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## NEWFOUNDLAND

PENCE \& CENTS


P 1P/9P, 1857 1p/1sh Heraldic Six different Perkins Bacon plate proofs printed in black on white card, a few with slight toning from old mounts, negligible for these scarce proofs; the 2 pence from upper left corner of the sheet with some card thinning. A nice group, F-VF (Unitrade cat. \$6,350)

Est. 2,000.00+
Only one plate proof sheet of each denomination was printed, resulting in the following quantities: 1 p (120), 3 p (80), 5 p (40) and other values (20). Some multiples, making the $2 \mathrm{p}, 8 \mathrm{p} \& 1$ sh proofs very scarce indeed, in any condition.

$\star \quad 11,1860$ 2p Orange on Thin Hard Wove Paper, Imperforate A brilliant mint single with large margins all around, light owner's stamp on reverse, displaying exceptionally, bright vivid colour, a beautiful stamp, VF H

$\star$ 11ii, 1860 2p Orange on Thin Hard Wove Paper, Imperforate A remarkable mint pair with fabulous colour on fresh paper, well clear to very large margins including part sheet margin at right - both stamps clearly show the line through bottom " 2 s " constant variety (Positions 9 \& 10 in the sheet of 20 subjects), large part original gum. A rare positional mint multiple especially desirable in such choice condition, VF OG

3,200.00+


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11A, 1860 3p Green on Medium Hard Wove Paper, Imperforate A fresh mint pair with lovely radiant colour and full original gum, VF NH
720.00

P 18, 1861-1862 4p Rose on Medium Hard Wove Paper, Imperforate An unused example showing the elusive diagonal SPECIMEN handstamp overprint in black, very few exist, VF

Est. 400.00+


P 25Piii, 5c Brown Left margin plate proof strip of three on card mounted india paper displaying full ABNC imprint, choice, VF (Unitrade cat. as singles)
360.00

O 25, 1865 5c Brown on Thin Hard Wove Paper An attractive, selected used example of this challenging stamp, well centered for issue and showing part ABNC imprint along top perforations, ideal light grid cancel, F-VF
450.00+
$\star$ 26, 1869 5c Black on Stout White Wove Paper A very scarce mint block of four in flawless condition, unused with typical centering for the issue, fabulous colour on bright fresh paper, a desirable block, Fine +

1,200.00


E 27, 1865 (circa.) 2c Prince Albert Engraved Die Essay in dark blue with unissued "CANADA RECEIPT" in top panel and "TWO CENTS" in lower panel - intended for a proposed revenue stamp, on card mounted india paper $24 \times 31 \mathrm{~mm}$, rare. Subsequently reworked by ABNC in stages, ultimately modifying top and lower panels to the issued "NEWFOUNDLAND" and "TEN CENTS", VF (Minuse \& Pratt similar to 24E-B)

Est. 500.00+


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$357 \quad \star \quad 27,1871$ 10c Black on Stout White Wove Paper Mint block of four with large margins, full original gum, minor gum wrinkles as often seen on this particular stamp, hinged at top with trivial perf tones, lower pair is VLH; above average centering for this, Fine + OG
$1,600.00$
$\star \quad$ 29, 1894 12c Brown on Medium Wove Paper A well centered mint single with full pristine original gum, XF NH
300.00+


30, 1865 13c Orange on Thin Hard Wove Paper A brilliant fresh mint block of six with above average centering for the issue, in an excellent state of preservation with full original gum hinged on four stamps, the lower right pair with pristine original gum NEVER HINGED. Multiples larger than a block of four are very seldom encountered, F-VF

1,980.00


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362 P 32A, 1879 (circa.) 1c Prince of Wales (Re-engraved Die; ABNC Printing) "Goodall" Engraved Die Proof in dull greenish blue on india paper $26 \times 35 \mathrm{~mm}$, die sunk on slightly larger card $28 \times 41 \mathrm{~mm}$, characteristic lighter impression of die " 386 " number and ABNC imprint visible below design; a beautiful and choice proof, XF and rare. (Minuse \& Pratt 32ATC2g)

Est. 1,500.00+
Provenance: Robert H. Pratt (private sale), his "RP" monogram is visible under ultra-violet lamp.
P 32A, 1879 (circa.) 1c Prince of Wales (Re-engraved Die; ABNC Printing) "Goodall" Engraved Die Proof printed in black on india paper $29 \times 30 \mathrm{~mm}$ die sunk on slightly larger card $29 \times 40 \mathrm{~mm}$; light impression of die number " 386 " and ABNC imprint visible below design, superb, XF (Minuse \& Pratt $32 \mathrm{~A}-\mathrm{TC} 2 \mathrm{~g}$ )

Est. 1,500.00+
Provenance: Robert H. Pratt (private sale), his "RP" monogram is visible under ultra-violet lamp.
$\star$ 36, 1894 6c Carmine Lake A post office fresh mint block, nicely centered with full unblemished original gum, VF NH
840.00

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$364 \star$ 37-40, 1876-1879 1c-5c Rouletted A rarely encountered complete set of fresh mint blocks of four, the three cent is particularly scarce, each with intact rouletting all around and original gum, an exceptional set, F-VF H

$365 \quad \star \quad 38,1879$ 2c Green, Codfish, Rouletted A fabulous top margin mint block of six with full ABNC imprint at top, bright colour on fresh paper, hinged in the margin and faintly on top left stamp, others with full original gum NEVER HINGED. One of the very few surviving plate multiples of the 2 c rouletted - a great exhibition piece, F-VF


39, 1877 3c Blue, Rouletted A rare mint block of six, severed between first and second columns (essentially a pair and a block) with bright colour on fresh paper, lower left stamp with sealed tears. The right block is sound with large part original gum and lower right stamp NEVER HINGED. Among the roulette issues of $1876-1879$ the 3 cent is the hardest to find in a multiple, Fine $+\quad$ Est. 750.00+

$367 \quad \star \quad 40,18765 c$ Blue Harp Seal, Rouletted An impressive corner margin mint block of eight with full ABNC imprint, unusually well centered for such a large multiple with gorgeous fresh colour, minor separation in margin only, top row and lower row centre pair are hinged, lower left and right stamps are NEVER HINGED. A very scarce and most attractive plate block, VF

4,800.00


O 40, 1876 5c Blue Harp Seal, Rouletted A choice used block of four, tiny portion of ABNC imprint at lower right, segmented cork cancels, used multiples of this stamp are very scarce, VF


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$369 \star 47,1896$ 2c Green, Codfish A well centered mint block with full BABN imprint (Boggs Type V) in top margin, faint natural gum skips on top pair and a few split perfs, full original gum; a scarce plate block of this popular stamp, F-VF NH

Est. 400.00+

$370 \star$ 48b, 1887 2c Orange, Codfish A beautiful, post office fresh mint block with exceptional colour - the best you ever hope for to find on this stamp, precisely centered full pristine original gum, XF NH, a beautiful block
720.00+
$371 \star$ 49b, 1887 3c Deep Blue A scarce mint block of four showing nearly complete BABN imprint (Boggs Type V) in lower margin, hinged on top pair, lower pair NH, very fresh and Fine

Est. 400.00+
372 Impressive Registered Mail to Jersey, Channel Islands 1893 (February 10) Large envelope mailed registered to the Colombia Consulate in Jersey, Channel Islands, bearing multiple franking of two 2c orange Codfish and two singles and a block of 5c blue Harp Seal, tied by mute grids, oval Registered / St. John's 10 FE 93 datestamp at left, Registered London 2 MAR 93 transit in red further ties 5c, partly legible Jersey MR 3 receiver on back; envelope somewhat reduced at right and opened on three sides, fold at left away from stamps. Pays six times the 5c UPU letter rate, plus 4c registration, F-VF (Unitrade 48, 55)

Illustrated on Page 115 Est. 500.00+


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373 P 56TCii, $18871 / 2$ c Newfoundland Dog Trial colour proof in dark brown on wove paper, large margin with part sheet margin at left, light crease, a very scarce proof of VF appearance.
750.00

374 P 56TCiii, $18871 / 2$ c Newfoundland Dog Trial colour proof in light green on wove paper, in unusually select quality as these are often found with flaws to some degree. Very scarce, VF
750.00+


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P 61P-74P, 1897 1c-60c Discovery of Newfoundland A beautiful plate proof set in issued colours on card mounted india, full to very large margins, also includes 2c stamp with Major Re-entry (Pos. 76; Unitrade \#62ii), VF
825.00+
$376 \star$ 61-74, 1897 1c-60c Discovery of Newfoundland Complete set of 14 with diagonal SPECIMEN overprint red, fresh colours and full original gum, F-VF NH

1,500.00
377 © 61-74, 1897 1c-60c Discovery of Newfoundland The complete set of fourteen used blocks of four, quite well centered and not often seen, F-VF
815.00


378 ○ 76, 76i essay, 1897 (October) 1c on 3c Grey Lilac, Provisional Surcharge An extraordinary used pair with rare trial colour of the surcharge in red, Type B showing the distinctive and very rare wide spacing variety on the left stamp (Position 41) which is only be found once in the setting of 50 subjects, light grid cancels, typical centering for the issue, small thin at right perfs of right stamp. An immensely rare Provisional Surcharge multiple IN RED, Fine

Est. 4,000.00+
We know of a mint single with faulty left sheet margin and a corner mint strip of three holding the wide spacing variety, the latter being ex. Hewitt, "Zurich", Baillie, St. Aylott.

## 1897-1901 ROYAL FAMILY



P 78-85, 1897-1901 $1 \mathbf{1} \mathbf{c}$-5c Royal Family The Original set of six Large Die Proofs, printed in issued colours on india paper die sunk on large cards $150-152 \times 226-230 \mathrm{~mm}$, each displaying respective die number below design. Extremely rare set and an ideal cornerstone for a serious exhibit of this popular series, VF-XF

Also Illustrated on Page 117 Est. 10,000.00+
A FABULOUS SET OF GREAT RARITY, only 2 or 3 original sets of large die proofs in issued colours are known. The 1c \& 2c are the engraver's working proof with characteristic tool marks around the outer card, the 3c proof has printer's pencil control number " 26288 " at lower right.




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$380 \quad$ P 78P-85P, 84Pi, 1897-1901 $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}-5 \mathrm{c}$ Royal Family The original set of six plate proof pairs on card mounted india paper, also a proof pair of the 4 c in slate violet shade, VF-XF

1,050.00
381 P 78P-85P, 1897-1901 1c-5c Royal Family The original set of six in plate proof pairs on india paper, some card mounted, deep rich colours and mostly large margined; choice VF-XF
900.00

382 P 78P-86P, 1897-1908 ½c-5c Royal Family \& Map of Newfoundland A choice, large margined plate proof set of seven in issued colours on card mounted india, XF
550.00

$383 \star$ 78-85, 1897-1918 $1 / 2 c-5 c$ Royal Family The set of forty-four in blocks of four, each with ABNC security punch and specimen overprint of various types and colours. Only lacking the three 2c Map printing orders to complete all known printing orders from this series, which was in circulation for over a decade, representing shades, paper and gums used; the 2c vermilion last printing order (January 1908) being a full top margin strip of twenty. For many of the printings, only one sheet was prepared, this series in blocks rare indeed, F-VF NH (Unitrade cat. \$7,000+)

Est. 1,500.00+
One of the 5 c blocks has the upper left stamp double punched, very unusual.

$\star$ 78-86, 1897-1918 ½c-5c Royal Family and Map of Newfoundland The complete set of forty-seven, each with ABNC security punch and specimen overprint (various types and colours). All known printing orders are represented with shades, papers and gums employed from 1897 and 1918. Generally one or two sheets of each printing order were prepared. seven of the eight 2 c vermilion are UL corner margin singles; also a dozen extra singles, F-VF NH; detailed listing of printing orders enclosed.

1,850.00+


P 78, $18971 / 2 c$ Olive Green, King Edward VII as Child Large Die Proof in the issued colour on india paper $61 \times 72 \mathrm{~mm}$, die sunk on full-size card measuring $150 \times 225 \mathrm{~mm}$, showing the die number "C374 " below design. A very rare proof - being the ABNC engraver's working proof with characteristic tool marks around the outer card. It is believed that fewer than 6 exist, VF

Est. 1,500.00+

$\star \quad$ 78, 1897-1909 ½c Olive Green, Printing Orders The five known printing orders in top margin strips of twenty, rare - only two sets can possibly exist, each stamp with ABNC security punch and SPECIMEN overprint (three different types), all five show printer's handstamp along with date (ink, handstamp or in pencil). Minor perf separation, crease on two stamps in PO 3 strip, F-VF NH

Est. 1,500.00+


387 - 78a, $1 / 2$ c Olive Green A large margined imperforate pair with sheet margin at left, tied to piece by double ring Post Office / St. John's East NF DE 161900 postmark, very rare, VF; 2022 Greene Foundation cert. (Unitrade unpriced as used)

Est. 500.00+
Literature: Norris Dyer recorded five imperforate pairs of the half cent, one of which is used. See BNA Topics, Vol. 60, Number 2, April-June 2003, pages 41-43.


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388 Half Cent Postcard Rate to France 1907 (June 27) Picture postcard showing an elusive singlefranking of the half cent stamp, tied by St. John's CDS, addressed to Nice, France; French Marine cruiser "Kleber" backstamp, without written message or due markings. The special half cent rate allowed postcards to be sent without message, VF (Unitrade 78)

Est. 300.00+
389 One Cent Circular Rate to the United States 1899 (October 4) Clean unsealed envelope endorsed "Printed Matter", Henry Snow Stamp Dealer and Collector, St. John's oval handstamp, bearing well centered $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ olive green pair grid cancelled, clear St. John's dispatch CDS, sent to Worcester, Massachusetts, paying an unsealed 1c circular rate, neat OCT 9 receiver backstamp, VF (Unitrade 78)

Est. 250.00+


Elusive Postally Used Inland Revenue on Registered Domestic Mail 1901 (July 23) Registered cover from Placentia to St. John's, bearing an impressive franking - $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ olive green pair and Inland Revenue Queen Victoria 5c red, all tied by circular grids and split ring dispatch, the revenue further tied by oval "R" registry handstamp; next-day arrival backstamp; a scarce and unusual way to pay the 3 c domestic letter rate plus 3c registration, VF (Unitrade 78; Van Dam NFR1)

Est. 600.00+


P 79, 1897 ic Carmine Rose, Queen Victoria A superb Large Die Proof in the issued colour on india paper $50 \times 77 \mathrm{~mm}$ die sunk on full-size card $150 \times 226 \mathrm{~mm}$, showing die number "C-394" below design, penciled control number " 26286 " at lower right. In immaculate condition and very rare, XF


79, 1897 1c Rose Carmine An impressive top margin strip of twenty, well centered and fresh, each with ABNC security punch and SPECIMEN overprint in blue, with printer's date and instructional handstamps, minor perf separation in the selvedge, stamps are VF NH; a rare intact specimen strip from the sole printing order made for this stamp. (Unitrade 79)

Est. 500.00+


79 variety, 1897 1c Rose Carmine Lower left mint strip of twenty with diagonal SPECIMEN overprint in blue, displaying eight vertical pairs WITH AND WITHOUT ABNC SECURITY PUNCH, perforation partly severed between seventh and eighth columns, couple hinges reinforcing perfs entirely in the selvedge, stamps with full original gum VF NH (Walsh 79 c - with and without security punch, 8 known, cat. \$6,800)

Est. 1,000.00+
Only one printing order was made in October 1897; three sheets ( 300 stamps ) were overprinted with a large type SPECIMEN overprint in blue and every stamp manually hand-punched. The only instance we recall seeing specimen stamps of the Royal Family series escaping the security punching.


79i, 1897 1c Carmine Rose on Thick Paper An upper left corner margin mint single on the distinctive thick paper, well centered and hinged in the selvedge only, stamp VF NH; 2006 Greene Foundation cert.
600.00


Earliest Reported Date - Beautiful Multiple Franking Mailed to the United States 1897 (December 7) A fresh registered cover to the US bearing horizontal strip of four of 1c carmine rose, and a pair and single 2c orange, all light grid cancelled, oval "R" handstamp at left, Harbour Grace DE 797 split ring dispatch, St. John's precursor squared circle on back along with US transit and arrival markings purportedly the First Date of Issue of these stamps. An important cover, VF (Unitrade 79, 82)

Est. 750.00+
Both stamps were delivered to Newfoundland from ABNC on December 4, 1897; general consensus is that December 7, 1897 is the day of issue.


Impressive Mixed-Issue Franking Mailed on First Day of Issue 1897 (December 7) Legal size envelope with side seams, folded at left for presentation, bearing Discovery of Newfoundland 18975c violet alongside Royal Family horizontal strip of five of 1c rose carmine tied by light grid cancels, St. John's DE 797 - purportedly the Earliest (First) Day of Usage of the One cent rose carmine stamp, pays 5 c letter rate to the U.S. plus 5 c registration with U.S. receiver backstamp. A significant December 7 dated cover, especially attractive with the mixed-issue franking, VF (Unitrade 65, 79) Est. 500.00+


80, 1898-1909 1c Yellow Green (Shades), Queen Victoria An impressive lot of nineteen specimen overprinted multiples, representing ALL ELEVEN PRINTING ORDERS, each stamp with ABNC security punch and specimen overprint (with one exception - see below). Four types of specimen overprints are shown as well as shades ranging from yellow green to dark green; fifteen of these multiples have additional ABNC handstamps. Stamps appear to be all mint F-VF NH, minor natural gum bends or wrinkles to be expected on these. All are strips of twenty, unless noted, as follows:

PO 1 - March 1898 - UL and UR; PO 2 - January 1900 - UL and UR; PO 3 - June 1901 - UL and UR; PO 4 - October 1902 - UL; PO 5 - August 1905 - UL and a block of eight UR showing trace of reversed plate "2" number; PO 6 - June 1906 - UL, both stamps from third column WITHOUT specimen (Walsh 71 k ; cat. $\$ 1,850$ ); PO 7 - August 1906 - UL and LR; PO 8 - October 1907 - UL; PO 9 - May 1908 UL; PO 10 - November 1908-UL and UR; PO 11 - October 1909 - UR, LL and LR.

As only one specimen sheet of 200 (divided or guillotined into two panes of 100) was printed for ten of the eleven printing orders of the One cent yellow green; most of these strips are UNIQUE. A wonderful opportunity for the specialist.

Est. 5,000.00+

$\star \quad$ 80, 1907 1c Yellow Green An upper right mint block of twelve (plus a block of four rejoined), ABNC security punch and SPECIMEN overprinted in red, large "RETURN TO / ISSUE ROOM / To be held for reference" boxed handstamp at top and the very rare plate " 2 " (reversed) number; one of only three known multiples, ten stamps NH including the key plate block, F-VF; ex. John Walsh Collection, private sale (Walsh 71h cat. \$2,400)

Est. 1,000.00+

$399 \quad \star \quad$ 80, 1909 1c Yellow Green A nicely centered, fresh top left corner block, ABNC security punch and SPECIMEN overprint in red with "F2230" red control number and the very rare plate "3" (reversed) number; one of only three known, VF NH; ex. John Walsh Collection, private sale (Walsh 71j cat. $\$ 2,400$ )

Est. 1,000.00+
80, 1908 1c Green Right-hand pane of 100 (two blocks of 50 rejoined), each stamp with ABNC security punch and SPECIMEN overprint in red - from the last Printing Order (October 1909) with order number "F2230" and datestamp in margin. Most stamps are NH, VF

Illustrated on Website Est. 750.00+
Printing Order 11 - October 1909, two sheets ( 400 stamps) divided into four panes of 100 . This may well be the only surviving specimen pane from the last printing order of the One cent green.


