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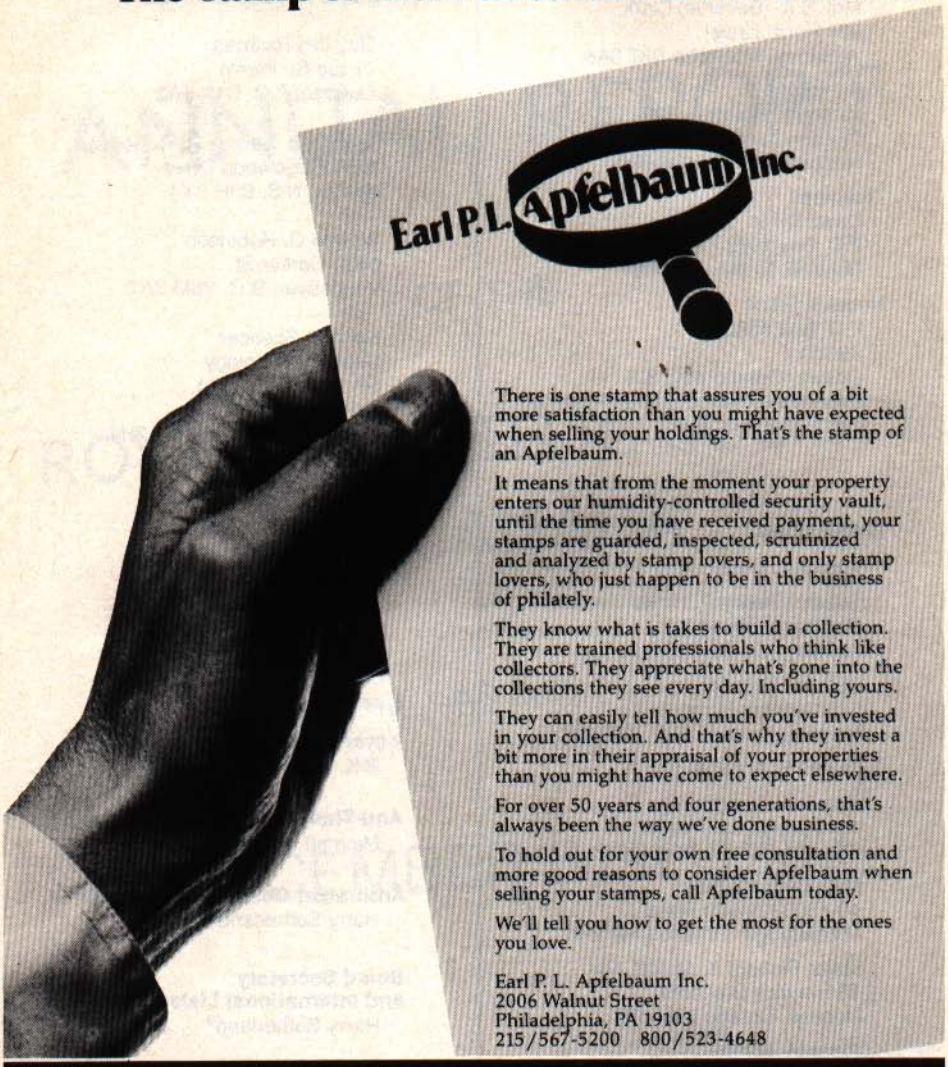
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EDITOR'S NOTES

by Ron Richards

HONOURARY LIFE MEMBERS

In the March-April C.P. I mentioned the four Honourary Life Members of our Society. Unfortunately the membership numbers published for three were incorrect. The correct data is as follows:

7400 - Robson Lowe, London, England

7873 - Mrs. Phyllis Geldert, FRPSC, Ottawa, Ontario

1288 - Neville S. Spence, Ottawa, Ontario

The fourth Honourary Life Member is R.W. (Bill) Eyre of Hull, Quebec.

GELDERT AWARD REGULATIONS

In the last issue it was announced that Dr. Jack Arnell had been awarded the Geldert Award for 1983 in recognition of his continuing series "Highlights From the Early Days of the Cunard Line". Jack is the first double-recipient of the award and this has prompted the award committee to amend the rules and regulations governing the Geldert Award as follows:

1. The Geldert Award is a suitably-engraved medal struck in silver.
2. It shall be given for what is judged to be the best article, on any phase of philately, published in the Canadian Philatelist in any one year.
3. The winner of the Award shall be chosen by a committee appointed by the Board of Directors of the Society.
4. The winning article must demonstrate original research and be adequately documented, with references to the relevant literature.
5. A recipient of the Award shall not be permitted to receive a further award.
6. If, in a given year, the Committee decides that none of the articles published is of a standard sufficiently high to merit the Award, no award shall be given for that year.

"OFFICIAL" PHILATELIC BOOKLETS

SPRINGPEX, the annual spring philatelic exhibition and bourse of the Hamilton Philatelic Society was held on 28 April 1984. It is co-sponsored by local Canada Post officials in Hamilton. The interesting aspect of the exhibition was that Canada Post officially overprinted the 50¢ vending machine booklets with a slogan promoting the show. These booklets were on sale at various area post offices, philatelic counters and from vending machines from 12 March to 28 April. The overprint was hand-stamped in black, on a continuous basis.

According to R.W. Eyre, Executive Director of Retail Marketing for Canada Post, the project evolved as a local initiative by the Hamilton Post Office in support of the local philatelic community. At the present time there is no policy, guidelines or criteria concerning this type of "official" philatelic booklet.

It will be interesting to see the reaction of Canadian booklet collectors should this type of "official" booklet spread across the country. Now that the process has begun, what is to stop every stamp club in the country from visiting their local Postmaster and requesting the same courtesy and free publicity which was accorded to the Hamilton Philatelic Society. The results certainly boggle the mind and I would like to hear from any stamp clubs who decide to pursue this matter with their local Canada Post officials.

REPEAT "FREE" OFFER

Last year we offered members the opportunity of adding the 100-page bilingual international catalogue of "Canada 82" to their library free of charge. The National Office was swamped with replies and some members' requests were unfortunately received too late.

Recently all of the remainders have been donated to the R.P.S.C. and we are able to repeat the offer, strictly on a first-come first-served basis. The catalogue contains several interesting articles including one on "Ice Hoc-

key Philately" by Ralph Mitchener.

Write today to the National Office in Ottawa quoting your membership number. Please enclose $1 to cover postage costs. Early respondents will also receive a copy of the National Philatelic Youth catalogue which contains an article on the 1851 12-penny Black.

CLUB IDEAS

In this issue you will find the re-invention of the wheel - a "new" old column entitled "Club Ideas". It is the brainchild of one of the most frequent writers to the Editor, Stuart Clark of Winnipeg. Unfortunately its earlier birth may have been premature and its life-span was rather short, due to non-participation by fellow members.

The first column is by veteran Ed Richardson and is in my mind a real zinger - 100% accurate and to the point! This time let's get the ball rolling and submit those Club Ideas, either to myself or to Club Ideas, P.O. Box 1425, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 2Z1.

R.P.S.C. - MEMBER DISCOUNT

In the Literature Review of the Guiness Book of Stamps, Facts & Feats by James Mackay published in the Sept./Oct. 1983 issue, the distribution address was incorrect.

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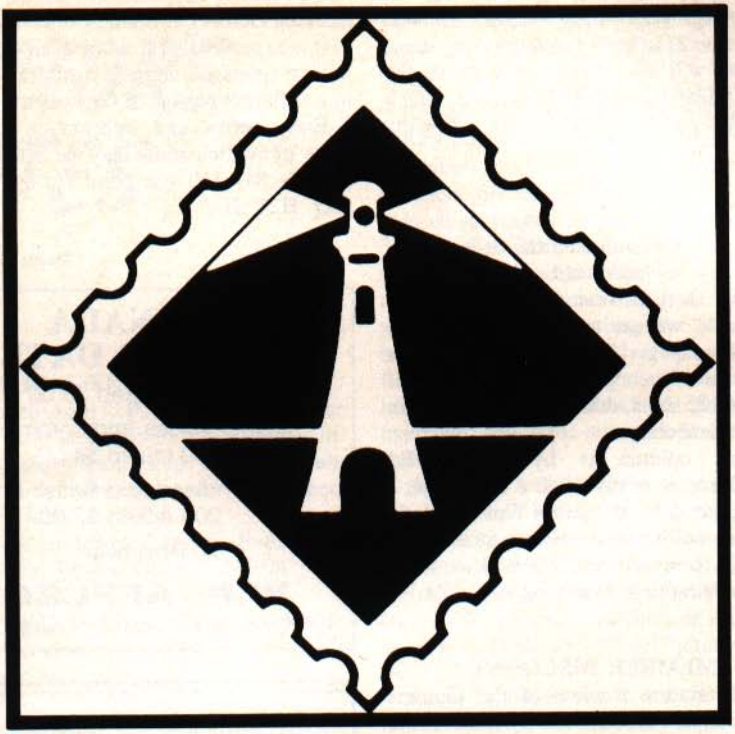
The R.P.S.C. has sanctioned the exhibition in order that medal winners may be recognized internationally. The theme of the exhibition will be the 450th anniversary of Jacques Cartier's first voyage, and will be the highpoint marking October as Stamp Collecting Month.

It is expected that if successful, Canada Post will co-sponsor a national exhibition each year in a different region of the country.

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I think the Pope is a world figure and should be honoured on a stamp. I believe this even though I am an atheist.

Now that we have our own Constitution, I feel we have grown up and no longer need or should have the ROYAL in our title. THE PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF CANADA sounds much better to us.

Cy Lemay
Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

(You will no doubt be pleased that the Post Office has announced a special stamp issue for the Papal Visit. I don't believe that I have to reiterate my views on the subject for they haven't changed. Also, I doubt if the Post Office's decision was prompted by the fact that the Pope is a "world figure". Heaven forbid, there are many world figures who should never appear on postage stamps!

I also believe that the vast majority of our membership would disagree with you over the title "ROYAL" in the Society's name. It is a singularly high honour not readily bestowed and one in which I believe all members should take pride. - Ed.)

EXHIBITION BLACKMAIL

I note in Bulletin No. 1 of Canada 84, page 13, section 13, that every participant in the Literature section will send three copies of the accepted work to the committee. This is reasonable, normal and fair enough. However, it disturbs me to note that rather than return the three copies, they will be confiscated and above all, what I find galling, is that the three copies will be given to the Postal Museum Library.

In effect, this compels exhibitors to "donate" to the library. However, for any number of reasons, authors may find this penalty to be repugnant. In my own case, were I to exhibit, I'd lose $75 for three copies of my book. This cost is prohibitive. Consider other more extreme cases - what of Colonel Pratt's book - it would cost him $180 to submit three copies!

