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EDITORIAL

Herb, Buckland

Our last issue contained a notice of the election of Herb. Buckland to the Fellowship of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada and now as we go to press comes news that our first resident member in Canada (No. 26) intends to be present at Convention this year.

Even at the age of 81 it is obvious that you cannot keep a good man down (or for that matter keep him on the other side of the Atlantic) when he decides otherwise.

In his letter announcing his intention to be present at Worthing, Herb. tells us that he will be leaving Toronto on 22nd August on a direct flight to London. While over here he will spend some time in Bergen, Norway and after Convention will return home by boat from Southampton. His letter concludes with a reference to the temperature in Canada at the time of writing (30th June)—95 degrees!

This kind of spirit ought to be an inspiration to us all and we refer to Herb's determination to be present at our Jubilee Convention as an example of the kind of loyalty which the Society can command among its older members and which it ought to be able to rely upon from us all.

The Book of Scottish Philatelists

Not for the first time we are indebted to our Founder Member for putting us right. This time Stevie writes to remind us that there is no such thing as a Scottish **Roll** of Distinguished Philatelists. "In this land of Unspeakable Scots," he says, "all Philatelists are distinguished," a sentiment with which we, with our well-known discretion, would not dare to quarrel.

There is apparently a "Book of Scottish Philatelists" of which Stevie is the proud Custodian, and we are happy to publish this correction. Whatever shall we be saying next? And what are all those impeccable sources of philatelic misinformation going to do about appointing reliable correspondents north of the Tweed?

Or are we never to be off Stevie's hook?

New members

Sooner or later most new members decide that they would like to obtain as many back numbers of MAPLE LEAVES as possible. Quite obviously, however, as time goes on, it becomes increasingly difficult to supply orders. Many numbers are now out of print; stocks of others are rapidly getting lower; and the demand shows no signs of falling off. Members who have a complete set of copies (whether bound or otherwise) are fortunate indeed and we did hear once of such a set being on offer at a London auction. We forget how much the ultimate purchaser paid but we can remember the raised eyebrows which greeted the publication of a figure which well exceeded the original cost of the copies.

Mr. R. B. Hetherington

Just how much the Society owes to its most stalwart supporters is very often overlooked. Their services are so very frequently taken for granted and so very seldom acknowledged that we feel that a tribute to them would not be out of place in this, the Jubilee Year of our organization. None of them looks for reward other than the knowledge that they are helping to keep things going. All of them deserve our gratitude.

Practically the whole of this year's Convention arrangements have been made by Mr. R. B. Hetherington on behalf of our President, Mr. Graham George. Apart from the normal round of correspondence and personal telephone calls to hotel managers, caterers, coach proprietors and corporation officials Mr. Hethrington has had to contend with disappointment and setbacks earlier in the year when it became known that the Burlington Hotel in Folkestone would be unable to accommodate Convention.

This very much complicated things and threw extra burdens upon "Heffie," however much he would be prepared to pretend otherwise. That he has taken all these difficulties in his stride and has succeeded in a very fine piece of organizational work at comparatively short notice says a great deal for his resilience, capacity for hard work, patience and refusal to be deterred by difficulties.

Mr. J. H. O. Gilbert

Another member to whom we are indebted is, of course, our Honorary Auctioneer, who gets as a rule more brickbats than bouquets. How much the Society owes to this busy professional auctioneer who gives so freely of his time and energy during Convention Week can only be guessed at by those who do not pause to think. Those who do think and especially those who have seen (and heard!) Mr. Gilbert at work during the Convention Auction, KNOW that we owe him a very great deal for the way in which he discharges a duty which brings a welcome addition to the Society's funds and provides an invaluable service to its members as well.

To Mr. Gilbert and to his staff at Mermaid House, Plymouth we say a sincere "thank you" for all they have done in the past, for what they have done this year to help the Society and for what we hope they will continue to do in the future, (despite discouragement and lack of thought on the part of some few members).

More Light on the Maple Leaves and Numeral Issues

By J. J. BONAR, F.C.P.S.

These issues, the first regular issues supplied by the American Bank Note Co. for nearly 40 years have not received from philatelists the same degree of attention as issues which preceded and followed them. Yet they offer quite an extensive field for study.



