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EDITORIAL

A. E. Stephenson, F.C.P.S.

The death of our Founder President on 10th May came as a sad blow to those officers and many members who had been privileged to know him. Following so shortly after the passing of Mrs. Stephenson we can only extend to his daughter Betty our most sincere sympathy in the losses she has sustained. We know that everyone will wish to join with us in this expression of heartfelt condolences to one who has been so sadly bereft in so short a time of those who were nearest and dearest to her. We also know that Betty can be proud of one who had hundreds of friends and no enemies, for of 'Stevie' it can be said 'he loved his fellow men' in a way which can only be said of very few. There is no finer epitaph and those who knew him will always remember him for his buoyant spirits, his sense of humour and untiring efforts on behalf of the society which he formed, and shaped, and to which he devoted himself with utter dedication for nearly 30 years. With Betty, we mourn his death and share her pride and grief.

We also have to record with very deep regret the recent death of Mrs. A. B. Aukland, the wife of our first Editor (1946-1952). Again, we are sure that all our members will wish to join with us in extending to Bruce Aukland our very sincere sympathy with him in his bereavement.

Dr. R. Willan, F.C.P.S.

Elsewhere in this issue a tribute is paid to the memory of Dr. R. Willan, a Past President and Fellow of this Society and a regular contributor to *Maple Leaves* on his favourite field of study, the stamps of Newfoundland. A regular attendant at the Society's Conventions where his quiet and unassuming presence will be sadly missed, Dr. Willan has left behind a host of friends who will wish to join us in extending to Mrs. Willan our heartfelt sympathy. His loss, together with that of Dr. C. M. Jephcott and Evan R. Gill, F.R.P.S.L., to whom tribute is also paid on pages 128/129, are grievous and irreplaceable losses to B.N.A. Philately.

Convention Auction 1968

The final date for the receipt of lots for the 1968 Convention Auction is **19th July, 1968**. Attention is particularly drawn to the fact that it will not be possible to include details of lots in the auction catalogue if they are received after this date. Vendors are also asked to note particularly that only B.N.A. material should be sent to the auctioneer, Mr. R. M. Hislop, Philatelist, Linlithgow, West Lothian, Scotland. If possible a note of the estimated value (which should not be less than 20/- for each lot) should be sent also. Single stamps and small lots should be mounted or housed on paper or card **not more than** 5 inches (horizontal) by 6 inches (vertical). A commission of 15% will be charged on all lots sold. Please mark parcel or envelope C.P.S. of G.B. in the bottom left hand corner and enclose a stamped and addressed card if a receipt is required. Catalogues will be available in August.

Last year's auction was an outstanding success. Please play your part in ensuring the same this year and please send your lots early.

The Exchange Packet

In our last issue we published a notice of the appointment of a new Exchange Packet Secretary in Dr. M. W. Carstairs who has taken over the duties of Mr. J. E. Bielby. Owing to the lateness of the receipt of this notice it was not possible to pay tribute to the work which Mr. Bielby has done for the Society during the past five years, an omission which we now hasten to rectify. It is not an exaggeration to say that the work of an exchange packet secretary in a large society such as ours is the most onerous of all the duties which fall to the lot of our officers. Paradoxically, however, although the exchange packet is probably the most popular of the Society's services to its members, it has not always been sufficiently appreciated by some of our members to the extent which might reasonably be expected. Despite the fact that in our columns we have repeatedly drawn attention to the need for careful adherence to the Exchange Packet rules a few members have consistently failed to appreciate their importance. It is to be hoped that in future ALL members who receive the Exchange Packet will do their utmost to make the work of Dr. Carstairs as least burdensome as possible. This is the one way in which appreciation can be shown. To Eric Bielby we wish to express on behalf of all members our most sincere appreciation for a very worthwhile job well done, and to Dr. Carstairs we express the wish that he will receive a full measure of help and support in the very important work which he has undertaken on behalf of the Society.

Our last issue also contained a report, all too brief unfortunately, that Mr. A. F. L. McGregor would be relinquishing his position as Treasurer in favour of Mr. J. A. Grant, who in future will be responsible for the maintenance of the accounts and the preparation of balance sheets, etc. May we remind members, however, that **all subscriptions should still be sent to Mr. McGregor** who is continuing to serve the society as Assistant Treasurer. Our thanks are due both to Mr. Grant for helping to lighten Alan McGregor's work load, and to the latter for all he has done to further the interests of the society over the past six years. Here again, however, the best way of thanking Alan will be to pay up promptly. We shall say no more....

From the President

My first thoughts go out to Stevie on the loss of his wife and to Mrs. Willan and Mrs. Gill on the passing of two honoured members of the Society. You will join me in expressing our sympathy and condolences. In Mrs. Stephenson I would recall on Society occasions the presence of a gracious lady with a very real interest in our affairs. Dr. Willan and Evan Gill were both distinguished philatelists, and to all who were privileged to know them, wise counsellors and worthy Fellows.

A few words about the Packet or to be exact the Exchange Packet, for which there is no close season. The need for material is as acute now as in the rest of the year. It is understandable that at this time stamps tend to take second place to other summer activities. I have no doubt the small band of regular contributors will be active, so I would address myself to the large army of members who take the Packet but to date have sent little by way of a contribution. If you will but send an occasional book then the exchange nature of our Packet is to that extent made reality, and Dr. Carstairs has your support.

With this issue there is a second insertion of the Convention booking and competition entry form. Returns from the previous issue are now coming to hand, and I would refer in particular to the hotel bookings. The hotel block booking is being steadily taken up, so I would ask you to let me have your advice now.

For those who for various reasons just cannot be present at the Convention, then let me have your support in the form of a competition entry. Mr. Mackie has arranged a splendid room for display purposes capable of taking several hundred sheets. There is space for all and the opportunity is there to compete for one of the fine trophies. It would greatly assist in the planning of the exhibition to have early notice of the details of the entries.

Last but not least, this will be a final reminder about the Convention Auction. This outlet for good B.N.A. material is unrivalled in so far as the lists reach all Society members. Competition can be keen for the right material. I am sure you will be more than satisfied with the realisation and rewarded for the time and trouble taken to make up an attractive and worthwhile lot.

The convention programme is taking shape, and I hope to have details next time. The folks in Aberdeen are making every effort to make the occasion in all respects worthy and memorable.

John Hannah

£100,000 Stamp Collection to be auctioned by Gibbons

The world's finest collection of Newfoundland postage stamps, valued at £100,000, is to be offered at a Stanley Gibbons Auction.