Other exhibitors are not required to surrender their collections - why should exhibitors here (or anywhere) submit to **blackmail** - i.e., exhibit, but it is required that you surrender your exhibit to the confiscatory policies of the Exhibition Committee. I am also perturbed that the R.P.S.C. would sponsor an exhibition which does this, in fact lending an air of legitimacy to a practice which I am led to believe is widespread. Regardless of whether or not it is currently accepted practice, it ought to be abolished.

The Post Office Crown Corporation and the federal government are far better funded than I am. They do not need my "donation" - if they are so damned desperate for three copies of any book, let them go out and purchase the copies and thereby support the efforts of publishers of philatelic literature.

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Argentina
Renie Edward Piccoli
San Luis 3145
Rosario (2000) Pcia Santa Fe
Argentine Republic

Wishes to exchange mint and used stamps. Writes in **English**.

Brazil
Joy Arruda Junior
Fazenda Mont'Alvao
C.P. 3, 18.600 Botucatu
Brazil

Wishes to exchange for Canadian stamps. Writes in **English**, but prefers **Portuguese** or **Spanish**.

Brazil
Mauricio Matthiesen
R: Antonio de Castro-305
13600-Araras-SP
Brasil

A 13-year-old wishes to exchange stamps and seals. Writes in **English**.

China
Shu Zhan
724 N. Liberation Road
Canton
People's Republic of China

Wishes to exchange mint stamps and FDC's. Writes in **English**.

Czechoslovakia
Ing. Peter Vlcko
Novomeskeho 17/12
949 01 Nitra
Czechoslovakia

Wants to exchange mint/used of Czechoslovakia, Hungary and USSR for Canada and US. Writes in **English**.

DEMANDES D'ECHANGE

La Royal Philatelic Society ne s'occupe pas normalement des échanges entre philatélistes, mais comme elle est la société philatélique nationale du Canada, on lui transmet de nombreuses demandes de philatélistes désireux de trouver des correspondants pour échanger des timbres. Ainsi a-t-elle décidé, pour rendre service à ses membres, de publier les noms des intéressés d'outre-mer, afin que ceux qui désirent établir des rapports avec eux puissent le faire. Je vous signale toutefois que nous ne savons rien des personnes qui nous demandent de publier leur nom, c'est pourquoi je vous conseille d'être prudent en répondant à ces demandes d'échange.

Algérie
Kechroud Kiad
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Algérie

Un étudiant de 15 ans désire échanger les timbres et les cartes postales. Ecrire en **français**.

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B.P. 724
Paroisse St. Kizito
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Zaire

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East Germany
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Pestalozzistrasse 54
DDR-4020 Halle (Saale)
German Democratic Republic

A biochemist who wishes to exchange German stamps for mint Canada. Writes in **English**.

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Mr. A.F. Wotton
17 Blacksmiths Hill
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Great Britain

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306 99 Plzen
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Vijay M. Muzumdar
247/Sunderbai Niwas
3rd Flr., No. 7
Bhandar Lane, Mahim, Bombay 400 016
India
A university student wishes to exchange stamps and FDCs. Writes in **English**.

Italy
Nicastri Giovanni
via Aneona 25, Pal. 7
74100 Taranto
Italy
Wants to exchange/purchase Canadian FDC's featuring sports, archaeology and tourism. Writes in **English** or **Italian**.

Netherlands
Mr. C.M. Dalen
Valkenboskade 153
2563 HA. Den Haag
Netherlands
Wishes to exchange stamps for Canadian issues. Writes in **English, Dutch** or **French**.

Poland
Mr. Henry Sokolowski
ul. Syreny 9 m.24
01-132 Warsaw
Poland
Wishes to exchange Polish issues for mint/used Canada. Writes in **English**.

Portugal
Joaquim Correia Silva
Quinta de S. Joao lote 14 C/V dta.
Rebelva-2775 Carcavelos
Portugal
A 27-year-old collector wishes to exchange stamps. Writes in **Portuguese, French, English, German, Spanish** or **Italian**.

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Singapore
Leong Jern-Lin
27 Oxley Road
07-06 Orchard Court
Singapore 0923
Wishes to exchange/purchase Canadian stamps. Writes in **English**.

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OCTOBER 13-14 – Annual exhibition and bourse of the Vancouver Island Philatelic Society and the Greater Victoria Philatelic Society at the Garth Homer Centre, 813 Darwin Ave., Victoria, B.C. Information: Anthony Bunting, P.O. Box 6537, Station "C", Victoria, B.C. V8P 5M4.

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MAY - ROYAL 85 to be held in conjunction with Stampex85 at the Sheraton Centre, 123 Queen St. W., Toronto, Ont.

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PRESIDENT'S PAGE

by

Beverlie Clark

The beautiful and historic city of Quebec was the site of ROYALE 84, our 56th Annual Convention, hosted by la Société Philatélique de Québec. Convention headquarters were in the Hilton Hotel with the other activities taking place in le centre municipal des congrès adjacent to the hotel.

Activities began at 10:00 a.m. May 18 when the Honourable Gilles Lamontagne, Lieutenant Governor of Quebec cut the ribbon at the entrance of the large and spacious exhibition hall.

The exhibit area held 480 frames [16 page frames], and in addition to the competitive exhibits there were 36 frames for the Court of Honour and 65 frames reserved for junior exhibits. The exhibition itself, covering a broad spectrum of subjects, was of unusually high standard with at least one-half of international calibre.

The first day saw most of the visitors either taking advantage of the philatelic attractions, visiting the dealers in the bourse, or attending the first of the scheduled seminars. In the evening the registrants were invited guests at a very pleasant reception at the charming old City Hall sponsored by the Mayor's office.

The second day was one of various meetings starting with the Annual Meeting of the Society at 10:00 a.m. The afternoon saw many take advantage of the planned bus tour of the city - despite the moisture-laden air.

As usual, at the Annual Meeting of the Society, the reports of the various officers were presented, disclosing a few problems and confirming the continuing growth and development of the Society. The election of directors for the ensuing year included all of the previous year's directors plus one new director - Mr. W. G. (Bill) Robinson, of Vancouver, was elected filling a vacancy on the Board.

Before the meeting adjourned, Mrs. G. M. Geldert presented the Geldert Medal to Dr. J. C. Arnell, chosen as the recipient for 1983, for his series of articles "Highlights From the Early Days of the Cunard Line." Mrs. Geldert also mentioned that Dr. Arnell was receiving this award for the second time having previously received the Geldert Medal in 1972. The Geldert Medal, for the best contribution to the Canadian Philatelist, was established to honour the memory of the late Dr. G. M. Geldert, a past president of the Society.

Following the Annual Meeting, the first meeting of the elected directors was held and at that time a number of changes were made in the slate of officers for the ensuing year. Mr. Michael Millar has relinquished the position of Judges' Accreditation Programme Co-ordinator and this position will now be handled by Mr. Michael Madesker. Denis Hamel has accepted the position of Co-ordinator of the Youth Education Programme relinquished by Mr. Madesker. And Mr. Richard Malott has taken on the position of Historian.

An important decision taken at the meeting was the necessity to alter the membership fees effective 1 January 1985. A more detailed explanation will be forthcoming in my next column, but put simply, fees have been placed on a three-tier structure as follows: Canadian members - $15; U.S. members - $18; and overseas members - $20.

Later in the day, the Fellows of the Society met and three members were elected as Fellows for their extraordinary contributions to our hobby. They are Mr. Arthur Leggett and Mr. Gustav Snels, both of Toronto, and Dr. J. C. Arnell, of Bermuda.

Saturday evening was one of relaxation beginning with the President's reception and followed by the Awards Banquet - a thoroughly

enjoyable evening, thanks to our host committee.

On behalf of the Society I would like to pass on our appreciation and congratulations to Guy des Rivières, Lola Caron, Denis Hamel and the many others on the committee, for the numerous hours of work in planning and organizing this wonderful convention, overflowing with the usual warm Quebec hospitality. □

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Highlights From The Early Days of The Cunard Line

by J.C. Arnell, RPSC 8170

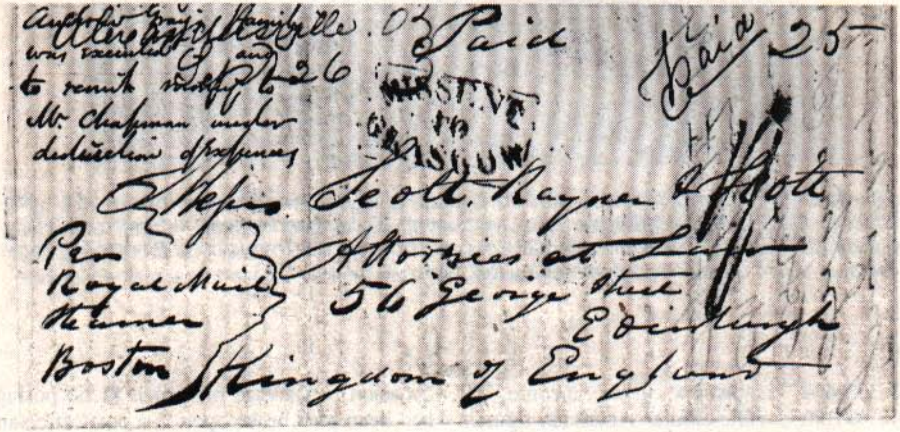


Fig. 1. Letter from Alexandersville, Ohio dated 26 September 1843. Inland postage of 25 cents prepaid to Boston. Carried by the ***Caledonia*** *from Boston on 1 October and arrived at Liverpool on 14 October. Struck with 1/- Stg. packet postage due.*

XXVII. The U.S. Post Office Reacts to the Cunard Line

It would appear that the first American public reaction to the introduction of the Cunard steam packet service to Boston was not related to the faster and more regular service that resulted, but rather to the reduction of the 4d. Stg. for under 15 miles to 12/5 Stg. for over 700 miles, which preceeded it; and the elimination of inland British postage and the reduction of British North American inland postage to 2d. Stg. on packet mail. This meant that a single letter from anywhere in the United Kingdom to Boston only cost 1/- Stg. and to anywhere in British North America, 1/2 Stg.

An investigation into the effect of these reductions on the revenue of the British Post Office by General Duff Green for the U.S. Postmaster General in the summer of 1842 revealed that, although the gross revenue decreased from $11,750,000 to $6,750,000 during the first year of the Penny Post, the number of letters handled increased by 250 percent, and the Post Office still showed a profit! While aware of the public desire for a similar reduction of postage, the American Postmaster General commented that "the dissimilarity in the government of the two countries, as well as the difference in the extent of territory, induce me to doubt whether the same system of mail service and rates of postage could be safely adopted in the United States".