British Royal Navy Concessionary Rate from Labrador 1898 Cover endorsed "From PW Fitz CC" (Chief Carpenter) "HMS Rambler red Bay Labrador" countersigned "CE Monro" to Middlesex bearing two 1c green Queen Victoria singles tied by light grids, Coastal TPO North SP 1398 split ring at left, neat Liverpool / Ship CDS in red, London SP 3098 and Paddington W SP 3098 backstamps, redirected to Shepherds Bush. A fabulous and very rare maritime mail cover from Labrador - we know of only one other Royal Family franked Concessionary Rate cover, Fine (Unitrade 80)

Est. 2,000.00+
Provenance: Neville Clifford-Jones, Newfoundland, Christie's, March 1993; Lot 1148
Gerald Elliott Collection of Royal Navy Mail, Prestige Auctions, December 2011
Red Bay is on the south coast of Labrador. Since 1550 it has been home to Basque whalers.


402 P 81, 1898 2c King Edward VII Trial Colour Large Die Proof printed in black on india paper about 40 by 72 mm , showing die number "C-395" below design and two engraver's guidelines. An extremely rare proof in choice condition, VF+

Est. 1,000.00+


81, 1897 2c Orange, King Edward VII A well centered and fresh UR corner block of six, each stamp with ABNC security punch and SPECIMEN overprint in blue, additional handstamp in margin; a few split perfs in right margin, stamps are VF NH; a very rare positional specimen block.

Est. 350.00+
Only one printing order was made for the Two cent orange, in October 1897; a single sheet of 100 received the specimen overprint.

$404 \quad \star \quad$ 82, 1897-1908 2c Vermilion, King Edward VII A remarkable lot of fourteen positional blocks, all nine printing orders are represented, mainly in corner margin blocks of ten or larger, each stamp with ABNC security punch and SPECIMEN overprint (seven different types), nearly all with additional printer's handstamp and / or datestamp, F-VF

Est. 2,000.00+
All UR corner margin blocks of ten (otherwise mentioned) as follows:
Printing 1 to 9 , plus extra PO $8 \& 9$ UL blocks of ten and top margin strips of twenty; also PO 9 lower margin mint block of 12 , top centre stamp shows double security punch.

$\star \quad$ 82a, 1898 2c Vermilion A remarkable large margined mint imperforate pair (imperforate pairs we have seen invariably come with small margins), making this pair quite impressive and scarcer than catalogue value indicates, $\mathrm{VF}+$ hinged
600.00+


Two Cent Vermilion Royal Family Imperforate Pair Usage on Cover 1903 (December 23) Blue cover addressed locally and franked with an imperforate pair of 2c vermilion, King Edward VII tied by large oval Registered St. John's 23 DEC 03 datestamp and oval "R" registry, same-day receiver on back, VF (Unitrade 82a)

Est. 500.00+


R Rare Bisect Usage of Two Cent Vermilion on Cover 1902 (August 26) Clean cover to Avondale franked with horizontal bisect of the 2 c vermilion se-tenant with a normal stamp for 3c domestic letter rate, tied by C.B. Railway T.P.O. split ring dispatch with additional strike at left, cancelled by large " 3 " numeral; Avondale receiver backstamp, seldom seen, VF (Unitrade 82)

Est. 500.00+


P 83, 1898 3c Queen Alexandra Large Die Proof printed in orange, colour of issue, on india paper 61 x 85 mm , die sunk on full-size card $150 \times 229 \mathrm{~mm}$; the hardened die with die number "C-372" below design. A very rare proof, being the engraver's working proof showing characteristic tool marks at edges of the card, VF

Est. 1,500.00+

$410 \quad$ P 83P, 1897 3c Orange, Queen Alexandra Plate proof block of eight in issued colour on card mounted india, showing complete ABNC imprint at foot, scarce, VF

Est. 350.00+


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83, 1897-1918 3c Orange, Queen Alexandra A neat lot of eleven specimen overprinted multiples, representing ALL EIGHT PRINTING ORDERS, each stamp with ABNC security punch and specimen overprint. Six types of specimen overprints are shown; seven multiples have additional ABNC handstamps. Some multiples are hinged in selvedge only, otherwise F-VF NH

Est. 2,000.00+
Printing orders (PO) as follows:
PO 1 - May 1898 - UR strip of five; PO 2 - October 1899 - UR block of 6; PO 3 - March 1901 - UR block of 6; PO 4 - April 1902 - UR block of 6; PO 5 - December 1903-lower plate imprint block of eight; PO 6 - November 1905 - top margin strip of 20; PO 7 - issued in 1918 - UL \& LL (imprint) strips of 20, and lower imprint block of 8, PO 8 - issued in 1918 - LR imprint strip of 20.

Only one specimen sheet of 100 was produced for each of the first five printing orders of the Three cent stamp.


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$412 \quad \star \quad$ 83, 1918 (circa.) 3c Red Orange on Thinner Wove Paper (Emergency Printing) A choice mint upper left plate "3" (reversed) block, LH in ungummed part of margin only, otherwise VF NH, very scarce

Illustrated on Page 132 Est. 750.00+
$413 \star$ 83a, 1897 3c Orange An unusually well centered mint vertical pair imperforate horizontally in error, sheet margin at top, VF+ VLH

Illustrated on Page 132 600.00+

415 © 83 variety, 3c Orange Lower margin used block of four displaying a major perforation shift of the horizontal perforations ( 6 mm up) for a most dramatic effect, light grid cancelled, VF

Illustrated on Page 132 Est. 300.00+


416 P 84, 1901 (4c) Duchess of York A remarkable duo of Progressive Die Proofs showing the central portrait in black and in red brown, both sunk on india paper measuring $95 \times 116 \mathrm{~mm}$ and $101 \times 111 \mathrm{~mm}$ respectively and showing full die sinkage area; slight india thinning as normally encountered, extremely rare, VF (Unlisted in Minuse \& Pratt)

Est. 1,000.00+


417 P 84, 1901 4c Duchess of York Engraved Trial Colour Die Proof in black on yellowish glazed-surfaced wove paper $43 \times 55 \mathrm{~mm}$, die number "C-502" below design; trivial creasing, an extremely rare die proof believed to be the only one existing in black on glazed paper, VF; ex. Dr. Alan Selby (September 1993;


84, 1901 4c Violet Top margin mint strip of twenty, each stamp with ABNC security punch and vertical SPECIMEN overprint in red reading up along left side, additional ABNC handstamp at top; small margin faults well away from stamps, F-VF NH

Est. 350.00+
Only one printing order was made for the four cent - August 1901. Three sheets of 100 received the specimen overprint, two were overprinted on the left side of the stamps; the third sheet reads down on right side.



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84a, 19014 c Violet An impressive top left corner margin imperforate block on wove paper, brown original gum which is correct for and seldom seen on this, relatively lightly hinged, a rare multiple, VF
$\mathbf{2 , 0 0 0 . 0 0 +}$
Provenance: Robert H. Pratt (private sale)
Sir Gawaine Baillie, Volume VII - British North America, Sotheby's, May 2006; Lot 444
Literature: Norris Dyer recorded only seven imperforate pairs of the four cent, with no mention of a block of four. See BNA Topics, Vol. 60, Number 2, April-June 2003, pages 41-43.
$\star \quad$ 84a, 19014 c Violet A choice imperforate pair with large margins, bright shade on distinctive wove paper, ungummed as usual, very scarce, VF

1,000.00
Literature: Norris Dyer recorded only seven imperforate pairs of the four cent. See BNA Topics, Vol. 60, Number 2, April-June 2003, pages 41-43.


Very Scarce Four Cent Single-Franking First Day Cover 1901 (October 21) Cover mailed locally registered, paying the 1 c local rate +3 c registration with a single 4 c violet tied on First Day of Issue with grid and oval Registered St. John's 21 OC 01 cancels in red, oval "R" registry handstamp at left; an attractive and most elusive usage, VF (Unitrade 84)

Est. 250.00+

$422 \quad \star \quad 85,1906-19085 \mathrm{c}$ Blue, Duke of York Lot of four specimen overprinted multiples from three different printing orders, each stamp with ABNC security punch and specimen overprint, stamps are mint F-VF NH; includes: PO 3 - June 1906 - UR strip of four with additional ABNC boxed handstamp and lower imprint strip of four, PO 4-April 1907-lower imprint block of eight, PO 5-1908-top margin strip of twenty showing Misplaced Entry variety at Position 1.

Est. 500.00+
$423 \star 85,85 i, 19085 c$ Blue A remarkable full sheet of 100 , each stamp with ABNC security punch and SPECIMEN overprint in red - from Printing Order 6 (ordered June, printed in July 1908), ABNC imprint at foot, minor perf separation in margin only, in an excellent state of preservation - two specimen sheets from PO 6 was printed, this is the only one surviving, VF NH

Illustrated on Page 136 Est. 1,000.00+
Position 1 shows the Misplaced Entry variety - only found on Printing Orders 5 \& 6 .
® Registered Three-Colour Franking to Hungary 1901 (December 7) Cover mailed registered to Hungary bearing three different values of the Royal Family series with 1c yellow green, 4 c violet an 5c blue tied by mute grids, oval "R" registry handstamp at left, St. John's East split ring dispatch, 1c \& 4 c further tied in transit by hooded Registered London 23 DE 01 datestamp in red, Registered Liverpool 22 DE 01 transit, Hungarian Koszeg DEC 25 CDS backstamp. A rare and appealing franking / destination combination, VF (Unitrade 80, 84, 85)

Est. 500.00+
© Three Shortpaid Letters to the United States with U.S. Postage Dues Three letters to the US shortpaying the required 5 c per ounce rate: includes 1 c green (pair) and 2 c vermilion franked covers, both short $3 c+3 \mathrm{c}$ penalty with $1 \mathrm{c} \& 5 \mathrm{c}$ US postage dues; and mourning cover with $3 \mathrm{c}+5 \mathrm{c}$, triple weight short 7c +7 c penalty with $2 \mathrm{c}(2) \& 10 \mathrm{c}$ US dues, unusually seen, $\mathrm{F}-\mathrm{VF}$ (Unitrade 80, 82, 83, 85)

Illustrated on Website Est. 500.00+

$426 \star$ 86, 1908-1910 2c Map of Newfoundland The three printing orders in blocks of four in different shades of carmine, each stamp with ABNC security punch and SPECIMEN overprint (two different types), FVF NH

Illustrated on Page 137 Est. 250.00+
427 P 86P, 86Pi + shade, 1908 2c Map of Newfoundland Three different interpanneau plate proof gutter margin strips of four - printed in carmine on india paper, in deep carmine on card and in brown carmine on card. Vertical fold in gutter margin as do all known; the latter strip partially severed at foot. Only ten strips of each exist, VF

Illustrated on Page 137 Est. 1,000.00+
P 86P, 86Pi, 1908 2c Map of Newfoundland Interpanneau gutter margin plate proof pairs in carmine and in brown carmine, on india and card mounted india respectively; fold in gutters as do all known, former with small faults and latter partly split and supported by a hinge. Only ten of each exist, VF

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429 - 92, 92A, 1910 6c Lord Bacon, Lithographed, Type I \& II Both types in lovely used blocks of four with Grand Falls \& Sandy Point split ring postmarks respectively, VF and scarce
$430 \star$ 98, 1911 6c Lord Bacon, Engraved Fresh mint block of four with full original gum, VF NH $\mathbf{6 0 0 . 0 0}$


O 115-126, 1919 1c-24c Trail of the Caribou An elusive used set of blocks of four; minor flaws on 2c4 c blocks, otherwise sound and F-VF

Est. 350.00+

© 131-144, 1923-1924 1c-24c Pictorial Issue Set of fourteen used blocks of four; tiny flaw on 2c and 10 c , the key $9 \mathrm{c} \& 24 \mathrm{c}$ with split ring postmarks, seldom encountered, F-VF

Est. 300.00+


P 133, 1923 3c War Memorial A wonderful lot of eight different Engraved Trial Colour Die Proofs on white wove paper with horizontal or vertical mesh, printed in dark blue, dark green, carmine, orange brown, brown, red, violet and blue. An attractive and rare group, VF (Minuse \& Pratt 133TC2a)

$434 \quad \mathbf{P} \quad 135,1923$ 5c Coast of Trinity Large Die Proof printed in orange on white wove vertical mesh paper $52 \times 65 \mathrm{~mm}$, showing the full die sinkage, very scarce and most attractive, VF

P 135, 1923 5c Coast of Trinity Large Die Proof printed in red brown on white wove horizontal mesh paper $51 \times 56 \mathrm{~mm}$, attractive, choice VF


436 P 194, 1932 14c Newfoundland Dog Large Die Proof in black, colour of issue, on unwatermarked wove paper $75 \times 53 \mathrm{~mm}$; the Approved Die with engraver's guideline above design and no die number, VF

Est. 400.00+

$437 \quad \star \quad 212-225,19331 c-32 c$ Sir Humphrey Gilbert The set of fourteen in mint blocks, all comb perf 131/2, fresh and F-VF NH

1,215.00
438 - 212-225, 1933 1c-32c Sir Humphrey Gilbert The set of fourteen in used blocks of four, 1c and 24c (small perf flaw) with Victoria split ring postmarks, others tied to individual pieces by St. John's 3 AU 33 first day postmarks, comb perf $131 / 2$ except 24 c is line perf, VF
670.00

439 P 237, 1937 10c Salmon, KGVI Long Coronation Trial Colour Large Die Proof printed in black on yellowish unwatermarked paper $80 \times 54 \mathrm{~mm}$; the final die with engraver's cross guidelines at sides and reverse die number "1218" at top left; VF (Minuse \& Pratt 237TCla)

Illustrated on Page 142 Est. 500.00+
$\star$ 238a, 1937 14c Newfoundland Dog, Long Coronation Imperforate pair on watermarked wove paper, ungummed as issued, choice, VF
500.00

## 1937 KING GEORGE VI LONG CORONATION RARE PERFORATION ERRORS



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239a, 1937 15c Harp Seal, KGVI Long Coronation, Perf $133 / 4$ A superbly centered mint vertical strip of four, centre pair imperforate horizontally between, hinged at top leaving the key pair with pristine original gum, never hinged. A superior example of this challenging perforation variety, XF 5,000.00+

* 241a, 1937 24c Loading Ore, KGVI Long Coronation A rare mint vertical pair imperforate horizontally between, very well centered for this - most known examples are noticeably off center, bright and fresh with full pristine original gum, a major King George VI rarity missing from even the most advanced collections, VF NH

12,000.00


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$443 \quad \star \quad 1947$ Presentation Booklet Dark blue morocco covers with gold embossed "NEWFOUNDLAND / INTERNATIONAL POSTAL UNION CONGRESS / PARIS / May 1947", contains 1941-1944 Resources set of fourteen plus 30c University and 7c airmail affixed inside, glassine interleave, scarce, VF (Unitrade 253-266, 267, C19)

Est. 200.00+

$444 \star$ 253a, 1942 1c Dark Grey, Codfish (Waterlow Printing) An unusually choice mint imperforate pair, VF + NH

$\star$ 263i, 1944 20c Cape Race (Waterlow Printing), Line Perf 12½ Lower left plate "41796" block, displaying a remarkably strong full reverse offset variety on the gum side including the plate number; in immaculate condition and rarely seen as a positional plate multiple, VF NH (Cat. as four singles)

1,800.00+


269iv, 1947 4c Princess Elizabeth - Birthday A mint lower left plate "43359" block displaying a remarkable full reverse offset variety on the gum side including the plate number. Very rare, F-VF NH (Cat. as Fine NH singles)

2,100.00


## AIR POST

## HALIFAX AIRMAIL INVERTED OVERPRINTS


$448 \star$ C3a, 1921 35c Halifax Airmail An attractive mint single with INVERTED OVERPRINT ERROR, showing wide spacing ( $21 / 4 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) between "AIR" and "MAIL" and no period after "1921", large part original gum, signed / backstamped by airmail experts Sanabria, A. Diena and Giulio Bolaffi, VF OG

7,500.00
Expertization: 1963 Giulio Bolaffi certificate
Dalwick and Harmer reported four panes received the inverted overprint in error. The example offered here is allocated to the first pane with overprint well centered vertically and horizontally one of ten possible examples originating from this first sheet showing this overprint type.

$449 \quad \star \quad$ C3c, 1921 35c Halifax Airmail A nicely centered mint single of the INVERTED OVERPRINT ERROR, showing wide spacing ( $21 / 4 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) between "AIR" and "MAIL" and period after "1921", bright fresh colour and large part original gum; pencil signed by Enzo Diena, VF H
$10,000.00$
Expertization: 1983 Enzo Diena certificate
Dalwick and Harmer reported four panes received the inverted overprint in error. The example offered here is allocated to the first pane; overprint is well centered vertically and horizontally, one of a mere seven examples from this pane of 25 that received this type of overprint.

A RARE AND DESIRABLE AIRMAIL STAMP - ONLY 28 EXAMPLES FROM THE FOUR PANES WERE PRINTED WITH THIS TYPE OF OVERPRINT. THIS STAMP ORIGINATES FROM THE BEST CENTERED PANE.

## A SUPERB MINT NEVER HINGED DORNIER DO-X FLIGHT INVERTED SURCHARGE


$450 \star$ C12a, $1932 \$ 1.50$ on $\$ 1$ Dornier DO-X Flight A beautiful, post office fresh mint example of the famous INVERTED SURCHARGE error, nicely centered with bright colour on pristine fresh paper, intact perforations all around, full unblemished original gum, VF NH
$\mathbf{6 0 , 0 0 0 . 0 0}$
Expertization: 2002 BPA certificate for a block from which it originates, being the upper left stamp.
Census: It has been reported in Dalwick \& Harmer in "Newfoundland Air Mails 1919-1939" handbook that forty examples (ten panes of four) may have had the inverted surcharge applied in error. We would also like to point out, from that small number considerably fewer are found in mint never hinged condition.

$451 \quad \star \quad$ C18b, $1933 \$ 4.50$ on 75c Balbo Surcharge, Perf 13.8 A post office fresh, well centered mint single, Position 3 in the setting, full immaculate original gum, VF NH

1,000.00
B Balbo Flight to Rome, Italy 1933 (July 26) Clean cacheted flight cover from St. John's to Rome, Italy bearing well centered $\$ 4.50$ on 75 c bistre, perf 13.8 , Position 2 in the setting of four, tied by clear dispatch CDS; Shoal Harbour JUL 2733 departure split ring and two different Italian receiver backstamps. A lovely Trans-Atlantic flight cover, XF (Unitrade C18b)

1,200.00


E 1873 1c Prince of Wales American Bank Note postal card Die Essay, engraved, printed in grey violet on india paper die sunk on larger card measuring $174 \times 109 \mathrm{~mm}$; the unadopted design with no shading in background around "N" of "NEWFOUNDLAND", rarely seen and in pristine fresh condition, XF(Webb P-E2a)

Est. 500.00+
 india $133 \times 84 \mathrm{~mm}$, die sunk on nearly full-size card measuring $228 \times 149 \mathrm{~mm}$; the unadopted design with no shading lines in background around "N" of "NEWFOUNDLAND". An appealing and very rare die essay, XF (Webb P-E2g)

Est. 750.00+

## FAKES AND FORGERIES

## SPERATI REPRODUCTIONS

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REPRODUCTION INTEADITE


F The Work of Jean de Sperati Part IV Printed card folder from the BPA, London, 1954, numbered " 21 " in pencil, a limited edition sold by subscription with "Lowell Ragatz" name printed on inside front cover; a known expert and scholar on worldwide forgeries. Contains two quadrilled pages displaying a selection of Sperati Reproductions with pencil signed $4 p$ die proof in black, then scarlet vermilion $4 p$ Reproduction ' B ' (3; two have added cancels), $61 / 2 \mathrm{p}$ ' A ', 1 sh ' $\mathrm{C}^{\prime}$ ( 3 ; one with partial CDS and two with grids), 4 p orange $' \mathrm{~B}$ ' unused and ${ }^{\mathrm{C}}$ ' with grid, 1 sh orange ' B ' with grid. All have BPA handstamp numbered " 21 " on reverse. Second page shows six photo proofs $4 p$ (3), $6 p, 61 / 2 p$ and 1 sh plus 14 of grid / datestamps. A rarely seen intact folio of the work of this infamous forger of Newfoundland Pence stamps. A fabulous reference lot.

