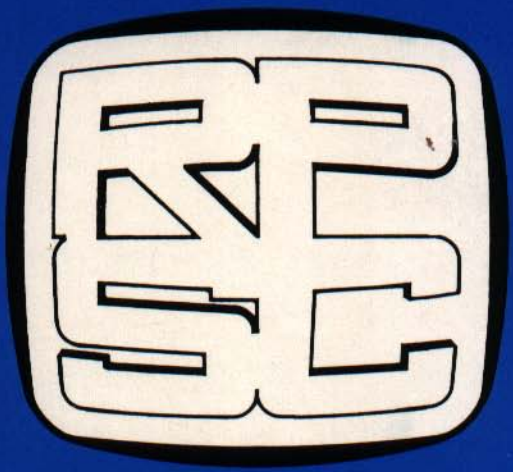
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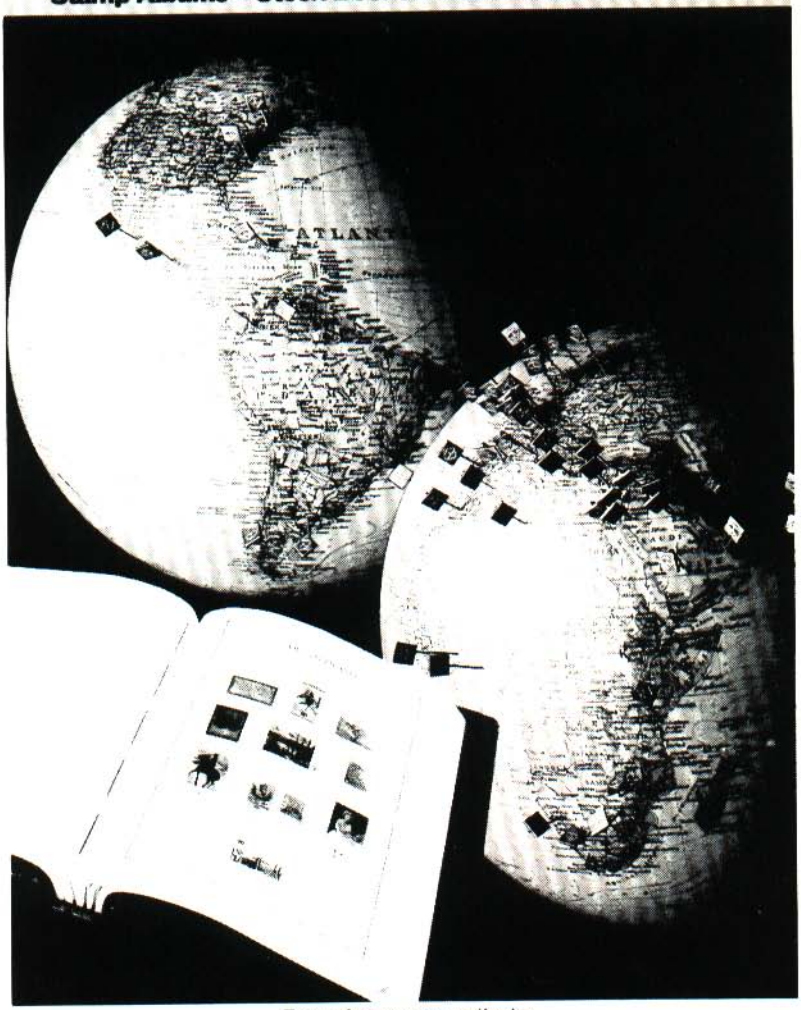
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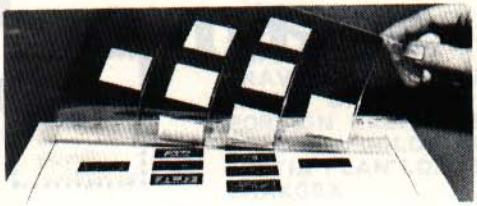


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In the meanwhile, if you experience delays in the future, complain to your local postmaster. You could also complain to the District Manager and Regional Manager if necessary.

CORRECTION

In letters to the Editor, Jan.-Feb. 1981 issue, page 12, the writer of the first letter was Gordon Hird, Director, Credit Valley Philatelic Society, not Gordon Hind.

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We would also be interested in knowing how many of you would like to have your copies of the C.P. bound at the end of each year for the cost of the binding and return postage. Binding costs would depend, in part, on the number of copies being bound at one time.

So, before we pursue this matter further, we would like some idea of the number of members who would avail themselves of such a service, i.e., you would supply the loose issues of the C.P. and payment for the service; we would arrange for them to be bound and returned to you.

Let us know soon. pmm

GEORGE S. WEGG IS RETIRING

On March 31st., George Wegg is retiring from the presidency of George S. Wegg Ltd. The management of the firm will be taken over by E. H. (Ted) Wright, who has been with the firm for many years.

George Wegg's retirement might be better described as a semi-retirement as he has plans to operate as a philatelic consultant, auction agent and will personally represent Robson Lowe Ltd., in Canada, after leaving the full time business.

CANADA 82

International Philatelic Youth Exhibition, Toronto, May 20 - 24, 1982. See the Society Reports pages for details.

INFORMATION WANTED

One of my spare time (Ha!) pleasures is the reading of old philatelic journals to learn more about the society and its antecedents as well as to learn how stamp collecting was viewed and handled in the past. Even the advertisements provide much useful information, particularly on the latter subject. Sometimes they contain announcements of offers which are intriguing. Take for example the following items which appeared in the ad of L. M. Staebler, 185 1/2 Dundas St., London, Ont., in The Canadian Journal of Philately, vol. 1, no. 1, June 1893.

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Sir:

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James S. Featherstone,
California.

Canadian Painters in Philately

Sir:

I have enjoyed Mr. Briginshaw's articles to date and trust that he will continue to explore this aspect of Canadian stamp design. That word design, however, creates a problem. How do you draw the line between artist and designer? Or, for that matter, between art works already in existence and used for a stamp and, art work created specifically for a stamp?

In any event, Mr. Briginshaw still has a goodly number of recognized Canadian artists on our stamps to examine. I might suggest Robert Bateman, Michael Dumas of the wildlife series, Alan Collier and Ron Bolt of the National Parks stamps, Rosemary Kilbourn and Monique Charbonneau of the Grove/Nelligan stamps, R. Tait McKenzie, the sculptor of the figures on the two Olympic stamps, plus Will Davies, the resource stamps, and Tom Bjarnason who did the street scenes.

I have a suspicion that this could become something of a specialty.

P. J. Savage,
Calgary, Alberta.

Dispute proof listing only.

Sir:

I wish to register the inaccuracy of the statement Mr. MacRae wrote in a letter to the Editor in the November-December 1980 issue. He states that the listing of New Brunswick Way Office Post Marks "ended with Confederation and only included those that were proofed at the G.P.O. in London". This is an untrue statement.

All post marks in the Jephcott, Greene and Young New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Postal History work were traced from original letters observed in both private and public hands. The **only** post marks that were included but not seen personally by the author were a small selection that were proofed in the post mark recording book of the General Post Office in London. Where a listing was taken from these records but not actually observed, an asterisk was put immediately after the date that the said post mark was proofed.

Since there was always the possibility that the said post mark might eventually be found, a listing of it was felt to be justified. In fact, since the book was published some of the unrecorded, but proofed post marks have been found by collectors.

John H. M. Young,
Toronto, Ontario.

Specialized Catalogue

Dear Sir:

I was recently asked to co-ordinate the compilation of a new, specialized Canadian stamp catalogue. Having agreed to do so, I have contacted various philatelists soliciting their aid for this new work. While a number of specialists have agreed to contribute, we would appreciate further contributions from specialists in the following areas of Canadian philately:

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Specialists in the above areas, or specialists in any other area of Canadian philately, who are willing to contribute to this new catalogue are urged to contact me for further information.

Michael Milos,
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Sir:

As the old saying goes, better late than never. For several months I have been waiting for a comment on a statement that was made in The Canadian Philatelist, No. 3, May-June 1980. Under "Postmarked Ottawa" is a short write-up on the "astonishing crash of British stamps".

The writer mentions that it was never clear to him why such a stamp as the postal Union Congress with millions issued got up to £2000. Nor do I for that part. But assuming that he means the PUC Pound, there were never "millions" issued, only 65,000 of them.

For a widely collected country like Great Britain, this is a small printing. Many did get used commercially and in most cases damaged. This brings this stamp into the class of the Canadian Jubilees. After all, our country is not as widely collected as Great Britain and the topical aspect of the PUC £1 stamp should not be overlooked.

A. Bornmann,
Vancouver, B.C.

Information Wanted

Sir:

I am seeking further information on the "One Dollar Vancouver issue of 1972-1979". I have read the article "A study of Varieties" by Jim Watt in Vol. 31, No. 1 (Mar.-Apr. 1980) as well as a few other articles that have appeared in other publications.

What I am trying to ascertain is whether or not there is yet another issue of this stamp that has not been accounted for. All the catalogues that I have consulted list Sc. 600 and SC.600a (shaft error), Sc.599 and Sc.599a, Pl.2 redrawn. The perforations of Sc.599 are given as 12½ x 12 and those of Sc.599a as 13 x 13.

I have never been able to locate any stamps perfed 13 x 13 at any time. I do have several copies of the "One Dollar Vancouver" with perf 13½ x 13½, all of which are General Tagged.

Some collectors and dealers that I have consulted about this have even gone so far as to suggest that temperature and humidity may mislead me in my measurements and that I should double check. I have measured my copies several times, at different times of the year, and under different atmospheric conditions and the results have been the same.

When I have checked my measurements of other stamps in my collection they are accurate according to all the catalogue listings that I have. I might add that I have gone so far as to use different perforation gauges and I still come up with perf 13½ x 13½, without any doubt.

Perhaps some of the Society's members will be able to help me out, in sorting out whether or not this is indeed another issue of this particular stamp.

John T. Smith,
R. R. 1,
Elie, Manitoba R0H 0H0

ED: Your observations are interesting and point out the need for a catalogue with accurate listings of perforation varieties, among others. Measurements of my copies of the $1 Vancouver, using an Instanta Gauge, revealed no 13½ x 13½ stamps of plate 2. No. 599 were 12.4 x 11.9 (cat. gives 12½ x 12); No. 599a were 13.25 (cat. 13). I suspect that the catalogue figure of 13 was taken from the Canada Post brochure announcing the stamp because, as you probably are aware, the CP brochures now give only the approximate perforation gauge. Could your 13½ x 13½ copies have been 13.3 x 13.3?

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Sir:

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MARCH 13 - 15 — ROCPEX '81, annual exhibition and bourse of the Rochester Philatelic Association in the American of Rochester Hotel, 70 State St., Rochester, N.Y. Information from: ROPEX '81, P.O. Box 3806, Brighton Station, Rochester, NY 14610, U.S.A.

MARCH 14 — OAKPEX '81, 8th Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the Oakville Stamp Club, at Trafalgar Hall, Trafalgar Rd. at Hwy. 5. 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. Admission Free. Information from: Chairmen, P.O. Box 524, Oakville, Ontario, L6J 5B4.

MARCH 14 — Annual exhibition and bourse of the Ridge Stamp Club at the Lakeland Mall, Lakeland, Florida. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Ample parking. Winter visitors to Florida cordially invited.

MARCH 20 - 29 — LURABA 1981, 1st International Aero- and Astrophilatelic Exhibition, under FIP sponsorship, at the Musée des Transport, Lucerne, Switzerland. Commissioner General of Luraba 1981, Max H. Wehrli, 91 Kichbergstrasse, 8038, Zurich, Switzerland.

MARCH 28 — OXPEX '81, 31st Annual Stamp Exhibition and Bourse and the 1st All Topical Exhibition and Bourse of the Oxford Philatelic Society, ATA Chap. 58, Gymtoria 1 and 2, College Avenue Secondary School, Woodstock, Ontario. Auction, draws, admission and parking free. Information on OXPEX '81 from Mr. Wm. Koleszar, 11 East Park Drive, Woodstock, Ont., N4S 3M9; Topical Exhibition from Art Williams, Embro, Ont., N0J 1J0.

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MARCH 28 - 29 — North Toronto Stamp Club's 38th Annual Exhibition and Bourse at the North Toronto Memorial Gardens, 180 Eglinton Ave., W., Toronto. Free admission and parking. Sat: 10 a.m. - 9 p.m., Sun: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Information from Dave Smale, 39 Richview Road, Apt. 505, Islington, Ont., M9A 4M7.

APRIL 4 — KAPEX '81, 25th Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the Kawartha Philatelic Society, Holiday Inn, Peterborough, Ont. Information from the Chairman: Robert Bowley, 374 Hunter St., W., Peterborough, Ont., K9H 2M5.