A year later, faced with a growing demand for the reduction of postage, the Postmaster General made an interesting comparison between the two postal services. The annual mileage covered in transporting the mail was 20,000,000 in the United Kingdom and 35,252,805 in the United States. In 1838, the cost of operating the British postal service was



Fig. 2. Letter from Nottingham, England dated 17 June 1844. Packet postage of 1/- Stg. prepaid. Carried by the ***Hibernia*** *from Liverpool on 20 June and arrived at Boston on 3 July. Struck with BOSTON-SHIP and rated 20 3/4 cents postage due, made up of 2 cents ship letter fee and 18 3/4 cents inland postage to New York.*

$3,353,434 against a gross income of $11,421,907; while similar American figures for 1843 were $4,295,925 revenue against a total expenditure of $4,374,714, with much higher postage rates. He pointed out that if Congress were to support the American postal service from the public treasury, a uniform low postage could be established and this would simplify the operation of the Post Office.

His 1844 report reflects the strong opinions from such bodies as the New York Chamber of Commerce that a two-tier postage of Five and Ten cents would probably greatly increase the revenue of the Post Office by eliminating at least some of the private express mail carriage, while encouraging more letter writing. Even though the Postmaster General had some reservations about this, it was embodied in one of two Acts of Congress dated 3 March 1845, with the 5-cent rate up to 300 miles and over that, the postage was 10 cents. At the same time, the rating was changed from a single sheet to half an ounce.

This rating by weight led to nearly as much revenue loss as the expresses had previously caused. Packages of letters were sent to agents in other cities for local distribution. On one occasion, a package on which $1.60 postage had been paid broke open in a post office and was found to contain a hundred letters addressed to different individuals; sent singly, the postage would have been $10.00.

Concurrently, there was concern over the loss of revenue on overseas letters, because of the absence of American contract packets. In his 1844 report, the Postmaster General pointed out that under existing laws he had no authority to contract for the transportation of mails on the high seas or beyond the limits of the United States, and argued that he would have already established regular mails to Cuba and other foreign ports, if he had the power to do so. He sought this authority with rates of postage on overseas letters being established by Congress at the same time.

He wrote:"This policy will be more obvious if we take into consideration the amount of postage paid in letters which now pass to and from the United States in foreign vessels. The number of letters which are transported in the Cunard line of steamers alone, between Boston and Liverpool, is about $60,000 per month, charged with a postage of $15,000, equal to $180,000 per annum - the greater part of which is a tax upon American citizens and

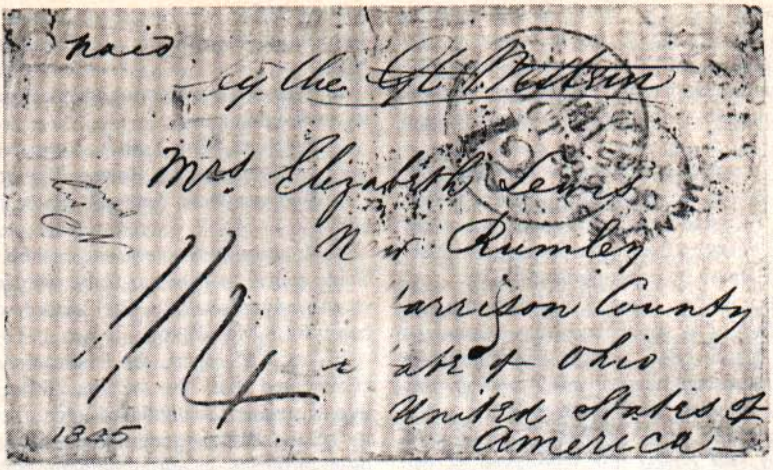


Fig. 3. Letter from Manchester, England dated 5 October 1845. 1/4 Stg. postage prepaid as a double weight outgoing ship letter. Carried by the ***Great Western*** *from Liverpool on 11 October. Struck with NEW YORK/SHIP/12 Cts. on 23 October, showing 2 cents ship letter fee and 10 cents inland postage to New Rumley, Ohio due on delivery.*



Fig. 4. Letter from New Orleans dated 14 January 1847. Inland postage of 10 cents to Boston prepaid. Carried by the ***Hibernia*** *from Boston on 1 February and arrived at Liverpool on 15 February. Rated 1/- Stg. packet postage due.*

American commerce. Would it not be better that this sum should be paid to American citizens, thereby encouraging and sustaining American enterprise and the American commercial marine, than the marine of any foreign power?

"Such a power at this time is peculiarly desirable, should the enterprise, now in contemplation, of establishing a line of American steamers between the United States and Liverpool and Havre be consummated."

The Postmaster General received the desired authority by the second Act of Congress dated 3 March 1845, which also established the packet postage between any American port and any English or French port or other foreign port less than 3,000 miles distant at 24 cents per half ounce (the equivalent of the British packet postage of 1/- Stg.), with U.S. inland postage at the new five- and ten-cent rates additional. This act also gave encouragement to the construction of American steamships suitable for conversion into war vessels, as such were to receive preference in the awarding of mail contracts.

Little time was lost in acting on this matter. A Post Office advertisement dated 4 October 1845 invited proposals for the carriage of mails:

1. Between New York and Liverpool, Bristol or Southampton;
2. Between New York and Antwerp, Bremen or Hamburg, via Cowes, England;
3. Between New York and Havre or Brest; and
4. Between New York and Lisbon.

Three routes to Havana, Cuba were included in the advertisement. The services were to begin by 1 May 1846.

In the 1845 report, the Postmaster General commented that "the success of the Cunard line of steamers, established under the authority of the British government, exercised no little influence in stimulating the enterprises contemplated to be put in operation under the law referred to (3 March 1845). An appropriation of about eighty-five thousand pounds sterling a year is made by that government to sustain that line. Some of those who wish to take a contract under this government expect to receive a stated sum per annum for their investment and service. It is, however, rep-



Fig. 5. Letter from Yarmouth, England dated 20 April 1846. Packet postage of 1/- Stg. prepaid. Carried by the ***Britannia*** *from Liverpool on 5 May and arrived at Boston on 21 May. Struck with 7 cents postage due, made up of 2 cents ship letter fee and 5 cents inland postage to New York.*

resented that the expenditure made by the British government is fully reimbursed by the amount of postage collected from the mails which the line conveys. Other capitalists have manifested a willingness to engage in the service on the principal lines, for the net proceeds of postage arising from them. In the present condition of the finances of the department, I have deemed the making of these contracts of so much importance that I fixed the period for making them when Congress was in session, that I may be guided by such further directions as it may think proper to give, when it will have a full view of the case after the proposals are made."

The first company to receive a contract was the Ocean Steam Navigation Company for a New York-Southampton-Bremen (or Havre on alternate sailings) with four vessels. However, only two steamers, the **Washington** and **Hermann**, were built and operated on the Bremen run beginning in 1847. The second half of the contract was subsequently transferred to the New York and Havre Steam Navigation Company to operate the New York-Southampton-Havre steamers. This service began in 1850 with the **Franklin** and **Humboldt**.

It is not intended to follow the development of the American transatlantic contract services. The above was included in this series to show how the success of the Cunard Line forced the American commercial interests to move from their very successful sailing packets to a largely unknown area of steam. In this, they were never able to compete successfully, so that a decade later, Cunard had a virtual monopoly on the Britain-United States mail routes.



Fig. 6. Letter from New York dated 30 October 1849. Local postage of 5 cents prepaid. Carried by the ***Niagara*** *from New York on 31 October and arrived at Liverpool on 13 November. Rated 1/- Stg. packet postage due.*

(The next issue of The Canadian Philatelist will carry the conclusion of this outstanding series. - Ed.)

Canada Mourns Her Monarchs

(Conclusion)

by C.R. McGuire



Fig. 9. Although printed following the death of Edward VII, this card also commemorates his mother's passing. It is of Canadian origin.

QUEEN VICTORIA AND CANADA

Victoria was involved with relatively few events which directly concerned Canada. Probably the most important was her choice of the country's capital city. On 24 March 1857 Queen Victoria was requested to settle the controversy which was raging over the site of a capital for the Province of Canada. On 31 December 1857 Queen Victoria's choice of Ottawa was announced. Almost immediately plans were begun for the construction of a Parliament Building. After Confederation in 1867 Ottawa was retained as the capital for the new nation.

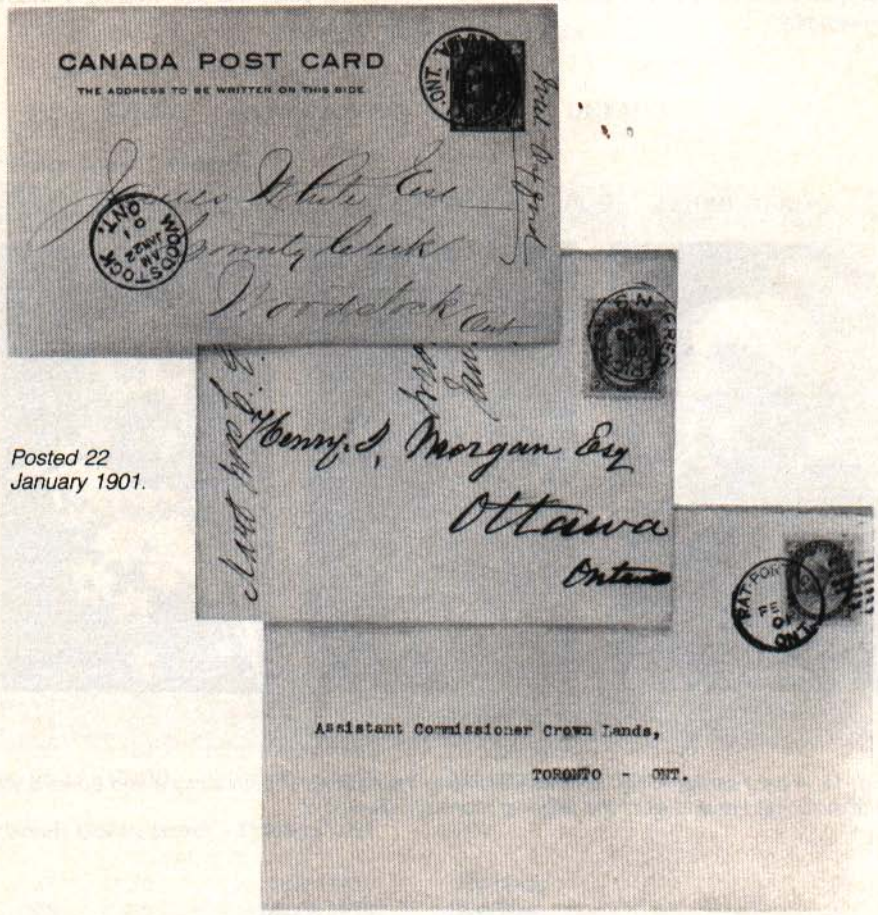
Canada raised and equipped a regiment of infantry, the Royal Canadians, which served

with distinction during the Crimean War. Queen Victoria asked how she could show her gratitude for Canada's loyalty. A request for a personal visit by Her Majesty to Canada was the response. For various reasons the trip was not made but she promised that as soon as the Prince of Wales was old enough and his education would permit it, he would make the visit.