Est. 2,500.00



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460 "138" on reverse.

4p Scarlet Vermilion Sperati Reproduction 'A', signed Jean de Sperati with added barred cancel; BPA cachet and numbered "61" on reverse.

Est. 200.00
F 4p Scarlet Vermilion Sperati Reproduction 'B' with added barred cancel; BPA cachet and numbered
Est. 200.00
F 4p Scarlet Vermilion Sperati Reproduction 'B' with added centrally struck barred cancel; BPA cachet and numbered " 150 " on reverse.

Est. 200.00
F 6 $1 / 2 \mathbf{p}$ Scarlet Vermilion Sperati Reproduction 'A' with centrally struck barred cancel added; BPA cachet and numbered "150" on reverse.

Est. 200.00


460 F 1sh Scarlet Vermilion Sperati Reproduction 'B' with added barred cancellation and gummed; BPA cachet numbered " 377 " on reverse. A dangerous forgery.

Est. 250.00
461 F 1sh Scarlet Vermilion Sperati Reproduction 'C' pencil signed by Jean de Sperati, portion of CDS and grid cancels; BPA cachet handstamp on reverse. A very well executed forgery.

Est. 250.00
F 1sh Scarlet Vermilion Sperati Reproduction ' C ' in scarlet vermilion with added barred cancel; BPA cachet and numbered " 138 " on reverse.

Est. 200.00
463 F 1sh Scarlet Vermilion Sperati Reproduction ' $C$ ' with centrally struck barred cancel; BPA cachet and numbered " 150 " on reverse.

Est. 200.00


464 F 4p Orange Vermilion Sperati Reproduction 'B' with added barred cancellation, without BPA cachet on reverse. Quite deceiving.

Est. 250.00
F 4p Orange Vermilion Sperati Reproduction 'B' with added barred cancel on thin crisp paper (similar to 1861-1862 issue); BPA cachet and numbered " 150 " on reverse. Quite deceptive.

Est. 200.00
F 4p Orange Vermilion Sperati Reproduction ' C ' with barred cancel added; BPA cachet and numbered "114" on reverse.

Est. 200.00


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467 F 6p Orange Vermilion Sperati Reproduction (second state - retouched), without BPA cachet on reverse. Ideal for reference; 2013 Greene Foundation cert.

Est. 250.00
468 F 1sh Orange Vermilion Sperati Reproduction 'B', added barred cancellation on paper closely resembling that used for the issue; without the usual BPA cachet. Deceiving.

Est. 250.00
469 F 1sh Orange Vermilion Sperati Reproduction 'B', added barred cancellation and gummed on paper closely resembling that used for the issue; BPA cachet and numbered "150" on reverse. Ideal for reference.

Est. 250.00

$470 \quad$ F 1857 5p Brown Violet on Thick White Paper Genuine stamps with fake cancels: 5 p with grid 'N35'; 6 p rose block watermarked with fake double ring "... ENGLAND PER AACHEN" cancel in blue and additional grids; and a $61 / 2$ p rose block with posthumous St. John's 1864 double arc cancel and grids.

Est. 250.00
471 F 1861-1862 1sh Rose Genuine block of four with posthumous King's Cove 1864 double arc datestamps and barred grids.

Est. 200.00


472 F Specialized Assortment of Forgeries \& Fakes Displayed on stockpages and leaves, about 500 forgeries from the crude to the deceiving with focus on Pence \& Cents issues, some fake airmails, etc. Noted three different Oneglia se-tenant $2 \mathrm{p} / 1$ sh sheets of 36 - in orange on ungummed paper, deep rose on watermarked and unwatermarked thin gummed paper, six Sperati forgeries (plus additional photoreproductions in black of the stamps \& barred cancels), etc. Various forgers represented. Not often seen this comprehensive; an excellent reference lot for the student.

Est. 1,500.00

## NEWFOUNDLAND LARGE LOTS


$473 \quad \star$ Comprehensive 1857-1947 Mint Collection In mounts in a specialized Newfoundland album, very well represented - only lacking some of the pence classics and pioneer airmails, includes Pence (18) and Cents (50) in noticeably above condition, then from 1897 onward regular issues are virtually complete, also some airmails, etc. A useful lot.

Est. 1,250.00+
474 © 1857-1947 Used Collection In mounts on album pages and blank leaves, begins with Pence (20) and Cents (over 50) with shades and printings, usual mixed condition, then condition improves with quite complete to 1947 noting \#77 (light crease), \#128, various sets, airmails, etc.

Est. 750.00+


Ł © 1865-1897 Cents Issue Mint / Used Blocks Lot of 48 blocks of four, mint and / or used from First ABN to late BABN printings, noting mint \#29, 30, 31, 35 plate block of eight, \#42,57, 59 plate block of six (hinged supported) with line in "C" variety on one, used \#24, 30, 34, etc. Also Pence blocks with $\operatorname{mint} \# 11 \mathrm{~A}, 18,20,23$, first three with crease between stamps, 1sh block NH. Minor flaws as to be expected on these difficult stamps, generally Fine or better

Est. 2,000.00+


P Assortment of Royal Family Proofs Plate proofs in issued colours with $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ top half sheet of 50, 3c block of 30 (10x3), 5c block of 20 (10x2), 2c Map left \& right pane lower margin blocks of eight; also 4 c pair left stamp underinked, mainly VF (Unitrade cat. \$8,700 as single proofs)

Est. 750.00+


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$477 \quad \star \quad$ Royal Family Balance of Exhibit Collection On pages with write-up, includes $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}-5 \mathrm{c}$ set of 44 ABNC specimen / printing order mint NH singles (complete ex 2c Map), 1897 1c carmine rose Specimen overprint LR corner block of eight, 3c Specimen top margin strip of twenty (November 1905), 4c Specimen UR corner block of eight (Sept 1901), 5c Specimen UR corner strip of five (May 1898); also $1 / 2 \mathrm{c} \& 2 \mathrm{c}$ orange NH sheets of 100 , latter sheet with some faults, 1c yellow green pair and block imperforate horizontally, 2 c vermilion imperforate pair with small margins, 2 c vermilion bisect setenant with single on piece, 3 c plate imprint block, 3 c imperf strip of 3, various mint blocks, etc.

Est. 1,250.00+
$478 \quad$ R Royal Family - Collection Balance of Stamps, Varieties Various multiples plus a few varieties, noting 1c yellow green mint block imperforate horizontally, 2 c vermilion imperforate pair usual small margins, 3c orange rebacked imperf pair, 3c UR imprint "F-5610" mint block from 1918 printing, 4c lower imprint LH block, 2c Map UR mint NH block, etc. Also 1910 John Guy lithographed set of 12.

Est. 500.00+
1897-1918 Royal Family - Comprehensive Postal History Collection An impressive assembly of about 100 covers / cards displayed on exhibit pages with write-up on rates, dates, frankings, etc., from half cent multiples to 2 c Map frankings, noting inland rates, Canada, U.S. or U.K. (also a single 5c addressed to Holland, one mixed-issue to Germany), several non-letter mail, small towns, TPO markings, registered mail, etc. Condition is mixed; a solid nucleus for someone wanting to get a head start on a specialized postal history collection of this series. Illustrated on Page 152 Est. 1,500.00+
$\boxtimes$ Accumulation of Royal Family Covers About 100 covers, for the most part 3 cent rates, all addressed to St. John's from various outports and most with various railway post office markings. Mixed condition.

Not Illustrated Est. 500.00+

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P Assortment of Proofs, Specimen Stamps Starts with various Cents issues, several values of 1897 Cabot \& Royal Family, 1938 Resources proof pairs, a 1922 Vickers-Vimy essay, 1940-1945 Cigarettes Excise tax 20c Caribou proof pair and red brown (large size) single with security punch, 1903-1904 1c KEVII \& 2c Queen Mary postal card proofs in issued colours on india, latter card mounted, etc. An interesting and useful lot, mainly VF

Est. 600.00+

$482 \star \bigcirc$ Collection of 1897-1931 Mint / Used Blocks Organized on stockpages starting with 1897 Discovery of Newfoundland, well represented to Publicity series of 1929-1931. Noted John Guy issues including 15c engraved mint and used blocks, 1919 Trail of the Caribou mint set in blocks (some VF), 1923-1924 Pictorial mint set in blocks (most NH), etc. Also a few covers franked with multiples. Overall condition is quite nice for these, especially the used blocks which are hard to find. A useful lot. Est. 1,500.00+
 Resources, 1935 Silver Jubilee, 1937 Long Coronation and 1941-1944 2nd Resources, mint or used blocks (often both), light duplication noting perforation varieties, shades, cancels, a few covers, etc. Seldom seen this comprehensive; a great lot for studying printings, watermarks, perforations, etc. Generally F-VF

Est. 600.00+

$\star$ Small Assortment of 1888-1896 Half Cent Newfoundland Dog Five mint BABN imprint blocks of eight (unless noted); $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ rose red top margin, key $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ orange lower margin and top margin (part imprint) block of four, $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ black top \& lower margin blocks; also a $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ black nicely centered mint NH block of ten; two covers $-1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ black +2 c orange Codfish on 1897 cover to New Brunswick, a faulty OHMS GPO legal size 1895 cover with pair of $1 / 2$ c black + Scott $29,48,59$ for 25 cent registered rate to Baltimore, USA, plus uprated 1c green postal card with $1 / 2$ c black (2) to Montenegro, F-VF

Est. 600.00+


Newfoundand Dog 1932-1940s Collection Displayed on leaves with write-up plus two stockpages, shows the 14c Dog from 1932-1940s Perkins Bacon and Waterlow printings and 1937 Long Coronation series. Noted 1932 14c plate proof pair in black on bond paper, 1937 14c LL block, with and without watermark, UR corner block of ten showing five re-entries, 1944 14c vertical pair imperforate horizontally, Waterlow punch imperforate block, single with strong offset on gum side, mint multiples and eight covers; mainly NH, F-VF

Est. 300.00+


* Comprehensive 1941-1944 Waterlow Archival Proof Lot An amazing lot in two thick stockbooks, covering the set of fourteen 1c to 48c plus the 4 c Princess Elizabeth and 5c Cabot, all printed by Waterlow \& Sons. A fabulous lot of about 670 imperforate blocks (plus many pairs not counted), also nine gutter margin blocks of eight; often supplemented with photocopied notes and illustrations of the plates. All with Waterlow security punches, usual wrinkling, mount marks, etc., many with sheet margins annotated in ink by the printer noting requisition numbers, marginal notes, markings on stamps pointing out corrections to designs, etc. Many show engraver's guidelines; about thirty with plate numbers. A "gold-mine" of 1941-1944 Waterlow Second Resources archival proofs. Enormous catalogue value.

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$\star$ ○ Back-of-Book with Airmails \& Postage Dues Mint / Used Blocks Includes mint blocks of Halifax Airmail with three different overprint types (C3, b, f, h), C6-C8, 1933 Labrador 10c, 30c \& 60c blocks of four used on individual registered covers to USA; Postage Dues 1939-1949 1c-10c with perforation varieties, much NH, etc. Clean condition throughout, F-VF

Est. 600.00+

## NEWFOUNDLAND INLAND REVENUES


$488 \star$ NFR5, 1898 75c Slate Black Queen Victoria Fresh mint single, reasonably centered with full original gum, F-VF LH
400.00+

489 O NFR9, $1898 \$ 25$ Slate An unusually choice, well centered, used single of this high value, neat cancel in violet, XF
500.00+


490 O NFR10-NFR14, 1907 25c to $\$ 50$ King Edward VII Used singles, light crease on $\$ 1$ green (not counted), manuscript or handstamp cancels, fresh colours, F-VF

1,410.00


491 P NFR16, 1910 5c King George V Inland Revenue Large Die Proof, engraved, printed in black and die sunk directly to white card $70 \times 100 \mathrm{~mm}$ showing full die sinkage, small BABN imprint below the stamp. A beautiful proof of utmost rarity, VF

Est. 500.00+


492 E 1922 2c King George V Plate essay in rose red on bond paper, prepared by Whitehead, Morris \& Co., never issued, VF (Walsh RTE 2)

Est. 200.00+

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## AN EYE-ARRESTING DE LA RUE \& CO. <br> LEATHER CASE PRESENTATION OF TWO HANDPAINTED DIE ESSAYS FOR INTENDED KGVI INLAND REVENUE SERIES



Actual size
493 E Thomas De La Rue \& Co. Ltd London Presentation Navy blue morocco leather case with gold embossed "NEWFOUNDLAND / STAMPS" on front cover and "THOMAS DE LA RUE \& CO LTD. LONDON" twice inside, measuring $120 \times 137 \mathrm{~mm}$ and encasing two handpainted Die Essays for the intended King George VI issue of 1937, separated by a blue nylon cloth inside. Left side is a $\$ 100$ essay in carmine and right is a 10cts essay in olive green - both with Chinese white paint throughout the design, beveled on thick grey cards, measuring $100 \times 118 \mathrm{~mm}$ each. Without a doubt, the most beautiful and visually striking Printer's proof display ever prepared for any British North America revenue. UNIQUE and exceptional in all respects. ex. John G. Butt collection

Est. 5,000.00+


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E 1937 10c King George VI Inland Revenue An exceptional trio of handpainted \& engraved Perkins, Bacon \& Co. Die Essays: 1) KGVI vignette (smaller size) photographic essay affixed to background with the frame handpainted \& engraved in violet - lilac colour; 2) KGVI vignette (larger size) photographic essay partly painted in rose carmine ink, affixed to background with hand-drawn frame in same-coloured ink and slightly touched up with Chinese White; and 3) similar to previous but KGVI vignette touched up in rose carmine and black (uniform) with overall sharper impression than second essay. Last two essays with similar surrounding frame; all three essays encased in thick large size cards. A UNIQUE and spectacular offering.

Est. 2,500.00+


495 E 1937 10c King George VI Inland Revenue Two spectacular Perkins Bacon \& Co. Die Essays of KGVI vignette with front and with three-quarter left profiles, both affixed on handpainted layered background with surrounding third layer frame, handpainted in Chinese White with deep ultramarine and deep carmine paint respectively. Both on beveled greyish brown large card. An exceptional duo. UNIQUE.

Est. 2,500.00+


496 E 1937 \$100 King George VI Inland Revenue De La Rue \& Co. Limited Die Essays, a pair two-layered photographic essays: 1) KGVI in full right profile of vignette surrounded by blue wash, penciled "Surface" - the printing method to be used; and 2) KGVI portrait in three quarter left profile, penciled "Recess" as printing method to be used. Both on thick beveled grey cards measuring about 100 x 115 mm and showing DLR oval handstamp on back. UNIQUE.

Est. 1,500.00+


E 1937 10c King George VI Inland Revenues Two De La Rue \& Co. Limited two-layered photographic essays including frame: 1) KGVI portrait in full right profile slightly touched up with grey paint above and below vignette, penciled "Surface" as printing method to be used; 2) KGVI portrait in three quarter left profile, slightly touched up with grey paint below and at left of vignette, penciled "Recess" - the printing method to be used. Both on thick beveled grey cards measuring about $98 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$ and showing DLR oval handstamp on back. UNIQUE.

Est. 1,500.00+


E 1937 10c \& \$100 King George VI Inland Revenue Photographic essays, four different on glossy surfaced paper measuring about $33-35 \times 45 \mathrm{~mm}$; includes the $10 \mathrm{c} \& \$ 100$ KGVI portrait facing right profile and pencil annotated on back "Surface"; and same denominations KGVI portrait in three-quarter left profile, annotated on back "Recess", a one-of-a-kind quartet, VF

Est. 1,000.00+


E 1937 10c King George VI Inland Revenue Two fabulous Die Essays prepared by Harrison \& Sons Limited, consisting of impressive layered photographic essays of the KGVI vignette in full front profile and of the surrounding frame, the latter with handpainted details to emulate the issued 1910 KGV Inland revenues, on thick beveled card measuring $128 \times 156 \mathrm{~mm}$; plus a second essay of KGVI in three-quarter left profile affixed to thick archival card; both with Harrison \& Sons printed address label affixed on back. UNIQUE.

Est. 1,250.00+


500 O NFR34, $1938 \$ 50$ Red Orange (Perkins Bacon), Perf 13 $3 / 4$ A nicely centered used single with CDS cancel in black, VF

$\star \quad$ NFR46b, 47b, 48b, 1966 5c, 10c \& 25c Caribou Inland Revenues Set of three complete sheets of 50 with gutter margin between panes of 25 ; the 10 c with marginal creasing at lower left corner. Not often seen in sheets, F-VF NH

## NEWFOUNDLAND REVENUE DOCUMENTS


$502 \Delta 1898$ 25c Blue Inland Revenue Lot of 21 documents dated from mid-November 1898 to late October 1899, typed or handwritten with headline Supreme Court of Newfoundland or St. John's to Wit, each bearing a single 25 c blue Queen Victoria, Inland Revenue stamp punch cancelled by Geometric "Snowflake" to document; three have fold through stamp, one has minor ageing, otherwise nice condition with shades of blue, dark blue and slate blue noted. An opportunity to acquire a large number of a relatively small existing number of the "Snowflake" punch cancellation on document, F-VF; other values are very scarce to non-existent. (Van Dam NFR3; Walsh R3b cat. for a 25 c document with "Snowflake" \$1,750 = total \$43,050)

Est. 2,500.00+
Document Assortment Lot 13 items including 1912 mixed-issued franking 10c Queen Victoria pair and KGV 5c and \$1 (3) on Mortgage Indenture, 1919 Conveyance with KGV \$1 and 50c (2), 1932 Boiler Certificate with KGV \$1 (no imprint) strip of three punch "PAID" cancels, ten documents bearing Caribou Inland revenue stamps dated between 1944/1964. All in archival sleeves for protection; mainly F-VF

Not Illustrated Est. 200.00+


The most extensive display of early mails of Canada we have had the privilege to offer. From New France (French Regime) era and other seldom seen 18th century mail, to pioneer mail often with a captivating historical twist, rare marking or rating. We have highlighted in bold key words that we thought noteworthy.

We are hopeful the following lots will awe the postal history buffs, and kindle interest to anyone wanting to venture into this fascinating area of Canada's early history through its mail.

Lot 504-595

## EARLY MAILS OF CANADA

In chronological order by date

## NEW FRANCE - FRENCH REGIME

## ONE OF THE EARLIEST REPORTED COVERS FROM NEW FRANCE



1692 (April) A legal document re land at St. Michel signed by a lawyer of L'Isle de Montreal to M. Nicolas Perrot, Commander at Saint Augustin(?) near Quebec. No postal marking as there were no postal arrangements during this period. A fascinating letter handwritten in old French, which ranks among the few surviving 17th Century covers (and one of the earliest) of New France during the French Regime.