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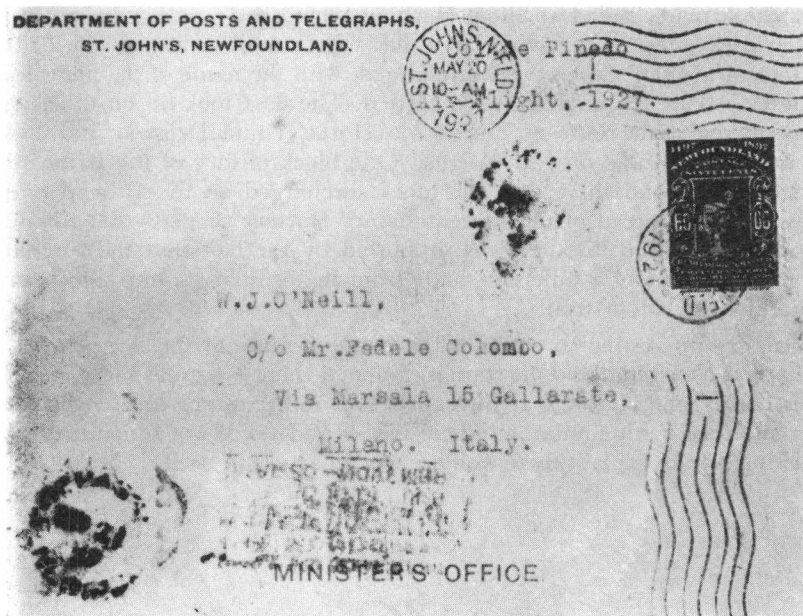
Newfoundland Airmails

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

In a recent article I gave brief notes on the overprinted airmail stamps of 1919. Subsequently Newfoundland issued five overprinted stamps for specific flights, and these are by no means devoid of interest. They are very varied in numbers and rarities.

Late in 1921 an experimental flight was projected from Botwood to Halifax, N.S. If successful, this was to be the fore-runner of a regular mail service to distant parts of Newfoundland and Labrador. A mail was to be made up at St. John's, closing on 26th November, and 5,000 copies of the 35 cent red Cabot stamps were overprinted for the purpose in panes of 25. There were six varieties of overprint on each pane, as described in the catalogues. The entire printing was used on mail when this was closed on 26th November. Large orders had been received for the unused stamps, so on 28th November the entire remaining stock of the 35 cent Cabots, comprising 9,000 copies, was overprinted from the original type, and these were supplied to the applicants, each receiving about one third of his order as no further supply of the Cabot stamp existed. Four panes of the second printing had the overprint inverted (*see S.G. 147 et seq.*) None of this printing could be used on the official mail, which had closed two days before. The mail was sent by rail from St. John's to Botwood on 27th November, but weather delayed the flight until 10th December. The plane crashed and the mail was returned to Botwood. The flight was not finally abandoned until 28th January, 1922, after which date mail was sent by rail and sea, arriving at Halifax 4th February.

In May, 1927, the Marchese Francesco de Pinedo, who had flown from Italy to America in stages via the South Atlantic route, was returning by the northern route via Newfoundland and the Azores. He was persuaded to carry a small mail from Newfoundland, and to frank this 300 copies of the 60 cent black Cabot stamp were overprinted in panes of 50. Of these, 225 were used on letters, (*see opposite*) and in addition 75 covers were accepted with unoverprinted stamps to satisfy those who handed in letters after the special stamps were sold out. The Santa Maria II took off from Trepassey on 23rd May, but strong head-winds so increased the petrol consumption that Pinedo was forced to descend on the sea 200 miles from the Azores, near a small fishing schooner which took him in tow, and he arrived at Horta on 30th May. When necessary repairs had been carried out Pinedo, who was accompanied by a navigator and a mechanic, took off again and to be able to make an honest claim of crossing the entire Atlantic flew back to the spot where he had descended on the sea before proceeding to Ponta Delgada whence, via Lisbon and Barcelona, he reached Ostia on 16th June.



In May, 1930, Captain Erroll J. Boyd, with Lt. Harry Connor as navigator, arrived at Harbour Grace en route for England. When he agreed to carry a small mail, 300 copies of the 36 cent Caribou stamp were surcharged in blocks of four to frank letters. The overprints of the 1919 and 1921 air stamps gave merely the objective of the special flights. In 1927 only the name of the aviator, de Pinedo, was given. This time the surcharge included the objective and the name of the plane which was a Bellanca monoplane 'Miss Columbia'. Of the surcharged stamps 100 were used to frank mail carried, which also included 232 covers with ordinary unsurcharged stamps. The plane took off on 9th October, and the flight was uneventful until nearing England, when a fault in one of the petrol tanks forced the aviators to land on Trescoe, one of the Scilly Isles. After re-fuelling they continued to Croydon. (*See S.G.191*)

In 1932 the world's largest plane, the German Dornier DO-X with a crew of 14 had flown to New York and was returning via Newfoundland. When arrangements were made for a mail to be carried 8,000 of the one dollar water-marked airmail stamps were surcharged for the purpose in blocks of four. The surcharge included the objective and the name of the plane. Why so many stamps were surcharged is not obvious—or is it? as the Post Office announcement stated that the mail was limited to 3,000 letters, and actually only 1,800 were carried. The plane took off from Holyrood on 21st May, and flew by stages via Horta, Vigo and Southampton to Berlin, where it arrived on 27th May. The surcharge occurs inverted (*see S.G. 221*).

The last of Newfoundland's overprinted airmail stamps was in 1933. General Italo Balbo had led a mass flight of 24 flying boats from Italy to Chicago via Amsterdam, Londonderry, Iceland, Cartwright and Montreal. On the return

flight the armada called at Shoal Harbour where bad weather held it up for ten days. Arrangements having been made for a mail to be carried, 8,000 of the 75 cent airmail stamps were surcharged, with the name of the flight leader included, About 1,130 covers were carried. The fleet took off on 8th August, following the same route as Pinedo via Horta, Ponta Delgada and Lisbon, and arrived at Rome on 12th August. One block of four of the Balbo stamp exists inverted, and there was one block surcharged on the 10 cent orange-yellow airmail instead of the 75 cent stamp. Harmer suggests that this was a trial surcharge, and his theory is supported by the fact that the surcharged 10 cents is definitely a different shade from the ordinary stamp and is in my opinion itself a colour trial.

It is very interesting to consider the market values of the overprinted and surcharged Newfoundland air stamps. Some of them are great rarities and the prices correspond, but the relative prices of mint stamps and covers, or of different items with similar numbers issued and used, are sometimes rather surprising, but to explain these would make an article in itself.



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First Post Offices on Lake Simcoe's East Shore

by Max Rosenthal

The two townships in Ontario County on the eastern shores of Lake Simcoe are Thorah and Mara, first surveyed in 1820 and 1821. In 1824, under 'Squire' Donald Cameron, emigrants arrived from Glengarry in Thorah. 1830 brought a large influx of immigrants from Scotland, followed by Highlanders to Mara from 1833 on. The first bridge was thrown across the Beaver River in Thorah by 1830, at the site of Beaverton. A road was blazed to the latter from the site of Oshawa, on Lake Ontario.