Nearly twenty years ago Dr. Alfred Whitehead contributed to *Popular Stamps* articles on the Half cent value of the earlier issue and the Two cents carmine value of the latter. The late H. H. Brown wrote a "Detailed Examination of the Numeral Issue" which appeared in *Maple Leaves* of June 1960 and three succeeding numbers and in the October 1962 issue of *Maple Leaves* there came the late H. Sanders' very full study of the Half cent Maple Leaves. These studies by no means exhaust their subjects but none seems to have been followed up in print. Without making any pretence of exhausting the subject I would like to bring forward some fresh points of interest without repeating the routine information to be found in works of reference and concentrating mainly on the earlier issue.

The Maple Leaves Issue appeared at various dates from 9th November 1897 to January 1898 and consisted of eight values. It has much in common with its

successor. In both the vignette was engraved by Charles Skinner from the Jubilee portrait of Queen Victoria by W. & D. Downey, London. In both a master die was prepared from which second dies for each value were prepared. Slight differences in the shape and position of the maples leaves are sufficient evidence of the process. All printings were made from soft steel plates on white wove paper (bluish for the five cents) and perforated 12.

Design

There are, apart from the change to numerals of value in the bottom corners, a numbers of differences which are not commonly observed.

Maple Leaves Issue	Numeral Issue
The oval label round the vignette touches the thin inner frame line.	The label cuts into the outer frame line.
The shading of the veil runs to SE.	The shading of the veil runs NE to SW.
The shading of the cheek is made up of crossed lines.	The shading is made up of concave lines.
The outer necklace is faint.	Both necklaces are clear.

Proofs

The Amercian Bank Note Co. seems to have taken considerable trouble in preparing the issue and a long series of essays, colour trials and proofs, including an essay for a fifteen cent value which was not required, can be found recorded in the appropriate works of reference.

Plate Layout

Four plates were laid down for each of the one cent and two cent values and six for the three cent. For the other values one plate for each was sufficient. The ten cent plate was of 100 subjects 10 × 10 with one imprint above stamps 5 and 6. The other plates were of 200 subjects in ten rows of twenty with two imprints over stamps 5 and 6 and 15 and 16. There was no centre gutter—Boggs is in error here—and except for a few sheets of the first printing of the half cent the sheets were divided by tearing down the middle line of perforations. There were no perforation guides.

The imprints are of the same type on the two issues OTTAWA—NO.—with the number of the plate and were rocked in from a transfer roll. Glancing over some imprint strips the other day I made the surprising discovery that there were two types of imprint. In one the width of the letter W from end to end of the serifs is 5 mm. In the other it is 4 mm. and the difference is entirely in the length of the serifs. The plates are almost equally divided between the two types.

(to be continued)

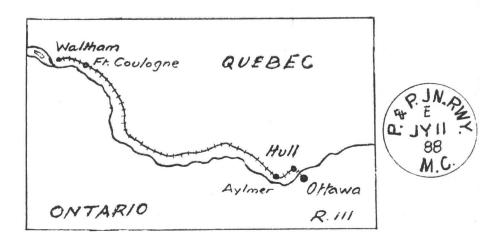
The Pontiac and Pacific Junction Railway

By LIONEL F. GILLAM

Part XXXIV

This railway was incorporated in 1880 to build from Hull (opposite Ottawa) to a point in Pontiac County where a crossing might be made of the Ottawa River and from thence to Pembroke.

During the following years a line was eventually built from Aylmer to Fort Coulogne (69 miles), connection with Hull being effected over the line from Aylmer to Hull which had been originally built by the Montreal, Ottawa &



Western Railway (Montreal to Aylmer via Hull) and which was completed in 1877. This extension to Fort Coulogne was opened for traffic in 1886. It appears to have been extended further westward along the north shore of the Ottawa River to Waltham circa 1895.

In 1902 the railway (which purchased the Hull-Aylmer portion of the Monreal, Ottawa & Western Railway in 1890) amalgamated with the Ottawa, Northern & Western Railway which had built from Hull Junction to Maniwaki in 1894. At the same time the two railways were leased to the C.P.R.

Railway post offices appear to have operated over the Pontiac & Pacific Junction Railway from the time of its completion postmarks reading P. & P. Jn. Rwy. being known. These were superseded by postmarks reading "Ott. & Ft. Coulogne" and later, after the extension to Waltham had been completed, by those reading "Ottawa & Waltham" or abbreviations thereof. The Ottawa & Waltham R.P.O. appears to have ceased operations circa 1954.

