of the Beaver's Lifetime Achievement Award in 2018, in recognition of the six books he authored on British North America philately.

QUEBEC NEW REPORTS/ HANDBOOK UPDATES – PART TWO

This Part Two update, provided by Study Group member Laurent Belisle, include reports for Melbourne through St. Hyacinthe. The balance of the reports will be included in the next Annex.

Magog: First reported strike on 5c QV Leaf registered cover; -/JU 5/98 (below left)



Melbourne: First reported strike on 1c Letter Card; -/AU25/99 (backstamp)
First reported strike on 2/3c Letter Card; -/J(Y1?)/(99) (above, right)
Third reported strike in 1903; -/AU14/03
First reported strike on 2cr QV Numeral; -/AU14/03 (backstamp on cover)
First reported strike on 7c QV Numeral; -/MY 4/04 (backstamp on cover)
Additional borrowed indicia on 1c Admiral cover -/JUN 3/13



Montreal Hmr I;

Indicia “7” known from 7/MY24/99 to 7/MR 6/00

Cover dated 7/DE27/99 (left) showing damage to top and bottom bars partially hollowed out; looks a little like QUE&CAMP M.C. LOCAL No 20 state 2) and on right side (not printing properly 1mm from side; looks like ST-HYACINTHE damage). Earliest sign of this damage on 6/JU11/97.

Quebec: First reported strike on a 1c Jubilee postcard; 1/SP20/97
First reported strike on a 2c Government Envelope; 1/AP 4/98

Riviere Du Loup Station:

Additional -/DDMM/YY indicia arrangement: -/9 MR/98 on 1c Gov't postcard
First reported strike on 2cp QV Numeral envelope; -/5 AU/99 free strike
Inverted month “JU” indicia error; strike dated -/JU 8/00 on 2cr QV Numeral cover

St. Cunegonde: First reported strike on 5c SQ, on cover with 3c SQ; PM/DE11/97

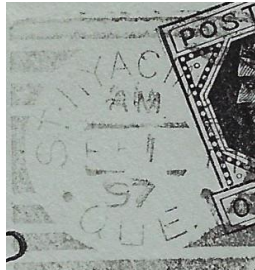
St. Hyacinthe: Matched pairs on: MR22/95, SP10/95, NO2/95, FE 1/97, SP6/97.
First reported strike on 1c Letter Card: AM/FE 1/97
First reported strike on 2c Letter Card: AM/AP29/96
6th Edition Handbook should list strikes found on 1c Jubilee postcard;

ST. HYACINTHE HAMMER DAMAGE/BREAKS (Laurent Belisle)

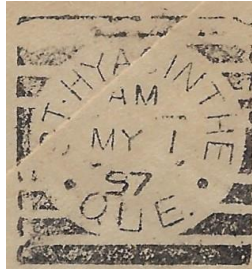
The following descriptions of the changes on the face of the St. Hyacinthe hammer are based upon cancels in my personal collection. Five breaks in the hammer can be identified. (Note only the first two described breaks below are mentioned in the handbooks).

- Break 1: Top right corner: Not printing.
- Break 2: Left side not fully printing, 1 mm from side, appears as vertical white line
- Break 3: Top bar: Hollowed, resembling QUE.&CAMP.M.C. LOCAL/No. 20 STATE 2.
- Break 4: Lower bar: Hollowed, less pronounced than top bar.
- Break 5: Right side not fully printing, 1 mm from side, appears as vertical white line

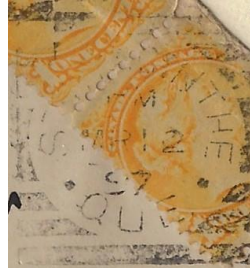
The inking of the hammer influences the appearance of the breaks, suggesting that they were not very deep; making it difficult to establish a precise timeline. Additional examples of strikes exhibiting one or more of the break characteristics are presented below.



AM/FE 1/97
Break 3



AM/MY 1/97
Breaks 2, 3 and 4

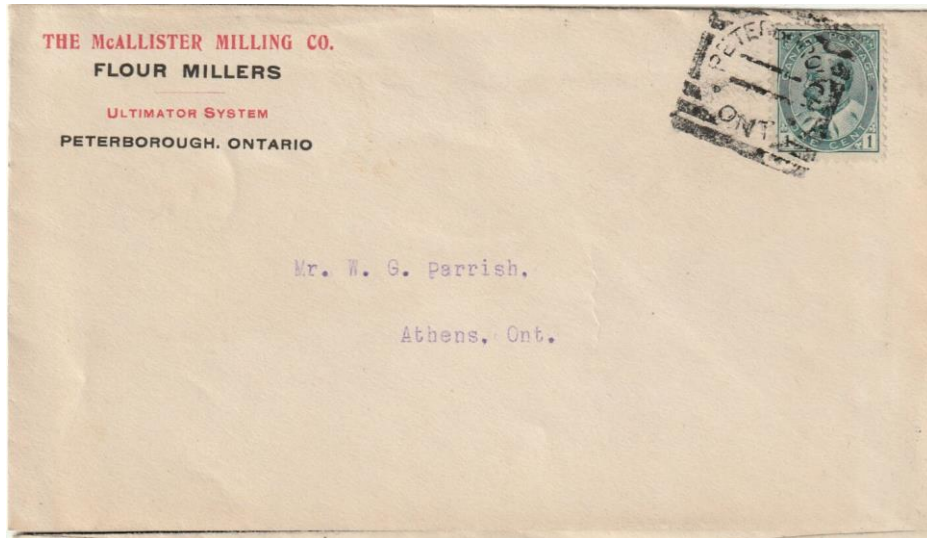


PM/MR 12/97
Breaks 2, 3 and 4



PM/SP 28 /97
Breaks 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

PETERBOROUGH, ONTARIO NUDE COVER



This cover has circular date backstamps dated AP 1/06 (Brockville, ONT) and AP 2/06 (Athens, ONT. receiving cancel). The Brockville transit strike is 3 days later than the Earliest Reported Date of Peterborough nude strikes.