Kenneth Cameron opened the first store that year in Milton, as Beaverton was called. Donald Calder built saw and grist mills there, and so a village was arising. For five years there was no post office nearer than Georgina (Sutton West later), 18 miles away. Colonel Cameron, of the 74th Highlanders, settled on the lake shore $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles north of Beaverton in 1835. His influence with the government got a post office, designated Beaverton, opened at the beginning of 1836. (Milton post office was to be opened the same year in Halton County.)

James Ellis kept Beaverton post office in a house on the river bank, and later had a carding and spinning establishment just below. Charles Robinson had settled in Thorah in 1833, and was to be a future postmaster of Beaverton. In the Baldwin Papers, Toronto Reference Library, is a letter from him to Robert Baldwin, written 14th July, 1845, postmarked with a large double circle broken by BEAVERTON, U.C., in blue, with '22 July 45' written in. Another letter from Robinson to Baldwin, written 13th November, 1848, has a medium-sized double circle broken by BEAVERTON, C.W., in thin lettering, with NO 14, 1848 in type, all in red.

Irish as well as Scottish settlers located in Mara Township, and one of them, Michael McDonagh, opened Mara post office in 1842. A small settlement had sprung up about a half mile west of the future village of Brechin, at the point where the Grand Trunk Railway was later to cross, when it would be called Brechin Station. A mile south was Mara post office.

The Baldwin Papers also provide letters from McDonagh to Robert Baldwin. The first one, from 13th December, 1842, was written so soon after the establishment of the post office, that a hand stamp was not yet to hand, and it has the manuscript postmark 'Mara, Decr 13th 1842', joined by a bracket, in the lower left. 'Michael McDonagh P.M.' is written at the top, next to FREE, stamped in italic capitals. In it he wrote:

'I am induced by Messrs. Johnston and Lount to request you will be pleased to use your influence in my behalf to obtain for me the situation

of Treasurer in the intended new District of Simcoe. It is needless for me to add what my useful services were in trying to improve this isolated section of the county' he added, no doubt thinking of his bringing postal service there.

A letter from McDonagh to Baldwin written 14th February, 1843, is already postmarked with a medium-sized double circle broken by MARA, U.C., with the date written in. The same postmark appears in red on a letter of 1st July 1851.

With high postage rates calculated according to weight, it would have been prohibitively expensive to mail anything heavier than a letter, so it is not surprising that on 3rd June, 1845, McDonagh wrote to Baldwin:

'I received your letter by the last mail and I shall look out for some safe opportunity to send the book you require, and in case no opportunity presents itself I shall take it with me when I go to town.' 'Town' meant Toronto, where Robert Baldwin was head of government.

On 2nd June, 1846, McDonagh wrote to Baldwin:

'I have written to you when the session of Parliament opened enclosing a petition from the inhabitants of this township, showing the Board of Works the wretched condition that the settlers are left in without any access by road to a very expensive bridge which is likely to rot before it is used, called the Narrows.

'So the people here are all anxious to know what turn this contemplated road from Windsor Harbour (Oshawa) has taken this session. I can't understand how the Board of Works in defiance to an Act of Parliament withheld the expenditure of £2,000 voted by the last session of Parliament or how it is, the present session would have any hesitation in supporting you to grant the further sum required to complete this important road as a Provincial work.'

At the Narrows, connecting Lakes Simcoe and Conchiching, was to be opened in 1851 Atherly post office, right opposite Orillia. W. C. McMullen was postmaster, and it had a tri-weekly mail. By this time Donald Cameron kept the post office in Beaverton, in his general store. He was also a lumber merchant, owning a saw mill. There was a daily mail.

For a few months in 1856 and 1857 Daniel Cameron ran Forcastle post office, also in Beaverton, but on the north bank of the Beaverton River. Perhaps the bridge connecting with the business section on the south side was out, while they built a new one, and this was provided as a convenience to the north Beaverton residents, but who knows?

William Ritchie had taken over as postmaster of Mara, and Charles Robinson in Beaverton. On 20th May, 1861, George Brown's Toronto newspaper, the *Globe*, commented:

'We are credibly informed that Mr. Charles Robinson, Postmaster of the village of Beaverton, County of North Ontario, has been dismissed from his office, for no other reason than that he is a consistent Reformer and a decided though quiet and inoffensive opponent of the present government.

Not the slightest complaint against his conduct as Postmaster was made; he was notified that his office was wanted, and three days afterwards was turned out; a son of a friend of the Postmaster General from Cobourg being appointed in his place. This is not the first postmaster who has been dismissed for political reasons by Mr. Smith, and it is time to enquire whether the system of changing officials to make their political tenets agree with those of the ministry of the day is to be universally adopted. The Reform Party will have no reason to regret the introduction of this system, so far as individual interests are concerned, for a very large proportion of the offices in the gift of the Crown are in the hands of their opponents. The public interests will suffer, however, from the change of officials with every change of government, and we shall protest against the introduction of the American system to the last. We see not, however, that its adoption can long be delayed if the government continue to pursue the career they have commenced. We see not how a Reform administration can refrain from reinstalling Mr. Chadwick of Ingersoll, and Mr. Robinson of Beaverton, in their offices; and the system once inaugurated will rapidly spread. The present government have gone so far that there will be no ground for complaint if the next administration punishes with exemplary severity any interference which may be practised by officials during the coming elections.'

Sidney Smith was Postmaster-General at that time. In a letter now in the Ontario Archives he wrote next day to Charles Lindsey on the *Globe* editorial:

'The *Globe* overhauls me about 'Beaverton' P.M.

'On 26th October, 1860, Dewe reported that quarterly amounts for March, June and September were only obtained by a visit to Beaverton. He cautioned the P.M. on his sureties against a repetition of this complaint and promises of amendment were given. However the Decr. amounts were not sent and on 2nd April Griffin reported facts to me and I dismissed him without knowing whether he was Reformer or Tory nor did I care—this is a fitting sequence to his defense of Mueller, Depenser, Chadwick et al. They all ought to serve the Department without stint or restriction. I have dismissed P.M.s of Niagara, Beachville, Rimouski, Coteau du Lac, Beaverton, Weston, Berlin, Newboro, Merrickville and it may not be a bad thing to make it public for the benefit of those who may think they can do as they like.

'Brown could have found out all about the facts by asking Dewe. Creighton the new P.M. at Beaverton is a son of Jno. Creighton an old Reformer who was Brown's collector for the *Globe* in 1858 in the West. Brown dismissed him for saying a word in favour of our party.'

Creighton did not last long as postmaster of Beaverton, for the next year finds Donald Cameron back at his old position.

James Patrick Foley arrived in 1860 at what was to become the north-west corner of Brechin. In 1863 Mara post office was closed, replaced by one run by Foley at Brechin, named after the place his wife came from, near Edinburgh, Scotland.