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2.15 p.m. Coach tour to Chichester Cathedral.

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The Dies and Papers of the 2c Rose Carmine 'Numeral' 1899 to 1903

By Dr. C. W. HOLLINGSWORTH

The 2c. Rose Carmine was issued on 20th August, 1899 and had a life of 4 years up to July 1903. It occurs in four distinct forms, being found with two different types of frame and each of these occurring on paper with either a vertical or horizontal mesh.

It was first issued with the frame consisting of 4 thin lines (Die I) and the frame was later modified to consist of a central thick line between two thin lines. The reasons for this modification and the correctness of the use of the terms Die I and II are not the province of this article and readers are referred to the series of articles on the Numeral Issue by the late H. H. Brown.

The 2c. Rose Carmine therefore comprises four distinct entities:—

- 1. Die I on paper with vertical mesh.
- 2. Die I on paper with horizontal mesh.
- 3. Die II on paper with vertical mesh.
- 4. Die II on paper with horizontal mesh.

A study of many hundreds of dated copies shows a definite pattern in the chronology of these four and each will be considered in turn. Care must be taken in analysing results obtained from the examination of dated copies, bearing in mind that copies may be used some time after their issue to the post office.

1. Die I on paper with vertical mesh

This was the first variety to be issued and theoretically copies should be available dated from 20th August, 1899. My earliest date is 29th August.

This form continues through 1899 to 1900 and tails off towards the end of 1900 and early 1901. Copies are scarce from March to August 1901 and these are probably "left overs." From September 1901 it continues through to January 1903, with scattered copies only to the end of the issue in July 1903.

The Die I on vertical mesh paper therefore seems to occur in two groups with a gap between—August 1899 to March 1901, and September 1901 to January 1903. This was the only type used in 1899, and it is the most commonly occurring type of the four.

2. Die I on paper with horizontal mesh

My earliest dated copy is 15th February, 1900, whence this type runs straight through to September 1901 without any apparent break. The gap in the first type therefore is completely bridged by the use of this second type, and partially also by the two subsequent ones.

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3. Die II on paper with vertical mesh

My earliest copy is dated 7th July, 1900, and copies are found continuously till May 1901. There is a vertual gap from June 1901 to October 1902, and copies are again common from October 1902 to June 1903. Note that this second run covers the gap at the end of the issue where the first type (Die I on vertical mesh) stops in January 1903.

4. Die II on paper with horizontal mesh

This is by far the scarcest of the four types and my earliest copy is dated 4th July, 1900. This type appears to have been used in two short separate periods, July to September 1900. and January to August 1901.

The accompying chart shows the above details graphically represented. Reference: "A detailed examination of the Numeral Issue" by H. H. Brown, *Maple Leaves* Vol. 8. p. 89 et seq.



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Harmers New York Sales were no less exciting particularly to specialists in U.S. which as usual provided many highly priced pieces including outstanding covers ex Caspary. The total at about \$1,450,000 (£518,000) handsomely exceeded the previous season.

NEW SEASON

The 47th Bond Street Season will open with an important 3 session General Sale commencing on 14th September. Full details of the autumn programme will be published shortly.

PLAYING IT SAFE

These were the words adopted by one of the newspapers to describe the new measures taken by Harmers to combat the philatelic crime wave. It is obvious that there is now a considerable underworld interest in stamps and eight most modern safes of the highest burglar and fire resisting qualities are now installed in Bond Street. This ten-ton operation—also featured on B.B.C. Television News—plus the latest secret security precautions have, Harmers believe, put them well ahead of the cracksmen. As in the past the firm have fully comprehensive insurance cover on all stamps held for clients.

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advertisement columns of this journal. A form for your use is enclosed with this issue

Newfoundland Corner

By Dr. R. WILLAN, F.C.P.S.

The 1910 Guy stamps were lithographed and the varieties are of course quite different from those in the recess-printed stamps. Lithographic flaws are extremely frequent, but the only ones really striking are the "NFW" and "JAMRS" varieties on stamps 51 and 52 of the 1c. right hand pane.

