# THE ROUNDUP ANNEX squared circle study group newsletter

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#### AN EXTRAORDINARY 1880 OTTAWA PRECURSOR COVER

The Maresch CAPEX22 auction featured the Fred Fawn Large Queen collection, including this cover with seven (7) strikes of the 1880 Squared Circle precursor. The cover, addressed to Wellington, New Zealand is franked with a strip of four and a pair of 15 Cent Large Queens, paying 6 times the 15cent letter rate to New Zealand. Posted at Ottawa on March 1, 1881, the cover has backstamps of Windsor, Ontario, dated AM/MR 3/81, San Francisco, CA dated March 10, 1881 and a Wellington, New Zealand receiver dated April 81. The cover brought \$3,750 CDN at the auction.



### A UNIQUE QUEBEC TERCENTENNARY COVER FROM BRANTFORD, ONTARIO



Colin Banfield sent a scan of the cover to the left that he recently acquired. As you may be aware, Colin collects squared circles on Quebec Tercentenary issues and entered a one frame exhibit at CAPEX in June.

An amazing cover to the United States bearing eleven (11) half cent, one 1c and one 2c Quebec Tercentenary stamps, for a total paid postage of 8-1/2 cents, this being one-half cent underpaid for 2-ounce letter (4 cents) and registration (5 cents). All stamps are cancelled with the Brantford squared circle, dated 3/OC 2/08.

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## **GODERICH, ONTARIO UPDATE**

David Robinson, a frequent contributor of new reports, sent an email noting a number of new reports for the Goderich squared circle. In the process of moving some of his collection of covers from box to album storage, he noted the following updates.

- First report of a strike on a Letter Card; strike on a 3-cent card is partially dated -/AP 16/?
- First report of a strike on a 1 cent Government envelope; strike is dated -/AP 16/95





- First report of a strike on a 2 cent Edward stamp/cover; strike is dated -/MR 13/05. David noted he has two additional 2 cent Edward franked postcards with Goderich squared circle strikes, both as receivers.
- An additional October 1902 strike with the inverted OC indicia, -/OC 5/02. As noted in the handbook, the inverted month indicia was likely occurring for the entire month.
- The cover below has three strikes of the Goderich squared circle, each with a different date! The cover was mailed from Goderich on June 28, 1895 to the Delaware County National Bank, Delaware Ohio. It was apparently misdirected to Baltimore, Maryland (transit postmarks dated June 30<sup>th</sup>, July 1<sup>st</sup>) and was "RETURNED FOR DIRECTION" to Goderich; the Goderich squared circle receiver/backstamp is dated -/JY 3/95. The cover was resent to the Delaware, Ohio destination, as evidenced a third Goderich squared circle strike, dated -/JY 4/95 on the cover front and, finally, arrived at its destination; the Delaware, Ohio receiver on the back is dated July 6, 1895.





## MOUNT BRYDGES and PORT ARTHUR: PERIODS OF USE UPDATES

David Robinson also provided a previously unreported year of use for the **Mount Brydges** hammer; two 1907 dates (-/MY 6/07 and -/AU 7/07) and an additional 1905 date (-/OC 5/05). With these strikes, current Handbook Periods 2 and 3 will be combined into a single Period of Use in the next Handbook update. For **Port Arthur**, David reported five additional 1907 dates. Looking at the current Handbook, a case can be made to collapse Periods 2 and 3 into a single Period of Use.

## NEW REPORTS AND UPDATES: TYPE ONE, NOVA SCOTIA and NEW BRUNSWICK



**Grimsby, ONT:** An additional blank time mark date during the AM/PM time mark period; strike on a 5 Cent QV Leaf stamp dated -/JY 17/98.

**Annapolis, NS**: First reported strike on a 2/3 QV Numeral issue; strike on piece dated -/AU 31/99. (Right)



Fredericton, NB: First reported strike on a 2 Cent Jubilee issue; strike on stamp dated -/FE 12/98. (Above, left)

# **QUEBEC**

**Farnham, QUE:** An additional example of a nude strike; on a 1 Cent Arch postal stationery card; a typed date on the back of the card is SEP 14/31. (Right)

**Iberville, QUE**: An additional 1905 date, -/JUN 15/05 dispatch postmark on a 1 Cent Edward postcard.

Laurentides, QUE: New Latest Reported Date for Period 1; strike on 2 Cent Numeral (red) dated -/NO 3/02.



Laurentides, QUE: First reported strike on 5 Cent Edward; dispatch strike on cover to Italy; dated -/SP 29/08.

**Riviere Du Loup Station, QUE**: Strike on 3 Cent Letter Card, dated -/FE 14/95. 6<sup>th</sup> Edition Handbook reports a strike on a Letter Card but does not indicate denomination or strike date.

# <u>ONTARIO</u>

**Burford, ONT:** First reported strike on a 2 Cent Small Queen issue; strike on uprated 3 Cent envelope to England dated -/ JY 18/94. (Below, left)

Harriston, ONT: First reported strike on a 3 Cent Gov't envelope; strikes are dated -/MY 4/94 (Below, right)





Lakefield, ONT: First reported strike on a 2/3 Cent QV Leaf overprint; strike on stramp dated 1/AU 19/99.

Powassan, ONT: New Earliest Reported Date: backstamp receiver on cover, light strike dated -/MY 9/95.

#### **NEW REPORTS AND UPDATES: ONTARIO (continued)**

Powassan, ONT: First reported strike on a Jubilee postcard; backstamp strike is dated -/JA 7/98

Shakespeare, ONT: First reported strike on a Jubilee postcard; strike is dated -/AP 17/97 (Below, left)

Thamesford, ONT: Additional example of a "0" spacer in the day indicia; strike dated -/AP 04/04 (Below, right)



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**Toronto – Strachan Avenue:** First reported strike on a 1 Cent QV Numeral issue; strike on stamp is dated AM/JY 7/98.

Watford, ONT: The first reported strike on an 8 Cent QV Numeral issue; strike on stamp dated -/NO 19/98. (Right)

Williamston, ONT: First reported strike on an 8 Cent Jubilee issue; strike on stamp dated -/JU 28/97. (Far right)

**Winona, ONT**: New Latest Reported Date; strike on 2 Cent QV Numeral (red) is dated -/AU 9/01.





## MANITOBA and ASSINIBOIA



**Deloraine, MAN:** First reported strike on a Jubilee postcard; strike is dated -/OC 11/97 (Left)

**Neepawa, MAN:** First reported strike on a Letter Card; light strike on a rough 2 Cent Letter Card partially dated -/AP ?/94. Backstamp Toronto receiver is dated AP 26/94.

**Regina, ASSA**: First reported strike on a 2 Cent Jubilee; strike on stamp dated 2/JY 16/?.

# A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION - 8 CENT SMALL QUEEN STRIKES ON COVER

Rick Friesen, at the request of a fellow study group member, is embarking on a project to compile a census of squared circle postmarks on **8 Cent Small Queen covers**, similar to the census Rick developed for the 1898 Map stamp. Rick requests that scans of covers, both front and back, be sent to him at the email address on the front page of this ANNEX. Rick notes that scans received will be kept anonymous in the published listing.