APRIL 4-5 — SPRING SHOW '81, Annual Exhibition and show of the Edmonton Stamp Club at the Executive Inn, 105 Street. Information from Keith R. Spencer, P.O. Box 399, Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 2J6.

APRIL 4 — LONPEX 89, Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the London Philatelic Society in the Great Hall, St. Paul's Cathedral, Richmond St. at Queen's Ave., London, Ontario. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Admission free.

APRIL 4 - 5 — STAMP DAYS 1981, exhibition, bourse, auction, seminars and awards banquet of the Edmonton Stamp Club at the Executive House Inn, 10155 - 105th Street, Edmonton. Raffle, souvenir cover, special cancellation, postal administrations. Information and prospectus from Show Chairman, Keith R. Spencer, P.O. Box 399, Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 2J6.

APRIL 10 - 11 — ANNUAL EXHIBITION, Bourse and Auctions of the Nova Scotia Stamp Club at the Lord Nelson Hotel, Halifax. Fri. noon - 11 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Admission: Adults $1, Children Free.

APRIL 11 — 20th Annual Exhibition and bourse of the Barrie District Stamp Club, at St. George's Anglican Hall (Allandale), Granville St., at Burton Ave. (Hwy. 11). 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

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APRIL 10 - 12 — Lakeshore Stamp Club's 18th Annual Exhibition and bourse in the Fairview Shopping Centre Auditorium, Exit 52 North off Trans Canada Highway, Pointe Claire, Québec. Admission free. Fri: noon - 9:00 p.m.; Sat: 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sun: 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Chairman: David Nickson, P.O. Box 1, Pointe Claire, Québec, H9R 4N5.

APRIL 18 — 2nd Annual Sudbury Stamp Show and Bourse of the Sudbury Stamp Society at the Civic Square, Sudbury, Ont. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Information from Dan McInnis, P.O. Box 2063, Station A, Sudbury, Ont. P3A 4R8.

APRIL 18 - 19 — 2nd Annual Stamp Exhibition and Bourse of Regina Philatelic Club, Qu'appelle Room, Hotel Saskatchewan, Victoria Ave. and Scarth St., Regina. Sat. 10 a.m. - 10 p.m., Sun: noon - 6 p.m. Information from Regina Philatelic Society, P.O. Box 1891, Regina, Sask., S4P 3E1.

APRIL 24 - 26 — SCOPEX '81, Annual Exhibition, bourse, auction and dinner of the Mount Nittany Philatelic Society at the Sheraton Penn State Inn, State College, Pennsylvania. Also APS 24th Annual Spring Meeting, Mid-Atlantic Region meeting of BNAPS and annual meeting of the Keystone Federation of Stamp Clubs. Information and prospectus from: SCOPEX '81, P.O. Box 902, State College, PA 16801, U.S.A.

APRIL 25 - 26 — Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the West Suburban Stamp Club at Plymouth Central Middle School, Plymouth, Michigan. Prospectus and information from WSSC, P.O. Box 643, Plymouth, MI 48170, U.S.A.

MAY 2 - 3 — 33rd Annual Exhibition of the Lakehead Stamp Club, at the National Exhibition Centre, Confederation College Complex, Thunder Bay, Ont. Information from Mr. R. Bennett, Sec. Treas., 425 Walsh St., W., Thunder Bay, Ont., P7E 4W9.

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MAY 8 - 9 — CATHEX 81, Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the St. Catharines Stamp Club at Fairview Mall, Geneva St., St. Catharines, Ont. Fri: noon - 9 p.m., Sat: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Free admission. Information from Roy Houtby, P.O. Box 2145, Station B, St. Catharines, Ont., L2M 6P5.

MAY 9 — STAMPFEST '81, Exhibition and Bourse of the Kitchener-Waterloo Philatelic Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Queen and Weber Sts., Kitchener, Ontario. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Information from C. L. Hogg, P.O. Box 8101, Bridgeport, Ont., N2K 2G6.

MAY 9 - 10 — ORAPEX '81, 20th Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the RA Stamp Club at the RA Centre, 2451 Riverside Drive, Ottawa, Ontario. Information from Andy Ellwood, Pres., RA Stamp Club, c/o Ottawa Civil Service Recreational Association, RA Centre, 2451 Riverside Drive, Ottawa, Ont., K1H 7X7.

MAY 21-24 — TOREX 1981, philatelic and numismatic show at the International Centre, 6900 Airport Rd., Mississauga, Ont. 200+ dealer bourse, auctions, displays, seminars, films and society meetings. Information from Torex Bourse Chairman: Al Bliman, P.O. Box 3145, Station D, Willowdale, Ont., M2R 3G5.

MAY 22 - 31 — WIPA 1981, International Philatelic Exhibition, Vienna, Austria.

JUNE 5 - 7 — STAMPEX Canada, stamp exhibition and bourse at the Sheraton Centre, Richmond St., Toronto. Information from Stampex Canada, 565 Alness St., Downsview, Ont. Tel. 416-661-5191. SASE would be appreciated.

JUNE 6 - 7 — Winnipeg Philatelic Society's 80th Anniversary Exhibition and Bourse at Winnipeg's Convention Centre. Free Admission. Information from WPS, P.O. Box 1425, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3C 2Z1.

JUNE 14 - JULY 12 — BULGARIA 81, a Thematic International Philatelic Exhib-

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ition in Plovdiv, Bulgaria on the International Fair Grounds in conjunction with the Third International Hunting Exhibition. The Canadian Commissioner is A. G. McKanna, 299 Mill Rd., Apt. 2205, Etobicoke, Ont., M9C 4V9.

JULY 6 - 10 — Second Annual American Philatelic Society Seminar on Philately, State College, Pennsylvania. Information and course registration application from Robert E. Beam, Philatelic Conference Coordinator, The Pennsylvania State University, Faculty Building, University Park, PA 16802, U.S.A.

SEPTEMBER 18 - 19 - 20 — LACPEX '81. Annual Exhibition, Bourse, and Banquet of the Lakeshore Stamp Club at the Dorval Community Center, 1335 Lakeshore Drive, Dorval, Quebec. LACPEX '81 will host the 53rd Annual Convention of the RPSC. Prospectus, bourse space and other information is available from Mr. R. G. Power, P.O. Box 99, Hudson Heights, Quebec, J0P 1J0. Telephone - Home (514) 458-7368 or Office (514) 457-9000.

SEPTEMBER 24 - 26 — BNAPEX '81, 33rd Annual Convention of the British North American Philatelic Society, at the Skyline Hotel, Ottawa, Ontario. Mailing address is: BNAPEX '81, Suite 200D, 320 Sparks Street, Ottawa, Ontario, K1R 7S8.

SEPTEMBER 25 - 26 — STaMpsHOW 81, 95th annual convention of the American Philatelic Society at the Marriott-Downtown Atlanta, Atlanta, Georgia. Entry forms and prospectus from: STaMpsHOW 81, American Philatelic Society, P.O. Box 800, State College, PA 16801, U.S.A.

OCTOBER 1-4 — TOREX 1981, second 1981 philatelic and numismatic show and bourse at the International Centre, 6900 Airport Rd., Mississauga, Ont.

OCTOBER 9 - 11 — STAMP Marketplace, stamp exhibition and bourse at the Sheraton Centre Richmond St., Toronto. Information from Stamp Marketplace, 565

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Aleness Rd., Downsview, Ont., M3J 2T8. Tel. 416-661-5191. SASE would be appreciated.

OCTOBER 16-18 —CALTAPEX '81, annual stamp exhibition, bourse and banquet of the Calgary Philatelic Society, at The Marlborough Inn, Calgary. Auction, raffle, cacheted covers, Canada Post. Information from Show Chairman, James R. Taylor, P.O. Box 1075, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2K4.

OCTOBER 25 - NOVEMBER 2 — ROCPEX TAIPEI '81, The 1981 Philatelic Exhibition in celebration of the 70th anniversary of the founding of the Republic of China (Taiwan), at the Postal Savings Banks' Building, Taipei. Details available from: Canadian Commissioner, Michael Madesker, 565 Alness St., Downsview, Ont. M3J 2T8.

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MAY 20 - 24 — CANADA 82, International Philatelic Youth Exhibition in the Queen Elizabeth Bldg., Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto, Ont. Co-sponsored by the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada and Canada Post, under the patronage of the F.I.P. Information from Canada 82, P.O. Box 204, Postal Station Q, Toronto, Ont., M4T 2M1.

JUNE 3 - 6 — 54th Annual Convention of the R.P.S.C. hosted by the Greater Victoria Philatelic Society in the Empress Hotel, Victoria, B.C. General Chairman: George Freeman, 3963 Cumberland Road, Victoria, B.C., V8P 3J7.

JUNE 11 - 21 — PHILEXFRANCE '82, F.I.P. sponsored International Philatelic Exhibition, Paris, France. Information from Canadian Commissioner, Mr. Guy des Rivières, C.P. 245, Station B, Québec (Québec), G1K 7A9.

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MAY — 55th Annual Convention of the R.P.S.C. at the Oakville Stamp Club's 10th Annual Exhibition, Oakville, Ontario. General Chairman: Mr. D. Dixon, P.O. Box 1082, Oakville, Ontario, L6J 5E9.

The Maple Leaf Issue of Canada
1897 - 1898
Part 2 - Conclusion

by C. R. McGuire ©

THE PLATE LAYOUT

Because of a misunderstanding, the half cent value was originally printed with plate layout A. (Fig. 14). The imprint - "OTTAWA - N° - 1" is over stamps ten and eleven. Five hundred sheets of 200 stamps were printed and guillotined into two panes od 100 stamps with imperforate edges between the tenth and eleventh vertical rows. Although, the imprint was burnished off the original plate, traces may be found on examples of 9,500 sheets printed with plate layout B. (Fig. 15). The imprint - "OTTAWA - N° - 1" (the same format was used for all denominations except that the width of the "W" of "OTTAWA" varies slightly) is over stamps five and six of each pane which, unlike layout A, were perforated between vertical rows ten and eleven. There is no gutter between the two panes. A third plate layout exists because, unlike the other values - all printed "200 on", the ten cent denomination was printed "100 on" (Fig. 16).

The "Maple Leaves" were the first regular issues of Canada to have imprints with plate numbers. The Jubilees were actually the first stamps to have numbered printing plates and imprints on the selvedge of each sheet.

THE PRESS PROOF SHEETS

The dates plates were approved in Appendix I are taken from proof sheets on backer paper. The sheets are printed in various shades of the colour of issue. Some sheets have no specimen overprints (a). Others have a single non-serifed "SPECIMEN." (probably a rubber stamp) 8 mm high x 36 mm long impressed on the top of the sheet in the selvedge (b). The remaining sheets have the "SPECIMEN." across all impressions of the postage stamp (c). all "SPECIMEN." overprints appear to have been made with the same instrument and are all struck in deep orange ink. The original plates one and two for the two cent value were retouched. As a consequence, the press proof sheets from the "new" plates have much sharper impressions.

There is an interesting inscription written on four lines in lovely old English script lettering with India ink on the reverse of the press proof sheet for plate four of the two cent value which was approved 9 February 1898:

"Last of /Maple Leaf/Series/Feb. 4.98"

Thus the writer of the inscription noted for posterity that this was the last plate for the series.

THE ISSUED STAMPS

A number of reports in the contemporary philatelic press culminated when advance notice of the long awaited new issue appeared in the 9 October 1897 edition of the **Weekly Philatelic Era:**

"A new general issue of Canadian postage stamps is imminent . . . ."

The article continued with information about the new contract, the printers and speculation over the design and details of the issue.