I know few and very insignificant varieties in the engraved Guy stamps, and the same applies to most values of the 1911 Coronation issue. The 8c. value is the exception. The die of this has an open corner at upper left, and this was corrected in all the 100 impressions on the plate. Thus, every stamp is retouched, but the work was extremely well done so that in many cases it is impossible to detect and in the others it needs careful examination to see it. This 8c. value also shows signs of fresh entry on several stamps of the bottom row in the white line surrounding "NEWFOUNDLAND" at the top.

It is well-known that in the 1919 Caribou issue the value numerals and the names of the actions were pantographed and etched on the plates. Hence the number of varieties which can be found is directly proportional to the enthusiasm of the searcher and the magnification of his glass.

After the 1919 issue there are a number of obvious and interesting varieties, but they are scattered about and no particular value has several varieties. Of course the exception to this statement is the 1937 long Coronation set. This is full of varieties which delight some collectors and disgust others.

Did you know that ...

Canada's first official air mail flight took place on 24th June, 1918 when 120 letters were carried by aircraft between Montreal and Leaside (Toronto)?

at least four places in Canada have been named after the loon, the large diving bird illustrated on the 5 cent "wild life" stamp of 1959? They are Loon Straits P.O. in Manitoba, Loon Bay P.O. in Newfoundland, Loon Lake and Loon River in Saskatchewan?

Cornwall, Ontario was originally called New Johnstown after Johnstown U.S.A. from which many of its settlers originally came (as Empire Loyalists)? It was later named Cornwall after George Duke of Cornwall, the eldest son of George III who later became George IV?

in 1842 the Deputy Postmaster General informed postmasters that he "did not wish mortgages on wild lands in security for their (postmasters') upaid balances."!!

Canada's first official postcard (issued on 1st June, 1871) price, 1 cent, could also be registered for an additional 2 cents?

Literature

1. "Canada, The 15 cents of 1868"

by L. Gerald Firth £3 5s. 0d.

2. "The Airpost of Columbia"

by Eugenio Gebauer £1 15s. 0d.

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Slogan Postmarks of Canada

by Wm. DAVEY

From time to time there is a renewed interest awakened in these postmarks, but it is generally short lived. The writer feels that the main reason for the "onagain" "off-again" interest is due to the lack of a proper listing of these slogans. Who for instance could make an intelligent collection of the stamps of any country, without the aid of a stamp catalogue?

Over the past few years printed lists of slogans, covering the period 1912–57 have appeared in *Maple Leaves*. These, far from being complete for the years mentioned, could be used as a basis for a more detailed listing. To assemble a representitive collection of Canadian slogans, the collector would require a list which incorporated the following data:—1. Year of use. 2. Town using slogan. 3. Type of slogan used.

The third item is very important, for so many of the slogans have the same wording, but the format is entirely different. The importance of this can be appreciated when one considers the number of towns that have used several varieties of the same slogan in the same year.

A very good example to illustrate this point is the slogan—"Save Time Use Air Mail," which was first used in 1928, and except for the years 1933–35 and 1937, was in use until 1948. During this period of sixteen years it is reported that it has been used by eighty-five different towns.

This slogan has seven major varieties or types, as follows:—

- Type 1. The centre design is a plane flying to the right. Above the plane, on a curved base, are the words "Save Time" in large lettering, and below the plane the words "Use Air Mail."
- Type 2. Same as type 1, except that the plane is in solid colour.
- Type 3. Same as type 1, except the plane is flying to the left. These first three types are all without the usual seven bars at the right end of the slogan box.
- Type 4. Has a plane in the centre flying to the right, the words in a straight line, "Save Time" above and "Use Air Mail" below. The letters are small and all the same size. This type, like the following all have the seven bars at the end of the box.
- Type 5. Has a triple line frame. The plane is flying downwards to the left dividing the wording so that the words "Save and Use" are to the left of plane and the words "Time and Air Mail" are to the right of plane.
- Type 6. There is no plane in this type. Each of the five words have a tall capital letter, and a line above the rest of the words. There is also a dividing line between the top and bottom words.

Type 7. Same as type 6, but without the dividing line.