Est. 2,500.00+
Provenance: Dorothy Sanderson, Cavendish Auctions, June 2006; Lot 112
Nicolas Perrot (d. 1717), explorer, fur trader, interpreter for the Western tribes and a diplomat later in his life. He was known as "The Man of the Iron Legs" by the Amerindians. Perrot was one of the first European to travel to the Upper Mississippi Valley (now Wisconsin and Minnesota).

## AN EXCEPTIONALLY EARLY LETTER FROM NEW FRANCE WITH A POSTAL HANDSTAMP



1743 (May 14) Superb folded entire letter / invoice from Quebec to merchant Robert du Gard, Rouen, France; carried by private ship with clearly struck at top right "LA ROCHELLE" straightline at port of entry in France, rated " 7 " sols due for single letter rate ( 80 to 100 lieues) to Rouen. One of the very first covers in private hands that originated from Canada to France, bearing a postal handstamp, XF

Est. 5,000.00+
The Allan Steinhart collection had a 1749 cover from Quebec to France, with a Bordeaux fleur-de-lis "B" postmark; although stained it sold in 2005 (Lot 1005) for an impressive 25,000 Swiss francs hammer against a pre-sale estimate of 4000 to 6000 , described as one of the earliest covers from Canada to France with a postal handstamp.

AN OUTSTANDING POSTMARKED COVER FROM NEW FRANCE, WHICH REMARKABLY ENOUGH, PREDATES BY MORE THAN SIX YEARS THE ONE OFFERED IN STEINHART SALE.

detail


New France - French Regime Letter Written at Québec 1750 (June 22) Folded lettersheet written in French at Québec with dateline inside, sent from Girls Convent, showing Ursuline Convent albino crest on white wax seal; small repair inside, otherwise in an excellent state of preservation for such an early item mailed during the French period, a beautiful cover, VF

Est. 1,000.00+
Provenance: Gerald Wellburn, Sissons Sale 423, December 1982; Lot 1044
Aaron Ain, Pre-Stamp \& Stampless Quebec Postal History, Firby, October 1998; Lot 650 Jacques Charron, Firby, January 2002; Lot 465


Incoming Mail: Very Early Cover to Canada from Continental Europe 1769 (May 20) Folded cover probably from Paris, France, with London Forwarding Agents initials on reverse, placed on private vessel to Quebec where it entered the mails, rated "SH" (ship) " 3.8 " collect ( 3 penny weights plus 8 grains of silver) for the incoming postage, horizontal fold. In an excellent state of preservation and a rare letter to Canada - less than 7 years after New France (French Regime) was ceded to the British, VF

Provenance: Unknown provenance, Maresch Sale 188, May 1986; Lot 479 - where it realized \$2,700 hammer, by far the highest realization among an impressive offering of 19 lots of covers dated between 1728 and 1798.

## A VERY EARLY LETTER FROM CANADA CARRIED PRIVATELY TO JAMAICA


$508 \quad 1778$ Folded entire letter with "Beauport 31th August, 1778" dateline (near Quebec), endorsed "p Favor of Capt. Aikins of the Hero" addressed to Spanish Town, Jamaica. Received at Kingston with two-line rare "KING/STON" handstamp and light manuscript " $71 / 2$ " for inland postage. Letter mentions Loyalists going north to Canada and South to the Caribbean as a result of the American Revolutionary war, VF

Est. 1,000.00+


® 1782 Folded entire written (in French) to the Cours des Comptes (Court of Auditors) at Aix-enProvence, signed "La Boyère" from " 22 8bre 1792, en amérique septentrionale" (North America), intact red wax seal. Carried privately to France, fancy Bordeaux fleur-de-lis "B" postmark at right, where the cover was marked on arrival " 15 " for due 15 decimes to collect from the recipient; slight ageing along file fold, otherwise is bright fresh and in an excellent state of preservation. An attractive and rare trans-Atlantic letter originating from Canada during the 18th Century, VF

Est. 2,500.00+

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- Very High Postage Rate on Early OHMS Letter 1782 (November 4) Large folded cover endorsed "On His Majesty's Service", rated " 6 N " ( 6 shillings currency) pays an eightfold 9 penny currency rate from Montreal to Quebec, neat straightline "MONTREAL" handstamp ( $40 \times 4.5 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) in capital letters, without date (used 1777 to 1784) unusually struck on observe; light wrinkles to cover, otherwise in an excellent state of preservation considering its age and the heavy weight it once carried. A very impressive cover and a major rarity; no doubt ranking among the highest rates one could possibly find on early Domestic Mail, F-VF (R. Lowe unlisted type)

Est. 1,250.00+


511
Incoming Mail: France to Canada with Early Quebec "Bishop" Marking 1784 Folded letter sheet datelined "La Rochelle le 10 mars 1784" France to a merchant in Montreal, light ageing, underinked small "SHIP" handstamp at top right and rated " $11 \frac{1}{2}$ "; reverse with early double circle Quebec handstamp with "triangle" at base, Bishop mark " 5 / IY" (July 5) struck alongside - unusual as it is generally struck within the Quebec double circle. A rare, early incoming letter to Canada with the rare Quebec datestamp - the only city in Canada to use a Bishop mark, Fine (R. Lowe HS-5 variety, RF "E" - rare)

Est. 1,500.00+
Provenance: Unknown provenance, Maresch Sale 188, May 1986; Lot 483

## A WELL STRUCK TWO-LINE MONTREAL DATESTAMP TO SAMUEL HOLLAND, SURVEYOR GENERAL


$512 \quad 1786$ (April 24) Folded cover in unusually clean condition addressed to Honorable Samuel Holland, Surveyor General at Quebec, rated " 9 " (currency - for distance between 101 and 200 miles), on reverse well struck, complete two-line "Montreal / APRIL:24." datestamp, VF (R.Lowe HS-24a RF "E" - rare)

Est. 750.00+
Provenance: Sam Nickle Pre 1838 Canadian Documents \& Military Postal History, Firby Auctions, June 1996; Lot 193

Samuel Holland joined the British Army in 1756 and served during the Seven Years War - he was with Wolfe when he died on the Plains of Abraham. Appointed Surveyor General of Quebec in 1764. He later mapped the British possessions of what was to become Prince Edward Island, Magdalen Islands and Cape Breton, among others.

detail of backstamp

## AN EXTRAORDINARY DOUBLE CIRCLE QUEBEC "BISHOP" MARK



513 Folded lettersheet written in French datelined "Québec 10 juin 1793" addressed to Cap la Magdeleine (Cap-de-la-Madeleine), prepaid " 7 " (currency) and bold strike of boxed "PAID" and an absolutely superb double circle Quebec Canada with Bishop mark "17 IV" (17 June) at centre struck on backflap. A wonderful cover in excellent condition with extraordinary postal markings, VF (R. Lowe HS-20)

Est. 1,500.00+

## Provenance: Charles deVolpi, Sissons Sale 242, January 1966; Lot 225

Gerald Wellburn, Sissons Sale 423, December 1982; Lot 1082

## A SUPERB DOUBLE RING "BISHOP" DATESTAMP OF QUEBEC


$514 \Delta 1794$ (June 26) Folded entire from Quebec to Montreal, rated "1N6", backstamped with superb Quebec / Canada double ring with "Bishop" mark dated "26 IV" (for June) - the only city in Canada to use a Bishop mark; central file fold. Historic content reads in part: "We are hourly waiting for the fleet from the banks of Newfoundland... it looks like war... The fleet sailed from Chesapeake consists etc..." VF (R.Lowe HS-20 RF "E" - rare)

Est. 750.00+


Early Mail to France Three entires to France dated 1795 or 1802 (June \& August), displayed on quadrilled pages, carried by favour to France to Monsieur Chilcuisneau, Vendôme from a "brother" at Montreal, the 1795 letter rated "10" (centimes) collect from Paris - Vendôme fee. Scarce. F-VF

Est. 500.00+


《 Salary Printed Receipt Signed Robert Prescott 1797 (November 1) Receipt for the amount of $£ 1,000$ given by Robert Prescott covering his salary from May 1st to October 31, 1797 as Captain General \& Govenor in Chief of the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada. In excellent condition. ex. Sam Nickle Pre 1838 Canadian Documents \& Military Postal History Collection (June 1996; Lot 201)

Est. 250.00+
Prescott had a distinguished Military Career, serving in the Seven Years War, The American War of Independence, the expedition against Louisbourg in 1758, among other military exploits. He was later Governor in Chief of the Canadas, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

$517 \Delta$ Military Letter Carried Fee to Fort George Folded lettersheet with "York 9th June 1798" dateline, addressed to Captain Hugh McDonell, Royal Canadian Volunteer, carried by Military Courier to Fort George, small tear at top but in nice shape considering its age, VF; a very rare cover sent during the building of Fort George.

Est. 750.00+
Provenance: Sam Nickle Pre 1838 Canadian Documents \& Military Postal History Collection, Firby Auctions, June 1996; Lot 202

The British moved across the Niagara River after giving up Fort Niagara to the US in 1796. At that time of this letter, Fort George was under construction. Completed in 1802, it was mostly destroyed during the War of 1812.


Military Letter with Superb Quebec Two-Line Datestamp 1801 (May 11) An exceptionally fresh folded entire written in French to Captain McDonnell, 1st Battalion Royal Canadian Volunteers, Montreal, rated "9" (currency for distance between 101 and 200 miles), on reverse superbly struck twoline QUEBEC / 11 MAY 1801 datestamp in black, XF (R. Lowe HS-32)

Est. 400.00+
Provenance: Sam Nickle Pre 1838 Canadian Documents \& Military Postal History Collection, Firby Auctions, June 1996; Lot 206


519
Incoming Mail from England to Fort St. John (Fort St. Jean), Quebec 1805 (May 25) Folded letter from London, England to Fort St. John, Canada (Fort Saint-Jean), manuscript "2N1", "2/" and "1N8" all in red, light Paid MY 251805 CDS of London; on reverse two quite well struck straightlines HALIFAX / JUL 18" (Macdonald Type HAL-10) and QUEBEC 5 AUG 1805 (R. Lowe HS-32). A very early incoming letter to this famed army fortress, F-VF

Est. 1,250.00+
Provenance: Sam Nickle, Pre 1838 Canadian Documents \& Military Postal History, Firby Auctions, June 1996; Lot 209

Fort St. John (Fort Saint-Jean) was a French outpost in the Seven Years War, only to be set on fire by French soldiers in 1760. Re-erected by the British in 1775, Fort Saint-Jean played a crucial role in the British defending Quebec (especially at Montreal \& Quebec) from General Montgomery's army, before falling in the Fall of 1775, only to retreat from a weakened army in the Spring of 1776.


520 Withdrawn From Ship "Crown" Liverpool Double Circle Cover to Montreal 1815 Folded lettersheet from Liverpool, England to Montreal, on reverse a quite clear strike of the scarce double circle Post Paid Withdrawn Ship Letter "Crown" Liverpool 7 JU 71815 datestamp in red, prepaid 3/- sterling (one third the 9/- Stg packet rate), carried on "Royal Yeoman" from Liverpool, the letter was prepaid 9 dtg (one third the $2 / 2 \operatorname{Stg}$ packet rate combining Inland and Packet rate, effective October 10, 1814), entering mails at Quebec with oval Ship Letter "Crown" Quebec, light strike as always, rated " $3 / 21 / 2$ " pence at Montreal to include inland postage. The Withdrawn Ship Letter scheme ended July 11, 1815, Fine (R. Lowe Type 680; HS-45)

Est. 500.00+


Scarce Double Oval Niagara Datestamp Prepaid to Montreal 1819 (March 25) A remarkably clean, fresh folded entire with intact red wax seal, quite clear double oval NIAGARA / U.CANADA / MAR 251819 datestamp in black - the latest reported date (only in use about 2 years), same-ink small "PAID." and rated "3N6" for triple rate to Montreal (14 pence currency 301-400 miles times three), a very attractive prepaid cover with the elusive Niagara postmark, VF (R. Lowe HS-104 RF "D" - very scarce) ex. Sanderson (June 2006; Lot 201)

Est. 350.00+


522 Ship Letter to Scotland with Unusual Boxed Handstamp 1820 (October 31) Folded entire written on board a steamer sailing down the St. Lawrence to Quebec, datelined "River St. Lawrence... 31 Oct 1820 " charged " $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ sterling ( 6 pence ship, 2 pence captain's fee $\& 6$ pence inland postage) to Catrine, Scotland, displaying an unusual boxed "AIR / SHIP LETTER" - a known misspelling of "AYR" where it entered the mails, very scarce. The contents mentions "I intend to send a Barrel of Apples with the Brig Jane bound for Ayr, hope they arrive safely." Fine

Est. 1,000.00+
Comically, when this letter was mailed in 1820, one would need to wait more than a hundred years before the word "air ship" became part of the population lexicon.


523 "Free" Money Letter to Receiver General at York 1826 (January 31) Folded cover from the Postmaster (and Collector of Customs) Alpheus Jones at Prescott, contained $£ 50$ currency representing duties collected to December 31, 1825, initialed by Postmaster at left, endorsed "Free" and "Money Letter", very scarce and one of the earliest covers marked "Money Letter", VF

524 Straighline CORNWALL on Money Letter 1828 (January 29) Folded cover mailed at CORNWALL with straightline on back and manuscript "29th Jan", endorsed "Custom House Cornwall", manuscript "Money Letter" and double rated " 1 N 10 "; letter contained $£ 10-15$ pence currency from John Crysler, Collector of Customs at Cornwall for duties collected to January 1st, 1828. One of the earliest letters marked "Money Letter", very scarce, F-VF

Est. 300.00+
® Very Early Missent Cover with Superb Broken Circle Datestamp 1829 (June 4) Folded cover in superior condition bearing two very fine dispatch markings - Quebec "Fleuron" JU 429 datestamp on back and Quebec Paid, prepaid rated "9" in manuscript, addressed to Baie du Febvre, Missent to Drummondville showing a superb strike of broken circle Drummond Ville with manuscript filled-in "9 June 29" date - the earliest reported date, a beautiful "Missent" cover displaying three choice strikes, XF (R.Lowe HS-38, 41, 63)

Est. 500.00+

## A BEAUTIFUL ORIGINAL INK WASH DRAWING ON EQUALLY SUPERB QUEBEC PAID HANDSTAMP COVER



Inside ink wash drawing - 80\% of actual size
526 A superb folded lettersheet sent by Edward Hale to Earle Amherst in London, with three exceptional and aesthetically appealing handstamps with two different rated Quebec Paid "1/-" (currency; Canadian postage) and "183/4" (cents; U.S. postage) respectively along with Quebec "Fleuron" APR 330 dispatch. Endorsed "pd to N.Y. E. Hale" at left. Carried to England where it entered the mail, manuscript "1/7" rate with boxed SHIP LETTER / LIVERPOOL handstamp and 17 MY 1830 receiver backstamps, XF (R. Lowe HS-38, HS-41a, the latter RF "F" - very rare)

Est. 2,500.00+
Inside the letter is a beautiful original ink wash drawing used as a letterhead, entitled "view from our window". The letter was written by Edward Hale, former secretary to Lord Amherst in India and later member of the House of Assembly and the Legislative Council in Lower Canada.

A fabulous cover of great eye-appeal and without a doubt, one of the most attractive covers of Canada's stampless period.


Rare Transatlantic Free Frank OHMS Printed Wrapper to London 1830 (July 25) On His Majesty's Service printed wrapper for Chelsea Hospital, Whitehall, London mailed from Petite Nation free of charge with 1829 type Petite Nation cancel in red with filled-in "July 25th 1830" date, unusually clear Quebec "Fleuron" AUG 330 in red, Halifax "Fleuron" 14 AU transit, British boxed "FREE" and "Crown" Free 6 SE 1830 official marking in red. Most unusual, as incoming Official Free covers mailed from Canada to the United Kingdom are rare, this one being particularly nice, VF Illustrated in "Franking System in the Post Office" (1988) by Frank Bottomley on page 145.

Est. 1,500.00+


Incoming Mail: Official Mail from U.K. to Granville Redirected to Québec 1831 (August 1) Printed entire from Royal Hospital, Chelsea sent free to a pensioner at Grenville, some edge wear. Boldly struck "Crown" Free 1 AU 1831 official marking in red, Halifax "Fleuron" SE 19 transit, superb 1829 type Grenville CDS IN RED with filled-in "1 Oct 1831" date, redirected to Québec with unusual (similar to 1829 type) CDS with printed OC 41831 date inside, endorsed on back "Quebec Advertised / in January 1832"; a Fine trans-Atlantic official mail with VF strikes

Est. 500.00+


529 Incoming Mail: The Bahamas to Kingston, Upper Canada, via Halifax 1831 Folded cover datelined "Abaco 26th December 1831" carried as a ship letter to Liverpool with boxed "Liverpool / Ship Letter" handstamp on back, various rates - " $2 / 11$ ", " $3 / 3$ " for packet rate to Halifax, plus " $1 / 8$ " to Quebec, plus forwarded fee " 9 " for total " $5 / 8$ ", Halifax "Fleuron", Quebec MY 11832 double arc transit; some soiling and ageing. A very early cover from the Bahamas to Canada, Fine

Est. 500.00+
530 Superb Early Double Circle Postmark of Drummondville 1833 (March 18) Folded lettersheet written at Niagara Falls two days earlier, mailed "Free" to the Postmaster at Sandwich, superb bold strike of DRUMMONDVILLE U.C. (italic letters) double circle postmark with date "18th March 1833" inside, an attractive and clean cover, VF (R. Lowe HS-95)

Est. 150.00+


Rare "Free" Franking on Transatlantic Mail to United Kingdom 1834 (September 6) Folded cover with superbly struck double circle Rawdon, L.C. dispatch in red with filled-in date inside, to the Secrety of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea and endorsed "Free" in red manuscript, boxed LIVERPOOL / SHIP LETTER, superb oval T.P. OC 221834 backstamps and "Crown" FREE 22 OC 221834 handstamp in red on arrival. A rarely seen early "free" mail from Canada to the UK, Fine Illustrated in "Franking System in the Post Office" (1988) by Frank Bottomley on page 150.

Est. 1,500.00+
532 Superb Cross-Border Money Letter Return Receipt 1835 (August 28) Clean folded letter with superb double circle Queenston AU 281835 datestamp IN GREEN from Lewiston, USA Exchange Office, from Postmaster requesting the Postmaster at Queenston, to which it is addressed, to forward an enclosed $\$ 5$ money letter to Delaware, U.C. and have the Postmaster there acknowledge receipt to Lewiston; the letter was endorsed received by the Delaware Postmaster on August 31st and returned to Lewiston. Canadian Return receipts were initiated in February of 1831; this is one of the earliest known. A letter addressed to Postmaster at Queenston was entitled to franking privileges, hence no postage was charged. A desirable Money-Letter cover, VF

Illustrated on Page 182 Est. 500.00+

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The First Money Letter Handstamp 1836 (February 2) Folded entire from Québec to Toronto endorsed "O.H.M.S.", straightline "FREE" and double circle Quebec dispatch datestamp in red, sameink "MONEY LETTER" - the first produced money letter handstamp, some staining at top and light diagonal fold, Fine with VF strike of the very rare "MONEY LETTER" handstamp. Est. 500.00+

This cover is mentioned in Harrison, Arfken \& Lussey "Canada's Registered Mail 1802-1909" on page 9. Described as very rare. Of the six examples reported, five of the strikes are known in black and only one in red (this cover).