The man-of-war, HMS **Hero**, was chosen as the vessel to transport the Prince across the Atlantic. On 9 July 1860, Albert Edward and his suite sailed from Devonport. The tour lasted over four months and included visits to Newfoundland, various cities in the other British North American colonies and the United States of America. While in Ottawa Edward laid the cornerstone for the north-east angle of the Senate on 1 September.

This was the first Royal Visit of an immediate member of the Royal Family to any of the colonies. Thus Canada received a singular honour from Queen Victoria.

Posted 21 January 1901, the last full day of the Victorian era, and received as the Edwardian era began.



Posted 22 January 1901.

Posted 2 February 1901, the date of Victoria's burial.

THE "PHILATELIC" QUEEN VICTORIA

There follows a listing of the issues of Canada and the former stamp-issuing Provinces which have a vignette of Queen Victoria. It could be a useful reference for forming a thematic collection.

Only the major examples are included. It should be noted that all but a few of the postage stamps exist in one or more (and often many) varieties in: shade, type and thickness of paper; perforation, printing flaws; etc. Canadian dates of issues are for the first printings and are taken from Howes. The exceptions: dates for the "Maple Leaves" are from my study of this issue and the "Numerals" are from Bill Pawluk's yet to be published article. Dates for provincial issues are taken from the appropriate specialized handbook listed in the bibliography.

The majority of postal stationery can also be found in different formats; printings; type; colour and/or thickness of paper or card; and with the postage imprint in various shades. I refer readers to the several specialized catalogues which have more comprehensive listings of stamps and stationery.

Victoria's vignette also appeared on many revenue stamps. They are beyond the scope of this list which only concerns material valid for postal purposes.

As the Queen grew older, Canada's stamps, as well as those of the majority of the British colonies, continued to depict her as a young woman. Not until 1893 does a Canadian stamp show Victoria *"looking her age"* - the 20¢ and 50¢ "Widow Weeds" have the Queen in a thoughtful pose, and still wearing a widow's cap.



Fig. 11. A card similar to Fig. 9, commemorating the passing of both Victoria and Edward VII, and including the portrait of the reigning monarch, George V.

ROMAN NUMERAL CODE USED IN LIST REFERS TO FOLLOWING FIRMS PRODUCING THE POSTAGE STAMPS AND STATIONERY

I Rawdon, Wright, Hatch and Edson, New York.
II American Bank Note Co., New York.
IIa American Bank Note Co., Ottawa.
III British American Bank Note Co., Montreal or Ottawa.
IIIa British American Bank Note Co., Montreal.
IIIb British American Bank Note Co., Ottawa.
IV Canadian Bank Note Co., Ottawa.
V Thomas De La Rue & Co., London.
VI Perkins, Bacon & Co., London.
VII Charles Whiting, Beaufort House, Strand, London.
VIII George F. Nesbitt & Co., New York.
IX Public Printing and Stationery Department, Ottawa.
X Ashton-Potter, Toronto.

PROVINCE OF CANADA

CS	SCOTT	YEAR OR DATE OF ISSUE	DETAILS
"Pence Issue" - Printers - I			
3	3	15 June 1851	12d black
4	8	1 August 1857	1/2d rose
7	9	2 June 1857	7 1/2d green
9	11	January 1858	1/2d rose, perforated by II
"Cents Issue" - Printers - II			
12	14	1 July 1859	1¢ rose
13	20	1 August 1864	2¢ rose
16	18	1 July 1859	12 1/2¢ yellow green
"Large Queen Issue" - Printers - III			
18	21	1 April 1868	1/2¢ black
19	22/31	1 April 1868	1¢ brown
20	23	January 1869	1¢ yellow orange
21	24/32	1 April 1868	2¢ green
22	25/33	1 April 1868	3¢ red
23	26	1 October 1875	5¢ olive green
24	27	1 April 1868	6¢ dark brown
25	28	1 April 1868	12 1/2¢ blue
26	29/30	1 April 1868	15¢ grey to grey-violet
"Small Queen Issue" - Printers - III			
27	34	July 1882	1/2¢ black
28	35	March 1870	1¢ yellow
29	36	February 1872	2¢ green

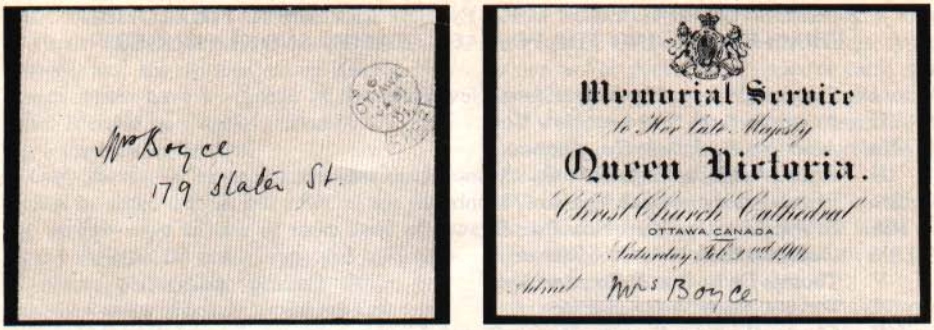


Fig. 12. Free franked envelope posted 31 January 1901 containing invitation to attend a Memorial Service. Note that the person's name was written on the invitation to ensure it was not used by someone else.

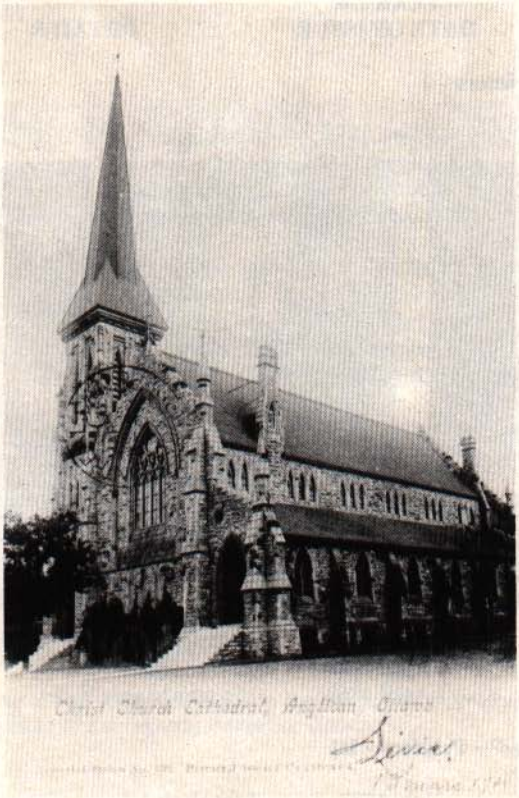


Fig. 13. A contemporary picture postcard depicting the Church where Memorial Service was held.

CS	SCOTT	YEAR OR DATE OF ISSUE	DETAILS
"Small Queen Issue" - Printers - III (cont'd)			
30	37/41	Janurary 1870	3¢ dull red
31	38/42	1 February 1876	5¢ slate green
32	39/43	January 1872	6¢ yellow brown
33	44	1 August 1893	8¢ grey
34	40/45	1 November 1874	10¢ rose lilac
"Widow Weeds" - Printers - IIIb			
35	46	17 February 1893	20¢ vermilion
36	47	17 February 1893	50¢ blue
"Jubilee Issue"			
40	50		1/2¢ black
41	51		1¢ orange
42	52		2¢ green
43	53		3¢ rose
44	54		5¢ blue
45	55		6¢ yellow brown
46	56		8¢ dark violet
47	57		10¢ dark violet
48	58		15¢ steel blue
49	59		20¢ vermilion
50	60		50¢ ultramarine
51	61		$1.00 lake
52	62		$2.00 dark purple
53	63		$3.00 yellow bistre
54	64		$4.00 purple
55	65		$5.00 olive green

These were Canada's first commemorative stamps and dollar denominations; all were printed by IIa and issued on 19 June 1897.

"Maple Leaf Issue" - Printers - IIa			
56	66	6 November 1897	1/2¢ grey black
57	67	21 December 1897	1¢ blue green
58	68	4 December 1897	2¢ purple
59	69	3 January 1898	3¢ carmine
60	70	10 December 1897	5¢ deep blue
61	71	22 November 1897	6¢ brown
62	72	17 December 1897	8¢ orange
63	73	27 December 1897	10¢ brown
"Numeral Issue" - Printers - IIa			
64	74	6 September 1898	1/2¢ black
65	75	17 June 1898	1¢ green



Fig. 14. An invitation printed on the reverse of a Canada Post Card to attend a Memorial Service.

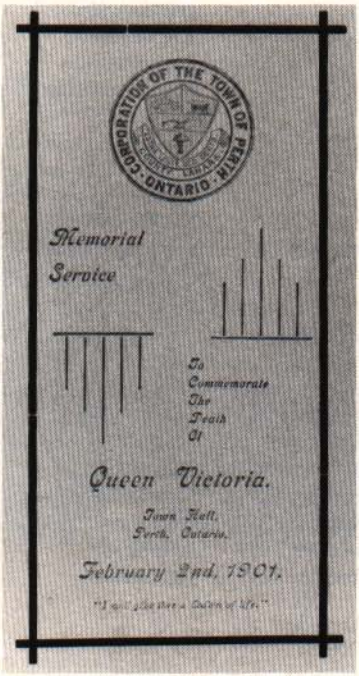


Fig. 15. A Souvenir three-part folder given to those attending a Memorial Service in Perth, Ontario. It is typical of those prepared by other authorities.

CS	SCOTT	YEAR OR DATE OF ISSUE	DETAILS
"Numeral Issue" - Printers IIa (cont'd)			
66	76	26 August 1898	2¢ purple
67	77	20 August 1899	2¢ carmine
68	78	17 June 1898	3¢ carmine
69	79	3 July 1899	5¢ blue
70	80	27 August 1898	6¢ brown
71	81	23 December 1902	7¢ greenish yellow
72	82	24 September 1898	8¢ orange yellow
73	83	9 November 1898	10¢ brown violet
74	84	29 December 1900	20¢ olive green
67aBP	77b	11 June 1900	2¢ carmine booklet pane of six - Canada's first booklet contained two of these panes.
77	87	8 August 1899	2¢ on 3¢ carmine (CS 59)
78	88	28 July 1899	2¢ on 3¢ carmine (CS 68)

Canada's first surcharged and provisional issue. The overprints were typographed by the Government Printing Office, Ottawa. For explanation see * in postal stationery listing.