Most of the above types being made from "slugs" individually made, and not from a master die, there are many minor variations. This is very noticeable in the first four types. There is in the type of plane at least eight varieties, from a large bulky fuselage to a very thin tapered one. Other varieties include the relative position of the plane's "prop." in relation to the words above it and the size of the lettering. As none of the above three variations, viz: Type of plane, Position of the prop. and Lettering is exclusive to any one design, but can be found in many combinations, the easiest method of identifying them is to take the plane as a test, and reduce the eight types to three, viz: those with thick fuselage, those with medium fuselage and the very small one with the thin tapered fuselage, numbering them "a, b, and c."

To show the importance of the various types of slogan that have the same wording, but different format, the following two examples are proof that any listing is far from complete without such detailed information.

In 1939, Toronto used types 1a, 1b, 2 and 3.

In 1940, Edmonton used types 1b, 4 and 7.

Only the one slogan has been dealt with in the above short article, but there are many other slogans with the same problem of similar wording, but different types, and the multiple use of these in the same year by many of the larger towns, is not uncommon.

OBITUARY

David Gardner, F.C.P.S.

David Gardner passed to his rest on 1st August and we mourn one who in his active days was never far from the heart of any movement in the Society.

One of the Founder Members of the Society and a keen student of Canadian Philately he will be best remembered for his share in the development of the Society. In 1948 he took charge of the Exchange Packet and in a few years laid the foundation of its future success to such effect that two years later he was awarded a Fellowship. The Harrogate Convention of 1951 saw David in a new role as organiser of the first Convention Auction and its Auctioneer, a post he retained for years. The year 1953 was perhaps the highlight. David was President and wore himself out organising the great Exhibition, mainly of British North American Philately, which filled the Central Hall of the Kelvingrove Art Galleries in Glasgow.

The catalogue is not exhausted but enough has been said to show the debt we owe and for which we will ever remember him.

To his widow and daughter, partakers of his interest in the social activities of the Society we offer our most sincere condolences.

J. J. B.

CANADA OHMS OFFICIALS "ON COVER"

By ROY WRIGLEY

On 1st July, 1935 the Canada Post Office perforated OHMS on stamps used by Government Departments, commencing with the 1912 K.G.V. Admirals, and carried through to September 1949 when the stamps were overprinted OHMS. One year later, the overprint was changed to "G." On 31st December, 1963 the use of these special stamps was discontinued, and mail from Government Departments was carried without the use of stamps. Registered, or Special Delivery letters were noted as such, and recorded at the registry desk. Letters could be sent Air Mail by attaching such a sticker. If a letter was insufficiently prepaid, Postage Due stamps were affixed, and the receiving Department paid in cash to the P.O. Department, double the deficiency. These Canada Official stamps prepaid mail to any point in the Universal Postal Union. As legitimate Government postal issues, the Perforated, as well as the Overprinted OHMS should be listed in any representative Stamp Catalogue. They merit the respect given them by many collectors, as they were issued for use—not for speculators who offer limitless numbers of "black spots," and so are degrading Philately.

Over the period 1935 to 1963 through the use of these specially marked OHMS and "G" stamps, the Post Office Department was able to assess the amount of postage used by the various Departments. On 1st January, 1964 the Post Office entered into agreement with the various Departments, and Agencies, for prepayment of their mail, on a bulk rate, and was thus able to dispense with the use of these special stamps. Each Department thus is invoiced for an amount equal to the prior year's postage.

This simple, and efficient move, effected a vast saving to the Post Office. The cost of paper stock, and gum, for the printing of, and then the overprinting of 20,565,000 Official stamps in one year, the accounting, and distribution, and newly installed postage meters, are all eliminated.

It might be noted here, that about 1959, when the Post Office installed meters in all major post offices, eliminating the use of many stamps for ordinary mail, the larger Government Departments were also supplied with meters, which materially reduced the number used, and in particular the higher denominations.

A further economy was effected through introduction of a standard envelope in place of each Department having separate printings. The use of stamps is now replaced with an envelope carrying: "Postes CANADA Post, On Her Majesty's Service—Service de sa Majeste" and in upper corner "CANADA Postage Paid—Port Paye."

However, Stampless Covers have been in use for many years, where the name of the Department, or printed signature of a Departmental head appears, together with the regular Ottawa cancellation, with FREE or "FREE CANADA FRANCO" on bars, or waves. The writer has examples of these as far back as 21st June, 1940. There is also the franking "House of Commons—Chambre des Commons, Free CANADA Franco" and carrying the signature of the Minister. A

further cancel used, for a limited time, was "OTTAWA 20 IV'54 ONTARIO-OHMS-SSM."