Future Issues

In our last issue we referred to suggestions received from readers in response to our appeal for ideas about the way in which *Maple Leaves* could be improved. That some of them were impracticable because of the expense involved we made clear at the time and it would be pointless to elaborate upon them. Of the suggestions that are within the realm of possibility a surprising number were critical of much of the content of *Maple Leaves* because it was too highly specialised. 'More items of interest to beginners' was the theme of a number of letters, a few of which appeared to ignore completely the present emphasis which is placed on introductory or 'beginners' articles and has been placed for some considerable time.

We are conscious of the fact that a large number of our readers would hesitate to call themselves 'specialists' in any way; but we are also conscious of the fact that it is often the article which is concerned with the *minutiae* of philately or some less well known facet of a particular field which sparks off an interest or which prompts collectors to LOOK at their stamps or postmarks more closely. This is surely the first step that every 'specialist' has taken in the past when he too did not claim to be other than a 'collector'. That a specialist society sets out to persuade its members to widen their horizons in this way is incontrovertible; by the publication of material of a so-called 'advanced' nature it is in effect challenging readers to extend the range of their knowledge **and therefore their enjoyment** of their chosen hobby. The man who knows the least about his stamps is almost invariably the one who gets the least satisfaction and enjoyment from them and who ultimately, and sometimes very quickly, loses **all** interest. Our definition of a specialist, therefore, is a stamp or postmark collector who knows from experience that truly absorbing interest in his hobby can only result from a willingness to learn as much as possible about his chosen field. 'When ignorance is bliss 'tis folly to be wise' was not written with philately in mind, which is scarcely surprising. THAT particular adage was written 200 years ago and it stood in as much need of qualification then as it does now!

Within the limits of space available *Maple Leaves* will continue to cater for the needs of beginners, specialists, incipient, medium and advanced. Our columns are open to all comers (subject to the law of libel). Brickbats are received without rancour and bouquets with becoming modesty and heartfelt gratitude. At this stage we are prompted to thank those members who take the trouble to write appreciatively of *Maple Leaves*. That so many do is perhaps the best commentary of all.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Membership of the Society is open to all interested in the study of the postal history and postage stamps of Canada and the former British North American Provinces. The annual subscription (£1) is payable on 1st October for the ensuing twelve months. (Overseas members are requested to remit subscriptions free of charge to the Society.)

POSTAGE DUES

During 1967 a new issue of Postage Due stamps was made, all denominations in red. Dates upon which these stamps were issued were as follows:—

1 cent—March, 1967	5 cents—March, 1967
2 cents—March, 1967	6 cents—February, 1967
3 cents—March, 1967	10 cents—January, 1967
4 cents—February, 1967	

The policy of the Canadian Post Office with regard to the use of Postage Due stamps seems to have been changed since the beginning of 1967. At the moment old stocks of the 1935–1965 postage dues are being used up, but I notice, and this is confirmed by our member Aubrey F. Smith of Halifax, N.S., that these stamps are no longer cancelled with a date stamp, they are either pen marked or left quite uncanceled. Any of the new 1967 issue cancelled with a c.d.s. are either by mistake or by favour. However, some are Roller Cancelled in sheets for use as receipts for payment for Permits. These stamps so roller cancelled are found with Full Gum, and are in fact Precancels.

The new 1967 Postage Dues with c.d.s on cover will be very scarce.

My thanks are due to the Director of Accounting for the dates of release of the 1967 Postage Dues. There was no official 'First Day of Issue'.

R. B. Hetherington



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THE REGISTRY MARKINGS OF CANADA'S RAILWAY POST OFFICES

By
Horace W. Harrison
Part III

For introductory remarks see Whole No. 111.

25. Great Western Railway. Type I—42 mm. x 13 mm. May, 1869. Siverts collection. (*R. 126*)
Type II—41 mm. x 12½ mm. March, 1871. Harrison collection. (*R. 126*)
26. Great Western Railway, Accommodation. Recorded by Jarret, Boggs and Shaw. 42½ mm. x 12½ mm. August, 1875. Harrison collection. (*R. 127*)
27. Great Western Railway, Express. Recorded by Jarrett, Boggs and Shaw. (*R. 128?*)
28. Great Western Railway, Express. Recorded by Shaw. 43 mm. x 12½ mm. June, 1878. Siverts collection. (*R. 128a*)
29. Great Western Railway, Sarnia Branch. Recorded by Shaw. 42½ mm. x 13 mm. June, 1878. Harrison collection. (*R. 129a*)
30. Hamilton and North Western Railway. Recorded by Jarrett and Shaw. (*R. 132*)
31. Hamilton and Toronto Railway. Recorded by Jarrett, Boggs and Shaw. 42 mm. x 12 mm. October, 1876. Ludlow collection. (*R. 133*)
32. London, Huron and Bruce Railway. Recorded by Jarrett and Shaw. (*R. 134*)
33. London, Huron and Bruce Railway. Recorded by Shaw. 44 mm. x 11½ mm. August, 1880. Ludlow collection. (*R. 134a*)
34. Port Dover and Lake Huron Railway. Recorded by Jarrett, Boggs and Shaw. (*R. 136*)
35. Port Dover and Lake Huron Railway. Recorded by Jarrett and Shaw. 49½ mm. x 14 mm. August, 1882. Whitehead collection. (*R. 137*)
36. Port Dover and Lake Huron Railway. Recorded by Jarrett and Shaw. (*R. 138*)

**Contributions urgently required
for the August
issue**

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TYPE I

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G.W.R

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H & T.R

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G.W.R. ACCOMM.

32. REGISTERED
L.H. & B.RY.

27. REGISTERED
G.W.R. EXPR.

33. REGISTERED
L.H & B. R

28. REGISTERED
G.W.R. EXPS.

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P. D. & L. H

29. REGISTERED
G.W.R-S. B

35. REGISTERED
P. D OVER & L.H.R.

36. REGISTERED
P. D. & L. H. R.

Postal Stationery

During 1967 a new issue of Canadian Postal Stationery was made with stamps of Gibbons Types, 259, 260, and 261 imprinted thereon.

Envelopes were issued in two sizes: No. 8, $6\frac{1}{2}$ in. x $3\frac{11}{16}$ in. and No. 10, $9\frac{1}{2}$ in. x $4\frac{1}{2}$ in., flaps on the longer side, and three denominations for each size, i.e. 3 cents, 4 cents and 5 cents, all in white.

Dates of release of these envelopes were as follows:—

No. 8	No. 10
3 cents—May, 1967	3 cents—April, 1967
4 cents—April, 1967	4 cents—May, 1967
5 cents—June, 1967	5 cents—June, 1967

There was an entirely new type of envelope issued for the 4 and 5 cents denominations; these are now being manufactured with an inside printed design. This design which is formed by the continuous use of the words Postes Canada Post in Type $1\frac{3}{4}$ mm.—POSTESCANADAPOST—28 mm. long repeated diagonally across the paper from left to right (except for the gummed part of the flap). This inside printing gives the envelopes a mottled effect on the outside, and the colour appears to be off-white.