Choice Prepaid Cover Mailed to Barbados, via New York 1836 (July 18) Clean folded entire endorsed "4 single paid to New York" mailed from Québec to Bridgetown, Barbados, double circle Quebec JY 191836 datestamp in red and PAID "1/-" (currency and PAID "183/4" US cents prepaid to New York, on reverse large oval "Forwarded By Hedson's News, Room Foreign Ship Letter Office New York" forwarding agent handstamp in black. A beautiful early prepaid cover to a British Caribbean island, VF

Est. 750.00+

## AN EXCEPTIONAL FUR TRADE COVER FROM MOOSE FACTORY, RUPERT'S LAND TO LONDON



1836 Folded entire in remarkably fresh condition, "Moose Factory 29th Aug 1836" dateline, intact red wax seal, signed and written by George Keith (1779-1859) the Chief Factor in Charge of the English River District Lake Superior \& Moose. Carried on Hudson Bay Co. annual ship back to England, delivered to British ship with boxed "DEAL / SHIP LETTER" and rated " $1 / 4$ " stg collect, London 31 OC 1836 receiver in red on reverse. A rare and very early Fur Trade cover originating from Rupert's Land, VF

Est. 2,500.00+
The letter mentions several employees died by drowning and 1000 Natives from influenza.

## A FABULOUS FUR TRADE COVER ORIGINATING FROM NORWAY HOUSE, RUPERT'S LAND



1837 (August 27) Folded entire in an excellent state of preservation, with intact red wax seal, written at "Norway House 27 August 1837" signed by Donald Ross (1797-1852), the Chief Trader at Norway House, addressed to John Stuart, chief factor of Hudson Bay House at London. Carried by Hudson Bay Co. canoe express to York Factory, then by HBC supply ship back to England where it entered the mails with boxed "DEAL / SHIP LETTER" handstamp and rated "1/4" stg due on delivery, London 25 OC 1837 circular backstamp receiver in red. A rare and appealing Fur Trade cover from Rupert's Land, an ideal showpiece for an advanced collection, VF

Est. 2,500.00+
An interesting letter concerning the Fur Trade indicating that the demand had gone from Musquash to Beaver, Lynx and Otter.


537 Three Prepaid Letters to the Canada / U.S. Border and to Destination Three covers with 1837 Montreal to London, rated " $1 / 8$ " pence \& " $183 / 4$ " cents paid to New York, plus " $1 / 8$ " due in the U.K.; 1838 Toronto to Quebec, redirected to Boston, rerated paid "11d" and "183/4" cents; and 1839 Montreal to Ayrshire, rated " $41 / 2$ " pence \& " $183 / 4$ " cents pair, " $1 / 2$ " for transatlantic rate with additional " $1 / 2$ " tax.

Est. 350.00+
M Missent Mail to London, Upper Canada Instead of London, England 1837 (July 7) Folded cover from New Ireland, Lower Canada rated " $1 / 101 / 2$ " currency, mistakenly sent to London, Upper Canada with instructional marking "Missent to London U.C. forwarded", sent instead by private trader to Liverpool where it entered mail with boxed Liverpool Ship Letter backstamp, rated "1/7" stg collection to London, England with London handstamp filled-in " 28 July" date. An attractive missent cover, VF; ex. Jack Arnell (February 1997; Lot 80)

Est. 300.00+

- Pristine Cover Prepaid Rate Cover via New York to England 1837 (December 1) Folded lettersheet in immaculate condition from Canada Company correspondence with intact "Arms" red wax seal on reverse, endorsed "via New York", lovely strike of double circle "City of Toronto U.C. DE 11837 datestamp in red, straightline "PAID $7 \boldsymbol{\&} \mathbf{2 5}$ " prepaid 7 pence rate to the border and 25 cents US postage, boxed Liverpool Ship Letter and 5 JA 1838 arrival backstamps, XF

Est. 400.00+


540 Incoming Letter to British Soldier during the Upper Canada Rebellion 1838 (June 29) Folded entire to Lieut. \& Adjutant Paget, 43th Light Infantry, Drummondville - defending Lake Erie shore against raiders crossing the lake in support of William Lyon Mackenzie (1795-1861) during the Upper Canada Rebellion of 1837-1838, endorsed "Private Ship Letter via Liverpool", sent from Chelsea, oval Ship Letter London 30 JU 1838, New York Ship JUL 25, Montreal JY 30 double circle transit in red, forwarded " $1 / 51 / 2$ " currency ( $1 / 1+41 / 2$ p - no charge for forwarding soldier letters). An attractive Upper Canada Rebellion cover to a soldier, VF

Est. 500.00+
Provenance: Sam Nickle, Collection of 19th Century Mail to Canada, Firby, May 1996; Lot 844


R Rebellion Suppression Account from The Murray Correspondence 1839 (February 18) Folded entire from William Murray to his father Captain James Murray R.N. in Kilmun near Greenock, Scotland. Endorsed "New York \& Liverpool", double circle Montreal FE 181839 datestamp in red, prepaid " $183 / 4$ " and " $41 / 2$ ", New York FEB 23 circular transit in red, Liverpool Ship Letter backstamp, two-line Greenock / Penny Post along with Scottish "1/2d" border fee, VF

Est. 1,000.00+
An intriguing account which reads in part: "... you have heard of the suppression of the Rebellion in Lower Canada. The American Pirates and Brigands along the frontier still however continue to commit outrages on the persons and properties of the Loyalists who are settled near the lines... the general opinion has it that A WAR WITH THE UNITED STATES is now inevitable and we are all very anxious to hear what measures may be expected on the opening of the Imperial Parliament... the repeated aggressions of our sympathizing neighbours... the prisoners taken in Upper Canada have been tried by court martial and most of those found guilty have been hanged. The same course has been pursued in this province but owing to the number of prisoners taken the court is still in operation... yesterday morning five were executed..."


Fabulous Rated "Paid to the Lines" Cover to Vermont with Historical Content 1839 (August 17) Folded entire written at Berthier, rated "7" and "Paid to the Lines", legible double circle Montreal AUG 221839 CDS in red, rerated at the US border " $12 \frac{1}{2}$ " (cents) from there to destination Burtland, Vermont; Highgate Vt AUG 24 transit in red.

Est. 750.00+
Provenance: Sam Nickle Military Postal History Collection. January 1996; Lot 318
A highly interesting letter concerning Canada's operation of political prisoners of the Rebellion of 1837, handwritten by James Cuthbert, 1st English seignoir of Berthier, President of special council of Lower Canada to administer affairs after 1838 suspension of Constitution, which reads in part:
"The Buffalo council ship arrived in Quebec and will sail in about 10 days for Van Diemen's Land with 70 political convicts of Upper Canada and about 62 from this Province, ten or twelve of the poor deluded prisoners will be pardoned on bail, eleven or twelve will be banished for life giving bail not to return. The American citizens will be liberated and thus ends the second insurrection - A third, should it occur will prove far more disastrous."


Earliest Known Usage of Large Type MONEY LETTER Handstamp 1839 (August 13) Large folded OHMS Money Letter mailed "TOO LATE" from Niagara to Toronto, double circle NIAGARA U.C. in red with filled-in date "13th Augt 1839", quadruple rate " $1 / 6$ ", four times the $4 \frac{1}{2}$ pence for 33 miles across the lake by steamboat; the earliest reported of the large (American made) type "MONEY LETTER" ( $63 \times 6 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) handstamp according to Harrison, VF

Est. 400.00+
Literature: Illustrated and discussed in Harrison, Arfken \& Lussey "Canada's Registered Mail 18021909" handbook on page 10 (Figure 18 - Rarity Factor "RRR")


544 Incoming Mail from Jamaica 1840 (January 21) Folded letter endorsed "Via Liverpool and New York" from Leogan, St. James, Jamaica to Hartfield near Québec; perhaps travelling more directly as the only datestamps are Halifax double arc transit (unclear date) and Quebec JUN 111840 receiver, redirected to Holland Landing, UC. Rated "5N1 Ship" and "4" for total "9/1" - an unusually seen high postal rate. Letter reads in part: "... he lost the whole of the ginger crop of last year in consequence of the ... getting their freedom." An interesting ship route with an unusually high postage rate, VF

Est. 300.00+
B Superb Earliest Usage of Boxed Money Letter Handstamp 1840 (February 4) Superb, clean and fresh folded lettersheet endorsed "Money Letter", sharp double Montreal FE 41840 CDS in red, sameink "MONEY LETTER" boxed handstamp (the earliest usage of this), rated " $2 / 9$ " to Picton, very attractive, XF

Est. 200.00+
Literature: Illustrated in Harrison, Arfken \& Lussey "Canada's Registered Mail 1802-1909" handbook on page 12 (Figure 19 - with rarity factor "RRR")

D Double Weight Prepaid to England 1840 (June 24) Folded cover endorsed "P Great Western Post Paid to New York", three PAID handstamps denoting "1/10" currency for double weight (twice 11 pence), U.S. border to New York " $371 / 2$ " (cents), freight money fee " 50 cents", Quebec, New York transits, carried on steamer Great Western to England where it entered the mail, two-line BRISTOL / SHIP LETTER handstamp in red, rated " 8 " pence sterling collect for ship letter rate, Fine

Est. 500.00+


Immigration \& Overland Journey Account from The Murray Correspondence 1840 (November 17) Folded entire from Alexander Hunter Murray (1818-1874) who later joined Hudson Bay Company and was one of the first to arrive in the Yukon, built in 1847 Fort Yukon, a four-page letter (although endorsed "single sheet"), rated "A.P. 25, Steam 25, BR 9, Paid handstamp and "3/3" from London, U.C. to Greenock, Scotland, some ageing and wear at sides. Ship Letter handstamp and 22 DE 1840 arrival backstamp.

Est. 1,000.00+
An historically interesting, detailed account on A.H. Murray's voyage and immigration from August 31 to October 2, and in even greater detail his overland journal from Quebec via many stagecoaches and steamboats and his impressions on arrival.

The writer joined the Hudson Bay Company in 1845 and became a key figure in the Yukon and of HBC history; in charge of establishing Fort Yukon in an area he and HBC exploited, until 1869 when HBC was ejected from Fort Yukon by the US following their purchase of Alaska.


Quebec British Crowned Paid Handstamp Cover to New York 1842 (October 8) Folded lettersheet mailed to New York, rated "11" pence to border and " $183 / 4$ " (cents) to New York, double arc Quebec dispatch and well-struck British Crowned Paid at Quebec, L.C. handstamp in red - the first year of usage of this, VF (SG CC1; R. Lowe HS-99)

Est. 250.00+

## EARLY LETTER FROM CANADA TO ENGLAND FORWARDED TO THE IONIAN ISLANDS - ADREATIC SEA



《 1842 (November 24) Folded letter from Montreal prepaid to England, double arc dispatch and paid handstamps, prepaid to England where forwarding Agents Coutts \& Co. crossed out address and paid a $1 /-$ sterling forwarding charge to Corfu, Ionian Islands; British paid dispatch datestamps and forwarding agents handstamp on backflap. One of only two recorded stampless covers from Canada to the Ionian Islands, VF

Est. 1,000.00+
Provenance: Allan Steinhart Collection, Harmers of Switzerland, May 2005; Lot 1504


Québec Crowned Paid Circle Cover via Halifax to London 1843 (March 24) Folded cover prepaid from Québec to a soldier's wife, rated " $1 / 4$ " currency, " $1 / 2$ " sterling, well-struck British Crowned Paid Circle Paid at Quebec, L.C. in red with same-ink Quebec MR 241843 double arc dispatch, travelling overland during the winter to Halifax for the Cunard Line steamer to Liverpool; sealed tear on flap, unusually clear strike of the Crowned Paid Circle, VF (SG CC1; R Lowe HS-99)

Est. 300.00+


Money-Letter with Assigned Bill Number - Very Early 1843 (May 26) Clean folded cover from Newmarket, UC to Toronto, endorsed "Money Letter" and assigned Letter Bill No. "332" at left, neat MONEY-LETTER and PAID handstamps in red, manuscript " $1 / 1 \frac{1}{2}$ " prepaid triple rate (less than 60 miles) with same-ink Newmarket MY 261843 double arc dispatch; couple light folds. According to Horace Harrison this is the EARLIEST MONEY LETTER known to have been assigned a Letter Bill number, which enabled the receiving postmaster to check them against the bill. This eventually evolved into the use of registered letter numbers. A significant cover perfect for a serious registered mail collection, VF

Est. 500.00+
Provenance: Horace Harrison, R. Lee Auctions, October 2003; Lot 113
Literature: Illustrated and discussed in Harrison, Arfken \& Lussey "Canada's Registered Mail 18021909" handbook on pages 17-19 (Figure 34).


Rarely Seen Domestic Soldier's Concessionary One-Penny Rate 1846 (March 10) Soldier's letter inscribed "From Staff Sgt Bartlett 14th Regiment" and countersigned by commanding officer Major James Watson, mailed from Québec to Warden, Provincial Penitentiary at Kingston, British "Crown" PAID at Quebec handstamp, rated "1" and double arc dispatch in red; tiny cover repair at left, otherwise sound neat Kingston MR 151846 receiver in red on reverse. A beautiful Soldier's rate cover unusually sent domestically - a high percentage of known Concessionary rate covers are addressed to the UK; a great cover for an advanced collection, VF

Est. 750.00+

$553 \boxtimes$ Superb Prepaid Cover to France 1846 (May 13) Folded lettersheet from Montreal prepaid to Bordeaux, endorsed "per steamer from Boston to Liverpool on the 16th May", Cunard Line with AngloFrench Accountancy mark boxed "CANADA \&c ART.12." handstamp in red, British 29 MY 1846 transit and three different French transit / receiver postmarks. Includes a lovely engraving of Montreal from the St. Lawrence $182 \times 127 \mathrm{~mm}$ (circa. 1840), VF

Est. 300.00+
$554 \Delta 1846$ (July 9) Folded entire datelined "Perth Western Australia July 9th 1846", addressed to a Royal Artillery officer in the garrison at Montreal, showing nice "Paid / Freemantle" red octagonal with filledin " $10 / 7 / 46$ " date, rated " 6 d " and oval "L / JA 10 C", rated " 8 , " $1 / 10$ " and " $2 / 0^{1} / 2$ "; on reverse SHIP LETTER straightline in red, double circle JA 91847 British transit. Letter in part reads: "Your letter of 29th October I only received in this out of the world place on the 8th June". A rare early cover from Western Australia to Canada, VF

Illustrated on Page 195 Est. 1,500.00+

## INCOMING MAIL

## WESTERN AUSTRALIA TO LOWER CANADA



## ONE OF THE VERY FEW KNOWN TRANSATLANTIC MONEY LETTERS



《 1846 (November 16) A very rare Money Letter to England, clear Niagara double arc dispatch in red, two different MONEY LETTER handstamps and large red manuscript " m ", rated " $1 / 2$ "; on reverse Launceston, Toronto and Montreal backstamps. No apparent extra charges levied as a Money Letter either in Canada or England; light edge wrinkles and couple light folds, F-VF

Est. 1,500.00+
Provenance: Allan Steinhart Collection, Harmers of Switzerland, May 2005; Lot 1080
Horace Harrison mentions in an article titled: "Money Letters: Forerunners of the Registry System - Part 2" PHSC Journal No. 51, that "In the original articles published nearly 20 years ago in the American Philatelist, it was stated that no such letters were known. Since then, only seven have uncovered and recorded." At least two of the seven have "Money" in manuscript as opposed to being handstamped MONEY LETTER as the one offered here. A very rare example to the UK, perhaps the most attractive of the few that exist.


Rare U.States Postage Paid Handstamp at Montreal 1847 (May 27) Folded entire in clean, fresh condition, addressed to New York, Montreal including double arc dispatch, unframed "tombstone" and the very short-lived, rarely seen circular U.States / Postage / Paid instructional marking - which denotes collection of U.S. postage by the Canadian Post Office for the U.S. Post Office, all attractively struck in red. Rated " $41 / 2$ " and " 10 " (US cents) "paid to N. York Box 160"

Est. 1,000.00+
This handstamp was only in use in 1847 (only in Montreal); the practice was abolished following order on November 16, 1847

Provenance: Dr. John Robertson Collection of U.S.-B.N.A. Cross-Border Postal History, Matthew Bennett, April 2004; Lot 100


L Letter from Montreal to England - Account of "Emigrant Fever" 1847 (August 29) Folded entire of historical interest - contains gruesome accounts of many deaths from "Emigrant Fever", endorsed "Paid by Boston Steamer Ship", Montreal double arc dispatch prepaid " $1 / 2$ " stg \& " $1 / 4$ " currency Cunard rate to England, F-VF; ex. Jack Arnell, Transatlantic Mails 1686-1875 Collection (February 1997; Lot 156)

Est. 350.00+
M MONEY LETTER handstamp with Letter Bill Number 1847 (September 15) Folded cover endorsed "Money Letter, no postal device at origin but docketing "Eboulements 15 th Sept 1847" at left, rated " 7 " (distance between 61-100 miles), with manuscript bill number " 885 " (early usage of the letter bill number system), MONEY LETTER handstamp in red and same-ink Quebec SEP 17 double arc dispatch on back, F-VF

Est. 200.00+


M Military Concessionary Rate to Scotland 1849 (February 2) Folded letter from Sgt John Strong serving in Quebec, countersigned by Commanding Officer, rated "1" for Soldier's concession rate to the UK, Quebec double arc dispatch and British "Crowned" Circle Paid at Quebec, L.C., small tear at foot. Glasgow FE 201849 backstamp, F-VF (R. Lowe HS-99; SG CC1)

Est. 500.00+

COLONIAL LETTER FROM MANITOULIN ISLAND TO FRANCE


区 1849 (October 12) Folded entire written in French with "Ste Croix Grand Manitouline 12 9bre 1849" (Holy Cross, Manitoulin Island) (as no post office established), hand delivered to Penetanguishene, U.C. post office with clear NOV 201849 unframed CDS, addressed to Epizon, France; backstamped Holland Landing and Montreal transits, two different red boxed Colonies Art 12 handstamps, rated " $2 / 5$ " collect for British and Foreign Fees converted to "19" (décimes) collect, French transit Calais 10 DEC 49 and two others on back. A very rare early letter from Manitoulin Island, VF Est. 750.00+

## INCOMING WINTER MAIL FROM SCOTLAND TO SAULT STE MARIE PARTLY TRANSPORTED ON FOOT BY SNOWSHOE



《 1849 (December 11) Folded entire from Duglad MacTavish to William MacTavish (involved in exploration and fur trade) at Hudson Bay House, Sault Ste Marie, mailed from Kilchrist, Scotland with circular "1s/4dcy", manuscript "1/2"; on reverse Liverpool DE 14 double arc in blue, clear Holland Landing JA 71850 transit in red and Penetanguishene JAN 8 transit in blue; from there travelling BY SNOWSHOE to Sault Ste. Marie, which at that time was the most Westerly Post Office in Canada, VF

Est. 1,500.00+
Provenance: Allan Steinhart Collection, Harmers of Switzerland, May 2005; Lot 1143
An interesting early pioneer mail to Western Canada, partly transported on foot by snowshoe.