On 25 October 1897, the official announcement of the issue was made in the following **Circular to Postmasters** from R. M. Coulter, Deputy Postmaster General:

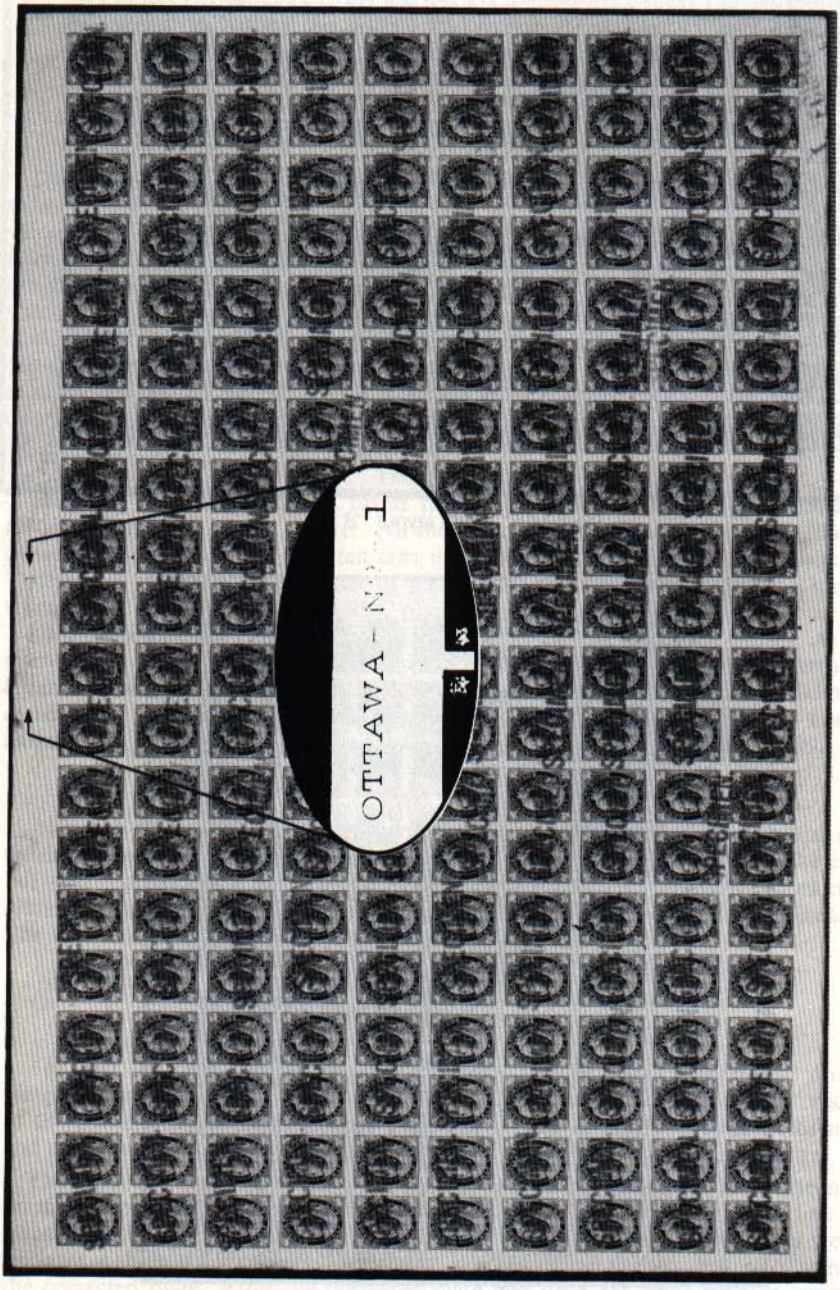


Figure 14. Plate layout "A"

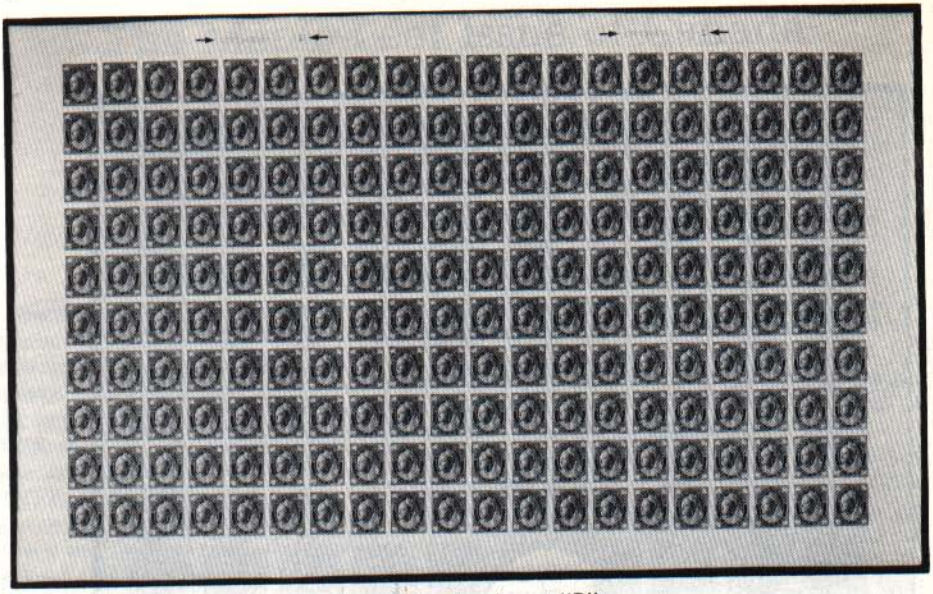


Figure 15. Plate layout "B"*

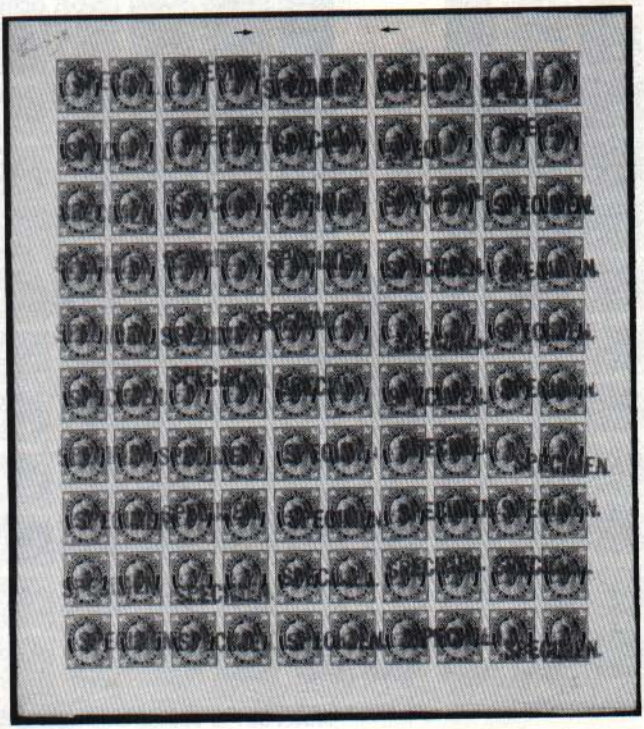


Figure 16. Plate layout "C"*

** Plate number between arrows.*

"NEW ISSUE OF POSTAGE STAMPS, ETC.

The Postmaster-General has made arrangements for a new issue of postage stamps, letter cards, stamped envelopes, post cards and post bands. These will be supplied to postmasters in the usual way.

Postmasters are, however, instructed not to sell the stamps of any denomination of the new issue until the stamps of the corresponding denomination of the present issue are disposed of. The filling of requisitions by the Postage Stamp Branch will be regulated by the same principle - that is to say, no item of the proposed issue will be sent out until the corresponding item of the present issue has been exhausted . . ."

Details of the issue are recorded in Appendix II. Because of complaints from post office employees and the public concerning the difficulty in distinguishing the various values, which were only expressed in words, the "Maple Leaf" stamps were replaced a few months after they were released, by the "Numeral" issue. There was also a desire to artistically improve the stamp design by enlarging the oval containing the Queen's portrait or by reducing the size of the vignette. (The author does not believe this was achieved with the "Numeral" design.) In addition, the Universal Postal Union was increasing pressure on its members to issue stamps with values expressed in arabic numerals. This was required for easy recognition when the stamps were used in mail addressed to foreign destinations.

THE PRINTINGS

The data in Appendix III is taken from the **American Bank Note Company, Post Office Department** orders register. All the stamps were printed in sheets of 200, cut and delivered in panes of 100. The ten cent is an exception, it was printed in sheets of 100. The figures represent the number of panes. The dates are assumed to be the day the stamps were shipped from the ABNC plant.

Unfortunately, the book only records orders beginning 20 January 1898. As a consequence, the dates and numbers of all previous shipments are unknown. Nevertheless, the balance appears in brackets and the sum equals the total printing for each denomination as recorded in a document recapitulating the **Issues of Postal Stamps and Cards Since January 1st 1897,** prepared by the Postage Stamp Branch and dated May 1899.

THE VARIETIES

Although unusual for stamps with such a short life, many minor and several major re-entries or re-touches and flaws exist. These varieties occur from slips of the engraver's burin (a tool with a sharp pointed blade for cutting steel) made while working on the plate and, by re-touching portions of certain impressions when plate wear necessitated it. The varieties appear as:

- broadened, doubled or extended frame lines;
- strengthened portions of lettering or design;
- small dots; and,
- smudges of colour.

The fact that the steel plates were unhardened (and the surfaces were not chrome plated for protection against wear as they are today) and, possibly the poor "rocking-in" of the plates when they were laid down, also contributed to the existence of noticeable and constant varieties particularly, on the half, one, two and three cent stamps.

The most interesting constant plate flaw of the series appears on the fourteenth stamp on the left pane of the six cent value. Known as the "engraver's slip", the line was burnished off the original plate when it was discovered after 2,500 impressions were made. Initially, a slight trace remained which can be detected on the first examples printed from the corrected plate. After the corrected plate was used for some time, it wore and the "slip" completely disappeared. As a consequence, three different examples of stamp fourteen of the left pane may be found.

THE PURPOSE FOR EACH DENOMINATION

Each of the stamps was issued for a specific purpose. Postal history items are normally found bearing combinations of the various denominations or with Small Queen, Jubilee, Numeral, Map or Edward issues. One of the finest formats, but often most difficult to obtain, is having each stamp used singly, in period, paying a proper postage rate (see Appendix IV). Figures 17 to 24, depict each of the Maple Leaf issues, thus used.

THE DISPOSITION OF THE PLATES AND TRANSFER ROLLS

The following handwritten certificate dated 13 May 1911, exists verifying that:

> ". . . Plates, dies, rolls, etc. (in eighteen boxes) from the American Bank Note Co. (were) cancelled (defaced and destroyed) at the Royal Mint between 19th April and 3rd May 1911 in presence of the undersigned (Mr. E. Daubney, of the Postage Stamp Branch, Post Office Department) and Mr. McHugh, a representative of the above-named Company"

(and included):

Box 7
6 plates - three cent postage - Queen's Head - Maple Leaf - 200-on Nos. 1,2,3,4,5,6
4 plates - two cent postage - Queen's Head - Maple Leaf - 200-on Nos. 1,2,3,4

Box 8
1 plate - five cent postage - Queen's Head - Maple Leaf - 200-on No. 1
1 plate - eight cent postage - Queen's Head - Maple Leaf - 200-on No. 1
1 plate - ten cent postage - Queen's Head - Maple Leaf - 100-on No. 1

Box 15
1 plate - half cent postage - Queen's Head - Maple Leaf - 200-on No. 1
1 plate - six cent postage - Queen's Head - Maple Leaf - 200-on No. 1

Box 16
4 plates - one cent postage - Queen's Head - Maple Leaf - 200-on Nos. 1,2,3,4

SUMMARY

QUEEN'S HEAD, MAPLE LEAF:-	NO. OF PLATES
1/2 cent - 200-on - No. 1	1
1 cent - " - Nos. 1 to 4	4
2 cent - " - Nos. 1 to 4	4
3 cent - " - Nos. 1 to 6	6
5 cent - " - No. 1	1
6 cent - " - No. 1	1
8 cent - " - No. 1	1
10 cent - 100-on - No. 1	1
Total	19 plates"

There is also a note stating:

"The (plate) numbers marked thus * where indistinct"

(Author's note: probably because they were worn by use) and asterisks were placed against the following plate numbers of the one and two cent denominations:

1 cent - plate No. 3
2 cent - plate No. 3

The rolls were kept for almost fourteen years to the day before they met the same fate as the plates they were used to make.

It is normal Bank Note Company practice to retain transfer rolls after the printing plates have been destroyed. Rolls take less space to store and are kept to make new plates, should this become necessary in the future.

Another certificate, typed on Canadian Bank Note Company letterhead dated 15 May 1925, states:

> "We have this day examined and checked the following Plates and Rolls originally prepared for the Post Office Department by the Canadian Bank Note Company Limited, and hereby certify to their cancellation."

Figures 17-24. Covers showing a proper single use of each denomination.



Figure 17. 1/2 cent unaddressed circular or household rate. Note the Montreal flag without hub, used for cancelling third class matter.



Figure 18. 1 cent postcard rate.

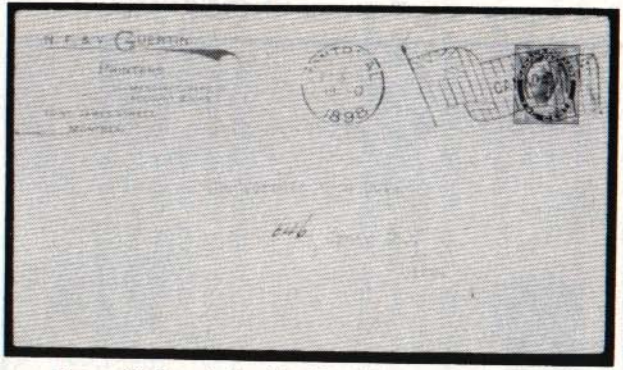


Figure 19. 2 cents local or 'drop'' letter rate applicable to towns with letter carrier delivery.