The design was added to the inside of the envelopes to increase the paper opacity and thereby help to conceal an envelope's contents. Stamped envelopes of the 3 cents denomination will not receive the above security printing, since these envelopes are primarily used for printed matter mailings.

Post Cards have been issued (May, 1967) as follows: white card, normal, 4 cents red, size $5\frac{1}{2}$ in. x $3\frac{1}{2}$ in.—POST CARD, CARTE POSTALE.

'Post Card' measures 18 mm. 'Carte Postale' measures $24\frac{1}{2}$ mm.

Precancelled Post Cards have been issued for the 3 cents value (pale slate-purple) in both white and ivory card, in June, 1967. Cards are precancelled in the same manner as the 1962–1964 issue with five coloured thin bars in the same colour as the stamp. Bars are 44 mm. long and are spaced just under 3 mm. apart. Besides the two 3 cent cards, there is a 6 cent Reply Paid card which was issued in July 1967. (I have not seen this last item as yet, but understand it is in the same type.)

It is planned to issue 3 cent No. 8 and No. 10 size envelopes with a precancelled stamp impression sometime during 1968.

R. B. Hetherington

22nd Convention of the C.P.S. of G.B.

Wednesday, 16th October to Saturday 19th October, 1968. To be held at the Imperial Hotel, Stirling Street, Aberdeen.

Application for reservation should be made to:—

Mr. J. Hannah, 4, Hammersmith Road, Aberdeen. Tel. 39494.

(Hotel booking/competition entry form enclosed with this issue.)

Dr. M. W. Carstairs

In our last issue Mr. Bielby intimated that as from the 1st April Dr. Carstairs would be taking over responsibility for the Exchange Packet. Eric Bielby may not have been in need of a rest but he has certainly deserved one. Nearly five years hard labour has elapsed since he took over the packet from Mr. J. A. Grant and we do not use this expression lightly. It needs but a little exercise of the imagination to realise just how time-consuming the conduct of an exchange packet can be, especially in a society as large as ours. That it is a profitable activity as far as the society's funds are concerned is probably of less importance than the fact that it provides a valued service to members, and one which is appreciated by nearly all who take advantage of it. We say 'nearly all' advisedly because a *few* members in the past have not *quite* taken their obligations seriously enough. In thanking Dr. Carstairs for assuming a very considerable burden we do so with the hope that everyone will co-operate with him by adhering to the simple rules laid down. Practically every issue of *Maple Leaves* has in the past drawn attention to the need for care and meticulous observation of the packet regulations. By strict adherence to these the life of a packet secretary can be made tolerable; any neglect of these on the part of even one member can make things impossible. May we express the hope that *full co-operation* in these matters will be forthcoming in the future from everyone on the circulation lists?

NEWS for the B.N.A. SPECIALIST

The **25/26 JUNE** British Empire sale includes fine **British North America** with strength in British Columbia, Canada, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

The **10 JULY** **British North America** sale contains many rarities including Canada 1851 laid 12d. unused with much original gum and Newfoundland 1919 Hawker 3c. mint (2 different types of overprint) and other rare airmails.



Illustrated catalogues, with colour, 10/- each.

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Obituaries

C. C. Sonne



The many friends of 'Bunny' Sonne of Moose Jaw, including those in Great Britain who only knew him 'by correspondence' will learn with deep regret of his passing on 19th March. Pre-cancel collectors especially will remember the keen interest and knowledge which he displayed in their favourite field of study; but what is probably not as well known was his deep interest in Canadian postmarks generally, including R.P.Os.

The writer will not be alone in remembering him for his chatty and informative letters and spirit of good humour and friendliness which informed all of his correspondence even at a time when, a few years ago, he was far from well.

Our members will be particularly interested to learn that 'Bunny's' grandfather, Hans Christian Sonne, was recently honoured by a special stamp issue in Denmark to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the foundation of the Danish Co-operative Movement, for which he was responsible in 1817.

We are glad to have the opportunity of reproducing this stamp in honour of the memory, not only of a famous Danish citizen, but also as a unique reminder of a good member of this Society who will be sadly missed by his many friends.

To 'Bunny's' son, William C. Sonne, we extend our deepest sympathy in the sad loss that he has sustained.

Evan R. Gill, F.R.P.S.L.

In the passing of Evan R. Gill, F.R.P.S.L. on the 16th April at the age of 75 we in the C.P.S. have lost another of our early members. Better known philatelically, perhaps, for his collection and study of the stamps of Papua he brought to his Canadian collection the care and attention to detail which was typical of his general outlook on life.

Those who have met him as a fairly regular visitor to Conventions will have known his unassuming manner and his great courage in trying to make light of the ill health which dogged him during the past few years.

In his quiet way he was the best type of Society member, ever ready to help and to give advice and we in the London Group have reason to be proud that he identified himself with us so thoroughly since moving from Liverpool.

R.S.B.G.

Dr. R. Willan, F.C.P.S.

In the passing of Dr. Willan the Society has suffered a very great blow and his replacement will be very difficult, if not impossible.

It is twenty years since he came along to join us. We fell for him and he evidently fell for us and he proceeded to give everything to the Society.

In his field as a specialist in the stamps and postal history of Newfoundland he was well out ahead of everybody, in fact it is safe to say he was *the* authority in this field.

In his work for the Society itself he gave everything. He was made a Fellow and ultimately became a member of the Fellowship Committee and guarded the Fellowship most zealously.

He also carried out all other Committee work with that quiet thoroughness and integrity which has helped to make our Society the envy of other institutions.

He started the Lancashire Local Group and planted our seeds well and truly there and as President of the Society who will ever forget the very thorough and successful way he ran the Scarborough Convention?

To Mrs. Willan, who is so well known to us all, we extend our most sincere condolences. We shall always remember the Doctor.

A. E. Stephenson

Dr. Clare M. Jephcott, F.R.P.S.L.

Outstanding Canadian philatelist, Dr. C. M. Jephcott of Toronto, passed away at the age of 68 on 2nd April, 1968. A former President of the British North America Philatelic Society, he was a Fellow of the Royal Philatelic Society of London and Canada.

Dr. Jephcott wrote numerous articles for the philatelic press and was the co-author of the *Postal History of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick* which won the top award for literature at Vienna in 1965.

He served on international philatelic juries in Toronto, London, New York and Melbourne. Parts of his magnificent collection were shown in many Courts of Honour and it won a gold medal in Washington.

Dr. Jephcott was a recognized authority in chemistry and was a fellow of the Royal Chemical Society of Great Britain and of the Chemical Institute of Canada.