As previously noted, Canadian stamps used in Government Departments were from 1st July, 1935 perforated OHMS., and later, as volume increased, they were overprinted OHMS and "G". These stamps were not then collected generally, as their numbers were limited, and "they had holes in them." They embraced the 1912 KGV Admirals through to the 1962–63 Q.E. "G", which were recalled, after a few months use.

Apart from the fact that the numbers of OHMS that were used is small, compared with the regular stamps, it was also more difficult to secure used copies from Government offices, and particularly so "on cover." In 12 years specializing in this group, I have acquired only two lots that were collected by former Government officials. Recently however, I made an interesting "find" in the estate of a deceased senior official who fortunately retained the majority of his stamps on their envelopes. These embrace items as far back as the 1930 KGV Maple Leaf issue, and ranging through the 1937 KGVI, 1942 War, and Air Mails. All of these are interesting items, particularly in regard to the imprints of emergency War Departments, the War Slogan cancellations, the "Save Paper and Envelopes," and "Blackout" Cancellations.

During World War II many cancels carried slogans: Enlist Now! Buy Victory Bonds, Save Paper Bags and Paper, Save Coal 1 ton in 5, Eat Right for Health, Pay No More than Ceiling Prices, V......, Remembrance Day, etc.

In line with it's appeal to citizens to save, the Government issued orders that all envelopes be slitted at the top, and supplied each Department with labels to permit the envelopes to be used time, and again. The label read "Use your envelopes over again. Save Paper! Save Shipping! To open slit along dotted lines, so the envelope can be used again. OHMS. From.....To....." An instance of this is an envelope from the Oil Controller for Canada, 15 King Street W., Toronto, Ont. Department of Munitions and Supply, under a 4c. 1942 War issue, perforated 4 holes, with a slogan cancellation, addressed to Prince Rupert, B.C. The envelope is slitted at the top, and the "Save Paper" label addressed from the Indian Office, Prince Rupert, to Major D. M. MacKay, Indian Commissioner for B.C., Box 76, Vancouver, B.C. Over the original 4c. 1942 War issue stamp postmarked Toronto, Ont., was affixed two 1942 2c. brown War issue, perforated 4 Holes. What makes this a remarkable piece is the Type V "Blackout" cancellation, dated "18-Jul 21-44" the name of the Port being omitted, as Prince Rupert was one of the six seaports in Canada the Post Office blacked out, to guard against enemy interception of mail. German subs entered the St. Lawrence, and were off Halifax, and a Japanese sub shelled Carmanah Light, near Victoria.

While Canada OHMS Officials "On Cover" are of marked interest, the "Save Paper and Envelopes" and the "Blackout" cancels have particular historic interest.

The writer, at 2288 Bellevue Ave., West Vancouver, B.C. would be pleased to hear from others interested in this group of Canadian Philately, and in turn will send a "write-up" fully describing the OHMS on request. He has recently published a Catalogue, at \$2.00, and Album at \$3.00

PERMIT STAMPS

Part I

By R. B. HETHERINGTON

The issuing of "Permit Stamps" was an outgrowth of the precancelled stamp system, these being in effect a stamped envelope, wrapper or post card, fulfilling the same purpose as these items with a precancelled adhesive affixed to it. The idea was borrowed from the United States.

The circular issued to Postmasters fully explained the methods adopted for the use of "Permit Stamps." This I quote as follows:—

Post Office Department, Canada. Ottawa, 2nd February, 1903.

Prepayment of Third-class (Printed) Matter in Cash

The Postmaster General in order to facilitate the posting of printed matter mailed in considerable quantities addressed for delivery at post-offices within the Dominion of Canada, has decided that prepayment of postage on same may be effected in cash (instead of postage stamps) in conformity with the following