562 Rare Money Letter Mailed from the United States to Canada 1851 (January 29) Cover from Niagara Falls to Jordan, Upper Canada and endorsed "Money", Niagara JAN 29 CDS in blue and sameink "Paid 10" handstamp for double rate, Queenston JAN 291851 transit on arrival across the river with straightline MONEY LETTER" and rated in error " $41 / 2$ " as single weight; partial Jordan receiver backstamp. A very rare Money Letter from the United States - according to Harrison (PHSC Number 51, page 24) one of only three known, F-VF

Est. 500.00+
Literature: Illustrated in Harrison, Arfken \& Lussey "Canada's Registered Mail 1802-1909" handbook on page 29 (figure 53 with rarity factor "RR")

563 Green Ink MONEY LETTER Handstamp 1853 (April 25) Blue folded entire from Ingersoll to Toronto handstamped "3D" to collect, attractively postmarked IN GREEN INK Ingersoll AP 251853 double arc dispatch and MONEY-LETTER handstamp - very scarce coloured cancels. Discussed in Harrison, Arfken \& Lussey "Canada's Registered Mail" on page 26. A lovely cover with great eye appeal, VF

Est. 350.00+
564 Unusual Block Type "MONEY" Handstamps 1854 (September 14) Legal envelope mailed from Montreal addressed to George Norris Trent of the Royal Navy "to be left at the post office Drummondville Eastern Township until called for", straightline "MONEY-LETTER" in red and unusual block type "MONEY" handstamps in black in upper corners possibly applied by the sender, rated unpaid "6" for double weight same-ink Montreal double arc dispatch in black, same-day receiver backstamp in red, light fold and slight soiling, an interesting and scarce Money Letter, Fine


565 Crimean War Period 10-Pence Currency Rate Via Boston to Ireland 1855 (April 8) Bluish envelope mailed prepaid from Quebec to Dublin, Ireland, clear cursive, very scarce "8d Stg. Paid 10 Cy." handstamp in red, Paid / Quebec 91855 datestamp, via Boston by Cunard Line to the UK with tombstone Pkt Letter Paid Liverpool 22 AP 1855, Blackrock, Ireland receiver backstamp. A scarce route \& rate cover mailed during the Crimean War Period (January 1855 - January 1856), Fine; ex. Jack Arnell (February 1997; Lot 175)

Est. 500.00+


Very Elusive Prepaid Registered Cover to the United States 1855 (May 22) Registered cover sent prepaid from Montreal to New York, bearing (all in red ink) unframed "tombstone" Montreal PAID MY 221855 datestamp, boxed "REGISTERED", two different "PAID" handstamps and circular PAID 6D, for letter rate to the US, registration fee of 1 p paid in cash. The Registration System replaced Money Letters on March 31, 1855, no formal agreement with the US was made until August 8, 1856 (registration fee: 3 pence). In the meantime, the 1 p charge paid for service to the border, then continued as a courtesy. One of the very few known covers from this "interim" period, VF Est. 350.00+

"RERISTERED" Handstamp Error 1855 (July 19) Blue folded cover from Brant to Southampton, handstamped PAID and "RERISTERED" in red, the latter misspelled - believed to be the only post office among nearly 1,300 that received this error handstamp. Rated " 3 " with Brant double arc dispatch with filled-in date, three different backstamps. A very scarce handstamp error, VF

Est. 350.00+
Provenance: Horace Harrison Collection of Canadian Postal History, Bennett, February 2003; Lot 31
Literature: Illustrated and discussed in Harrison, Arfken \& Lussey "Canada's Registered Mail 18021909" handbook on page 47 (Figure 84).


Grand Trunk Railway Route Handstamp 1856 (March 11) Blue envelope in clean condition, embossed albino "Young, James \& Co. Montreal crest on backflap, postmarked with unframed "tombstone" Montreal PAID MR 11 datestamp in red, dark red "By Grand Trunk Railway" private handstamp and same-ink Paid Drawer 14 Y.J. \& Co. oval handstamp and rated "6" in manuscript denoting postage was levied to Bryant's Pond, one of the train stations on the US section of the G.T.R. An attractive cover in an excellent state of preservation - the few we have seen had faults to some degree, XF

Est. 750.00+


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R Registered Mail to the United States Prior to Arrangements between Canada - USA 1856 (March 17) Folded letter datelined "Montreal 14 March 1856 ", prepaid " 6 " pence to New York, straightline "REGISTERED" denoting the current 1 penny registration fee (prepayment mandatory) in cash for service to the border as registration was not formally recognized to the US until August 8, 1856. One of the few covers mailed during this interim period, VF

Est. 350.00+
Provenance: Horace Harrison Collection of Canadian Postal History, Bennett, February 2003; Lot 84


Remarkably Fresh and Clean "FREE" Registered Drop Letter 1856 (April 12) Blue folded cover locally mailed to Crown Lands, Toronto, large circular APR 12 CDS, same-ink "FREE" handstamp for the $1 / 2 \mathrm{p}$ drop letter free franking privilege, the registration fee of 1 p had to be prepaid, REGISTERED handstamped in red. Unusually clean, a very scarce combination of postal markings, VF Est. 750.00+

Provenance: Warren Wilkinson Gold Medal Collection of Canadian Postal Rates 1851-1859, Firby Auctions, June 2007; Lot 34

## DOMESTIC REGISTERED LETTER AGAINST REGULATIONS



《 1856 (June 9) Large blue cover sent registered from Galt to Toronto, somewhat reduced at left and light fold, rated " $1 / 1$ " for the quadruple $3 p$ rate ( $12 p$ ) plus 1 p registration to be collected - a procedure against postal regulations that required mandatory prepayment of the 1 p registration fee. Believed to be the only recorded example (according to Harrison) showing both postage and registration fees as collect. An important registered cover for an advanced collection, VF

Est. 1,500.00+
Provenance: Warren Wilkinson Gold-Medal Collection of Canadian Postal Rates 1851-1859, Firby, June 2007; Lot 107

Literature: Illustrated and discussed in Harrison, Arfken \& Lussey "Canada's Registered Mail 18021909" handbook on pages 48-49 (Figure 87) - assigned rarity factor of "RRR"


V Very Scarce Seven Pence Registered Cover to the United States 1856 (July 9) Red Brown envelope, portion of Ashton, U.C. "Crown" wax seal on reverse, to Ogdensburg, NY via Ottawa \& Prescott, double arc Ashton dispatch in red with filled-in "9 July 1856" date, light boxed REGISTERED and PAID handstamps in red, rated " 6 " for prepaid letter to the US and 1 p registration fee paid in cash. Registration to the US was not formally recognized until August 8, 1856 - the then current 1 p prepaid registration fee was until the border, onward the service of registration in the US not available. One of the few covers that exist from this pre-agreement period, Fine

Est. 350.00+
Provenance: Harry Lussey Canadian Registration Collection, R. Lee Auction No. 94, May 1999; Lot 466 - illustrated and discussed in Harrison, Arfken \& Lussey "Canada's Registered Mail" handbook on page 91-92 (Figure 161).
Warren Wilkinson Gold-Medal Collection of Canadian Postal Rates 1851-1859, Firby, June 2007; Lot 187


Beautiful Transatlantic Cover Postmarked All in Red 1856 (July 14) Small envelope sent prepaid from Montreal to London, showing three different postmarks in red - unframed tombstone Montreal Paid JY 14 1856, a very scarce straightline "8dStg PAID 10dCy." and British "PAID 28 JY 1856" CDS; minor wrinkling, a very appealing cover with VF strikes

Est. 350.00+


574 Very Scarce Rate Handstamp on Attractive Prepaid Cover to England 1856 (August 18) Small envelope prepaid to London, struck in red with unframed tombstone Montreal PAID AU 181856 and very scarce " 8 dStg PAID 10dCy." straightline for the Cunard Line rate via the US; minor wrinkling, a pretty cover, Fine with VF strikes

Est. 350.00+
® "BY CANADIAN PACKET" \& Cursive Rate Handstamp Cover to Ireland 1856 (November 19) Clean, fresh folded cover from Québec to Dublin, Paid Quebec .. 191856 double arc dispatch (no month) in red and same-ink very scarce cursive straightline " 6 dStg Paid $71 / 2 \mathrm{Cy}$." handstamp, tombstone Pck Letter Paid Liverpool DE 258 transit in red and superb two-line "BY-CANADIAN / PACKET" handstamp applied at Liverpool alongside Dublin DE 31856 CDS receivers; an attractive Allan Line rate cover to Ireland, VF Illustrated on Page 205 Est. 500.00+

Provenance: Allan Steinhart Collection, Harmers of Switzerland, May 2005; Lot 1100
V Very Scarce Cursive Straighline Rate Handstamp 1857 (July 23) Mourning cover with intact black wax seal, prepaid to Navan, Ireland, endorsed "by Boston", Peterboro double arc dispatch and a very scarce cursive "PAID 8d.Stg. 10d.Cy." straightline for Cunard Line rate via the US, Pkt Letter Paid Liverpool AU 1057 transit in red, Navan AU 12 receiver, VF Illustrated on Page 205 Est. 250.00+

577 Free Postage - Legislative Assembly 1858 (May 5) Mourning cover sent free from Toronto to Crown Lands, large unframed Legislative Assembly Canada MAY 51858 CDS in blue (Davis LA-2), VF (CS LA-2)

Illustrated on Page 205 Est. 200.00+


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578 "Shield \& Crown" Legislative Assembly Handstamp 1858 (July 22) Small cover mailed free from Toronto to Berlin, struck with unusually clear Legislative Assembly Shield \& Crown Canada July 22 1858 handstamp in red (Davis LA-4) and straightline "FREE" in black, initialed at left, Berlin JY 23 receiver on back. An attractive, early usage of the "Shield", VF (CS LA-4) ex. Sam Nickle Canadian 19th Century Postal History (October 1996; Lot 737)

Est. 300.00+
$579 \boxtimes$ "BY CANADIAN PACKET" Prepaid Letter to Ireland 1858 (August 23) An appealing small cover from Québec to Dublin, large CDS dispatch in red and same-ink, clearly struck straightline "PAID 6dStg", tombstone Pkt Letter PAID Liverpool SP 958 transit and also struck at Liverpool two-line "BY-CANADIAN / PACKET" in red on back alongside Dublin SE 1858 CDS receiver. A beautifully postmarked Allan Line rate cover to Ireland, VF

Est. 500.00+
$580 \boxtimes$ Very Scarce Carrier Fee Cover 1858 (October 1) Cover from St. Croix, L.C. to Québec, rated "6" for double weight letter rate, plus carrier fee " 1 " of one penny for total of " 7 " pence to be collected, nextday Quebec receiver backstamp; further annotated "Pd by Me L.B." Carrier letters are most unusual according to Firby no cover bearing stamps prepaying such a rate has been reported. During the Pence era, only four stampless covers are recorded, VF; ex. Warren Wilkinson Collection (June 2007; Lot 97)

Est. 350.00+


B Beautiful Valentine Cover \& Card, Local Drop Half Penny Rate 1859 (February 11) Intricate, embossed Valentine with gold multi-coloured card enclosed, superb large circular City of Ottawa, C.W. 11 FEB 1859 CDS, rated as a drop letter with " $1 / 2$ " penny rate, pretty and in an excellent state of preservation, VF and scarce

Est. 500.00+


582 Only Reported Legislative Assembly Government Official Handstamp in Red 1859 (February 28) Thompson's "Mirror of Parliament 1859 No. 1" circular sent free from Quebec to Lacolle, C.E. light ageing and edge wear, superb large unframed Legislative Assembly Canada handstamp IN RED (Davis LA-2 unlisted in red, no date). A great item related to Government official postal markings and quite likely one-of-a-kind, Fine with VF+ strike

Est. 500.00+


583 Incoming Mail: Double Unpaid Letter from the U.K. 1863 (March 19) Clean folded lettersheet from Liverpool on Allan Line to Montreal, dispatch CDS, endorsed "per North American via Derry", British Claim " 5 " stg. on a double unpaid letter, rated " 37 " to collect ( $2 \times 12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ postage plus half-fine of $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ ), Montreal AP 6 63, VF and unusual; ex. Jack Arnell Transatlantic Mails Collection (February 1997; Lot 585)

Est. 300.00+
584 Rare Government Handstamp - Legislative Council Canada 1864 (March 10) Immaculate cover bearing the rare Legislative Council Canada (serifed letters) "Crown" handstamp in red - quite clear for this (Davis LC-4) mailed free to Whitby, C.W. with light same-ink FREE "Crown" (italic; Davis FH1ii), initialed at left, light Whitby split ring in blue on reverse, VF (CS LC-4 + Boggs "Free" type HS04) ex. Sam Nickle (October 1996; Lot 738)

Est. 350.00+


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585 Allan Line Straightline Rate Handstamp Cover to Scotland 1864 (November 12) Cover from George Brown, a Fathers of Confederation, prepaid to Scotland, endorsed "Free Geo Brown Prest Ex Council" at left, Paid Québec NO 121864 double arc dispatch in red and same-ink very scarce and late use of " 6 Stg Paid 71/2dCy" handstamp, couple small tears at top; on reverse clear Edinburgh NO 2364 CDS receiver, F-VF; ex. Allan Steinhart (May 2005; Lot 1001) Illustrated and discussed in Arfken \& Leggett "Canada's Decimal Era" handbook on page 134 (Figure 7).

Est. 400.00+
586 Autobiographical Letter Signed James Ross, Postmaster at Red River Settlement 1865 (May 16) Orange cover delivered by favour from Toronto to Henry Morgan in Quebec, with letter signed by James Ross (1835-1871) and four-page autobiographical sketch, a former Postmaster at the Red River Settlement, who was to become Chief Justice under the Provisional Government of Louis Riel in 1870. An important document related to Red River Settlement, Fine

Est. 500.00+


Crown Chief Engineers Office RPO Cover 1871 (August) Yellow cover to Henry Morgan, Secretary of State, Ottawa with three letter enclosures from the Canadian Pacific Railway Survey Crew from Camp 13 sent following the disaster of July 1871 and carried by Indians to Great Lakes Steamers, then onward to Ottawa. Light, quite legible "Crown" Chief Engineers Office I.C.R. SEP 11 PAID Railway handstamp, Ottawa SP 11 split ring. The letter reads in part: "The Gunboat had not arrived and had it not been the H.B. Post (Hudson Bay Post) supplying us with provisions... starvation". "The H.B. Co charge us double prices for everything. Indian Couriers have not brought any Mail since Collingwood." An interesting letter carried by Indians and by river post, Fine

Est. 1,000.00+
Provenance: Sam Nickle Canadian 19th Century Postal History, Firby, October 1996; Lot 461
The Gunboat mentioned is the "Rescue" commissioned at the time of the first Riel Rebellion 18691870 and considered the first boat in the Canadian Navy. See Eastern Auctions April 2021 sale Lot 372 for another "disaster" cover from the same correspondence; franked with 3c Small Queen - sold for $\$ 1,700$ hammer.


- Rare Registered Free Mail From House of Commons 1875 (February 24) An appealing small folded cover mailed free from Ottawa to London, Ontario, unframed House of Commons Canada with " 24 " indicia date only with Free below postmark in blue (Davis CP-6ii), same-ink REGISTERED used at the House of Commons (unlisted in Davis) visible at left, countersigned with Ottawa split ring dispatch and straightline REGISTERED on arrival at main post office, VF (CS HC-4a + unlisted H of C Registered blue handstamp)

Est. 500.00+

detail of cancel (back)
589 Extremely Rare Blue House of Commons Canada Datestamp 1878 (March 25) Incoming Mail Yellow cover in immaculate condition from Brome, C.E. split ring dispatch and "FREE" marking, well struck Montreal MAR 25 transit on back plus superb strike of the extremely rare double ring House of Commons Canada MAR 261878 postmark (without "Crown" nor Free) in blue (Davis CP-9i with highest rarity factor of " 5 ") as a receiver. A very small number exist, no doubt this is the finest and most desirable example, XF (CS HC9) This strike is the same one depicted in the Canada Specialized and Davis catalogues; ex. "Libra" Official Mail Collection (October 2012; Lot 1180) Est. 500.00+


590 Extremely Rare Double Circle House of Commons Datestamp in Blue 1878 (April 3) Small envelope endorsed "O.H.M.S." and "Free", very clear South Bolton, L.C. double arc dispatch with filled-in "April 3 1878" date; on reverse a light but complete, legible strike of the extremely rare double ring House of Commons / Canada APR 41878 postmark (without "Crown" nor Free) in blue (Davis CP-9i RF "5" - the highest rarity factor allocated by Davis). Very few exist, VF (Canada Specialized HC-9)

Est. 300.00+


Domestic Mail Assortment Nine covers of various rates, some with instructional markings, noted St. Jean Port Joly manuscript dispatch on 1833 " $41 / 2$ " prepaid to Quebec; two attractively colour cancelled Berthier Money Letter handstamped covers 1846 \& 1847 to Montreal; 1835 superb double circle Brighton, U.C. dispatch to Toronto; also 1838 (Dec. 14) printed Sermon titled "National Judgments provoked by National Sins" preached at Cobourg, as a day of public fasting and humiliation in consequence of the present conspiracies against the peace of the province.

Est. 500.00+


592 Cross Border Rate - Exchange Office Eleven covers 1854-1858 nicely written up on pages, prepaid or unpaid to the United States from various towns, noting 1855 ( 6 pence) postage charged to account on GWR envelope, 1857 "Advertised" and returned letter from the US, 1857 double unpaid rated "20" (cents) to collect at Vermont. Border exchange office handstamps in red or black, etc. Est. 500.00+
$593 \Delta$ Assortment of Transatlantic Mail Nine covers to or from Canada 1840s-1860s, various handstamps, instructional markings and rates, eight to or from the UK, one incoming from France 1865 and rated " 21 " cents collect. Also an 1852 letter to Scotland with insightful information on how to emigrate to Canada (transcript enclosed), etc.

Est. 750.00+



X595

594 Murray Correspondence Canada to Scotland - Eye-Witness Accounts Five 1834 to 1837 covers written up on quadrilled pages with letters from Scottish emigrants telling of their experiences and lives in Canada. Insightful. Fine or better

Est. 500.00+
$595 \boxtimes$ Forwarding Agents Manuscript / Handstamp to / from British North America Nine covers nicely written up on quadrilled pages, dated 1801 to 1837; from eight different Forwarding Agents. Two 1801 covers from Quebec to Scotland with double oval Ship Ltr "Crown" Liverpool handstamp, 1814 Montreal to London with two different Ship Letter handstamps, 1821 \& 1827 two covers from different agents mailed from Halifax to Philadelphia, 1835 St. John, NB to London, 1836 Scotland to Montreal, 1837 Calcutta, India to Guelph, Canada with nice oval Forwarded By Goodhue \& Co. New York agent handstamp in red. Seldom seen items from the Allan Steinhart Collection (May 2005; part of Lot 1554), F-VF

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## CANADA

## PENCE

## BRADBURY WILKINSON \& CO. ESSAYS



596 E 1p Dickens' Head A very seldom seen plate essay block of four, engraved and printed in dim brown on bond paper, superb in all respects, only a handful of blocks exists, XF (Minuse \& Pratt E-Aa)

Est. 2,000.00+
Provenance: "Carrington" Collection of Province of Canada, Bennett Auctions, June 2002; Lot 3001
597 E 6p Viking's Head Engraved plate essay single in green on white wove paper ( 0.004 " thick), bright colour and large margins, VF +

Est. 500.00+
E 1p Victoria Head Engraved plate essay in violet brown on white bond paper ( 0.004 " thick), choice, VF

Est. 400.00+


599 P 1TCiii, 3p Beaver Trial colour plate proof in black on india, horizontal SPECIMEN overprint in carmine, part sheet margin at top, choice, VF
400.00

600 ○ 1, 1851 3p Red on Handmade Laid Paper, Imperforate A used example with adequate to large margins, great colour and impression with prominent laid lines, ideally struck concentric rings cancellation, VF
$1,600.00$

601 - 1, 1851 3p Red on Handmade Laid Paper, Imperforate A selected used single with four large even margins and clear laid lines, two light strikes of concentric rings and also the last two letters of a MONEY LETTER straight line at top left, VF; 2017 Greene Foundation cert.
$1,600.00$


602 P 2TC, 6p Red Lilac Trial colour plate proof vertical strip of three on card mounted india, full Rawdon, Wright, Hatch \& Edson, New York imprint in right margin; an appealing multiple, VF (Unitrade cat. as singles)
900.00


603 P 2TCii, 6p Prince Consort Trial colour plate proof in orange yellow on india paper, VF; 2013 Greene Foundation cert.