253	277	1 October 1948	IV - 4¢ Centenary of Responsible Government
353	399	22 August 1962	IV - 5¢ Centenary of Victoria, British Columbia
711	753	10 June 1978	X - 12¢ Capex '78 issue
SS1	753a	10 June 1978	X - 12¢ value of the Capex '78 Souvenir Sheet

Officially Sealed

OS-2	OS2	1905	IV
OS-3	OS3	1907	IV

These are unvalued, black labels used by the Dead Letter Office Branch of the Post Office to officially seal mail.

POSTAL STATIONERY - PROVINCE OF CANADA

WEBB	YEAR OR DATE OF ISSUE	DETAILS
Envelopes		
EN1	1 February 1860	5¢ red - embossed by VIII from die supplied by II
EN2	1 February 1860	10¢ dark brown - embossed by VIII from die supplied by II
Dominion of Canada		
EN3	6 October 1877	1¢ blue - embossed by III
EN4	6 October 1877	3¢ red - embossed by III
EN9	14 June 1895	2¢ green - embossed by III
EN10	1 April 1898	3¢ red - embossed by IX from die supplied by V



Fig. 16. Appropriately franked with the purple 2¢ Maple Leaf and posted 2 February 1901, the day the Queen was laid to rest beside her beloved husband in a mausoleum at Frogmore. The enclosed note reads: "keep this envelope in memory of the date of the burial of our late beloved Queen".



Fig. 17. A typical commercial "mourning" cover similar to the one above.

WEBB	YEAR OR DATE OF ISSUE	DETAILS
Dominion of Canada (cont'd.)		
EN11	April 1899	1¢ green - embossed by IX from die supplied by V
EN12	5 January 1899	2¢ violet - embossed by IX from die supplied by V
EN13	8 January 1899	2¢ red - embossed by IX from die supplied by V

* **NOTE:** On 6 February 1899, EN4, 10 and their variants were surcharged 2¢ with a rubber stamp device by IX. This was done because the Empire and Domestic first class letter rates were reduced from three cents effective 25 December 1898 and 1 January 1899 respectively.

Lettercards

L1	17 February 1893	3¢ carmine - typographed by IIIb
L2	October 1895	1¢ black - typographed by IIIb
L3	October 1895	2¢ green - typographed by IIIb
L4	January 1898	1¢ black - typographed by IIa
L5	January 1900	1¢ green - typographed by IIa
L6	December 1897	2¢ green - typographed by IIa
L7	January 1900	2¢ carmine - typographed by IIa
L8	January 1898	3¢ carmine - typographed by IIa

NOTE: In February 1899, L1, L8 and their variants were surcharged 2¢ with a rubber stamp device by IX. This was done because the Empire and Domestic first class letter rates were reduced from three cents effective 25 December 1898 and 1 January 1899 respectively.

Post Bands and Wrappers

W1	May 1875	1¢ dark blue - typographed by III
W2	April 1882	1¢ blue - typographed by III
W3	May 1887	1¢ blue - typographed by III
W4	February 1892	1¢ blue - typographed by III
W5	February 1894	1¢ black - typographed by III
W6	June 1898	1¢ green - typographed by IIa

Postcards

P1	June 1871	1¢ blue - engraved by III
P2	March 1876	1¢ blue - engraved by III
P3	1 January 1877	2¢ green - engraved by III
P4	24 March 1879	2¢ yellow green - engraved by III
P5	11 April 1882	1¢ blue - typographed by III
P6	December 1882	1¢ + 1¢ slate - reply card - typographed by III
P7	February 1887	1¢ dull blue - typographed by III
P8	February 1887	1¢ + 1¢ slate green - reply card - typographed by III
P9	7 December 1891	1¢ ultramarine - typographed by III
P10	7 December 1891	1¢ + 1¢ slate green - reply card - typographed by III
P11	17 February 1893	1¢ black - typographed by III
P12	November 1894	1¢ + 1¢ black - reply card - typographed by III
P13	February 1894	1¢ black - typographed by III
P14	April 1896	1¢ black - typographed by III

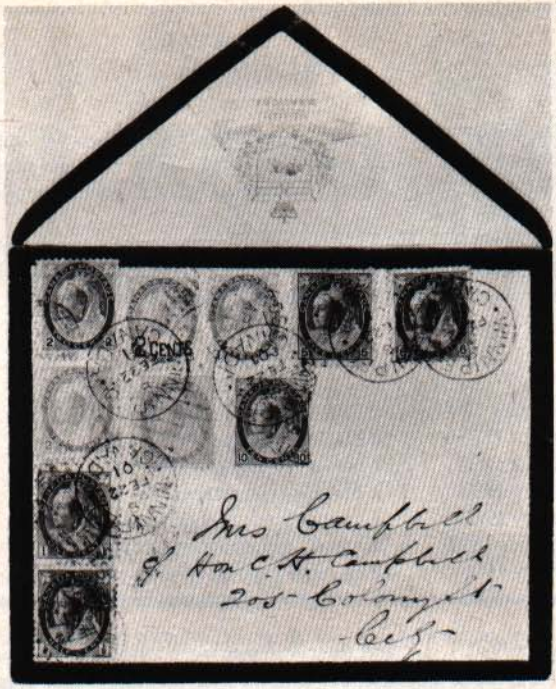


Fig. 18. Province of Manitoba -- contemporary postage stamps were affixed to the front and back of this envelope addressed to the Premier's wife and posted 22 February 1901.

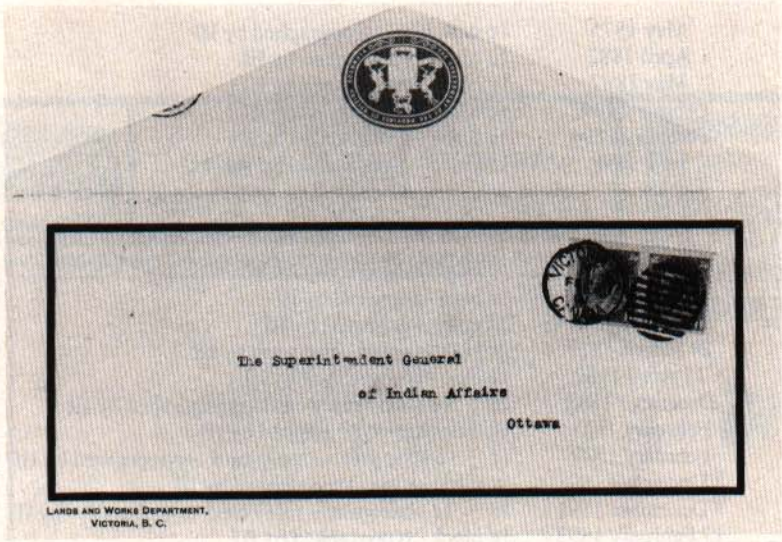


Fig. 19. Province of British Columbia -- Appropriately posted in the Queen's namesake capital and, coincidentally, the same date as the Manitoba cover, exactly one month to the day the Queen passed away.

WEBB	YEAR OR DATE OF ISSUE	DETAILS
Postcards (cont'd.)		
P15	September 1896	2¢ vermilion - engraved by III
P16	19 June 1897	1¢ black - Canada's first commemorative postal stationery recognizing Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee – typographed by IIa
P17	January 1898	1¢ green - typographed by IIa
P18	January 1898	1¢ rose carmine - typographed by IIa
P19	June 1898	1¢ + 1¢ black - reply card - typographed by IIa
P20	7 December 1897	2¢ orange - engraved by IIa
P21	June 1898	2¢ blue - engraved by IIa
Canada Post Picture Postcards - Printer - X		
VC107	27 September 1974	12 pence black (CS3; S3) reproduced on a picture postcard and as the 8¢ postage imprint design - lithographed
VC109	27 September 1974	1/2 penny rose (CS4; S8) used as above - lithographed

NOTE: These cards are part of a set of five issued by the National Postal Museum, Ottawa. There also exist special order postal stationery depicting Queen Victoria, notably postcards issued for railway, express and steamship companies. I refer interested readers to **Webb's Canada and Newfoundland Postal Stationery Catalogue** for comprehensive coverage of these items.

CS	SCOTT	YEAR OR DATE OF ISSUE	DETAILS
British Columbia and Vancouver Island			
1	1	30 July 1860	V - 2 1/2d dull rose - imperforate
2	2	30 July 1860	V - 2 1/2d dull rose - perforated
Vancouver Island			
3	3	19 September 1865	V - 5¢ rose - imperforate
4	4	19 September 1865	V - 10¢ blue - imperforate
5	5	19 September 1865	V - 5¢ rose - perforated
6	6	19 September 1865	V - 10¢ blue - perforated
New Brunswick			
6	7	Late 1863	II - 2¢ orange
7	8	early July 1860	II - 5¢ yellow green
8	9	15 May 1860	II - 10¢ red
Newfoundland			
28	28	15 November 1865	II - 12¢ pale red brown
29	29	August 1894	III - 12¢ brown
31	31	15 November 1865	II - 24¢ blue



Fig. 20. Envelope used by the exclusive Rideau Club, Ottawa.



Fig. 21. Envelope used by Morton, Philips & Co., Montreal, which both mourned the Queen's passing and proclaimed the new King.

CS	SCOTT	YEAR OR DATE OF ISSUE	DETAILS
Newfoundland (cont'd.)			
34	33	July 1870	II - 3¢ vermilion
35	34	1 April 1873	II - 3¢ blue
36	35	July 1870	II - 6¢ dull rose
37	36	December 1894	III - 6¢ carmine lake
40	39	late 1877	II - 3¢ blue (rouletted)
41	40	late 1876	II - 5¢ blue (rouletted)
50	49	early 1880	III - 3¢ blue
51	51	1887	IIIa - 3¢ umber brown
52	52	1895	IIIa - 3¢ violet brown
60	60	1890	IIIb - 3¢ slate
61	61	24 June 1897	II - 1¢ deep green
75	75	October 1897	1¢ on 3¢ (CS60)
76	76	October 1897	1¢ on 3¢ (CS60)
77	77	October 1897	1¢ on 3¢ (CS60)

75-77 were Newfoundland's first surcharged, provisional stamps.