EXCHANGE PACKET

1. Good quality stamps, covers, postal history items urgently required for packets to go out early in the Autumn.
2. Holiday dates—please notify Mr. E. Bielby or myself in good time, so that we can liaise on circuits affected.
3. Please note my correct initials.

M. W. CARSTAIRS
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Edinburgh Local Group

The tradition set by 'Stevie'—before the C.P.S. was formed—of round-the-fireside meetings still continues in Edinburgh and we normally have about five monthly gatherings during the winter. Although our numbers are small, those attending are all active and enthusiastic collectors. One cause for concern has been the increasing 'average age' of the group and we have been particularly pleased to have had a few additions—less long in the tooth—at our meetings this year. I think it is true to say that they have enjoyed the displays and have gained knowledge and good fellowship in company with kindred spirits. **If there are any other members in the area who would like to join us, we would be delighted.**

We are always much indebted to members from other parts who so willingly send displays. This year Dr. M. Carstairs sent a display of cancellations with a study of the first machine canceller, some very fine flags, squared circles and other interesting material.

The other display from 'over the border' came from Mr. F. Laycock. This consisted of several pages of the pence issue in very fine condition, followed by a specialised and extensive collection of the 1859 issue. Very fine ranges of shades of all values were included, many of the 10 cents 'orders' on cover and nearly complete platings of the 12½ and 17 cents values. It was a relief to know that this exceptional show of classic material had arrived back in Yorkshire safely!

'J.J.' is always a tower of strength both as regards knowledge and advice and with that almost inexhaustible collection, of which he willingly shows us something on at least one occasion each year. We have had two shows from him this season covering pretty completely the issues of the 19th century. Some very fine sheets of small heads, used and mint blocks, plate blocks, essays and proofs of several issues, all appear in profusion. A particularly fine item shown for the first time in Edinburgh was a part sheet of the Queen Victoria booklet panes showing two uncut panes, set tête-bêche and with marginal imprint. A rare item indeed.

On another evening each member brought some sheets from his own collection. It is always amazing how varied such an evening can be and how many queries are raised and discussed.

Annual General Meeting

Nomination of Officers and Fellows

Members are reminded that in accordance with the Society's rules, nominations for Officers of the Society to be considered by the Annual General Meeting in October must be sent to the Secretary no later than 19th July, 1968. The retiring Committee members are: Dr. M. W. Carstairs, Dr. R. Willan and Sir George Williamson.

Nominations for Fellowship, which must be made on the appropriate form obtainable from the Secretary, must be received by 19th August.

did you know



The 'Pembina Twins' refers to a pair of 3d. imperforated Canadian stamps originally used on one cover which was mailed from Pembina, North Dakota on 2nd November, 1858 by a Canadian fur trapper.

Many years later the cover came into the possession of a collector who severed the two stamps after removing them from the cover and sold them separately.

The left hand stamp is cancelled 'PEM' and the right hand, 'BINA' and the latter was eventually acquired by the late Dr. Lewis Reford who was a great friend of another well known collector and B.N.A. specialist, Colonel J. S. O'Meara.

It is said that one day, while browsing through Colonel O'Meara's collection, Dr. Reford caught sight of a 3d. imperforate which reminded him of the one in his collection because of the part—cancellation 'PEM'. The two stamps were thereupon matched and proved to be the original pair.

Both of these philatelists were wealthy men and it was decided to draw lots to decide who should be the new owner of the reunited pair, the loser to be handsomely compensated for the loss of a highly-valued stamp.

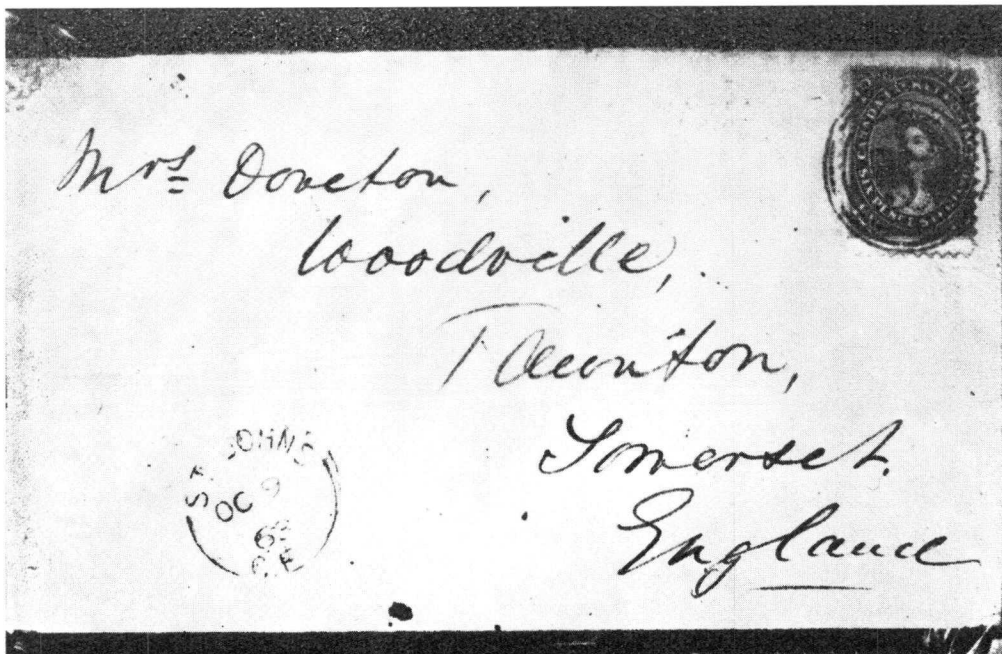
Dr. Reford was the fortunate winner, but he did not forget his unlucky friend; in his will he bequeathed the two stamps to Colonel O'Meara and so it came about that when Dr. Reford died the famous pair again changed hands.

Colonel O'Meara died about sixteen years ago and the two stamps, as far as is known, are in the possession of Mr. Paul H. Dolbec of Quebec City who purchased them after Colonel O'Meara's death.

(With acknowledgements to Philatelic Echos.)

Four Ring '39' Obliterator

by G. Whitworth, F.R.P.S.L., F.C.P.S.



I have recently examined a new find of correspondence from St. Johns, C.E. to Taunton, England, all dated during 1863 and 1864, and all having the stamps cancelled by a four ring number 39 hammer. In each case, the ink of the cds. appears to correspond to the ink on the numeral cancel, suggesting that at this time the hammer was in use at the St. Johns post office. Jarrett, Boggs and Smythies list this cancel as being used at St. Hyacinthe, a nearby town, but not connected by a railway link.

All English mail posted at St. Johns would be sent to Montreal for making up, a distance of 15 miles on the Champlain and St. Lawrence Railroad, and would not pass through St. Hyacinthe. Some of the covers bear a 17 cents stamp and travelled via Boston and the Royal Mail Steamers. Other covers bear 12½ cents stamps and travelled, via Portland, or Quebec in summer, on the Canadian line packet boats. Any English mail passing east through St. Hyacinthe on its way to Portland or Boston would be in sealed bags for transit through the United States.