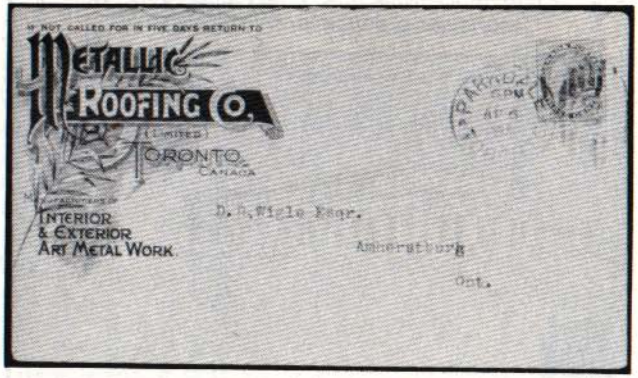


Figure 20. 3 cents domestic letter rate.



Figure 21. 5 cents international letter rate.



Figure 22. 6 cents registered (5 cents) local or "drop" letter rate (1 cent) within a town with no letter carrier delivery.

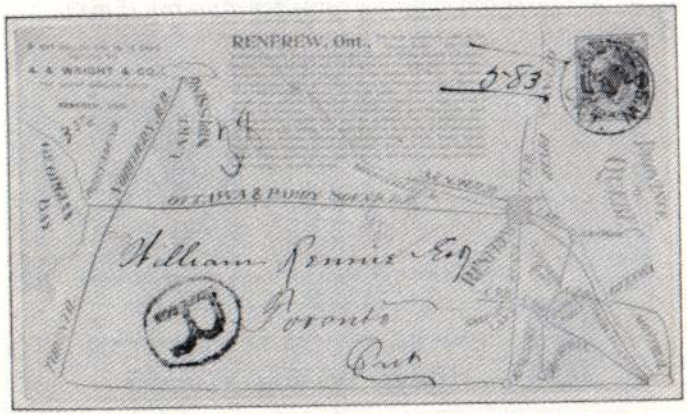


Figure 23. 8 cents registered (5 cents) domestic letter rate (3 cents).



Figure 24. 10 cents double weight international letter rate.

This document is signed by Percy J. Wood for the Bank Note Co. (later President of the Company), E. L. Taylor (Superintendent, Postage Stamp Branch) for the Post Office Department and witnessed by M. E. Hueston. It verifies that the following rolls for the Maple Leaf issues were included in this particular cancellation process:

Roll Number	Number of Subjects	Denominations
99	4	1/2 cent
100	4	3 cents
106	3	1 cent
	3	5 cents
107	4	3 cents
108	2	1 cent
	2	2 cents
	1	8 cents
	1	10 cents

It is interesting to note that three rolls — 99, 100 and 107 contained 4 subjects of a single value. Number 106 consisted of three subjects each of two values while, 108 had two subjects each of two values and one each of two other values, for a total of four different denominations on the same roll.

At the time of writing, the author has been unable to locate the documents verifying the disposition of the master and secondary dies nor the transfer rolls for the 6 cent value. However, since the one cent denomination is listed as being on both 106 and 108, one listing may in fact be a typographical error. One of the two could actually have been the six cent value. Because the three cent value was printed in such a large quantity (it prepaid the domestic and United States first class postage rate) it required six plates. It would not be unusual for eight transfer roll impressions to exist in order to lay down that many plates.

The author located letters dated 28 January 1913 and 17 March 1914, which Mr. E. J. Lamaire, Superintendent of Postage Stamp Branch, Post Office Department wrote to Mr. A. H. W. Cleave, Superintendent of Coining at The Royal Mint, Ottawa. Two cheques were enclosed with each letter made in favor of Messrs. J. B. Bourne and George Renaud "being for services rendered in destroying plates at the Royal Mint, as per accounts attached."

The first pair of cheques were for $6.25 each, the second for $10.00 each. Obviously, the Mint provided staff to perform the destruction of Post Office printing plates, etc. on a cost recoverable basis. The author understands that the defaced steel plates were melted down and the metal used by the Mint. However, this information requires confirmation.

CONCLUSION

The author and William S. Pawluk of Winnipeg are conducting a study of the Maple Leaf and Numeral issues. In time, it is hoped that all significant material for these stamps will be located, identified and, if appropriate, photographed. It is our intention that all aspects of the series of beautifully designed and executed postage stamps will be recorded in a comprehensive, well-illustrated publication. The assistance of all collectors with this project will be welcomed and, acknowledged in a handbook to be published in the future.

APPENDIX I

DETAILS OF THE PRESS PROOF SHEETS

Denomination	Plate No.	Colour	Type Specimen Overprint	Notations
1/2 cent	1-State A	Grey-Black	c)	"made Oct. 30/97"
1/2 cent	1-State B	Black	a)	
1 cent	1	Blue-Green	c)	
1 cent	2	Blue-Green	c)	
1 cent	3	Blue-Green	a)	
1 cent	3	Blue-Green	b) and over five pairs of stamps	
1 cent	4	Deep Blue-Green	b)	
2 cents	1	Purple	a)	
2 cents	1	Purple	c)	
2 cents	1	Purple	a)	"Imp (ression) after retouching Feb. 98"
2 cents	2	Purple	c)	
2 cents	2	Purple	a)	"impression after retouching Feb. 98"
2 cents	3	Purple	b)	"W.L.G. 9-2/98" (initials of Warren L. Green, Representative of the ABNC)
2 cents	4	Deep Purple	b)	"W.L.G. 9-2/98" on reverse "Impression of each plate made" and "Last of Maple Leaf Series Feb. 4/98" see note in text for details.
3 cents	1	Carmine	a)	
3 cents	1	Carmine	c)	
3 cents	2	Carmine	c)	
3 cents	3	Carmine	b)	
3 cents	4	Carmine	b)	
3 cents	5	Carmine	a)	"N.L.G. 28-1/98"
3 cents	6	Carmine	a)	"N.L.G. 28-1/98"
5 cents	1	Pale Blue	a)	
5 cents	1	Dark Blue	c)	
6 cents	1	Brown	a)	(has "Engraver's slip" variety)
6 cents	1	Brown	c)	(has "engraver's slip" variety)
6 cents	1	Brown	a)	("engraver's slip" corrected but a trace of the "slip" may be distinguished)
8 cents	-	Orange-Vermillion	a)	(plate imprint cut off)
8 cents	1	Orange	a)	
8 cents	1	Yellow-Orange	a)	
8 cents	1	Deep Orange	c)	
10 cents	-	Brown Violet	a)	(plate imprint cut off)
10 cents	-	Deep Brown Violet	a)	(plate imprint cut off)
10 cents	1	Pale Brown Violet	a)	
10 cents	1	Pale Brown Violet	a)	
10 cents	1	Brown Violet	c)	"Eng(raved) 2.29" (1898)

APPENDIX II

DETAILS OF THE ISSUE

Denomination	Date of Issue	Plate Number(s)	Format	Quantity Printed
1/2 cent	6 Nov. 1897	1 States A & B	200-on	2 million
1 cent	21 Dec. 1897	1 - 4	"	34 million
2 cents	4 Dec. 1897	1 - 4	"	16 million
3 cents	3 Jan. 1898	1 - 6	"	44 million
5 cents	10 Dec. 1897	1	"	5 million
6 cents	22 Nov. 1897	1 (with & without "engraver's slip")	"	500,000
8 cents	17 Dec. 1897	1	"	1,400,000
10 cents	27 Dec. 1897	1	100-on	300,000

Various denominations exist as essays and/or proofs.

All values are known as:

- die proofs in black;
- die proofs in colour of issue die sunk on card, numbered with die numbers F-102 (1/2 cent) to F-109 (10 cents) inclusive, and with the inscription "AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO. OTTAWA", under each proof (see illustrations 8 to 12).
- plate proofs in colour of issue;
- imperforate on wove paper in colour of issue; — the imperforates were produced during three printings. All values exist on vertical wove, gummed paper except the 5 cent, known only on horizontal wove. The 8 cent and 10 cent values were printed on both papers. The 1 cent, 2 cent and 5 cent exist ungummed in shades differing from those on paper with gum.

Denomination	Colour	Plate Used	Quantity Thought to Exist
1/2 cent	Black	1	200
1 cent	Blue-Green	2 & 4	400
2 cents	Purple	3	400
3 cents	Carmine	6	200
5 cents	Dark Blue	1	400
6 cents	Brown	1	200
8 cents	Orange	1	400
10 cents	Brown Violet	1	200

- perforated on horizontal wove paper — "wide" variety, 17 1/4 x 20 1/2 mm;
- perforated on vertical wove paper — "Narrow" variety, 17 x 21 mm — The paper was dampened before printing. After printing the paper was left to dry and contracted. This contraction was not uniform because, when absorbing moisture, paper expands more in one direction, than the other. The direction of greater expansion is what is technically referred to as the "cross direction". This is the direction across the flow of pulp in the paper making machine. During the flow of the pulp, the bulk of the fibres lie parallel with the movement of the wire gauze. The diameter of a fibre is increased much more than is its legth by the absorbtion of water. Conversely, the subsequent shrinking on drying is uneven. The degree of shrinkage also depends on the amount of moisture used in dampening the paper. As a result the vertical measurements of the issue vary as much as 1/2 mm and two distinctive varieties exist for each value, a "short" wide (squat) stamp and a "long" narrow (thin) one.
- precancelled for bulk mailing purposes

Perforated - 12

Shades — all denominations exist in one or more distinctive shades.

Paper — unwatermarked, soft wove to thin-brittle, white to creamish stock with either vertical or horizontal mesh. For reasons unknown, the 5 cent was printed on paper with a bluish tint, making it Canada's first stamp on coloured paper.

Gum — clear, with a yellowish tint, applied evenly but thickness varies from .004 - .009 mm, the average is approximately .007.

APPENDIX III

DETAILS OF THE PRINTING ORDERS

One Half Cent

24 Mar.	1,000
5 Apr.	1,000
12 Apr.	8,000
	10,000
	Completing order

One Cent

18 Feb.	12,000
22 Feb.	3,000
24 Feb.	8,000
1 Mar.	42,000
8 Mar.	48,000
15 Mar.	7,000
	120,000
	Completing order

One Cent

18 Mar.	2,000
22 Mar.	8,000
24 Mar.	2,000
26 Apr.	6,000
28 Apr.	2,000
3 May	2,000
5 May	17,500
10 May	18,000
12 May	12,000
17 May	18,000
26 May	6,000
30 May	3,500
16 June	3,000
	100,000
	Completing order

Two Cent

15 Feb.	3,000
17 Feb.	1,000
18 Feb.	5,000
22 Feb.	9,000
15 Mar.	7,000
18 Mar.	5,000
22 Mar.	7,000
5 Apr.	3,000
	40,000
	Completing order

Two Cent

12 Apr.	6,000
14 Apr.	6,000
26 Apr.	6,000
28 Apr.	22,000
	40,000
	Completing order

Three Cent

7 Feb.	3,000
10 Feb.	4,000
15 Feb.	52,000
17 Feb.	1,000
18 Feb.	1,000
22 Feb.	6,000
15 Mar.	6,000
18 Mar.	1,000
24 Mar.	8,500
29 Mar.	12,000
5 Apr.	8,000
12 Apr.	16,000
14 Apr.	24,000
19 Apr.	30,000
21 Apr.	30,000
26 Apr.	17,500
	220,000
	Completing order

Three Cent

3 May	4,000
30 May	2,000
7 June	3,000
9 June	12,500
14 June	6,000
16 June	8,000
21 June	6,000
23 June	18,000
28 June	18,000
5 July	1,000
7 July	24,000
12 July	15,500
22 July	6,000
28 July	12,000
3 Aug.	12,000
5 Aug.	18,000
9 Aug.	3,000
12 Aug.	9,000
17 Aug.	500
19 Aug.	7,000
23 Aug.	10,000
26 Aug.	4,500
	200,000
	Completing order

Five Cent

2 Mar.	500
8 Mar.	4,000
18 Mar.	2,000
22 Mar.	14,000
24 Mar.	4,500
	25,000
	Completing order

Six Cent

7 Feb.	1,000
15 Feb.	1,000
22 Feb.	1,000
	3,000
	Completing order

Eight Cent

22 Feb.	2,000
24 Feb.	2,000
8 Mar.	2,000
15 Mar.	4,000
	10,000
	Completing order

Ten Cent

18 Mar.	2,000
	Completing order

RECAPITULATION OF PRINTING ORDERS

Legend: 1. Orders after 20 Jan. 1898
2. Orders prior to 20 Jan. 1898
3. Total received

One Half Cent
1. 10,000 panes - one million stamps
2. (10,000 panes - one million stamps)
3. 20,000 panes - two million stamps

One Cent
1. 120,000 panes - twelve million stamps
100,000 panes - ten million stamps
2. (120,000 panes - twelve million stamps)
3. 340,000 panes - thirty-four million stamps

Two Cent
1. 40,000 panes - four million stamps
40,000 panes - four million stamps
2. (80,000 panes - eight million stamps)
3. 160,000 panes - sixteen million stamps

Three Cent
1. 220,000 panes - twenty-two million stamps
200,000 panes - twenty million stamps
2. (20,000 panes - two million stamps)
3. 440,000 panes - forty-four million stamps

Five Cent
1. 25,000 panes - 2,500,000 stamps
2. (25,000 panes - 2,500,000 stamps)
3. 50,000 panes - five million stamps

Six Cent
1. 3,000 panes - 300,000 stamps
2. (2,000 panes - 200,000 stamps)
3. 5,000 panes - 500,000 stamps

Eight Cent
1. 10,000 panes - One million stamps
2. (4,000 panes - 400,000 stamps)
3. 14,000 panes - 1,400,000 stamps

Ten Cent
1. 2,000 panes - 200,000 stamps
2. (1,000 panes - 100,000 stamps)
3. 3,000 panes - 300,000 stamps

APPENDIX IV

MAJOR POSTAGE RATES

for which a single denomination of a Maple Leaf stamp could be used to prepay a rate or fee — January 1897 to 24 December 1898.