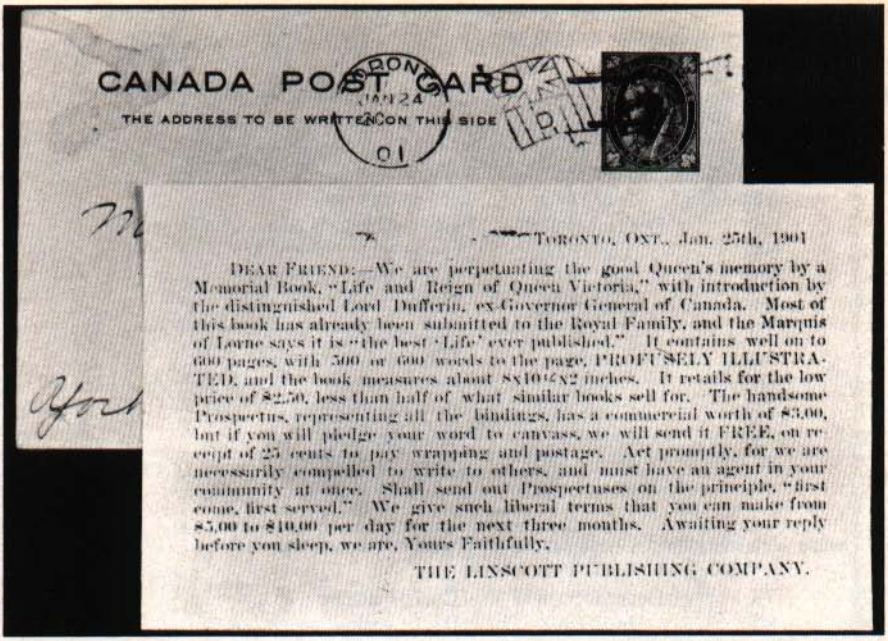
79	79	December 1897	II - 1¢ carmine
80	80	June 1898	II - 1¢ yellow green

NOTE: Newfoundland began depicting Queen Victoria at an advanced age in 1870, twenty-three years before Canada, with CS-34 and 36.

POSTAL STATIONERY

WEBB	YEAR TO DATE OF ISSUE	DETAILS
Envelopes - Printers V		
EN1	1889	3¢ violet - embossed
EN2	1889	5¢ ultramarine - embossed
Post Bands - Printers V		
W1	1889	1¢ green - typographed
W2	1889	2¢ carmine - typographed
W3	1889	3¢ brown - typographed
Postcards		
P2	June 1879	II - 2¢ vermilion - engraved
P4	January 1880	IIIa - 2¢ vermilion - engraved
P6	1892	V - 2¢ + 2¢ bright red - reply card - typographed

NOTE: While Queen Victoria is depicted at her appropriate age on P2 and 4, issued in 1879 and 1880, for some reason Newfoundland reverted to showing her as a young woman on P6 issued in 1892.


CANADA POST CARD

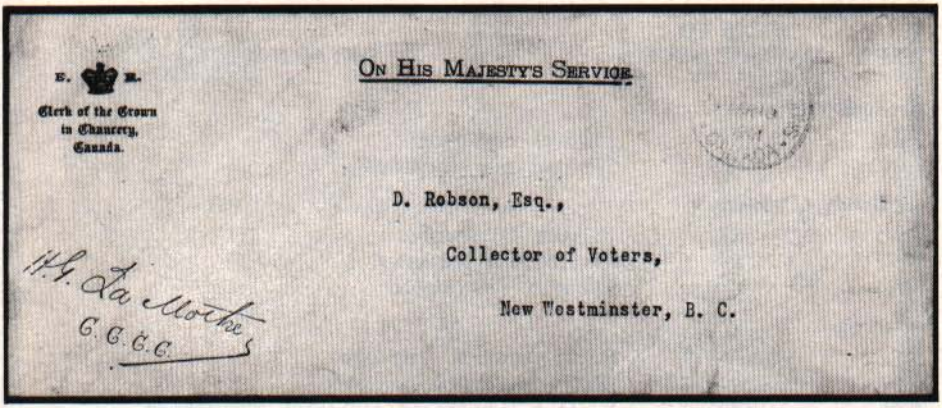
THE ADDRESS TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE

TORONTO, ONT., Jan. 25th, 1901

DEAR FRIEND:—We are perpetuating the good Queen's memory by a Memorial Book, "Life and Reign of Queen Victoria," with introduction by the distinguished Lord Dufferin, ex-Governor General of Canada. Most of this book has already been submitted to the Royal Family, and the Marquis of Lorne says it is "the best 'Life' ever published." It contains well on to 600 pages, with 500 or 600 words to the page, PROFUSELY ILLUSTRATED, and the book measures about 8X10½X2 inches. It retails for the low price of $2.50, less than half of what similar books sell for. The handsome Prospectus, representing all the bindings, has a commercial worth of $3.00, but if you will pledge your word to canvass, we will send it FREE, on receipt of 25 cents to pay wrapping and postage. Act promptly, for we are necessarily compelled to write to others, and must have an agent in your community at once. Shall send out Prospectuses on the principle, "first come, first served." We give such liberal terms that you can make from $5.00 to $10.00 per day for the next three months. Awaiting your reply before you sleep, we are, Yours Faithfully,

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Fig. 22. This card dated 25 January was posted the day before by a publisher who was "perpetuating the good Queen's memory by a Memorial Book, ***Life and Reign of Queen Victoria".*** *They certainly lost no time in doing so -- good business, or was it ghoulishness?*


E. R.

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE

D. Robson, Esq.,

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Fig. 23. Official Federal Government Stationery -- Clerk of the Chancery illustrated with Edward VII's crown. An impression of the clerk's rubber frank indicates the envelope's official use. Postmarked 18 March 1901 with a faint "House of Commons, Canada" C.D.S. (Photo courtesy: Michael Madesker)

CS	YEAR OR SCOTT	DATE OF ISSUE	DETAILS
Nova Scotia			
1	1	late May 1853	VI - 1d red brown
5	8	1 October 1860	II - 1¢ black
6	9	mid-1863	II - 2¢ lilac
7	10	1 October 1860	II - 5¢ blue
8	11	1 October 1860	II - 8 1/2¢ green
9	12	1 October 1860	II - 10¢ red
10	13	1 October 1860	II - 12 1/2¢ black
Prince Edward Island			
Pence Issue - Printers VII except 4 1/2d, produced by III			
1	1	1 January 1861	2d dull rose
2	2	1 January 1861	3d blue
3	3	1 January 1861	6d yellow green
4	4	29 March 1862	1d yellow green
5	5	1863	2d rose
6	6	1863	3d blue
7	9	Mar. or Apr. 1869	4d black
8	10	1 June 1870	4 1/2d brown
9	7	15 December 1866	6d yellow green
10	8	29 March 1862	9d violet
Cents Issue - Printers VII			
11	11	1 January 1872	1¢ brown orange
12	12	1 January 1872	2¢ blue
13	13	1 January 1872	3¢ rose
14	14	1 January 1872	4¢ green
15	15	1 January 1872	6¢ black
16	16	1 January 1872	12¢ violet

NOTE: All stamps issued by Prince Edward Island utilized a vignette of Queen Victoria.

These stamps are considered by some people to be the most unattractive, both in design and appearance, of any issued by the provinces of British North America. Be that as it may, they are known to have been the most economical to produce of the provincial stamps, having been printed, with the exception of the 4 1/2d, from electrotypes. The stamps of the other provinces were engraved which contributed to their superior production.

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ROYALE 84

by R.K. Malott

La Société Philatélique de Québec had the pleasure of presenting Royale 84 on the occasion of the 56th annual Convention of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada, 18 to 20 May, at the Centre municipal des congrès, Quebec City.

Many out-of-town members arrived early to take advantage of the many historical sites of the Quebec area. The organizers' planning and attention to detail made Royale 84 the largest and one of the best-ever RPSC conventions. There were 36 frames of exhibits for the Court of Honour, 444 competitive frames of exhibits, 8 literature entries, 4 special exhibits pertaining to the host club, 20 dealers, Canada Post and a booth for Canada 84. Three days were insufficient to attend all the meetings, study the exhibits and visit the bourse area.

The Organizing Committee was composed of Guy des Rivières, chairman; Jean-Pierre Taboureau, co-chairman; and members, Jacques Bernier, Lola Caron, Jean-Pierre Delwasse, Colette Delwasse, Pierre Dorval, Georges Filion, Jean-Pierre Forest, Louis-Philippe Gilbert, Denis Hamel, Jean-Claude Lafleur, André Simard and Denise Taboureau.

The Jury was composed of three groups. The adult jury, headed by William P. Maresch, consisted of Dave Dixon, Jean-Claude Lafleur, Michael Madesker and Robert Pratt, as well as two apprentice judges, D. Cottin and J.G. Dalphé. The youth jury headed by Denis Hamel included Louis-Maurice Serre and Beverlie Clark. The literature jury consisted of Jean-Pierre Delwasse and Jean-Pierre Taboureau.

The Opening Ceremonies were conducted at the entrance to the congress hall by the Chairman, Guy des Rivières. The official party included the Honourable J. Gilles Lamontagne, Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec; M. Jean-Paul Morency, representing the Mayor; R. William Eyre, Canada Post; and Mrs. Beverlie Clark, President of the RPSC. M. Lamontagne and Mrs. Clark simultaneously cut the ribbon of 32¢ coil stamps to officially open Royale 84.

On Friday the judging was completed, Léopold Beaudet presented a lecture on Canadian Varieties, and at 5:00 p.m., all registered philatelists and their families attended the Mayor's Reception at City Hall.

Saturday morning started with the annual meeting of the RPSC chaired by the President, Mrs. Beverlie Clark. A full report is contained in the President's column elsewhere in this issue. Beverlie accepted re-appointment as President for another year. I was pleased to accept appointment as the Society's History and Museum officer. Anyone who has interesting data, artifacts or covers pertaining to any past CPS or RPSC conventions are requested to please contact me.

Other Saturday activities included a tour for the ladies of La Citadelle and Lower Town; the annual meeting of the Fédération Québécois de Philatélie; the spring meeting of the Postal History Society of Canada; a seminar for the Revenue Stamps Study Group by Wilbur C. Rockett; and an evening President's reception followed by the awards banquet.

Over 175 members and guests attended the banquet complete with a folk dancing group providing entertainment. Souvenir menus, dated with a cancelled stamp of the Tall Ships, as well as souvenir convention covers for each of the three days are available at $2 each. Orders should be sent to Mrs. Lola Caron, Royale 84, 110 Grand Allée Ouest, #201, Quebec, Qc, G1R 2G8.