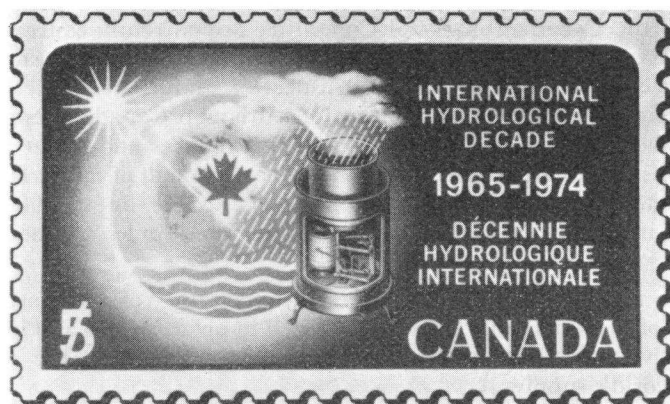
These covers therefore suggest that during the years 1863 and 1864 the four ring 39 hammer was used at St. Johns. I have no other covers originating from either St. Johns or St. Hyacinthe and so would ask what evidence members can produce to show that this hammer was used at St. Johns before or after these years, or what evidence is known that it was ever used at St. Hyacinthe.

NEW STAMP ISSUES

REVISION OF STAMP PRINTING TECHNIQUES

A change in printing techniques was authorized for the production of Canada Post Office Narwhal and International Hydrological Decade stamps which were released on the 10th April, 1968 and the 8th May, 1968 respectively.

The reason for the change was technical difficulties encountered by the printing company in the operation of recently installed equipment. The two stamps were produced by the four colour lithographic process instead of in one colour steel and three colour photogravure as had been previously announced.



INTERNATIONAL HYDROLOGICAL DECADE STAMP

A four colour 5 cents stamp which was released by the Canada Post Office on the 8th May, 1968, commemorates Canada's participation in the UNESCO sponsored 1965-1974 International Hydrological Decade.

The predominantly brown I.H.D. stamp, large in size and horizontal in format, also serves as a vehicle to introduce another newcomer in the field of Canadian stamp design. The chosen rendition was executed by Hungarian born, Canadian by adoption, Prof. Imre von Mosdossy of Agincourt, Ontario. Versed in widely varied fields of art and design, Prof. von Mosdossy has to his credit hundreds of stamps chosen for use by postal administrations in many parts of the world.

The four colour lithographic process has been utilized by the British American Bank Note Co., Ottawa, to print 24 million of the new issue. First Day Cover Service was provided by the Postmaster, Ottawa 2, Ontario.

In size the new stamp is 40 mm. x 24 mm. Centred in the design is a weighing rain gauge flanked on the right by white lettering on the dark brown background: 'International Hydrological Decade', '1965-1974', 'Decennie Hydrologique Internationale' and 'Canada'. To the left of centre a small red eleven point Canadian maple leaf is superimposed on the world in space. The symbolic representation of water and precipitation is in white on the basically blue world. White is used for the sun and radiating rays in the upper left corner and for the denomination at the lower left. Inks are combined to achieve the near ochre in the central gauge and the world's land mass.

Canada is one of 97 member states co-operating in the international study whose purpose is not only to increase knowledge in the developed countries but to increase the ability of the under-developed countries to gain knowledge of their own water resources. At the national level, Canada has served for four years on a Co-ordinating Council of 21 member countries which has representatives from the U.S.A., the U.S.S.R., France and England as permanent delegations.

Efforts of the Canadian National Committee are currently concentrated on 185 study projects in a scientific field which covers the entire history of the cycle of water on earth. An important aspect of study is the effects on man and the effects of man's activities on water. Although Canada is estimated to have one-seventh of the world's fresh water in her lakes and about one-tenth of the world's fresh water in her rivers, more than one-half of the surface waters flow north and are therefore not immediately usable by the 90% of the population inhabiting an area within 200 hundred miles of the southern border.

Estimates place the proportion of sea-water as 97% of the world's total. Two-thirds of the remaining 3% is immobilized in polar regions and in glaciers. Consequently for his fresh water needs man must depend on the remaining 1% of the world's supply.

300TH ANNIVERSARY, VOYAGE OF THE NONSUCH

A four colour Canada Post Office 5 cents stamp to be released on 5th June, 1968, will commemorate the 300th Anniversary of a perilous four month voyage of discovery by the Nonsuch into Canada's northern waters. Success of the Nonsuch venture is credited by historians with the opening of Canada's West through the fur trade.

The new stamp, horizontal in format and having dimensions of 40 mm. x 24 mm., was designed by the British American Bank Note Company Limited, Ottawa, whose facilities will be used to print 24 million of the new issue by a combination of the steel engraving and photogravure processes. Mucilage employed for this issue is the virtually invisible material used on two previous occasions for Canada Post Office stamps.

Customary First Day Cover Service will be provided by the Postmaster, Ottawa 2, Ontario, Canada, in dark blue lettering, is printed vertically at the extreme left of the stamp; immediately adjacent is the artist's concept of the Nonsuch with billowing sails proceeding in relatively calm blue seas against a backdrop of icebergs and the aurora borealis in which shades of light green



and rose are predominant. A white denominative 5 appears in the upper right corner in a sky of blue; at the lower right, in an area of dark blue water, white lettering consists of: '1668', 'Voyage of the Nonsuch' and 'Voyage du Nonsuch' arranged in three lines to avoid repetition of the vessel's name. The super-structure and masts of the ship are chiefly of a golden oak hue; pennants flying in the wind are in red and white.

The originators of a scheme to tap a vast fur potential by explorations through northern waterways were Médard Chouart, Sieur des Groseilliers and Pierre Esprit Radisson. For the furtherance of their plan the two made their way to Europe where they were put into touch with Prince Rupert; Rupert, recognizing the feasibility of substituting a summer voyage for a year in the wilderness, enlisted the patronage of his cousin Charles II.

Sailing from Gravesend, England, on the 3rd June, 1668, the tiny 43 ton 36 foot ketch Nonsuch 'heaved to' on 29th September in James Bay at the mouth of a waterway which the adventurers christened Rupert River. Their point of landing was to become the site of Charles Fort which, in turn, became Rupert's House. It was here that the newcomers from the old world met the primitive Cree Indians who displayed a significant lack of hostility. Obligated to winter in the unfamiliar harsh northern environment immobilized by heavy ice, the Nonsuch and her crew, commanded by a New-Englander from Boston, Captain Zachariah Gillam, returned to London in October 1669 with a rich cargo of prime furs; it was this success which led Prince Rupert and seventeen associates to obtain from Charles II their incorporation as The Governor and Company of Adventurers of England trading into Hudson's Bay. The Charter, a lengthy document of some 6,500 words, has been referred to by historians as the most far-reaching commercial document in British history.