1/2 cent — newspapers and periodicals (weighing less than one ounce)
— unaddressed circulars ("householder rate") (not exceeding 2 ounces)

1 cent — addressed circulars (per 4 ounces)
— books and individual newspapers (per 4 ounces)
— sample newspapers (per pound)
— domestic and U.S. postcards
— *local (or "drop" letters) — without carrier delivery
— unsealed international printed matter (per 2 ounces)

2 cent — *"drop" letters — with carrier delivery
— international "Private" or picture postcards (to certain destinations)(*3)
— international sample rate (per four ounces)
— letters to and from certain ranks of the militia on Active Service (maximum one ounce)
— letters to and from certain ranks of soldiers and seamen on Active Service in Canada or elsewhere (maximum one half ounce)

3 cent — *domestic letters (*2)

5 cent — *1 international letters
— international "Private" or picture postcards (*3)
— international commercial papers (per 10 ounces)
— registration fee
— acknowledgement of receipt (AR) fee

6 cent — parcel post (per 4 ounces)
— registered (5 cent), "drop" letter (1 cent)*
— double weight domestic letters (*2)

8 cent — registered (5 cent), domestic letter (3 cent)(*&*2)

10 cent — double weight international letter
— registered (5 cent), international letter (5 cent)*1

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* per ounce or fraction thereof
*1 per half ounce or fraction thereof
*2 This rate also applied to letters to the United States and Newfoundland
*3 The only countries to which the two cent "Private" or picture postcard rate applied were: Austria, Belgium, France, Great Britain, Hungary, Italy, Newfoundland, and Switzerland. Such postcards addressed to other countries had to be prepaid at the five cent letter rate. However, Official Post Office Postcards could be sent to any foreign country for two cents.

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A REGULAR FEATURE

...HANS REICHE

Art Kollman appears to come up with many new finds as do collectors such as Stuart Clark, Gronbeck-Jones, Irving Singer, Ken Coe, K. Bileski and many others. The 35¢ Inuit Spirit soapstone figure shows, below the right wing, double interlocking red circles looking like a figure eight. Surprisingly, after it had existed unreported for almost 85 years, he also located a major re-entry of the 8¢ Jubilee. It would be interesting to hear from anyone who has noticed this one. Two different re-entries exist on the 10¢ Jubilee. The writer plans to bring out a new and completely updated book on the various constant plate varieties on steel engraved stamps. The various re-entries mentioned here will be listed and described also.

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The 2¢ Western Columbine flower stamp has been noted on an almost cardboard type thick paper. This is most unusual for modern stamps as the thickness of paper does not vary much. In older days variations ranged from a thin to a thick paper in many issues. For example, in the King George V issues, the so-called Admirals' paper can be found to vary from as low as 0.0027 inch to 0.0045 inch. The thin papers are in the range of 0.0027 - 0.0030 inches and the thick papers in the 0.0030 - 0.0045 inches range.

The choice of paper is dependent upon the printing process and economics. One of the most difficult tasks is the identification of the many paper varieties in the large Queens. The Large Queen's Report lists 15 different types which may be identified, from a very thin, hard, transparent type to a thick, soft, absorbent blotting type.

When paper is made, normally at a high speed, a wrinkle or fold may occur. The wrinkle or fold, once it is pressed before the paper is rolled up, is difficult to detect when the paper is used for printing. The printing which occurs over the wrinkle or fold looks like the normal printing but, when the paper is pulled to make it flat or the fold pulled out and ironed out, a white gap appears between the printed portion. The size of this gap depends upon the fold-over or wrinkle and sometimes may be as wide as one stamp. Many such interesting folds can be found in all issues. These are not constant but are attractive.

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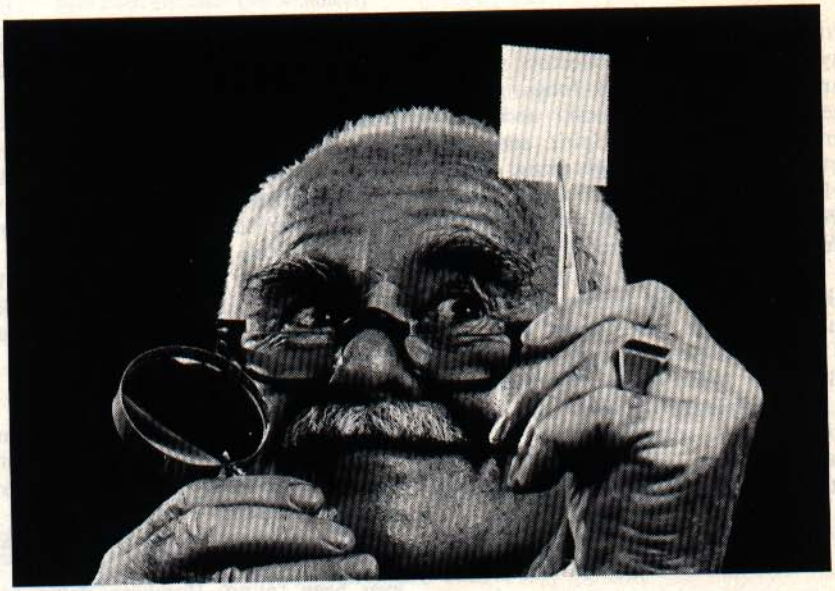
With great delight we noticed an article on the five-hole OHMS stamps in another journal. Having sorted by now almost 3.5 million Admirals from virgin lots, and having gone over hundreds of thousands of other issues, no five hole OHMS have ever been found. Purchases from dealers and from the Philatelic Agency were made many years ago of such stamps. What the article says is, that unless proven, practically all five hole OHNS stamps must be viewed with suspicion. It is hoped that eventually an expertising group can be set up for such material and that collectors and dealers could submit such items for expertization without much cost.

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There is a very large number of small and large mail auction houses. Each one differs slightly. Some own practically the entire stock they sell at mail auctions, others hold material on consignment. In many cases the auction houses have a reserve, a minimum bid or a suggested estimate below which they do not accept bids, in addition to the catalogue values listed. Others have a system whereby one must raise the minimum or suggested estimate by one or two increments. If one studies

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1.0 THE $3.50 AND $4.25 BOOKLETS

The $3.50 booklet (CS Bk No. 80) which was released at philatelic counters on 14 November, 1978 (1), contains 25 14¢ QE 11 definitives and two labels arranged in three rows of nine. This is the only source of the 14¢ definitive fully perforated 11.9 by 12.4 as the sheet stamps are perforated 12.8 by 13.2, and the 14¢ stamps in the 50¢ booklets (CS Bk No. 78), while having the same perforation as the $3.50 ones, have one or more straight edges. edges.

A number of notable vertical markings are found in the left selvedge of some of the $3.50 booklets, a red bar in one and a gray bar which spans two. When the booklets were eventually replaced on 3 July, 1979, by their $4.25 counterparts following the inevitable rise in postal rates, the same pane format was used with the 17¢ QE II definitive replacing the 14¢ one. Curiously, the $4.25 booklets had the same selvedge markings except of course that the red bar was green, as is illustrated in Figure 1. This intriguing discovery prompted me to examine the $4.25 booklets in considerable detail for other anomalies. As a result I found a large number of constant flaws on the green and gray photogravure cylinders, enough in fact to be able to uniquely identify each booklet pane on the cylinder. I did not find any flaws on the steel engraved purple one. Flaws on the gray cylinder are listed in Tables 1 and 2. Where a 'dot' or 'scratch' is mentioned in the description, it is of course gray in color. Flaws on the green cylinder are listed in Tables 3 and 4.

I have assigned to each booklet a letter-number designation (eg: A5, B3) which is found in the first column of the tables. The second column identifies the stamp with the flaw by its row and column (eg: stamp 2/4 comes from row 2, column 4). The labels occupy positions 2/1 and 3/1. Where appropriate the Thirkell position of the variety is given in brackets following the description. The lines on the Thirkell position finder may sometimes obscure the flaw, and gray flaws may not always fall in the square indicated if the color is shifted with respect to the green. When the word 'small' is used in the description, a magnifying glass is recommended in order to find it. However where the description places a variety near the perforations, it sometimes may not be visible even under magnification! Although these tables give enough information to uniquely identify each booklet pane, they are incomplete due to lack of space. I will be happy to send a complete list to anyone interested provided 25¢ is included with the request.

An asterisk after the stamp position (eg: booklet A2, 1/3*) indicates that I use the flaw on that stamp to identify the pane because it is the most prominent one. Note however that it is not necessarily of catalogue status. In fact the list of flaws I consider to be worth cataloguing is quite short:

i) Bk A3. Green bar in selvedge.
ii) Bk A5. Gray bar in selvedge.
iii) Bk A6. Gray bar in selvedge.
iv) Bk B1, stamp 2/8. 'Scar on forehead'.
v) Bk B8, stamps 1/3 and 1/2. Gray scratch.
vi) Bk B8, stamp 3/9. White flaw on green cylinder.



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Figure 1. $3.50 and $4.25 booklets with identical markings in the selvedge.

Many stamps in the first or second column of the panes have a small green dot just above the top left corner of the outer green frame. Because of its frequency, I suspect it may be a guide dot used to position the design on the cylinder.

Based on this plating study and the examination of a large number of booklets, I am fairly certain that there are two panes laid out along the axis of the cylinder and 8 panes or 24 rows of stamps around its circumference so that the cylinder has a total of 16 pane impressions on it. If so, the cylinder is one third smaller in circumference than those for the 25¢ and 50¢ booklets, being only 576 rather than 864 mm around.

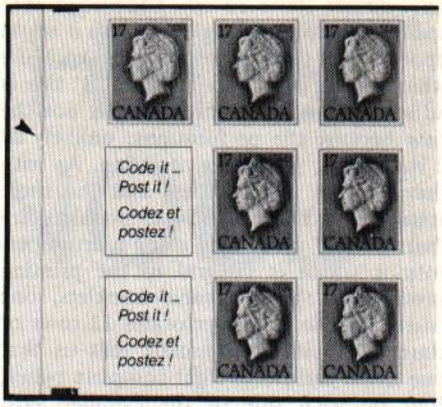
The letter designation for the booklet indicates which side of the axis it come from. Thus booklets A1 to A8 come from one side and B1 to B8 from the other. In addition, using flaws that span several panes and certain perforation characteristics, I was able to determine the relative position of each booklet around the circumference of the cylinder, and have listed them in sequence in the tables. Thus pane B7 is immediately followed by B8 on the cylinder (in this case the relative positions are obvious because a gray scratch on stamp 3/3 of B7 continues on stamps 1/3 and 1/2 of B8), and B8 in turn is followed by B1.

The most notable example of a flaw that

spans several panes is a gray scratch that runs down the left side of stamps 1/7, 2/7, and 3/7 of most panes on the 'B' side of the cylinder. Usually the booklets in a bundle distributed to post offices all come from one side of the cylinder. The easiest way of determining which side they come from is to look for this scratch. If it is not visible in the first three or four booklets, chances are good that they come from the 'A' side.