The Exhibition Grand Award was received by M.W. Martin for his outstanding exhibit of **The First Issues of France, 1849-1870;** the Reserve Grand Award went to Sam Nickle for

his beautiful exhibit of **The Three Penny Beaver**; the Postal History Award given by Mrs. Charles P. DeVolpi, in memory of her late husband, was awarded to Dr. Jack Arnell for his exhibit, **BNA Transatlantic Stampless Mail, Prior to 1783, from or to Canada;** (Dr. Arnell was also presented with the Geldert Award and was made a Fellow of the RPSC); the France and Colonies Award given by Guy des Rivières was won by M.W. Martin for his, **The First Issues of Canada 1849-1870;** Guy des Rivières received the Société Philatélique de Québec Award for his philatelic endeavours; a Special Award by Canada Post (a copy of Dr. Arnell's **Transatlantic Mail**) was given to Robert C. Smith for his exceptional postal history display of one soldier's correspondence for **Canadian Expeditionary Force in Siberia 1918-1921**; and the Youth Grand Prize was awarded to F. Denis for his exhibit, **Nativity History**.

The Court of Honour contained six exceptional exhibits: **Stampless and Pre-Stamp Mailings to and from British North America, 1685-1865** by Alan Steinhart; **St. Vincent** by Art Leggett; **Guadeloupe, a Study of Rates and Postmarks** by H. Nathenson; **St. Pierre et Miquelon Postal History 1737-1920** by Robert Pratt; **USA 19th Century Issues** by Graham Locke and **Mediterranean Conquerors** by J.C. Lafleur.

Several other non-competitive displays were shown, including one by the National Postal Museum documenting the postal history of Canada's Second World War Hong Kong Field Force which included the Quebec region's **Royal Rifles of Canada**. Paul Martineau of Quebec City exhibited his **Postal Service History** which included mail boxes, uniforms, model transportation vehicles and other postal service memorabilia.

The following awards were presented at Royale 84:

A) **Gold Medal**: J.C. Arnell, S.C. Nickle, R.C. Nickle, R.K. Malott, J.F. Ayre, M.W. Martin, D. Gaillaguet.

B) **Vermeil (with Felicitations of the Jury)**: A.P. Cook.

C) **Vermeil Medal**: G. des Rivières, R.C. Smith, D.A. Selby, R. Bayes, S.J. Luft, M.F. Stempien Jr., S.C. Walske.

D) **Silver (with Felicitations of the Jury)**: A. Walker, G. Locke, W.L. Percy.

E) **Silver Medal**: G. Hill W.C. Rockett, D.A. Selby, P. Newroth, J.P. Delwasse, R.&G. Brown, G. des Rivières, A.G. McKanna, E.J.J. Grabowski, C.R. Guile, K. Rowe, B. Fenerci, H. Ackermann, D. Hamel, C. Lessard, F. Ouellette.

F) **Bronze-Silver Award**: A.M. Polochik, J.P. Forest, G. Newman, E.L. Covert, W.G. Robinson, H.G. Gosney, J.E. Lievsay, A. Greblis, J.M. Shelton.

G) **Bronze Medal**: R. Mirabelli (3), M. Fortin, M. Létourneau, A. Simard, G. Lemieux, W.L. Gutzman, D.C. Kaye, R.J. Skrepnek, C.A. Stillions, N. Caron, G. Teyssier, Y. Turmine, A. Greblis, A. Von Wilpert, B. Lavallée, M.A. Goretski, N. Saint-Père.

H) **Literature Awards**:

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"Pour Mieux se Comprendre", S.P.B.F., Silver.

"Les Cahiers de l'Académie", (1982-1983), A.Q.E.P., Bronze.

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"Curiosités philatéliques", M. BEAUPRE, Bronze.

"Philatéliques Canadienne d'index 1864-1973, Vol. I et Supplement, C. MORIN, Gold.

On Sunday over 30 members attended the judges' critique of the exhibition entries with the various factors affecting the opinion of the judges being presented. The Académie Québécoise d'Etudes Philatéliques held their monthly meeting and a brunch, after which Denis Masse presented a lecture on the 1935 Champlain Monument stamp. Other activities included a lecture by Anatole Walker and Ferdinand Bélanger on **The Post Offices' List of the Province of Quebec**, an RPSC judging seminar and the awards ceremony for youth exhibitors.

Selected photographs will be available for the next issue of the C.P. Many familiar faces were in the crowd, including Georges Filion, attending after his recent illness. One sad note was the absence of Thérèse des Rivières, unable to attend due to illness. We trust she will have a speedy recovery.

RPSC members should make a point of attending a national convention, especially if held in their local region. Next year, the 57th annual convention will be held in Toronto in conjunction with Stampex '85, tentatively scheduled for May. Plan to attend! □

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Protecting Your Collection

by
William M. Morris

The following are a few ideas that your Insurance Manager has on protecting your stamp collection. Even if you carry insurance, no one can replace the hard work and love that has gone into your collection. Therefore, certain basic precautions should be taken to protect your collection, whether it is insured or not.

The first thing to think about is - where is the collection to be kept? Stamps tend to be adversely affected by dampness, as are all paper products. It is wise to ensure that your stamps are in a dry place and in an area that, if pipes burst or water overflows in the bathtub, they are not likely to be affected. The stamps should be stored in a place that is not obvious to a burglar coming into your home. Although we all like to display our albums, and the albums themselves can be very handsome, it is wise to keep these albums in an obscure or not too easily visible area of your home. It would also perhaps be wise to break the collection up in the sense of keeping some of the albums in one area and the others in another area. This would hopefully reduce the loss if there was either a theft or fire.

Having taken reasonable precautions around the home, the next subject one should address is how to collect from your Insurance Company in the event of a claim. The onus, no matter what kind of insurance we are dealing with, is always on the client, to "prove his loss". The best way to prove your claim to an Insurance Company is to have a list. Since this would be an impossible task, I suggest that you take an old catalogue and check off your collection. Having done that, this catalogue should be kept in a very safe place. No so much from a burglary standpoint but also from fire.

The police must always be notified in the event of a theft. Otherwise your claim would be invalid.

Many insurance policies have a clause that reads "if the total amount insured is less than the cash market value of the collection the liability of the insurer will be proportionately reduced". This in simple language means that you must insure your collection for its value and if you don't do so, there is a possible penalty clause in the event that only part of the collection is destroyed or stolen. You will be glad to know, however, that there is no co-insurance clause in the Royal Philatelic Society Group Policy.

Some collectors have individual items that are comparatively valuable. The RPSC Group Policy requires anything worth over $500 to be specifically listed and scheduled. These items should be listed specifically on your policy and a photograph record and an evaluation kept in a very safe place.

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If you have any questions please don't hesitate to drop a note to me and I will be more than happy to try and answer them in upcoming articles or individually. □

The foregoing notes were prepared by our former insurance manager, the late William Murney Morris who died suddenly on February 20, 1984. He has been replaced by Mr. John B. Thompson of Mitchell & Ryerson Limited, 1 St. Clair Avenue West, Suite 800, Toronto, Ontario M4V 2Z5 and any enquiries should be directed to Mr. Thompson.

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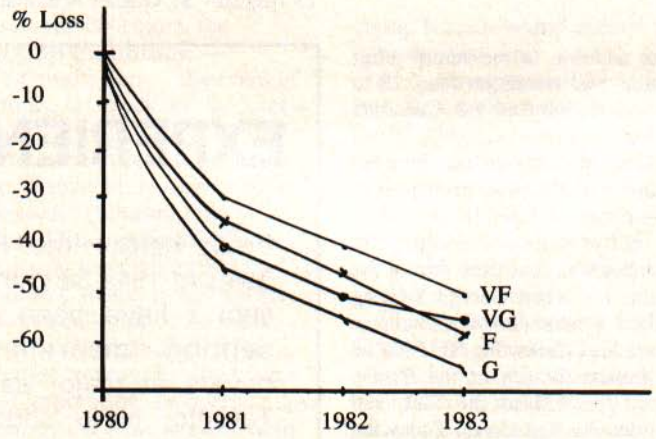
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A REGULAR FEATURE

During the past few years a statistical analysis has been made of prices realized in 76 auction houses for a group of select Canadian mint stamps, from Canada Specialized numbers 94 to 160. The information analyzed includes the auction house, the stamp condition and the price realized. For example, the 20¢ Admiral may be listed by condition and price as follows:

Condition	Price
NH-XF	$74
NH-XF	62
NH-VF	50
NH-VF	48
NH-VF	48
NH-VF	47
NH-F	40
NH-F	40

Condition	Price
NH-F tiny specks	37
LH-F	35
NH-VG	25
LH-VG	23
NH-G	20
LH-G	20
LH-G small thin	14
LH-G SE	12



Auction Trend Chart

Compiling the data and calculating the mean price for all of the condition categories, a graph can be drawn to indicate the percentage loss since 1980. The trend is clear and indicates a continuing decline in auction prices realized for the stamps surveyed. How long this trend will continue no one knows, even though a levelling-off has been noted during 1984, which may be a sign of a slow recovery.

The 2¢ Artifacts stamp has now been printed on British paper by Canadian Bank Note, in place of the original Ashton-Potter printing. The inscription blocks appear to be difficult to find as most outlets sold out within a few days.

Canada Post Notes —

RECENT ISSUES



May 28, 1984

A last-minute addition to the stamp program, a 32¢ stamp was issued on May 28 to mark the 75th anniversary of the Canadian Red Cross Society.

The International Red Cross was founded in Geneva in 1863 with the basic principles of impartiality, neutrality, independence, voluntary service, unity and universality. In Canada, the symbol was first used during the North-West Rebellion when George Sterling Ryerson employed a horse-drawn ambulance with a homemade Red Cross flag. In 1896 he founded the Canadian branch of the British National Society for Aid to the Sick and Wounded, subtitled the Red Cross. Today the Canadian Red Cross has over 600 branches across the country providing a variety of assistance programs.

In recognition of the invaluable service of all Red Cross volunteers, the stamp design features the medal awarded by the Society for long-standing and meritorious voluntary service. Designed by William Tibbles and Clive Webster, the stamp was printed in five-colour lithography by Ashton-Potter on Clark litho paper.

Additional Releases

On 10 February the 2¢ Artifacts stamp was released in a new printing on British paper by Canadian Bank Note Company. The original Ashton-Potter printing was perf. 14 x 13-1/2, while the C.B.N. version is perf. 13 x 13-1/2.

February 15 saw the release of the 32¢ Maple Leaf coil and the $8 Maple Leaf booklet printed on British paper. The booklet has "1984" added to the cover design below "Postes".