604 P 2TCix, 6p Prince Consort A large margined trial colour plate proof in black on card mounted india, vertical SPECIMEN overprint in carmine, VF
350.00

605 P 2TCv, 6p Prince Consort Trial colour plate proof in grey on card mounted india, vertical SPECIMEN overprint in orange, radiant colour and large margins, VF+
300.00

606 P 2TCvii, 6p Prince Consort Trial colour plate proof block in dark grey on india with vertical SPECIMEN overprint in carmine, sheet margin at left, unerased engraver's guidelines visible in margin and between stamps, choice, VF

1,200.00
607 P 2TCx, 6p Prince Consort Trial colour plate proof single printed in black on india with vertical SPECIMEN overprint in orange, VF
375.00

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P 3TCi, 1879 (circa.) 12p \& 10c Queen Victoria and Prince Consort The rare Compound Die Proof, engraved, printed in dark violet brown on yellowish bond paper ( 0.003 " thick) and measuring 107 x 57 mm , horizontally severed and rejoined; an affordable example of a very rare proof. (Unitrade cat. $\$ 40,000$; Minuse \& Pratt 3TC1c +16 TC 1 c )

Est. 2,500.00+


609 P 3Pi, 12p Black A large margined plate proof single in the issued colour on card mounted india, vertical SPECIMEN overprint in carmine; choice, VF; 2013 Greene Foundation cert.

2,500.00+
610 P 3Pi, 12p Black Plate proof in issued colour on card mounted india with vertical SPECIMEN overprint in carmine, faint toning, VF

2,500.00


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611 P 3Pii, 12p Black The sought-after plate proof in issued colour on india paper with diagonal SPECIMEN overprint in carmine, ample margins all around and fresh. Ranking among the most elusive plate proofs - in our opinion scarcer than the vertical specimen in green. A great item for an advanced collection, VF

612 P 3Piii, 12p Black A flawless example of the very scarce plate proof, printed in the issued colour on india with vertical SPECIMEN overprint IN GREEN, ample to large margins with rich colour. A desirable item - one of the rarities of Pence issue plate proofs, VF

7,500.00

$613 \star 4,1857-1858$ 3p Red on Medium Wove Paper, Imperforate An attractive mint single, clear of frame at right to ample margins, rich colour and large part original gum; a nice stamp seldom seen with gum, Fine+

2,500.00


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614 - 4d, 1854 3p Orange Red on Thin Hard Crisp Paper, Imperforate A choice used single with bright colour on fresh paper, large margined, central light concentric rings cancel IN BLUE, VF
300.00+

615 〇 4xii, 1854 3p Scarlet on Thin Wove Paper, Imperforate An eye-arresting used single unusually struck with socked-on-nose large " 3 " rate marking in black, showing Major Re-entry (Pane B; Position 61 ) with doubling in "ANADA PO" of "CANADA POSTAGE", in first "E" of "PENCE" and in ovals among other traits, just clear of frame at foot to ample margins, Fine

Est. 300.00+


616 ( 4, 1857-1858 3p Red on Medium Wove Paper, Imperforate A scarce used block of four, large to just clear margins on three sides, slightly in outer frame at top, large scissor cut in the margin between bottom pair and slight crease at top, Fine appearance, only a few used blocks (in any condition) exist.

Est. 600.00+


617 © 4, 1857-1858 3p Orange Red on Medium Wove Paper, Imperforate A remarkable used strip of three in a lovely distinctive shade, displaying fabulous colour on pristine white paper with clear horizontal mesh characteristic of a late printing, mostly large margined except at upper left of middle stamp just clear of frame, light concentric rings cancellations, VF
900.00+

From Pane B, Positions 56-58, left stamp positioned noticeably lower, unusual. An unusual multiple perfect for a specialist.


O 4, 1857-1858 3p Red on Medium Wove Paper, Imperforate An attractive used horizontal pair with rich colour on pristine fresh paper, ample to very large margins, concentric rings cancel, VF

619 © 4, 1857-1858 3p Red on Medium Wove Paper, Imperforate A nice used example with ample to large margins, great colour, lightly cancelled with part double arc 1858 datestamp, VF
300.00

620 〇 5b, 1856 6p Greenish Grey on Medium Wove Paper, Imperforate An impressive large margined used example printed in the distinctive and unmistakable shade, BLUE cancel, extra wide margins adding to its appeal, XF; 2001 Brandon cert.

1,600.00+

## AMERICAN BANK NOTE TRADE SAMPLE PROOF SE-TENANT PAIR IN A MOST STRIKING COLOUR



621 P 7P \& 8P, 1868 (circa.) 10p \& $1 / 2 p$ Jacques Cartier and Queen Victoria An amazing American Bank Note Company se-tenant pair of Trade Sample Proofs, originating from the famous trade sample sheet, circa. 1868; engraved and printed in a dazzling bright yellow colour on white wove paper with clear horizontal mesh; natural india paper flaw on left proof and light pressed crease, the latter not mentioned in accompanying certificates. Surely among the most striking coloured proofs one can hope to find and especially desirable in an intact se-tenant pair, a fabulous item for an advanced collection, VF (Unitrade cat. $\$ 15,000$ )

Est. 5,000.00+
Expertization: 1979 Friedl (signed H. Bloch) and 2014 Greene Foundation certificates


7, 1868 (circa.) 10p Cartier American Bank Note Company Trade Sample Proofs in three darker shades - greyish violet, brownish red and bright purple, first proof on horizontal mesh wove, others on vertical mesh wove. First and third with slight thins as often seen on this fragile paper, otherwise VF and displaying sought-after rich colours.

Est. 1,500.00+


623 P 7, 1868 (circa.) 10p Jacques Cartier A superb ABNC Trade Sample Proof, engraved, printed in a remarkably dark greyish brown on soft fibrous white wove paper with faint vertical mesh, an appealing proof that originated from the ABNC trade sample sheet, VF

Est. 750.00+
624 P 7, 1868 (circa.) 10p Jacques Cartier Trade Sample Proof, engraved, printed in a superb deep rose lilac shade on white wove paper with distinctive horizontal mesh, originating from the rarely seen ABNC trade sample sheet printed circa. 1868; hint of toning and tiny thin spot, beautiful VF appearance

Est. 500.00+
P 7, 1868 (circa.) 10p Jacques Cartier ABNC Trade Sample Proof, engraved, printed in a pale orange rose colour on yellowish wove paper with clear horizontal mesh, small thin away from design, an attractive coloured proof, VF

Est. 500.00+

$626 \quad \mathbf{P} \quad$ 7Pi, 10p Blue A visually striking plate proof block in the issued colour on india, vertical SPECIMEN overprint in carmine with an "extra" column clearly visible at left edge, very unusual, VF (Unitrade cat. for a normal block)

1,200.00+
627 P 7TC, 10p Jacques Cartier Trial colour plate proof in black on india paper, large margined and choice, XF
800.00+

628 P 8, 1868 (circa.) $1 / 2$ p Queen Victoria Trade Sample Proof, engraved, printed a lovely greyish lilac colour on wove paper with distinctive horizontal mesh, miniscule thin speck, a beautiful proof that originated from the rare ABNC trade sample sheet, circa. 1868, VF

Est. 500.00+
$629 \quad \mathbf{P} \quad \mathbf{P i}, 1 / 2 \mathbf{p}$ Rose Top margin plate proof block in issued colour on india with vertical SPECIMEN in green, large portion of Rawdon, Wright, Hatch \& Edson, New (York) imprint, Positions 2-3 / 14-15 in sheet of 120 subjects, VF

Illustrated on Page 220 1,200.00
A large percentage of Half penny plate proof sheets were of 100 subjects - the first two columns and related imprints having been removed.

P 8Pi + varieties, $1 / 2 \mathbf{p}$ Rose Plate proof block in issued colour on india, vertical SPECIMEN overprint in green, right pair with Major Re-entries (Pos. 60 and 72 from the sheet of 120 subjects), prominent doubling in "HALF" and "POSTAGE" respectively, VF (Unitrade cat. as normal proofs)

Illustrated on Page 220 1,200.00+


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631 P 8TC, $1 / 2$ p Deep Rose Trial colour plate imprint proof strip of three on card mounted india paper (Positions 20 / 40 in the plate of 100 subjects), characteristic rich colour, VF (Unitrade cat. as singles)
900.00

$\mathbf{6 3 2} \quad \mathbf{P} \quad$ TCii + variety, $1 / 2 \mathbf{p}$ Queen Victoria Trial colour plate proof single printed in black on india with vertical SPECIMEN overprint in carmine, shows listed Re-entry (Position 46 from the sheet of 120 subjects) with nice doubling of top frameline, upper left frame and other traits clearly visible on this black proof, VF
300.00+

633 ○ 8, 1857 1/2p Rose on Medium Wove Paper, Imperforate Block of four with pen cancellations removed, cleaned, Fine appearance; 1979 Greene Foundation cert.

Est. 750.00+
Interestingly enough this block is illustrated in Robson Lowe "Encyclopedia of British Empire
Stamps, Volume V - North America" handbook on page 165, erroneously identified as "on ribbed".

## A SUPERB USED EXAMPLE OF THIS CHALLENGING STAMP


© 10, 1857 6p Reddish Purple on Very Thick Fibrous Soft Paper, Imperforate A remarkable, flawless, used example of this very challenging stamp with ample to huge margins, diamond grid cancellation of Toronto. Superb true colour and bright impression on immaculate fresh paper. Unquestionably one of the nicest examples one can hope to find, VF+

9,000.00+

© 10, 1857 6p Reddish Purple on Very Thick Soft Fibrous Paper, Imperforate An attractive example of this challenging, short-lived, distinctive printing, displaying ample to large margins, slight lightened stain, neat grid cancellation, VF; clear 2001 Greene Foundation cert.
$9,000.00$

## THE PERFORATED THREE PENCE BEAVER SELDOM SEEN MINT WITH ORIGINAL GUM


$636 \star 12,1859$ 3p Red, Perf $113 / 4$ An extremely scarce mint example of this difficult stamp - Canada's First Perforated Issue, sheet margin at foot, with deep rich colour and sharp impression on fresh wove paper, negligible gum bend, full intact perforations and retaining an unusually large portion of its original gum. Only a few mint OG examples survive; pencil signed by expert H . Bloch on reverse, Fine OG; clear 2021 Greene Foundation cert.

30,000.00

## A GLORIOUS PENCE COVER TO FRANCE THE EARLIEST PENCE STAMP FRANKED COVER TO CONTINENTAL EUROPE



1851 (December 1) Small folded cover mailed from New Carlisle, Gaspé to Granville, France bearing an impressive First Issue multiple franking consisting of a horizontal strip of three of the 6 pence greyish purple on handmade laid paper, showing prominent laid lines, rich colour, clear to ample margins except at two sides of left stamp, superbly cancelled and tied by concentric rings, double arc dispatch at left; backflap tear from opening and very slight edge wear mentioned for the record. Pays an 18pence rate to France - 3 pence overland rate to Nova Scotia via New Brunswick, and 15-pence rate to the United Kingdom, routed through Chatham DE 6, Petitcodiac DE 7, Sackville DE 7 backstamps then forwarded to Halifax and Boston, where it was carried on Cunard Line to Liverpool. Forwarded from U.K. unpaid to France with red boxed CANADA / \&c ART 12" handstamp further tying the strip, transit Calais 23 DEC 51 CDS in red with French Accountancy stylized "15" ( 15 centimes) due marking to be collected from the recipient, next-day Granville receiver backstamps. An outstanding cover with a very rare route and franking combination, F-VF (Unitrade 2b)

Est. 15,000.00+
Expertization: clear 2020 Greene Foundation certificate
Provenance: Sam Nickle, Christie's Robson Lowe, March 1993; Lot 61
Warren Wilkinson, Firby Auctions, June 2007; Lot 317 - where it realized an impressive US $\$ 45,000$ hammer against a pre-sale estimate of US\$35,000.
Joseph Hackmey, Feldman Auctions, New York, March 2011; Lot 10385
London 2015 Europhilex Rarities Auction, May 2015; Lot 47
Literature: Illustrated and discussed in Arfken, Leggett, Firby \& Steinhart "Canada's Pence Era - The Pence Stamps and the Canadian Mail 1851-1859" on page 282 (Figure 258), listed as Cover No. 1 in Table 50. The only instance of a Pence cover to Europe being routed through the Maritimes. By far the Earliest Reported of the mere 5 covers to France, by more than five years.
Illustrated in Capex '96 Gems of Canadian Philately handbook on page 13.
Census: Canada Pence Issue 1851-1859 Cover Census, compiled by Wayne Smith (as of February 2021); this is the only known 18-Pence rate among the five reported Pence franking covers.

## A SPECTACULAR COVER TO FRANCE - NO DOUBT REGARDED AS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT AND REMARKABLE PENCE-FRANKED COVERS MAILED TO A FOREIGN COUNTRY.

## A PHENOMENAL SEVEN \& ONE HALF PENNY IMPERFORATE \& PERFORATE MULTIPLE FRANKING TO IRELAND



1855 (September 26) White envelope in an excellent state of preservation, bearing a fabulous, extremely well centered (and rare thus) strip of three perforated $1 / 2 p$ rose alongside an imperforate $6 p$ slate grey on medium wove paper slightly into frame at foot, all tied by partly legible four-ring ' $30^{\prime}$ numeral cancellations of Peterboro with clear double arc dispatch at foot, superb circular Paid Liverpool Col Packet 12 OC 59 transit in red; wax seal excised on reverse, Cobourg and Montreal transits and Dublin OC13 and Navan OC13 receivers. Mailed during the Cents era (currency change was effective July 1st, 1859), Pence stamps were still available and valid for postage. In this case, pays the then current $121 / 2$ cents (or $71 / 2$ pence) letter rate to the United Kingdom, via Canadian Packet - Allan Line, in a most remarkable \& unusual way. THE ONLY KNOWN COVER with this franking, which ranks as one of the most stunning Pence covers mailed to the United Kingdom, VF (Unitrade 5, 11)

Est. 10,000.00+
Expertization: 1995 BPA certificate
Provenance: Bill Lea Exhibit Collection of Canada Pence \& Cents Postal History (private sale)
The K.L. Collection of Classic Rarities, Siegel, April 1996; Lot 23
The "Carrington" Collection of the Province of Canada 1851-1868, Matthew Bennett, June 2002; Lot 3190 - realized US $\$ 20,000$ hammer.
Warren Wilkinson Gold Medal Collection of Canadian Postal Rates 1851-1859, Firby Auctions, June 2007; Lot 218 - realized US\$25,000 hammer.
Joseph Hackmey, Feldman Auctions, March 2011; Lot 10350
London 2015 Europhilex Rarities Auction, May 2015; Lot 80

## A VERY RARE DOMESTIC REGISTERED PENCE COVER PREPAID WITH POSTAGE STAMPS



1858 (March 26) Cover from Hamilton to Eastwood, C.W. with a unique, remarkable franking of stamps on SOFT HORIZONTALLY RIBBED PAPER - two single $1 / 2$ p rose mostly large margined all around with neighboring stamp visible at one side, placed at either side of a 3p red with clear to ample margins, all tied by large grid '16' cancels of Hamilton, endorsed 'Register' in red with clear dispatch and REGISTERED straightline; on reverse intact red wax seal, Woodstock MR 27 transit and Eastwood MR 27 receiver. An important registered domestic rate cover, F-VF (Unitrade 4c, 8a) Est. 10,000.00+

Expertization: 2024 Greene Foundation certificate
Provenance: Dale-Lichtenstein, BNA Part Two, H.R. Harmer, Inc., May 1969; Lot 524
Horace Harrison "Canada Registry System" Postal History Collection Warren Wilkinson Gold Medal Collection of Canadian Postal Rates 1851-1859, Firby Auctions, June 2007; Lot 83 - where it realized US\$30,000 hammer. Joseph Hackmey, Feldman Auctions, New York, March 2011; Lot 10303 London 2015 Europhilex Rarities Auction, May 2015; Lot 83

Literature: Illustrated and discussed in Arfken, Leggett, Firby \& Steinhart "Canada's Pence Era - The Pence Stamps and the Canadian Mail 1851-1859" handbook on pages 125-126 (Figure 104) and listed as Cover No. 1 in Table 23. Domestic Covers with Registry Fee Paid with Stamps. The earliest reported date of ONLY THREE listed covers.
Illustrated in Boggs "The Postage Stamps and Postal History of Canada" on page 163 (Figure 40).
Illustrated in Capex '96 Gems of Canadian Philately handbook on page 29.
Census: Canada Pence Issue 1851-1859 Cover Census, compiled by Wayne Smith; three covers are reported paying a registered 4 pence domestic with registry fee paid with stamps. Among these, two bear similar frankings; the cover offered here being THE ONLY ONE WITH STAMPS ON THE ELUSIVE RIBBED PAPER.

## AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE PERFORATED PENCE FRANKING TO A FOREIGN COUNTRY



1859 (March 19) Small cover from Montreal to Brazey-en-Plaine (Côte-d'Or department), France, bearing an extraordinary Pence franking consisting of a perforated $1 / 2 p$ rose and a horizontal pair of the 6 p brown violet perf $113 / 4$, latter with crease on left stamp from placement, tied by four-ring ' 21 ' cancels, the $1 / 2 p$ further tied by Montreal double arc dispatch, neat London AP 459 transit CDS in red, sameday French Calais CDS transit, on reverse St. Jean de L'Osne receiver; cover with sealed tear and backflap missing. A spectacular $12 \frac{1}{2}$-Pence rate to France and especially so franked solely with Perforated Pence issues - A UNIQUE FRANKING and a rarity of the highest order, Fine (Unitrade 11, 13)

Est. 15,000.00+
Expertization: 2024 Greene Foundation certificate
Provenance: Dale-Lichtenstein, Canada - Sale 10, H.R. Harmer, Inc, December 1970; Lot 329 Warren Wilkinson Gold Medal Collection of Canadian Postal Rates 1851-1859, Firby Auctions, June 2007; Lot 297 - where it realized US\$30,000 hammer! Joseph Hackmey, David Feldman Auctions, New York, March 2011; Lot 10383 London 2015 Europhilex Rarities Auctions, May 2015; Lot 90

Literature: Illustrated and discussed in Arfken, Leggett, Firby \& Steinhart "Canada's Pence Era - The Pence Stamps and the Canadian Mail 1851-1859" handbook on pages 284-286 (Figure 262) and listed as Cover No. 4 in Table 50. Pence-Franked Covers to France.