Back to the $3.50 booklets which perhaps you thought I had forgotten. As it happens, the selvedge markings are not the only things the $3.50 and $4.25 booklets have in common. Every single flaw listed in Tables 1 to 4 can also be found on the $3.50 booklets. The conclusion is obvious. BABNC used the same two photogravure cylinders to print both types of booklets. But there is a fascinating twist. On the $3.50 booklets, the red and gray flaws are **staggered by four booklet panes** with respect to their equivalents on the $4.25 booklets. For example, if on a $4.25 booklet gray flaws are found that match those listed under B3 in Table 2, then the Green flaws will match those listed under B3 in Table 4. However a $3.50 booklet with identical gray flaws will have the red flaws listed under B7 in Table 4. Similarly a $3.50 booklet with gray flaws listed under A6 in Table 1 will have the red flaws under A2 in Table 3. The cylinders were in register with or were synchronized to different panes for the print runs of the $3.50 and $4.25 booklets. Obviously where I have used the word 'green' to describe a flaw in the tables, the word 'red' should be substituted for the $3.50 booklets.

This raises some interesting questions. Can the same thing happen to stamps produced in sheet format? Well, based on identical flaws found on the gray format described in my last column (2), it appears that the gray cylinder was used for both stamps. Was it also used on the 12¢ QEII definitive? I do not know. As noted in my first column (3), for most sheet stamps printed by BABNC there are three pane impressions around the circumference of the cylinder. Where multiple cylinders are used, can they be synchronized to different panes on different printings? Again I do not know, but I strongly suspect it could happen. The obvious candidates for study are the 12¢, 14¢, and 17¢ QE II definitives.



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Figure 2. Pane B5 from a $4.25 booklet printed from green cylinder 2. Note the kink (arrow) in the selvedge bar opposite the first row of horizontal perforations.

In my last column I stated that in September, 1980, Ottawa post offices began selling a new printing of the $4.25 booklet in which the original gray cylinder was used in conjunction with a new green one and possibly a new purple one as well. That a new green cylinder had been used was quite apparent because, although these booklets had all the gray flaws listed in Tables 1 and 2, they had a quite distinct set of green flaws. I have listed these in sequence in Tables 5 and 6 so that, for example, a booklet with green flaws matching those for A2 in Table 5 will have the gray flaws listed under A2 in Table 1. The most notable aspect of this green cylinder 2 is the vertical bar which appears in the selvedge of all booklets on both sides of the cylinder provided that the selvedge is greater than 12 to 12.5 mm measured to the outer green frame of stamp 1/1. On booklets A5 and B5, there is a small but noticeable kink in the bar as shown in Figure 2.

I have listed the booklets according to the side of the axis they occur as well as in sequence around the circumference of the design cylinder. But is booklet B1 actually adjacent to A1 along the axis? There are

no cylinder flaws to my knowledge that span two booklets along the axis so it might appear that there is no way of knowing which of the eight panes on the 'B' side is adjacent to A1. However such is not the case because the perforations, unlikely as it may seem, provide a vital clue. As with the 25¢ and 50¢ booklets and the sheet stamps, the $3.50 and $4.25 booklets are 'harrow-like' perforated using a drum perforator which is integral to the printing press. Like the low value booklets, one 'strike' of the drum perforates 12 rows of stamps. A bit of arithmetic tells us that one strike perforates eight complete panes, four on each side of the cylinder axis, which means that strike misalignments occur on every fourth pane. Because the cylinder has eight panes around its circumference, the misalignments always show up on the same two panes on each side of the axis. The perforation irregularities invariably occur around the top perforation hole on both the 'A' and 'B' panes. Since the panes along the axis are perforated simultaneously, if one on the 'A' side has a perforation misalignment, then so must the corresponding one on the 'B' side. Thus I have arranged the booklets such that the perforation irregularities are side by side, on A3, B3, A7, and B7 on the $3.50 booklets, on A1, B1, A5, and B5 on the $4.25 ones with green cylinder 1, and on A4, B4, A8, and B8 on the $4.25 ones with green cylinder 2. Why did I put B4 rather than B8 opposite A4? Because then the small kinks in the selvedge bars of the $4.25 booklets from green cylinder 2 line up on panes A5 and B5. The panes are probably not laid out tete-beche along the axis as they are on some 25¢ and 50¢ booklets (see the article by A. Chung, (4), for example) because the perforation irregularities occur in the top row of perforations for both the 'A' and 'B' panes.

One final note. The booklets come with five distinct cartoon covers (see the illustration in reference 1, p.33) which apparently are not printed in equal quantities. In a bundle of 100 from a post office, I found 14 complete sets plus 15 covers with the woman putting a letter in a mail box and 1 with the mail box saying "Merci/Thank you" to a man. The distribution of covers in supplies I have examined at other post offices was quite similar.

2.0 17¢ PARLIAMENT DEFINITIVE

In an advertising circular mailed in November, 1980, Saskatoon Coin and Stamp Centre Ltd. offered horizontal strips of 20 of this stamp with part of the plate inscription belongs to the adjacent pane! See the block illustrated in Figure 3.



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Figure 3. 17¢ Parliament definitive showing part of the lower left plate inscription of the adjacent pane on the sheet.

I would like to expand on the short explanation for the variety given by Saskatoon Coin and Stamp in their circular. Assuming the size of the plate is the same as for the 1973 Caricature definitives which were also printed by Canadian Bank Note Co., there are six panes per sheet arranged in two rows of three. With the Caricature definitives, the plate inscriptions were placed in the top and bottom margins of every pane on the sheet. However with the 17¢ definitive, the inscriptions were moved to the sides, and placed in the four corners of the panes in columns 1 and 3 only of the sheet. The two panes in column 2 do not have any inscriptions. Thus the block in Figure 3 comes from the lower right corner of one of the panes in column 2, and the sheet



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Fig. 4. Dot on church (15¢ value, stamp 2/2) and scratch through the first 'S' of 'Christmas' (17¢ value, stamp 8/4).

was so badly miscut that part of the inscription from a pane in column 3 appears. A very revealing variety!

D. Gronbeck-Jones discussed a similar variety of the 14¢ Parliament definitive in Canadian Stamp News (5).

3.0 1980 CHRISTMAS STAMPS. 22 OCTOBER, 1980.

The three 1980 Christmas stamps were printed by Ashton-Potter Ltd. using four color lithography (red, yellow, blue, and black) and perforated right to left using a 12.4 by 11.9 one row T comb. The most important error of the set is of academic interest only to variety collectors because it occurs in all the plate inscriptions of the 15¢ and 17¢ stamps. Frank Hennessy produced the Christmas card on the 15¢ stamp, and J.S. Hallan the card on the 17¢ value. The names of the two artists were interchanged by mistake in the four marginal inscriptions on all panes.

There appear to have been distribution problems with these stamps, at least in the Ottawa area, possibly because they were issued shortly after a strike by Government clerical workers was resolved. Several Ottawa post offices were supplied with panes of the 17¢ and 35¢ with the plate inscriptions still on them.

The Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs who also happens to be Postmaster Genèral, André Ouellet, sent Christmas cards which consisted of a reproduction of the 17¢ value on a brown background. It makes a rather nice addition to a collection of this issue. Does anyone have the original Christmas cards on which the stamp designs were based?

Several minor fluorescent paper shades exist, which I have not yet had time to sort, as well as very noteworthy high fluorescent shades on the 15¢ and 17¢ values reported by Frank Smith of Toronto, Ont. Has anyone seen the 35¢ on this high fluorescent paper? There are also quite a few plate varieties, some of which occur on all panes and others which are specific to one or more panes on the sheet. Those I know of are listed below and a couple are illustrated in Figure 4. I would like to thank Cathleen Jones of Halifax, NS, for reporting a number of these flaws and Andrew Chung of Hamilton, Ont., who provided some of the information I have reported.

3.1 15¢ VALUE.

The following flaw appears to be constant on all panes:

5/1 Small red dot below the left leg of second 'A' of 'CANADA' (B4).

The following flaws appear to be constant on several but not all panes of the sheet:

1/2 Very small blue dot above the third 'A' of 'CANADA' (above border of A6-A7).

6/5 Green dot (flaw in red plate) on the back of the rightmost man near his head (top of F6).

The following are constant but specific to one pane of the sheet (note that all the flaws can be found on the same pane):

— Left pane margin opposite 1/1. Small black dot near the bottom of the illustration above the copyright notice (opposite top of G1).

1/1 Small black smudge just outside the right side of the 'D' of 'CANADA' near the top (A6).

2/2 Black dot on the front of the church above and to the left of the round window (border of C4-D4).

4/4 Small black dot between the bottom part of the legs of the first 'A' of 'CANADA' (border of A2-B2).

8/4 Two black dots to the right of the '5' of '15'. One is small and faint (H7), the other near the bottom of the '5' is slightly larger (I7).

9/1 Small black dot in the white space between the illustration and the '5' of '15' (H7).

10/4 Black 'spur' on the outside of the 'C' of 'CANADA' (border of A1-B1).

3.2 17¢ VALUE.

The following flaws appear to be constant on all panes of the sheet:

3/2 Small blue dot on the left side of the fourth tree from the left and below the third one (border of E2-F2).

5/1 Small black dot above the tip of the horizontal line in the 'L' of 'NOEL' (I4).

6/2 a) Small black dot in the left margin opposite the bottom of the leftmost tree (left of F1).
b) Small black dot between the lower part of the legs of the second 'A' in 'CANADA' (border of A4-B4).

The following flaw is present on several but not all panes of the sheet:

7/5 Small red dot to the right of the leg of the 'Y' of 'MERRY' (H2).

The following are specific to one pane of the sheet (all on the same pane):

1/3 Small black dot in the snow between the second and fourth tree from the left (F2).

2/3 Black mark on the top left edge of the roof of the rightmost house (bottom ofC6).

5/1 Small black dot in the snow on the right side of the rightmost tree near its bottom (bottom right corner of E6).

8/4 a) Black scratch through the first 'S' of 'CHRISTMAS' and 'E' of 'NOEL' (H4-I3-I4).
b) Two dots in a vertical line to the right of the '7' of '17', a very small one near the top of the '7' (H7) and another near the bottom (I7).

3.3 35¢ VALUE.

The following flaw occurs on several but not all panes of the sheet.

— Right pane margin opposite 10/5. Small red dot opposite the top half of the '5' of '35', near the vertical perforations (bottom of H8).

The flaw listed below occurs on one pane of the sheet:

1/1 Small black dot above the first 'S' of'CHRISTMAS' (H4).

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(Ed. The 6 tables that accompany this article will be presented in the next issue).

Canada's 1977 Definitive Series

A checklist to March 1980

by John G. Schmidt

The 1977 series of Canadian definitive stamps is a very difficult series to keep up with. This article provides a checklist of items in the series that have been issued by Canada Post up to March 1980.

The large number of collectible items has been caused by several factors; two changes in the first class mail rate (from 12¢ to 14¢ then to 17¢), the change of printing contracts within a specific denomination and the two printers using different methods of producing the stamps (lithography versus gravure).

Some general notes on the series:

1) Methods of printing. Canadian Bank Note Co. (CBN) is using steel engraving (one color) and lithography (multicolored) to produce their stamps, except the 50¢ street scenes. This method produces even textured colors, especially noticeable in large solid areas. The British American Bank Note Co. (BABN) is using steel engraving (one color) and gravure (multicolor) to produce their stamps. This method produces a blotchy color texture, especially noticeable in large solid areas. BABN's colors are not as vivid as CBN's.

2) Size of stamp design. It was noticed that the stamp design on the booklet panes was smaller than that of comparable sheet stamps.

3) Inscription placement on the sheets:

Type A - Printer's name, plate number and designer's name appear in the selvage above stamps 1, 2 and 9, 10 and below stamps 91, 92 and 99, 100. On the Flower and Tree stamps the Latin designation appears below the designer's name.

Type B - Printer's name, plate number and designer's name appear in the left selvage next to stamps 1, 11 and 81, 91 and in the right selvage next to stamps 10, 20 and 90, 100. On the Flower and Tree stamps the Latin designation appears below the designer's name.

4) A close examination of inscription nomenclature reveals some interesting changes:

From QE II 12¢
BRITISH AMERICAN BANK NOTE
OTTAWA NO. 1
DESIGN: HEATHER COOPER: DESSIN

From Flower 1¢
No. 2 BRITISH AMERICAN BANK
NOTE OTTAWA N^{O}. 2
DESIGN: HEATHER COOPER: DESIGN

In the 12¢ notice the use of both English and French for "DESIGN", i.e., 'DESIGN' and 'DESSIN' respectively. A later printing, on the 1¢, shows only English for "DESIGN"* **but** the French notation for number "N^{O}" is used.

5) Most Inscriptions appear on three lines. However, the following are only 2 line Inscriptions:

Parliam.	12¢	BABN No. 1, CBN No. 1, 2
Paliam.	14¢	CBN No. 1, 2, 3, 4
Parliam.	17¢	CBN No. 1, 2
Streets	50¢	CBN No. 2
Parks	$1	CBN No. 1
Parks	$2	CBN No. 1

6) Although all the stamps in this series are backed with PVA gum, there was one stamp, Flower 2¢, BABN No. 2, that showed a vertical ribbing effect on the gum's surface.