Regulations

- 1. Each lot of mail matter which is posted under this arrangement must be accompanied by a Permit, which has been obtained from the Postmaster of the office at which it is posted. The application must be made in writing on one of the forms provided for the purpose, in which shall be stated approximately the number of pieces it is intended to mail, and the postage on each piece at the rate of one cent per two ounces or fraction thereof.
- 2. The articles posted must be of a uniform weight, and must be put up in such a way as to admit of their being readily counted. The weight and number must be verified beyond doubt. Circulars to be put up in packages of 50, 75 or 100, with addressed sides faced all one way. Catalogues must be tied up in neat bundles.
- 3. Each article must have printed upon its wrapper or cover an impression of an official stamp, a facsimile of which is here given, which shall be furnished by the Postmaster of the office of posting, mentioning the name of the office at which posted, and stating that the postage was prepaid in cash.
- 4. The lowest amount which may be received in payment for matter mailed under these regulations is \$25.00
- 5. Under these regulations payment may be made only by marked cheque drawn in favour of the Postmaster of the office of posting for deposit to the credit of the Receiver General. The cheque must accompany the mail matter at the time it is posted. The cheque to be drawn as follows:—"Pay to the Postmaster of...... for deposit to credit of Receiver General."

R. M. Coulter,

Deputy Postmaster General.

Electrotypes of the "stamp" shown were furnished to all offices where there was a large output of the class of matter described, and the permit number was printed with the impression when the order under which it was issued was being struck off. The "stamp" (Holmes' Type 1) is usually printed in black, but has been seen in dark blue.

In the stamp account for the year ending 30th June, 1903, no returns were given for mailing under these "Permits," but in 1904 we find that "Postage Paid in Cash on 3rd Class (Printed) Matter" is given as \$53,970.47, while in 1910 it had risen to \$256,468.20—a quite respectable amount for the use of the "Permits."

Very little has been written with reference to "Permit Stamps," although they must be of considerable interest to those collecting Canadian Precancels and Canadian Precancelled Postal Stationery, as there is no doubt that these "stamps" are a form of PRECANCEL.

The foregoing "Regulations" were published in Howe, and Jarrett, in the 1929 Edition of his Handbook, mentions one Type only, i.e. Holmes' Type 1, as illustrated on Page 178 of the 10th Edition of this work. This Type is now very scarce on complete Cover or Wrapper.

(To be continued)

THE LONDON SECTION

The annual contest for the "Beaver" Cup resulted in a win for Jack Harvey for his excellent study of the Admiral issue. The competition was judged by Leo Baresch, F.C.P.S., who gave some helpful comments upon all entries.

At the Annual General Meeting, the retiring Secretary, Roland Greenhill presented his sixth consecutive report. The Section has a membership of 41, drawn from London and the Home Counties but is still wanting more members to step up the average attendance at the monthly meetings. The financial position showed a slight improvement during the year.

In November last the London Section took over the organisation of the Annual Re-Union and although it had been hoped for a much higher attendance, an enjoyable afternoon was spent. The next Re-Union has been arranged for Saturday the 1st May, 1965 at the Shaftesbury Hotel, Monmouth Street, W.C.2 (2 to 6.30 p.m.).

New season's programme

Oct. 8th. Members' Displays.

Nov. 5th. Mr. W. E. Lea, F.C.P.S. "The 1868 Issue."

Dec. 3rd. Auction.

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Jan. 14th. Invited Displays—Admirals & Airmails.

Feb. 11th. Major W. F. Ellis—Early Canada.

Mar. 11th. Modern Canada.

Apr. 8th. "Beaver" Cup Competition.

May 6th. Annual General Meeting and Displays.

Meeting are held from 6.45—8.30 p.m. at 50, Pall Mall, London, S.W.1 (by courtesy of Mr. Robson Lowe) and if any members living near London or visiting London would like to join us, please write or phone the London Secretary Bill Williams, 53, Central Road, Wembley, Middlesex. WEM 6442.

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THE ONE CENT SMALL QUEEN

An unrecorded variety?



It would appear that only three or four major varieties of this stamp have so far been reported and probably the best known is the "Strand of Hair" variety, details of which were published in *BNA TOPICS* in January 1952.

During the past twenty years I have examined several thousand copies of this issue and although I was eventually successful in finding three copies of the above variety, nothing new has ever turned up until now.

The following which I am naming the "Split Head" variety shews a line of colour splitting the head as shewn above:—

The variety appears on a deep yellow shade on thin white paper (possibly as used in 1895). Perf. 12 \times 12 with part of a cork cancellation on the lower section of the stamp.

W. WILLIAMS

Letters to the Editor . .

