

YARMOUTH, NOVA SCOTIA HAMMER 2 DUAL FRANKING COVER TO ENGLAND

The cover below, with the 5 cent United States postage and 1 cent Small Queen issues, was offered in Eastern Auction's April 2025 auction. The cover, listed as Lot 629, sold for \$950.

The lot description, as it appeared in the catalog (with editing) is included below.

Yarmouth Ferry Cover to England, Via Boston. 1895 cover via Yarmouth Ferry to Boston and then by ship to Liverpool, bearing pair and single 1c Small Queen, tied by Yarmouth OC 30 95; US 5c brown applied in Yarmouth and cancelled in Boston, sent by ship to catch an earlier trans-Atlantic sailing, paid the 5c UPU rate... Postmarked on arrival with neat Liverpool US Packet 9 NO 95 CDS in red.



NEW REPORTS FROM THE WILLIAM RADCLIFFE COLLECTION

The following reports for QV Numeral and Leaf issues, and envelopes/post cards/letter cards, are from Bill Radcliffe's collection

QV Leaf and Numeral Issues

Gravenhurst, ONT: First reported strike on **8 cent QV Leaf** stamp; strike dated PM/JY 30/98

Kingston, ONT Hmr 2: First reported strike on **8 cent QV Leaf**; partial strike dated 4/NO ?/?.



Stouffville, ONT: First reported strike on **8 cent QV Leaf** issue; strike dated */AU 8/99 (Left)

Tilsonburg, ONT: First reported strike on **8 cent QV Leaf** issue; strike on stamp dated AM/OC 31/98.

Wellington, ONT: First reported strike on **8 cent QV Leaf** issue; strike on stamp dated 98/NO 22/-

Flesherton, ONT: First reported strike on **10 cent QV Leaf** issue; strike dated -/AP 9/98

Truro, NS: First reported strike on an 8 cent QV Numeral issue; strike on cover dated PM/DE 15/99

NEW REPORTS FROM THE WILLIAM RADCLIFFE COLLECTION (Continued)

1, 2 and 3 cent Letter Cards

London, ONT: First reported strike on **1 cent Letter Card (uprated)**; dated AM/DE 16/95 (Below. left)

Sarnia, ONT: First reported strike on **1 cent Letter Card**; strike dated PM/AP 8/99

St. Thomas, ONT: First reported strike on **1 cent Letter Card (uprated)**; strike dated AM/FE 27/97

Antigonishe, NS: First reported strike on **2 cent Letter Card**; strike dated -/DE 25/97



Halifax, NS, Hmr 1: First reported strike on **2 cent Letter Card**; strike dated 1/MY 20/96

Rodney, ONT: First reported strike on **3 cent Letter Card (uprated)**; strike dated -/OC 3/96 (Above, right)

Toronto, Canada: First reported strike on **3 cent Letter Card**; strike dated 7PM/JY 9/97

Victoria, BC, Hmr 1: First reported strike on **3 cent Letter Card (uprated)**; strike dated PM/DE 27/94

1 cent Wrapper

Kincardine, ONT: First reported strike dated -/NO 24/94

Milton West, ONT: First reported strike dated PM/MR 8/98

2 Cent Registered Letter Stamp

Paisley, ONT: First reported strike on this issue; on cover with 3 cent Small Queen dated -/AP 14/96 (Right)



1 cent and 3 cent Postal Stationery (Envelopes)



St. John, NB, Hmr 2: First reported strike on **1 cent Envelope (uprated)**; strike dated 1/SP 25/97 (Left)

Brockville, ONT: First reported strike on **3 cent Envelope (uprated)**; strike dated PM/MR 3/97

Baie Verte, NB: First reported strike on a **3 cent Envelope**; strike dated -/AP 26/95

Summerside, PEI: First reported strike on a **3 cent Envelope**; strike dated -/JY 13/96

Ingersoll, ONT: First reported strike on an uprated **3 cent Envelope (uprated)**; strike dated PM/MR 22/97

NEW REPORTS FROM THE WILLIAM RADCLIFFE COLLECTION (Continued)

1 cent and 3 cent Postal Stationery (Envelopes) (Continued)

Iroquois, ONT: First reported strike on a **3 cent Envelope**; strike dated -/AP 19/93

Sutton West, ONT: First reported strike on a **3 cent Envelope**; strike dated -/JA 20/97



Tilsonburg, ONT: First reported strike on a **3 cent Envelope**; strike dated AM/NO 3/96

Whitby, ONT: First reported strike on a **3 cent Envelope**; strike dated AM/NO 3/96 (Above, left)

Winnipeg, MAN, Hmr 2: First reported strike on **3 cent Envelope (uprated)**; strike dated PM/MR 22/97