FLOWERS **Designer: Heather Cooper**

Value	Design	Printer	Perforation	Form	Inscription	Notes
1¢	Bottle Gentian	CBN No. 1	12 x 12½	Sheets of 100	Type A	First Day - Apr. 22, 1977
1¢	Bottle Gentian	CBN -	12 x 12½	Precancelled	N/A	See Note 1
1¢	Bottle Gentian	BABN No. 2	12.9 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	
1¢	Bottle Gentian	BABN -	12 x 12½	Ex - 50¢ Booklet	N/A	
2¢	Western Columbine	CBN No. 1	12 x 12½	Sheets of 100	Type A	First Day - Apr. 22, 1977
2¢	Western Columbine	BABN -	12 x 12½	Ex - 50¢ Booklet	N/A	
2¢	Western Columbine	BABN No. 2	12.9 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	
3¢	Canada Lily	CBN No. 1	12 x 12½	Sheets of 100	Type A	First Day - Apr. 22, 1977
3¢	Canada Lily	CBN -	12 x 12½	Precancelled	N/A	See Note 1
3¢	Canada Lily	BABN No. 2	12.9 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	
4¢	Hepatica	CBN No. 1	12 x 12½	Sheets of 100	Type A	First Day - Apr. 22, 1977
4¢	Hepatica	BABN No. 2	12.9 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	
5¢	Shooting Star	CBN No. 1	12 x 12½	Sheets of 100	Type A	First Day - Apr. 22, 1977
5¢	Shooting Star	CBN -	12 x 12½	Precancelled	N/A	See Note 1
5¢	Shooting Star	BABN No. 2	12.9 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	
10¢	Sparrow's Egg Lady Slipper	CBN No. 1	12 x 12½	Sheets of 100	Type A	First Day - Apr. 22, 1977
10¢	Sparrow's Egg Lady Slipper	CBN -	12 x 12½	Precancelled	N/A	See Note 1
10¢	Sparrow's Egg Lady Slipper	CBN No. 2	12.9 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	
10¢	Sparrow's Egg Lady Slipper	BABN No. 3	12.9 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	
12¢	Jewelweed	BABN No. 1	12.9 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	First Day - Jul. 6, 1978
12¢	Jewelweed	BABN -	12.9 x 13.3	Precancelled	N/A	See Note 2
15¢	Canada Violet	BABN No. 1	12.9 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	First Day - Aug. 16, 1979
15¢	Canada Violet	BABN No. 1	12.9 x 13.3	Precancelled	Type B	See Note 3

QUEEN ELIZABETH II **Designer: Heather Cooper**

Value	Design	Printer	Perforation	Form	Inscription	Notes
12¢	Q E II	BABN No. 1	12.9 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	First Day - Mar. 1, 1977
12¢	Q E II	BABN No. 2	12.9 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	
12¢	Q E II	BABN -	12 x 12½	Ex - 50¢ Booklet	N/A	

14¢	Q E II	BABN No. 1	12.9 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	First Day - Mar. 7, 1978
14¢	Q E II	BABN -	12 x 12½	Ex - 50¢ & $3.50 Booklets	N/A	
17¢	Q E II	BABN No. 1	12.9 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	First Day - Mar. 8, 1979
17¢	Q E II	BABN -	12 x 12½	Ex - 50¢ & $4.25 Booklets	N/A	

HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT **Designer: Reinhard Derreth**

Value	Design	Color	Printer	Perforation	Form	Inscription	Notes
1¢	Parliament	Grey	BABN -	12 x 12½	Ex - 50¢ Booklet	N/A	First Day - Mar. 28, 1979
5¢	Parliament	Purple	BABN -	12 x 12½	Ex - 50¢ Booklet	N/A	First Day - Mar. 28, 1979
12¢	Parliament	Blue	BABN No.1	12.9 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	First Day - May 3, 1977
12¢	Parliament	Blue	CBN No. 1	12.9 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	
12¢	Parliament	Blue	CBN No. 2	12.9 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	
12¢	Parliament	Blue	CBN -	12.9 x 13.3	Precancelled	N/A	See Note 1
12¢	Parliament	Blue	CBN -	10 Vertical	Coils	N/A	
14¢	Parliament	Red	CBN No. 1	13.0 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	First Day - Mar. 7, 1978
14¢	Parliament	Red	CBN No. 2	13.0 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	
14¢	Parliament	Red	CBN No. 3	13.0 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	
14¢	Parliament	Red	CBN No. 4	13.0 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	
14¢	Parliament	Red	CBN -	10 Vertical	Coils	N/A	
17¢	Parliament	Green	CBN No. 1	13.0 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	First Day - Mar. 8, 1979
17¢	Parliament	Green	CBN No. 2	13.0 x 13.3	Sheets of 100	Type B	
17¢	Parliament	Green	CBN -	10 Vertical	Coils	N/A	

TREES **Designer: Heather Cooper**

Value	Design	Printer	Perforation	Form	Inscription	Notes
15¢	Trembling Aspen	BABN No. 1	13.2 x 13.3	Sheets of 50	Type A	First Day - Aug. 8, 1977
20¢	Douglas Fir	BABN No. 1	13.2 x 13.3	Sheets of 50	Type A	First Day - Aug. 8, 1977
25¢	Sugar Maple	BABN No. 1	13.2 x 13.3	Sheets of 50	Type A	First Day - Aug. 8, 1977
30¢	Red Oak	BABN No. 1	13.2 x 13.3	Sheets of 50	Type A	First Day - Mar. 7, 1978
35¢	White Pine	BABN No. 1	13.2 x 13.3	Sheets of 50	Type A	First Day - Mar. 8, 1979

STREET SCENES **Designer: Tom Bjarnason**

Value	Design	Printer	Perforation	Form	Inscription	Notes
50¢	Prairie Town	BABN No. 1	13.3 x 13.3	Sheets of 50	Type B	First Day - Jul. 6, 1978
50¢	Prairie Town	CBN No. 1	13.3 x 13.3	Sheets of 50	Type B	See Note 4
75¢	Eastern City	BABN No. 1	13.3 x 13.3	Sheets of 50	Type B	First Day - Jul. 6, 1978
80¢	Maritime City	BABN No. 1	13.3 x 13.3	Sheets of 50	Type B	First Day - Jul. 6, 1978

NATIONAL PARKS **Designers: $1 Ron Bolt $2 Alan Collier**

Value	Design	Printer	Perforation	Form	Inscription	Notes
$1.00	Fundy	CBN No. 1	13.3 x 13.3	Sheets of 50	Type B	First Day - Jan. 24, 1979
$2.00	Kluane	CBN No. 1	13.3 x 13.3	Sheets of 50	Type B	First Day - Apr. 27, 1979

BOOKLETS

Value	Format	Printer	Perforation	Covers
50¢	2 x 1¢ (Flower) + 4 x 12¢ (Q E II)	BABN	12 x 12 1/2	First Day - Nov. 1, 1977 10 different flower and tree designs in brown ink. Light brown wavy lines on outside of cover.
50¢	4 x 2¢ (Flower) + 3 x 14¢ (Q E II) + 1 Label	BABN	12 x 12 1/2	10 different flower and tree designs in green ink. Light green wavy lines on outside of cover.
50¢	1 x 1¢ (Parl) + 3 x 5¢ (Parl) + 2 x 17¢ (Q E II)	BABN	12 x 12 1/2	First Day - Mar. 28, 1979 10 different flower and tree designs in blue ink. Light blue wavy lines on outside of cover.
$3.50	25 x 14¢ (Q E II) + 2 Labels	BABN	12 x 12 1/2	5 different "Code it . . . Post it" cartoons in black ink.
$4.25	25 x 17¢ (Q E II) + 2 Labels	BABN	12 x 12 1/2	First Day - Jul. 3, 1979 5 different "Code it . . . Post it" cartoons in purple ink.

Notes 1) Warning message and bars are printed by the letter press method in black ink.
Warning message is printed up the left side and down the right side of the sheet.
2) Warning message and bars are printed by the gravure method in red ink.
Warning message is printed across the top and bottom of the sheet.
3) Warning message and bars are printed by the letter press method in black ink.
Warning message is printed across the top and bottom of the sheet.
In this denomination, the printer left the inscription on the sheets delivered to Canada Post.
4) Both BABN and CBN used steel engraving and gravure, however, CBN's colors are slightly darker. Further, BABN's design is slightly smaller.

CONCLUSION:

The assignment of Scott's numbers to this series has undoubtedly given the cataloguers many headaches. Checking the 1980 "Canadian Specialized" shows the numbers run from 705 to 806, with holes in between. Further, they list some varieties and do not list other collectible items.

Example:

My checklist	Canadian Specialized
Flower	
1¢ Sheet CBN No. 1	705
1¢ Precancel	—
1¢ Sheet BABN No. 2	—
1¢ Ex-Booklet	796

With my checklist there are 50 single Collectible items, including the precancel's, singles from booklets, coils and different printings. I intend to keep abreast of this series and report new varieties as they appear. □

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* *"Design" is a recent addition to the French language and refers specifically to the art of rendering an aesthetic or artistic concept producible by mechanical means. Formerly "dessin" was used but it is now considered too vague and too restrictive (Ed.).*

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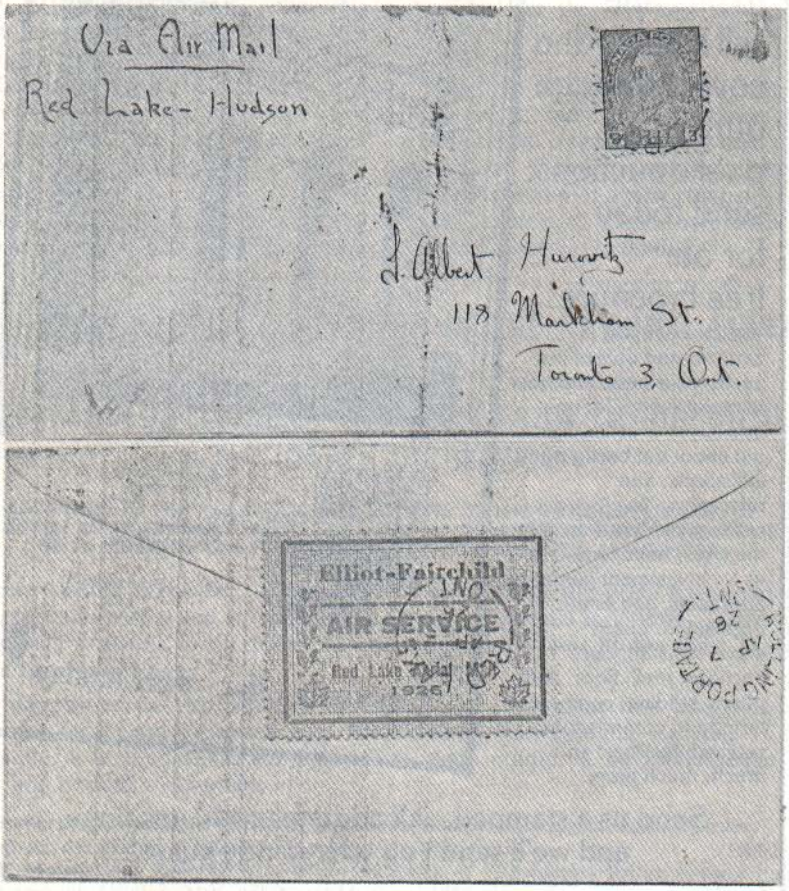
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A Query

by Murray Heifetz



Among my Canadian semi-official airmail covers, I have one that I have been unable to relate to any standard catalogue data or to any information I could dig up myself. I hope that some semi-official collector may shed some light on it or validate my finding by reporting other covers with the same date. It would appear that, if this cover has been properly used, then current catalogue data must be changed.

The stamp is the label of the Elliot-Fairchild Air Service which succeeded the Jack V. Elliott services between Red Lake and Rolling Portage (and other towns in the Red Lake mining district) in the gold rush of 1926. The standard catalogues (Canada Specialized, Holmes, AAMS, and

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Sanabria) all show the date of issue of the stamp as March 21, 1926. Only Holmes and the AAMS refer to the actual flights of the company and they indicate that the line's first flight was on April 15,1926, corresponding to the date of issue of the line's second stamp issue.

In the Oct. 6, 1971 Sissons Auction of the Cornelius collection, lot 168 has such a cover in the reverse direction described as April 15, 1926 but in my notes, I have this down as incorrect as the date on the cover was actually April 7 not 15. I have in my own collection, a similar cover from Red Lake to Rolling Portage with the same dates i.e. posted April 5 and received April 7 but with the second issue of the Jack V. Elliott airline stamps.