Mr. H. Reiche writes:

2nd Q.E. Issue

"I would like to reply to the various letters you received regarding my article on the 2nd Queen Elizabeth Issue. First I would like to thank everyone for having taken the time to study the article and especially those having made comments. I have written to Mr. Chambers a personal letter trying to answer his question concerning how a specialist may be able to obtain information. A general article on this subject may be useful but with 90°F here this will have to wait.

Mr. Simpson is correct with the number of plates issued for the 2 and 4 Cents. Unfortunately my article was written some time ago and only submitted much later. This correction should have been made before submission. The difference of the pre-cancellations on the 2c. is not a variety. All recent pre-cancelled stamps with the bars can be found with different spacings. The printing plate for overprinting stamps with the bars is a very cheap machine set type plate not as in the earlier stamps where electro plates were used. Thus a great variety of spacings can be found which have been caused by new plates or repaired plates. It is impossible to classify these. The writer has over 25 such varieties on the recent issues.

The question of the different "G" has been discussed by many. As far as can be determined the difference in size of the "G" is a matter of wear not a new "G"

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type. After long use the "G" either became worn and thin or sometimes (depending on the position in the plate) thick due to pressure similar to the lines near the coil jumps. There is some evidence that a change in the "G" has been made on the last Queen issue just before they have been taken off the list but this would be a different stamp from the one described.

Mr. Robertson in his letter brings up a very interesting point. I must confess I have never seen a 3 cents with horizontal paper and **cannot understand how this can happen**. (It has not happened! See Mr. Robertson's letter below—*Editor*). The paper feed during the entire run of the 2nd Queen issue was never changed. The paper grain was always the same. Only the printing plates were turned around by 90° when the 600 subject plates were laid down. The 3 cents was never manufactured in the 600 subject plate and I am at a loss to explain this find. Dated copies would be of interest. Mr. Wilkcock in his letter (not a reply to my article) mentions the Montreal Duplex cancels on the Admirals. Certainly a most interesting field and I only wish I could complete my collection of them with many rather hard to get letters or numbers on certain values."

Mr. D. G. Robertson writes (in sackcloth and ashes):

"I was quite wrong in my last letter. I have NOT found a 3 cents red horizontal wove. I was led astray by the slight 'ribbing' showing on the back of the stamp, which I took to indicate the wove. Mr. Ludd kindly asked to see the stamp and very clearly pointed out the error of my ways! The wove would appear to be in the opposite direction to the 'ribbing'."

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 J. E. Bielby

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Canadian Philatelic Society of Great Britain Amendments to Constitution

Rule

- Membership 5 Amend the amount of the Subscription to "One Pound" (3\$).
 - Add "A member who has forfeited his membership for nonpayment of his subscription may be restored to the Roll on payment of all arrears outstanding."
 - B Delete sentence "Age.....Committee". Substitute "Age up to and including 50 years £10 10s. 0d.; age over 50 years £8 8s. 0d.:—(or the equivalent in other currencies as may be fixed by the Committee) or such other sums as the Annual General Meeting may decide."
- Officers 13 After "Packet Secretary" add "and an Advertising and Publicity Manager."
- Amend letter before next clause.

 Add at the end of the Rule "The President may in a case of urgency direct the Secretary to obtain by post the views of Committee Members on particular matters."

 In the event of the death or incapacity of the President the
- Senior Vice-President shall act in his stead."

 Administration

Audit
New Rule

20 For "two members" substitute "one member."

After Rule 4 insert

"Libraries desirous of obtaining the Society's

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Management 14 Add "(g) The Advertising and Publicity Manager."

"Libraries desirous of obtaining the Society's magazine *Maple Leaves* may be admitted as Institutional Members on payment of the Annual Subscription. Institutional Members shall have no vote in the affairs of the Society."

Re number following Rules.

Founder's Trophy Rules Proposed Amendment

Delete existing Rule 8 and substitute.

"8. It is hoped that wherever appropriate the winner of the award will make the results of his research available in *Maple Leaves* for the benefit of all members of the Society."

Exchange Packet General Rules

Add at the end of Rule 1.

"All material submitted for circulation in the Packet shall be deemed to be vested in the Packet Secretary for the whole period during which it is in the hands of the Society and its members. Members submitting material for sale shall be deemed by the act of submission to assign to the Packet Secretary all claims, title to sue or other legal rights competent to them in respect of such material." The Packet Secretary shall arrange insurance cover for all material in circulation or in his custody.