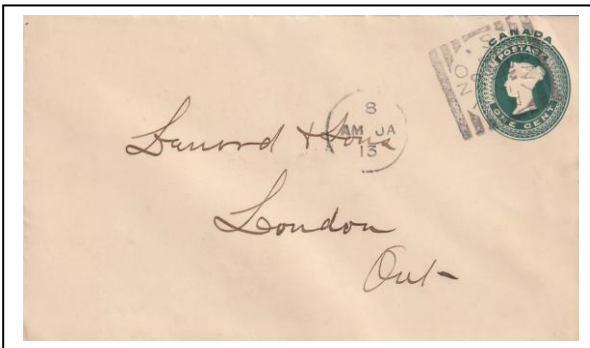
Kamloops, BC: First reported strike on a **3 cent Envelope**; strike dated -/FE 9/95 (Above, right)

NEW REPORTS AND UPDATES – NOVA SCOTIA and ONTARIO

Stellarton, NS: First reported strike on an 8c QV Numeral issue; strike dated -/DE 13/98 (Lot 2254 of Jim Hennok/Matthew Bennett December 2005 auction)

Arnprior, ONT: First reported strike on a 2 cent Gov't envelope; strike on cutout dated -/FE 6/02

Arnprior, ONT: Zero spacer in day indicia; strike on 2c Edward dated -/OC 06/01 (right)



Lindsay, ONT: Additional report of a "3" time mark; strike on 1 cent Gov't postcard dated 3/MR 22/97

Marmora, ONT: First reported strike on a 1 cent Gov't envelope; strike on cutout dated PM/AP 22/97

Sarnia, ONT: First reported strike on a 1 cent Gov't envelope; strike dated -/JA 12/00 (Left)

Tara, ONT: First reported strike on a Jubilee postcard; strike dated -/AU 9/97

NEW REPORTS AND UPDATES – ALBERTA

Edmonton, ALTA: First reported strike on a Jubilee postcard: backstamp receiver dated -/SP 27/97.

Edmonton, ALTA: First reported strike on a 50c Widow Weed; strike date not discernable.

Innifail, ALTA: An additional **Earliest Reported Date** example; strike on pair 3c SQ's dated -/DE 31/95.(Right)



NEW REPORTS AND UPDATES – ASSINIBOIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA and RPO's

Grenfell, ASSA: First reported strike on a 1 cent Gov't envelope; strike on piece dated -/MY 2/95.(Below, right)

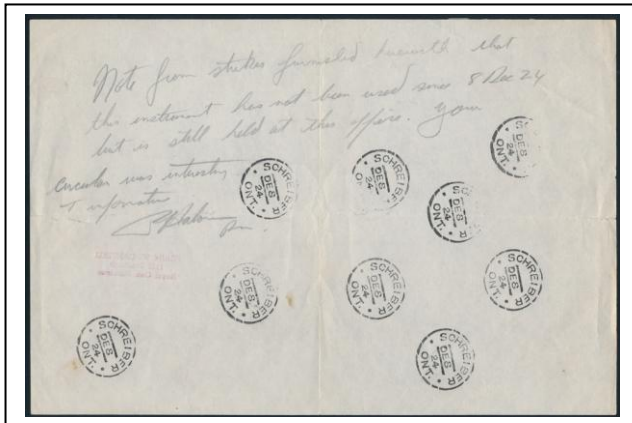
Nanaimo, BC, State 2: First report on 1951 7c Stamp Centenary issue; strike dated 7/MR 29/52.

Nanaimo, BC, State 2: First reported strike on the 1949 Halifax Centenary issue; strike dated 7/AP 5/52 (Below, left)

Souris & Winnipeg, MC, NO. 2: Indicia error; missing direction in time mark slot; strike dated -/OC 23/08 (Below, center)



THE STORY BEHIND THE SCHREIBER ONT STATE 2 FAVOUR STRIKES



This sheet of favour strikes of the Schreiber State 2 squared circle hammer was offered in Sparks Auction's February 2017 sale of Ted Kerzner's collection.

The provenance of this piece includes Frank Campbell, Graham Noble and Ted Kerzner.

The handwritten notation on the piece by Schreiber Postmaster Peter Halonen reads:

"Note from strikes forwarded herewith that the instrument has not been used since 8 Dec 26 but is still held at this office. Your circular was interesting and informative"

A note accompanying the auction lot provides insight into how Frank Campbell acquired the favour strikes.

"According to (Graham) Noble, Campbell told him that many collectors (once squared circles became popularized) wrote for favour strikes once it was learned that the hammer was still in the post office.

The postmaster ignored these requests. Campbell, cleverly, sent the postmaster a note about the history of this post office. The postmaster apparently appreciated this and reciprocated with this piece.

The hammer was never returned to the Post Office, and is believed to have been lost in the fire which destroyed the old Schreiber post office."