The Jack V. Elliott Air Service ceased operations in April 1926 when the spring thaw came as it had no water based equipment. The successor company, Elliott-Fairchild Air Service likely did start service only on April 15 when its pontoon-equipped Fairchild (shown on the second issue of its stamps) was available. This probably means that between March 21 (when the first EFAS stamps were issued) and cessation of the earlier JVE flights around April 7 or 8, flown covers could have used any of either the first two issues of the JVE stamps or the first issue of the EFAS stamp.

The field of Canadian semi-official air mails has a number of instances where stamps of old companies were used on new air services. This is the only case I know of where the stamp of a new company is used on a predecessor flight before the new company becomes operative. □

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1981 POSTAGE STAMP PROGRAM

Date of Issue	Subject	Face Value
Mon., 19 Jan.	Music - Antique Instrument	1 x 17¢
Wed., 4 Mar.	Henrietta Edwards, Feminist Louise McKinney, Feminist Idola Saint-Jean, Feminist Emily Stowe, Doctor and Feminist	4 x 17¢
Mon., 6 Apr.	Endangered Wildlife - Vancouver Island Marmot - Wood Bison -	1 x 17¢ 1 x 35¢
Fri., 24 Apr.	Kateri Tekakwitha Mère Marie de l'Incarnation	2 x 17¢
Tue., 19 May	Frederick H. Varley, Painter Marc-Aurèle Fortin, Painter Paul-Emile Borduas, Painter	1 x 17¢ 1 x 17¢ 1 x 35¢
Canada Week	Canada Day - Canada from 1867 to today	4 x 17¢
Mid-July	John Macoun, Botanist Frère Marie-Victorin, Botanist Floralies de Montréal	2 x 17¢ 1 x 17¢
Fri., 31 Jul.	Niagara-on-the-Lake	1 x 17¢
Fri., 14 Aug.	Acadians	1 x 17¢
Thu., 3 Sept.	Aaron Mosher, Labour Leader	1 x 17¢
Mon., 5 Oct.	Jules Léger	1 x 17¢
Fri., 16 Oct.	Christmas - First Canadian Christmas Tree Bicentennial	1 x 15¢ 1 x 17¢ 1 x 35¢
Tue., 10 Nov.	Aircraft - Training and Transport DHC Tiger Moth, Canadair Tutor Dash-7, Avro Canada Jetliner	2 x 17¢ 2 x 35¢

March 4

Four stamps for four feminists.

Dr. Emily Stowe, the first Canadian woman doctor shown against a view of the old Toronto General Hospital.

Louise McKinney, worked for the Women's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU) and was the first woman member of the British Commonwealth legislature (Alberta, 1917).

Idola Saint-Jean, French Language teacher, fought to gain the vote for women in Quebec, a right that was finally granted in 1940.

Henrietta Edwards, founded with her sister, the Working Girls' Association which offered a boarding house, reading room, classes and meal services. After her marriage she moved to Alberta where she became expert on Canadian and Alberta laws affecting women and children. She participated in the "Five Persons Case"



Upper: Idola Saint-Jean.
Lower: Henrietta Edwards.



Upper: Emily Stowe.
Lower: Louise McKinney.

with Nellie McClung (Sc.622), Louise McKinney, Emily Murphy and Irene Parlby. The case confirmed that women were "persons" and had the right to sit in the Canadian Senate.

The stamp designs are by Muriel Wood with typographical design by Dennis Goddard. The stamps are printed se tenant in sheets of 50 by the Canadian Bank Note Company in eight colour lithography on coated one side litho paper. The 22,500,000 stamps are PVA gummed and general tagged. □

POSTMARKED OTTAWA (continued from page 105)

the lots, photos and descriptions carefully over a one to two year period, one can notice the reappearance of the same lots in some cases.

Two mail auction houses with an average of 3000 lots per auction show that 43 per cent of all of the lots listed are not sold. When inquiring about a few of these lots, one was told that they could be purchased outright at a given price, the price in such cases was about two increments above the listing in the auction catalogue.

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THE 1981 CHARLTON STAMP GUIDE, Second Edition. George Papaspyrou editor. Published by The Charlton Press, 299 Queen St., W., Toronto, Ont. M5V 1Z9. 10.9 cm x 17.8 cm, iv + 231 pages, illus., glossary, softbound. 1980. $1.75 from dealers or $2.25 ppd from the publisher.

This dealers' buying guide is an easy way for collectors to establish the value of their stamps. All stamps issued in Canada since the Three Penny Beaver of 1851 are clearly described, illustrated and listed as to denomination, colour and current market value.

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STANLEY GIBBONS ELIZABETHAN SPECIALIZED CATALOGUE OF MODERN BRITISH COMMONWEALTH STAMPS, 17th Ed. 1981. Published by Stanley Gibbons Publications Ltd., 391 Strand, London WC2R 0LX, England. 17.1 cm x 22.8 cm, xii + GB116 + 1231 pages, illus, softbound, 1980. £11.95, approx $35.00 from many dealers.

This edition continues the coverage of the stamps issued since 6 February 1952 by Great Britain, the British Commonwealth and the post-independence issues of Ireland, Pakistan and South Africa.

The various Appendix listings formerly at the end of the volume are now found at the end of the listings of the countries concerned. They now include some issues of Belize, Dominica (gold foil issues) and Redonda. Name changes are also recorded. South Georgia reverts to the previous style of Falkland Islands Dependencies, Gilbert Islands to Kiribati and Rhodesia to Zimbabwe. The unannounced photogravure printings of the Malaysian States 1971-78 definitives are now included and for Rhodesia, addition information, together with prices, is added between 1966 and 1980.

STANLEY GIBBONS GREAT BRITAIN SPECIALISED STAMP CATALOGUE. Volume 3, Queen Elizabeth II pre-decimal Issues. 5th Ed. Published by Stanley Gibbons Publications Ltd., 391 Strand, London WC2R 0LX, England. 14.1 cm x 22.2 cm, x + 374 pages, illus, appendixes, bibliography, hardbound, 1980. £8.50, approx. $26.00 from many dealers.

Each year moves us further away from the period covered by the new edition of Volume 3 but does not lessen the interest in the stamps of the period.

This edition covers the Wilding and Machin definitives, the special issues, the Regionals and postage dues, and has an appendix for perforators and one for Post Office booklets.

The notes for the 'Castles' high values have been expanded, as have the listings for the special issues which incorporate details of varieties and minor flaws, cylinder numbers, sheet sizes and markings, and quantities sold. In the Wilding booklet panes, the cream and whiter paper varieties of the booklet cylinder panes are now priced separately, and the treatment of flaws on the se tenant panes has also been improved. Prices have been revised throughout with most emphasis on the Wilding definitives.

STANLEY GIBBONS STAMP CATALOGUE, PART 10. RUSSIA. 1st Ed. 1981. 14.6 cm x 21.6 cm, x + 302 pages, illus, softbound, 1981. £10.50, approx. $32.00.
STANLEY GIBBONS STAMP CATALOGUE, PART 16, CENTRAL ASIA. 1st ed. 1981. 14.6 cm x 21.6 cm, x + 198 pages, illus, softbound, 1981. £8.50, approx. $26.00 from dealers.
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Part 10 - Russia. Russia has issued more than 5000 postage stamps; more stamps than any other country in the world. These are fully recorded in this Part, together with the British, Finnish and German Occupation issues, the stamps used at Russian post offices abroad (in China and the Turkish Empire, etc.) and the issues of the Ukraine, the Transcaucasian Federation, the Baltic States (Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania), Tuva and Mongolia. There have been numerous improvements and corrections to listings throughout the text. The Russian issues of 1913-17 immediately prior to the Revolution, Romanovs, War Charities, provisionals and currency issues, have been expertly revised, as have the stamps of Latvia and Lithuania and the pre-1945 issues of Mongolia.

Part 16 - Central Asia. The stamps of three countries, Afghanistan, Iran and Turkey, are listed in this Part. The early issues of Afghanistan, notably the 'Lions' have been revised. The Turkish section includes stamps used at Foreign Post Offices in the Turkish Empire (in Austria, France, Germany, Italy, Russia, etc.). The major editorial improvement is that most of the Turkish obligatory tax stamps for charity, used between 1926 and 1958, are now listed.

There have been considerable increases in the prices of early Afghan and Iranian issues since the last listing (1976-78).

THE ARMS ISSUE OF 1902-20, by Rev. L. L. Tann. Published by The Canadian Society of Russian Philately, P.O. Box 5722, Station A, Toronto, Ont., M5W 1P2. 21.8 cm x 28.1 cm, iii + 257 pages, illus, maps, typewritten offset, stapled, softbound, 1980. Can $23.50 (US $20.00) ppd from the publisher.

The author of this, the first major publication of The Canadian Society of Russian Philately, also had a hand in the revision of the Russian issue of 1913-17 in the Gibbons catalogue, Part 10, reviewed above.

The author's Preface clearly states the contents and scope of the book. "This handbook is a detailed study of the Russian Arms issues covering the period 1902-20, the last Arms issue on laid paper, the wove paper issues, and the post-revolutionary reprints. For the purpose of background and introduction, included is a survey of Russian postal history and brief notes on concurrent issues.

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The text is well written, well laid out and clearly printed. Most of the illustrations of covers and stamps are also quite clear but there are a few that leave a lot to be desired, e.g., Varieties of the 1916 Surcharges" (p.84) has one half of eight illustrations so dark that the surcharges cannot be seen. This, however, would seem to be the only fault of the book.

CATALOGUS VAN DE POSTWAARDESTRUKKEN VAN NEDERLAND EN OVERZEESE RIJKSDELEN. 4e Editie (Catalogue of Postal Stationery of the Netherlands and Overseas Territories. 4th ed.) by A. W. ten Guezendam. Published by B. V. v/h Van Dieten Boeken Import, Bleyenburg 5, Den Haag, Netherlands. 15.5 cm x 21.5 cm, 126 pages, illus, softbound n.d. (A979?). US $18.00 including Dutch, English and German language

glossary and airmail postage.

As the title indicates, this is a Dutch language catalogue which, with the aid of the glossary of the more important philatelic words, poses little trouble to one who is unfamiliar with the Dutch language. The catalogue lists, illustrates and prices all of the postal stationery of the Netherlands, Netherlands Indies (Indonesia), 1874-1953, including Japanese occupation issues and Republic of Indonesia, Netherlands New Guinea 1950-1963, Curaçao (Netherlands Antilles) 1876-1977, and Surinam 1876-1966. Pricing is in Dutch Florins for mint and used copies.

ROULETTES COILS ROLLENMARKEN. A WORLDWIDE CATALOG by Hans Jaffe' and R. E. Kunz. Published by H. Jaffe' P.O. Box 38416, Cincinnati, OH 45238 U.S.A. 17.3 cm x 21.7 cm, 84 pages, offset, saddle stitched, softbound, 1980. US $3.50 ppd, airmail abroad, US $1.00.

This is a computer print out offset printed catalogue of the coil stamps of the world. It has listings for all stamps that are believed to be regularly issued in coil form. It does not list those 'coil' stamps that were prepared for special requests or for favour. It lists stamps from horizontal and vertical rolls as regularly issued but not pairs or multiples not in the direction of coils. Such multiples can come only from sheets used to produce rolls.

Not listed also are coil lengths, information on header and trailer strips nor the numbers produced or distributed.

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United States coils are listed first and are followed by the rest of the stamp issuing countries in alphabetical order. Within the country lists, the stamps are arranged chronologically by date of issue with Scott number and number given by the specialized catalogue of the country. Also given for each stamp is the denomination, colour, direction of perforations and pertinent notes.

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MISCHFRANKATUREN OSTERREICH, LOMBARDEI-VENETIEN, 1850-1867". Band I. (Mixed Frankings of Austria and Lombardy-Venetia, 1850-1867. Vol. 1) by Dr. Anton Jerger, will be published this spring by "Die Briefmarke" Handelsgesellschaft m.b.H., the official organ of the Austrian Philatelci Federation. It will have 320 pages, 21 x 29 cm, about 150 colour and 150 black illustrations. 2000 copies will be printed. Advance orders until Mar. 31, 1981 to be sent to "Briefmarke", Getreidemarkt 1, A - 1060 Vienna, Austria, with bank draft for Au. Sh. 1400 plus Au. Sh. 60 for postage. After that date, Au. Sh. 1620 plus postage.

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The book is in the German language only.

M. R. Rasic.

ROMANIAN PHILATELIC STUDIES, Vol. 5, No. 1, 1981. Published by the Romanian Philatelic Club, c/o Mark Froman, 1519 East 8th St., Brooklyn, NY 11230, U.S.A. Published quarterly, US ¢7.00/yr.

This fully illustrated, well printed bulletin (16 pages/issue) contains a variety of articles and notes ranging from "Curious Censor Markings" through First Romanian postal receipts to a review of Romanian philatelic literature. A good journal. □

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