It had not been intended that the one vessel would be alone in the venture; in fact, a second ketch, the Eaglet, had sailed in company with the Nonsuch. The Eaglet, 54 tons and 40 feet in length, under the command of Captain William Stannard, was forced back by storms leaving the smaller vessel to persevere alone. Sponsors of the plan had originally laid down the concept that, if success was achieved, the two Captains, Stannard and Gillam, would exchange ships for the return voyage.

BOOK REVIEW

'HJMR Priced Guide to Philatelic Literature'

In the past 125 years philately has produced a vast body of literature on every aspect of stamps, covers, postal history and related fields, and collectors in ever increasing numbers are turning to the literature as a means of broadening their knowledge in order to gain greater enjoyment and appreciation of their hobby.

The HJMR Co., a firm specializing in the field of philatelic literature, has recently acquired several of the foremost stocks of philatelic literature, including those of Fritz Billig and Louis K. Robbins, and after the merger of these stocks into their own, a complete reorganization of the holdings was accomplished in accordance with modern stocking, inventory, and data processing procedures.

Now, based upon the world's largest stock of philatelic literature, the HJMR Co. has announced the publication of the First Edition of their *Priced Guide to Philatelic Literature*, a 231 page, 5½in. x 8½in. book containing more than 16,000 listings of philatelic catalogues, handbooks, periodicals, tear sheets, specialist society bulletins, and the complete series of the prize winning Billig's Philatelic Handbooks, all of which are available to the collector and dealer from the HJMR stock.

The *Priced Guide to Philatelic Literature* has been organized for rapid and easy reference. It is fully indexed and includes a special 24 page section which indexes the hundreds of valuable articles and full scale philatelic studies which are to be found in the 30 volumes of the Billig's Philatelic Handbooks which are owned and distributed by the HJMR Co.

In order to make the *Guide* readily available to all collectors and dealers interested in philatelic literature, a nominal price of \$1.00, postpaid, has been established for the publication, and this amount is deducted from the first purchase of \$3.00 or more for any of the literature included in the *Guide*.

Copies of the First Edition of the *Priced Guide to Philatelic Literature* are available from HJMR Co., P.O. Box 2368, Miami Beach, Florida 33140.

Back Numbers

The welcome addition of new members in recent months has brought many requests for back copies of *Maple Leaves* with the result that there is a waiting list for some numbers. Those of which we are very short or out of stock are whole numbers—15 (April 1950), 21, 31 to 35, 39, 40, 41, 43, 44, 46, 47, 58, 76, 94 and 101.

I am anxious to get copies of these and will pay 1s. 9d. per copy, thus sharing the proceeds between Society and seller. Please do your best to spare copies and so help your fellow members.

R. S. B. Greenhill

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by Dr. J. G. Byth

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Letters to the Editor . . .

Dr. C. W. Hollingsworth writes:

Members' 'Wants' (Advertising)

Each year our Advertising Officer, Stanley Cohen, puts out a plea for members to take some space in the December issue for Christmas greetings in which they may also indicate their interests and wants. I note that in the December 1967 issue there were ten only of these—all from virtually the same members who have supported this project for year after year, and I note in these adverts that they are all greetings only, and that only occasionally in past years have members taken this excellent opportunity to make known their interests with a view to correspondence and exchange.

In the Year Book issue of B.N.A. Topics just received, there is a total of 66 adverts from collecting members (as opposed to dealers), almost all of which indicate the wants and interests of the members concerned, and which in the case of B.N.A.P.S., with a membership of 1,000 odd, must give the advertiser some chance of having his wants supplied—in our own Society the same principle ought to apply with the figure amended to about 700.

Why are our members so reluctant to try to publicise their wants—are we a Society of 'Lone Wolves', or is this an un-British practice? If just one or two members read and reply to such an advert, surely it is worth the very small sum expended. In my own case, a quick glance through the issue of Topics, has caused me to jot down five names and addresses to write to in the hope of a mutually satisfactory transaction.

I hope that you may feel able to publish this letter, or parts of it, with the object of hearing views of other members on this subject.

Mr. G. G. Morgan writes:

C.P.S. Tie

Would other members agree with me that a C.P.S. tie is overdue? For my part I should like to hear the views of members. I suggest green with a single motif either of a beaver or maple leaves.

I make this suggestion after many months of watching people in buses, trains and restaurants trying to work out whether they are suffering from First Flight Fever, Flag Flutters or the dreaded R.P.O. Rumbles.

Very often, of course, the simple answer is the T.V. Times Tingle but a tie would at least put an end to my wonderings—at least as far as male members are concerned.

*(Mr. Morgan signs himself **Jubilee Jitters** and we reveal his identity although he is obviously very shy. What he really wants is a means of identifying **Lady** members. Please send any suggestions direct to him—Editor.)*

Amendments to Membership to 6th May, 1968

New Members

1645. McDONALD, Mrs. S. M., 2030 Glenmont Avenue, N.W., Canton, Ohio 44708, USA	PH
1646. MOLNAU, M. P., 1316 South Duff, 60, Ames, Iowa, 50010, USA.	BL, BS, PS
1647. CAMPBELL, T. P. Jr., 31 Smith Avenue, White Plains, New York, USA.	C, N, B
1648. DUTTON, J., 14 Mountfield Road, Edgeley, Stockport, Cheshire.	
1649. CHERNS, L. J., B.A., 66 Stroud Road, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.	Cov. MPO
1650. HOUSER, J., P.O. Box 825, Seahurst, Washington 98062, USA.	Cov. BC
1651. SEWELL, K. C., 6 Wordsworth Road, London S.E.20.	CG, P
1652. McPHILEMY, J. P., 'Glenrowan', Ballycolman Avenue, Strabane, Co. Tyrone, N. Ireland.	C
1653. WARNER, F. G., 130 Salisbury Avenue, Barking, Essex.	CGC-CGE
1654. ADAMS, C. J., Apt. 3, 14 Novawood Drive, Dartmouth, N.S., Canada.	C
1655. TOLLEY, H. L., 52 The Oval, Harrogate, Yorkshire.	C, N, B
1656. FERRARO, W. H., The Rectory, Beesby, Alford, Lincolnshire.	C
1657. HEWLETT, M. R., Roschill, Lyonshall, Herefordshire.	C, P
1658. HOYLE, H., 95 Canterbury Drive, Elton, Bury, Lancashire.	C
1659. PLEWS, G. N., 12 Park Hill Road, Croydon, Surrey CR9 5BA.	CE-CGE

Deaths

125. GILL, E. R.
195. JEPHCOTT, Dr. C. M.
437. WILLAN, Dr. R.

Resignation

609. WALLIS, L. A.

Change of Address

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