Forthcoming Issues

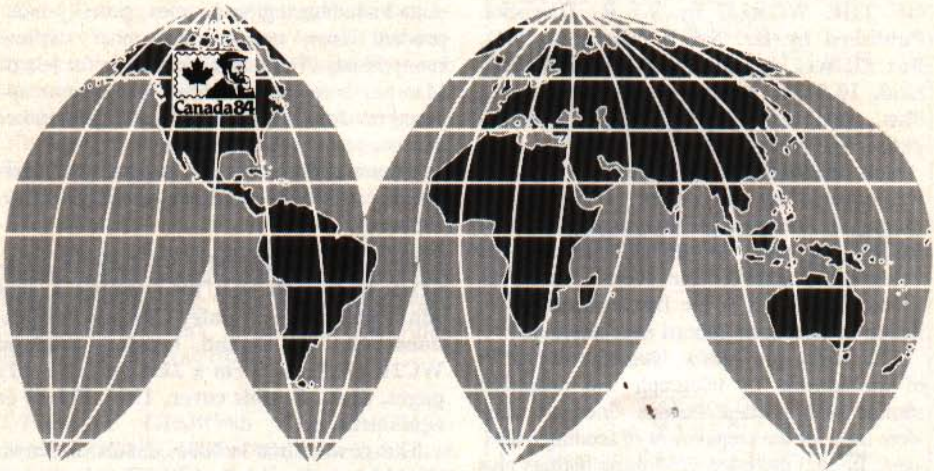
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Literature Reviews

TELEGRAPH & TELEPHONE STAMPS OF THE WORLD by S.E.R. Hiscocks. Published by Dr. S.E.R. Hiscocks, P.O. Box 77, Woking, Surrey GU22 OHB, England. 10.5 cm × 20.5 cm, x+365 pages, illus., flexible cover, 1982. £15.00 from the author including postage.

This relatively unknown area of philately is well-covered by the author in this priced catalogue. For telegraph stamps, it is the first major listing since "Morley's Catalogue of the Telegraph Stamps of the World" was published in 1900. It is the first comprehensive listing of telephone stamps ever attempted.

The author provides a detailed rationale as to the kinship of telegraph and telephone stamps with postage stamps since all three were used for the prepayment of sending a message. In total there are 3735 basic listings plus 1745 varieties from 66 different countries. The Canada section alone covers over 30 pages with telegraph stamps from 7 companies and telephone stamps from 5 private companies and 3 provincial governments. The U.S.A. section is equally impressive covering over 75 pages.

Dr. Hiscocks has clearly demonstrated that this is an interesting area of philately which is often erroneously overlooked and it offers an intriguing challenge for those inclined to pursue areas of philately other than the actual postage stamp.

COLLECT CHANNEL ISLANDS AND ISLE OF MAN STAMPS, 1st combined edn. Published by Stanley Gibbons Publications Ltd., 399 Strand, London, England WC2R OLX. 16.5 cm x 19.5 cm, iv + 96 pages, illus., flexible cover, 1984. £2.50 or equivalent.

This is the first combined edition of two previously separate checklists - **Collect Channel Islands Stamps** first published in 1972 and **Collect Isle of Man Stamps** which first appeared four years later. British-area collectors will undoubtedly welcome the move as collecting interests overlap in these areas.

The contents remain similar to previous editions including regional issues, postally-independent issues and the forerunner wartime stamp issues. The postmark section for Isle of Man has been dropped since it was more appropriate for a specialized catalogue rather than an easy-to-use checklist.

A new addition to this popular catalogue are the issues for Alderney which began in 1983.

STANLEY GIBBONS STAMP CATALOGUE, Part 20, SOUTH AMERICA, 2nd edn. Published by Stanley Gibbons Publications Ltd., 399 Strand, London, England WC2R OLX. 14.5 cm x 21.5 cm, x + 619 pages, illus., flexible cover, 1984. £12.50 or equivalent.

This new edition includes details of Crown Circle handstamps and of British stamps cancelled with the oval and circular datestamps used at British Post Offices in Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela in the 1860-1880's period.

In preparing the new edition, many specialists provided new information, and for example, the listing of the Bolivian 1867 5c. Condor stamps has been rewritten. A most useful catalogue for collectors of South America.

STANLEY GIBBONS GREAT BRITAIN SPECIALIZED STAMP CATALOGUE, Volume 2 KING EDWARD VII TO KING GEORGE VI, 6th edn. Published by Stanley Gibbons Publications Ltd., 399 Strand, London, England WC2R OLX. 14.5 cm x 22.5 cm, xii+368 pages, illus., hardbound, 1984. £9.95 or equivalent.

According to the publishers, the issues of this period are finally coming into their own and are no longer as overshadowed by the Classic Victorian stamps as they once were.

Painstacking research is unlocking many of the secrets previously untold, with new information on the plates in sequence used for all values of the Edward VII series from 1-1/2d upwards. Work is continuing on the complicated

and prolific 1/2d and 1d values.

The layout for sections of George V, Edward VIII and George VI have been revised - listing now commences with the basic stamp and continues with controls, booklet panes, coils and die proofs. The Stamp Booklet section has been completely re-written, with the priced listings now incorporated into the descriptive text. A new stamp booklet numbering system, similar to that used for Elizabeth II booklets, has been introduced.

Prices of varieties and booklet panes generally show increases. Prices are now quoted for Edward VII issues in blocks of four and used on cover. Prices for Edward VIII and George VI mint stamps are for unhinged copies.

There is perhaps more information contained herein than the average collector may desire, but since the work has not been published for four years, the price is well within the reach of all collectors.

STANLEY GIBBONS ELIZABETHAN CATALOGUE, 1984 (20th) edn. Published by Stanley Gibbons Publications Ltd., 399 Strand, London, England WC2R OLX. 21 cm × 29.6 cm, x + 630 pages, illus., flexible cover, 1984. £9.95 or equivalent.

A review of the relevance of the catalogue for today's collectors has resulted in significant changes to the contents of this edition.

The Elizabethan listings have been added to the computer database used for Part 1 (Br. Commonwealth) catalogue for easier cross-reference and the publication date of the Elizabethan will now be the Spring of each year, to serve as a mid-year update for Part 1.

Features of the catalogue include inverted watermarks, missing colours, important shades, stamp booklets, presentation and souvenir packs and the most significant of the plate and cylinder flaws. Prices are now quoted for all sets containing two stamps and more, "Specimen" sets, printings with different imprint dates, and certain gutter pairs. The omnibus section is more detailed.

This is a highly useful reference work for modern Commonwealth collectors, as even the Canada section is in many ways superior to Canada-only catalogues published in Canada. (All Stanley Gibbons products can be ordered from Unitrade Associates, 127 Cartwright Avenue, Toronto, Ontario).

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She had also won a Bronze Medal for her own exhibit, and she was even more proud of that. She had put on her best white evening gown, and her husband proudly accompanied her to the banquet to share in her moment of glory. To further celebrate, he had bought her a beautiful corsage.

And then the Chairman of the Jury announced that he would announce only the Vermeil and Gold medal winners and Special Awards. The rest of the medal winners could pick up their medals after the banquet!

My friend was in tears! They left early - I wonder if she ever did pick up that Bronze medal. Worse yet - I wonder - did we lose her to stamp collecting? You really couldn't blame her if she threw the works overboard!

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	1983	1982
CURRENT		
Cash	$24,745	$ 0
Bank certificates	45,000	40,000
Accounts receivable	6,840	7,829
Accrued interest on investments	2,147	1,617
Prepaid expense	500	1,500
Inventory	17,228	18,189
	96,460	69,135
INVESTMENTS - at cost		
Scotia Mortgage Corporation Debenture, 11 1/2% due February 28, 1988	10,000	0
Government of Canada and Ontario Hydro bonds (market value 1983 $5,131; 1982 $4,821)	5,600	5,664
	15,600	5,664
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General	6,699	44,560
	56,310	61,088
	$112,062	$ 74,801

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE

	1983	1982
INCOME		
Membership fees	$ 39,095	$ 41,627
Chapter fees	520	542
Admission fees	3,831	649
Commissions	9,254	7,965
Slide programme (net)	352	(62)
Income from investments	4,581	8,288
Foreign exchange	4,550	(64)
Miscellaneous	461	0
	62,644	58,945
EXPENSE		
Magazine		
Printing, postage and distribution	58,648	53,362
Editorial costs	295	324
	58,943	53,686
Less revenue from advertising	9,330	11,398
Net cost of magazine	49,613	42,288
Sales department	6,346	5,595
International representation	348	288
Convention	1,119	2,283
Society promotion	8,556	714
Donations	250	250
General administration	18,333	21,108
Audit and legal	1,140	1,300
Printing and stationery	6,099	5,247
Postage	4,020	4,049
Miscellaneous	487	573
Directors' expense	3,447	2,055
Anti-theft committee	747	0
	100,505	85,750
EXCESS OF EXPENSE OVER INCOME	($ 37,861)	($ 26,805)

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION

	1983	1982
SOURCE OF WORKING CAPITAL		
Life membership received	$ 33,083	$ 2,123
USE OF WORKING CAPITAL		
Operations		
Excess of expense over income	37,861	26,805
Additional investments	9,936	0
	47,797	26,805
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN WORKING CAPITAL, for the year	(14,714)	(24,682)
WORKING CAPITAL, beginning of year	55,422	80,104
WORKING CAPITAL, end of year	$ 40,708	$ 55,422
REPRESENTED BY		
Current assets	$ 96,460	$ 69,135
Current liabilities	55,752	13,713
	$ 40,708	$ 55,422

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1983

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Inventory is determined and valued at approximate cost from the records as at year end.

(b) Income and expense are accounted for on the accrual basis. Membership fees received in advance are deferred and brought into income in the applicable year.

(c) Office equipment and exhibition stands are recorded at a nominal value of $1 each. Additions are expensed in the year acquired.

(d) Current assets in foreign currencies are translated into Canadian dollars at the exchange rate prevailing at the balance sheet date. Foreign currency transactions during the year are translated at the rate applicable at the time of the transaction.

STATEMENT OF RESERVES

	1983	1982
LIFE MEMBERS		
Balance at beginning of year	$ 16,528	$ 14,405
Contributions from new members	33,083	2,123
Balance at end of year	$ 49,611	$ 16,528
GENERAL		
Balance at beginning of year	$ 44,560	$ 71,365
Excess of expense over income	(37,861)	(26,805)
Balance at end of year	$ 6,699	$ 44,560

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of
The Royal Philatelic Society of Canada

We have examined the balance sheet of The Royal Philatelic Society of Canada as at December 31, 1983 and the statement of reserves, income and expense and changes in financial position for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests and other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances except as noted in the following two paragraphs.

Fees and commissions received, by their nature, are not susceptible to complete audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of receipts from these sources was limited to a comparison of recorded receipts to bank deposits.

No physical inventory was made and accordingly the value of the inventory (which consists of medals, pins, ties and decanters) was not susceptible to audit verification.

In our opinion, except for the effect of any adjustments which might have been required had we been able to audit fee and commission income and examine the inventory, these financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Society as at December 31, 1983 and the results of its operations and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

ROBINSON, LOTT & BROHMAN
Chartered Accountants

Fergus, Ontario
May 10, 1984

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