Census: Canada Pence Issue 1851-1859 Cover Census, compiled by Wayne Smith (as of February 2021); this is one of only two $12 \frac{1}{2}$ pence franked covers to France - this the only known with a perforated Pence stamps. The other cover, from the same correspondence, is franked with a pair of 6 p imperforate $+\mathrm{a}^{1 / 2 p}$ perforated.

Very few multiples (none larger than a pair) of the perforated 6 pence exist on cover. In fact, we know of only three others bearing two 6 p perforated, all of which were mailed to the U.S. The example offered here mailed to France is without question one of the most remarkable usages extant.

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## CENTS

Featuring the Richard P. Thompson exhibit collection Lot 641-704


641 P 14P-20P, 1c-17c Cents Complete basic set of six plate proofs on india paper in issued or near issued colours - the 17c in the scarcer dark blue shade, VF

1,800.00


642 P 14TCi, 1c Queen Victoria Trial colour plate proof printed in black on india, deep vibrant colour, choice, VF+
400.00

643 P 14Pi, 14Pii, 1c Rose The two listed specimen overprinted plate proofs in issued colour - vertical and diagonal in black, a choice duo, VF+
750.00


644 〇 14b, 1859 1c Deep Rose, Perf $113 / 4$ Bright fresh used example, Hamilton JY 61859 double arc datestamp - the first week of issue and believed to the Earliest Recorded Dated example on or off cover, Fine

Est. 250.00+
645 ○ 14vii, 15x, 17vii, 18v, 20iv, Cents Issue - Plate Imprints American Bank Note Co. New York imprints - a remarkable lot of reconstructed imprints from different positions on the plate, includes 1c (16), 2c (7), $5 \mathrm{c}(17), 10 \mathrm{c}(13), 12^{1} / 2 \mathrm{c}(6)$, a challenging lot to assemble. Mixed to mainly F-VF; the ABNC imprint appeared eight times on plates starting with the November 1864 printing orders of all values except the 17 c .

Illustrated on Page 227 Est. 750.00+
646 ○ 14iv, 1862 (circa.) 1c Rose, Perf 113/4 The elusive early state of the "Q" Flaw (Position 38; Whitworth Plate Flaw 1a) with prominent marks below "O" of "ONE" and in the cross-lines at lower left, well clear of the cancel. The best and scarcest of the three known stages of this plate flaw, Fine $\mathbf{1 , 0 0 0 . 0 0}$

647 ○ 14iv, 1c Rose, Perf 12x113/4 Scarce used example showing second stage of the "Q" Flaw (Position 38; Whitworth Plate Flaw No. 1b), fresh with large part York Mills FE 81865 postmark, Fine $\quad \mathbf{1 , 0 0 0 . 0 0}$

648 ○ 14vi, 1864 1c Rose, Perf 12x113/4 A nicely centered used single, with "C" Flaw (Pos. 37; Whitworth Plate Flaw No. 15) that was short-lived, Toronto 1864 split ring well clear of its traits, VF


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649
® Superbly Postmarked Drop Letter Rate 1860 (April 2) Clean cover franked with a 1c deep rose, perf $11^{3 / 4}$ tied by socked-on-nose Montreal AP 21860 double arc dispatch, pays one-cent local drop rate, Fine stamp on VF+ cover (Unitrade 14b)

Est. 150.00+


650 One Cent Multiple for the Five Cent Domestic Letter Rate 1861 (April 23) Orange cover franked with horizontal strip of five of the 1 c dark rose perf $113 / 4$ tied by London duplex; pays 5 cent domestic letter rate to St. David's; on reverse G.W.R. East AP 23 RPO split ring transit; ex Vincent G. Greene with his owner's stamp, VF (Unitrade 14b)

Est. 500.00+
651 P 15TCiii, 5c Beaver Trial colour plate proof in brownish red on india with diagonal SPECIMEN overprint in carmine, VF

Illustrated on Page 229450.00
P 15TCVii, 5c Beaver Trial colour plate proof printed in black on india, large margined and scarce, VF Illustrated on Page 229800.00

P 15TCviii, 5c Beaver Trial colour plate proof in orange yellow on india paper, VF; 2001 Greene Foundation cert. Illustrated on Page 229600.00


654 ○ 15v, 1867 5c Deep Vermilion, Perf 12 A lovely used example of the Major Re-entry (Position 28; State 10) with very prominent doubling throughout the design, deep rich colour, Oakwood JA 201868 postmark, Fine+
500.00+

655 〇 15v, 1867 5c Vermilion, Perf 12 A fresh used single showing clearly the Major Re-entry (Position 28; State 10) with prominent doubling throughout the design, Fine
500.00


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656 © 15vi, variety, 1863 5c Deep Orange Red, Perf $113 / 4 \times 12$ A lightly cancelled used single showing the "Log in Waterfall" variety (Position 50) - the variety so dramatic that two parallel logs (Double Log) are shown, most unusual, faint corner crease, F-VF (Unitrade cat. for normal variety)
950.00

657 ○ 15vii, 1867 5c Vermilion, Perf 12 A fresh used single showing the "Rock in Waterfall" variety (Position 53; State 9-10), light grid cancel well clear of the variety, Fine
300.00+

658 〇 15viii, 15ix, 5c Vermilion Two well-known plate varieties: the "Split Beaver" (Position 90; State 4, 1863) and the "Leaping Fish" (Position 54; State 8, 1865-1866), both used with cancels well clear of variety, Fine
600.00
$\Delta$ Very Scarce Early Cents Issue Cover to Vancouver Island Colony 1861 (March 28) Cover from Arkona, U.C. to Victoria, Vancouver Island Colony, reduced at left but clean and fresh, bearing three 5 c vermilion cancelled by concentric rings (middle stamp does not belong), Arkona split ring dispatch at left; on reverse four different transit backstamps including two split ring RPOs - G.W.R. West and G.W.R. East / Sarnia Branch; a very elusive 15 cent rate to Vancouver Island (and British Columbia Mainland) in effect January 1859 to December 1861. Arfken \& Leggett "Canada's Decimal Era" handbook census table records four similar frankings to Vancouver Island (three from the same correspondence), Fine (Unitrade 15)

Illustrated on Page 230 Est. 500.00
660 Five Cent Letter Rate to Prince Edward Island 1864 (October 21) Interprovincial cover from Québec to PEI bearing a 5 c bright vermilion perf $113 / 4 \times 12$ cancelled by light grid '37' numeral, clear Québec OC 2164 dispatch at foot; on reverse Saint John, NB OC 251864 transit and OCT 26 arrival CDS. An appealing single-franking Decimal cover to Prince Edward Island - according to the Firby census only 6 such covers exist, VF (Unitrade 15)

Illustrated on Page 230 Est. 250.00+
Provenance: Arthur Leggett (BNAPS exhibit series No. 94, page 55)


661 P 16TC, 10c Prince Consort Trial colour plate proof in black on india paper, radiant colour and choice, VF

P 16P, 10c Black Brown Plate proof printed in the colour of the intended first printing on india paper, choice, VF
600.00

P 16Pi, 10c Black Brown Plate proof in the distinctive first printing order colour on india with vertical SPECIMEN overprint in carmine, VF

664 P 16Pii, 10c Black Brown Plate proof in the intended first printing colour on india with diagonal SPECIMEN overprint in carmine, VF
600.00

## THE TEN CENT CONSORT PRINTING ORDERS



665 © The complete assembly of all Printing Orders from 1859 (PO1A \& B) to late 1867 (PO26A, B \& C), offered intact with a total of 77 stamps, showing myriad shades and impressions found on this complex stamp. Includes the key 1859 printings with two shades of brownish black and two of deep chocolate brown (Unitrade 16, 16i), mixed condition. Some small faults or flaws to be expected, many are sound and nicely centered stamps. Meticulously assembled over many years by an authority on the subject; an essential reference.

Est. 5,000.00+


666 ○ 16, 1859 10c Black Brown, Perf $113 / 4$ A remarkably select example of this difficult stamp from the First Printing (PO1A), displaying distinctive deep colour on fresh paper, very well centered for this notoriously difficult issue, ideal centrally struck, light four-ring numeral cancel. A key stamp very seldom encountered this nice, VF; 1993 Greene Foundation cert.

9,000.00


667 ○ 16, 1859 10c Black Brown, Perf $113 / 4$ (PO 1A) The sought-after first printing used, displaying the unmistakable dark rich shade, above average centering for the issue and with light unobtrusive cancellation, Fine +

3,500.00
668 - 16, 1859 10c Black Brown, Perf 113/4 A nice used single of the sought-after First Printing (PO1A), light unobtrusive cancellation, an attractive example, Fine

3,500.00
669 - 17e, 1859 (Late) 10c Dull Bluish Maroon (PO 2A), Perf $113 / 4$ A superbly centered used example with rich colour, intact perforations and neat concentric rings cancellation; a great stamp in premium quality, XF

1,200.00+


670 ○ 17iv, 1860 10c Reddish Agate (PO 4B), Perf $113 / 4$ A well centered and large margined single with fresh colour, showing quite clearly the "String of Pearls" (Position 3) constant plate variety, light four-ring numeral cancel, $\mathrm{F}-\mathrm{VF}$
750.00

671 - 17v, 1865 10c Reddish Violet (PO 19B), Perf 12 An unusually select used single, well centered within wide margins and showing the "Double Epaulette" (Position 61) plate variety, light diamond grid cancel. It would be hard to find a nicer example showing the variety, XF
$1,000.00+$
672 〇 17, 17iii, 1865 10c Dull Maroon (PO 18A), Perf 12 Horizontal pair with lovely colour, left stamp with "C" flaw and Major Re-entry (Pos. 29), traits clear of Prescott JY 665 split ring, Fine Est. 200.00+

$\boxtimes$ Ten Cent First Printing on 1859 Cover to Virginia, USA 1859 (September 11) Small cover mailed from Montreal to Richmond, Virginia bearing a 10c black brown, perf $113 / 4$ from Printing Order 1A, with above average centering and incredible colour, lightly cancelled, clear Montreal SP 111859 double arc dispatch; faint pressed fold affects stamp, small part backflap missing, no backstamp as customary. An attractive and very scarce usage of the first printing on cover, Fine (Unitrade 16)

Est. 1,500.00+


D Double Weight Letter Rate to the United States 1867 (November 11) Cover from Kingston, C.W. to Altoona, Pennsylvania, bearing two 10c lake (PO 26A), right stamp shows large part ABNC imprint at top, tied by circular grids, clear Kingston split ring dispatch; light cover ageing and slightly reduced at right. An elusive double letter rate to the US; no backstamp as customary, F-VF (Unitrade 17, 17vii)

Est. 300.00+


675 P 18TCix, 12 $1 / 2$ c Queen Victoria Trial colour plate proof printed in black on india paper, seldom seen, VF
650.00

676 P 18TCv, $121 / 2$ c Queen Victoria Trial colour plate proof in black on india paper with elusive vertical SPECIMEN (Type A) overprint in carmine. Only one sheet was printed of which only 50 proofs received the Type A overprint, choice, VF
650.00

677 P 18TCvi, $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{c}$ Queen Victoria Trial colour plate proof printed in black on india paper with vertical SPECIMEN (Type B - thick unserifed letters) overprint in carmine. From the sole sheet printed, the last four columns ( 40 proofs) received Type B overprint; a lovely proof, VF
800.00

$678 \quad$ P 18TCii, $121 / 2$ c Queen Victoria Trial colour plate proof in blue on india paper, large even margins and showing vertical SPECIMEN overprint (Type A) in carmine; only 50 can exist, this example being particularly choice, XF
400.00+

P 18TCiii, $121 / 2$ c Queen Victoria Trial colour plate proof in blue on india paper, rich colour, showing the scarcer Type B (thick unserifed letters) vertical SPECIMEN overprint in carmine; only 40 examples can exist, F-VF
750.00


680 P 18TC, $12 \frac{1}{2}$ c Queen Victoria Trial colour plate proof in blue green on india paper, complete ABNC imprint in right margin, XF
300.00+

681 P 18TCviii, $12 \frac{1}{2}$ c Queen Victoria Trial colour plate proof printed in orange yellow on india paper, brilliant fresh with large margins, XF
500.00+

682 P 18Pi, 18Pii, 12 $1 / 2$ c Yellow Green Two plate proof singles on india in shades of yellow green, vertical SPECIMEN overprints in carmine and in black, VF
650.00

683 P 18Piii + variety, $12 \frac{1}{2}$ c Yellow Green Plate proof single on india with diagonal SPECIMEN overprint in black, also shows the Major Re-entry (Position 94) with prominent doubling above "GE" of POSTAGE, in first "E" of PENCE, etc., F-VF (Unitrade cat. for normal proof)
450.00+

$684 \bigcirc 18 i v, 1862$ 12 $1 / 2$ c Dull Green (PO 6B), Perf 11 $1 / 4$ reasonably centered used example showing the Major Re-entry (Position 94), the best-known plate variety to be found on this denomination, light grid cancellation clear of its traits, F-VF
600.00

685 ○ 18vii, 1863 12 $1 / 2$ c Yellowish Myrtle Green (PO 9A), Perf 12x11 $3 / 4 \mathrm{~A}$ bright fresh example showing Major Re-entry (Position 61) with its traits plainly visible and clear of light concentric rings, Fine
300.00

686 ○ 18vii, 1865 12 $1 / 2$ c Myrtle Green (PO 16A), Perf 12 A nicely centered used example showing Major Re-entry (Position 61), light grid cancel, F-VF
450.00

687 ○ 18vi, 1863 12 $1 / 2$ c Yellowish Myrtle Green (PO 8A), Perf 11 $1 / 4$ A very scarce used single showing Horizontal Stitch Watermark variety at foot, minute perf flaws, central diamond grid cancel, Fine appearance (Unitrade cat. $\$ 2,000$ as fine)

Est. 500.00+

## THE VERY SCARCE 25-CENT LETTER RATE TO VANCOUVER ISLAND COLONY



《 1862 (October 30) Yellow envelope from Lynedoch, C.W. to Victoria, Vancouver Island bearing pair of $12^{1 / 2}$ c dark green (PO 7B), perf $113 / 4$, minor faults, tied by blue split ring dispatch, second strike at left, additionally cancelled by manuscript, pays the 25 c rate through Panama, backstamped Oakland OC 30, Delhi OC 30 and Paris GPO OC 31 ; cover with minor edge wrinkles and slightly reduced at right, a very scarce rate mailed during the colonial era of Vancouver Island (a separate British colony before merger with British Columbia in November 1866), Fine (Unitrade 18)

Est. 750.00+
Expertization: 1999 Greene Foundation certificate
Literature: Listed in Table 2 Cover No. 2 in Arfken \& Leggett "Canada's Decimal Era" book on page 115. One of fifteen reported 25-cent rate covers for the Panama route to Vancouver Island and British Columbia Mainland (effective from January 1862 to June 1864).

Of these 15 reported examples this is the EARLIEST DATED COVER bearing two $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cent stamps.

## A SELDOM SEEN $121 / 2$-CENT RATE TO HALIFAX BY CUNARD LINE OUT OF BOSTON



1866 (August 27) Cover from Québec to Halifax, endorsed "By Cunard Though Boston", bearing 12½ yellow green, perf 12 tied by light Quebec AU 2766 duplex; on reverse oval "H" (Halifax) AU 30 receiver. A very scarce cover carried by railroad to Boston, then Cunard Packet to Halifax. Only nine such $12 \frac{1}{2}$ c rate covers are recorded, this one being particularly choice, most appealing, VF (Unitrade 18)

Est. 2,000.00+
Expertization: 1982 BPA certificate
Provenance: Charles Firby Gold Medal Collection, Harmers of New York, October 1982; Lot 97 Bill Lea Pence \& Cents Postal History Collection, private sale

Literature: Illustrated and discussed in Arfken \& Leggett "Canada's Decimal Era" handbook on page 66-67 (Figure 6). Cover No. 8 in the census Table 1 - page 68.


A Attractive 12½-Cent Allan Line Rate to United Kingdom 1867 (March 7) Small cover bearing 12½c bright green, perf $12 \frac{1}{2}$ tied by Montreal duplex datestamp to England, with Bristol and Clifton MR 26 receiver backstamps, VF and pretty cover. (Unitrade 18)

Est. 200.00+


691 P 19TCi, 17c Cartier Trial colour plate proof printed in black on india paper, elusive, VF


692 O 19ii, 1865 17c Deep Blue (PO 9A), Perf 12 The elusive Major Re-entry (Position 100), minute perf flaws, rich colour and very lightly cancelled which permits seeing the prominent doubling and other traits. A scarce and sought-after plate variety, Fine

1,500.00+
693 O 19iii, 1867 17c Blue (PO 12A), Perf 12 The elusive and short-lived "Burr over Shoulder" plate flaw (Position 7) which occurred just before the last printing order in February 1867, centered low with perforations clear of design on three sides, bright colour on fresh wove paper, used with light grid cancel. An important variety, difficult to find in sound condition, Fine
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## VERY SCARCE DOUBLE CIRCULAR RATE FRANKED WITH SINGLE TWO CENT STAMP



1867 (December 67) Blue folded cover from Québec to Victoriaville, Arthabaska county, bearing a well centered 2c carmine perf 12 tied by concentric rings, Québec CDS dispatch at right, next-day Arthabaska Station split ring receiver backstamp with filled-in "De 17" date, handstamped with instructional marking "UNCLAIMED"; light soiling, a very scarce double circular rate paid with a 2 c single franking, Fine (Unitrade 20i)

Est. 750.00+
Expertization: clear 1975 RPS of London certificate
A "FREE" imprint is visible on this provincial department stationery, as they were normally exempt from postage. Franking was required when the legislature was not in session.

The following six lots are Printing Orders from 1859 to about 1867 lotted by denomination, in mounts on pages, diligently and meticulously identified (with years of research) regarding colour / shade, impression, perforation, postmark, etc. Minor flaws are to be expected, many are sound $F-V F$. An endeavour that has taken years of effort.

© One Cent - Printing Orders - 1859-1867 Lot of 35 stamps, more than three-quarters with legible to very clear datestamps. (Unitrade 14 shades / printings)

Est. 750.00+

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-X698-

© Five Cent - Printing Orders - 1859-1868 Lot of 34 stamps, more than three-quarters with legible to very clear datestamps. (Unitrade 15 shades / printings)


697 ○ Ten Cent - Printing Orders - 1859-1868 Lot of 77 stamps (PO2B/26C), over twenty-percent with legible to very clear datestamps. (Unitrade 17 shades / printings)

Est. 2,500.00+
© Twelve and One Half Cent - Printing Orders - 1859-1867 Lot of 47 stamps, more than two-thirds with legible to very clear datestamps. (Unitrade 18 shades / printings)

Est. 1,500.00+


-X700-

699 Seventeen Cent - Printing Orders - 1859-1867 Lot of 16 stamps, several with legible to very clear postmarks. (Unitrade 19 shades / printings)
© Two Cent - Printing Orders - 1864-1868 Lot of 15 stamps, about three-quarters with legible to very clear datestamps. (Unitrade 20 shades / printings)

Est. 750.00+


701 P Selection of Plate / Trial Colour Proofs Nice lot of 24 mostly different proofs, a couple with full ABNC imprint in margin. Minor india flaws but many are sound examples, close to large margins. Noted \#16P, 16Pii, 16TCii, 18TCiv - the rare Type C (stain at UL, touching frame at foot) only ten known, 19Pii, 19TCii, etc.

Est. 1,500.00+


702 ○ Cents Issue - Plate Varieties Lot of 19 varieties including 1c "E" Flaw (3), "Q" Flaw "1c", Misplaced Entry (Pos 28), Major Re-entry (Pos 58); 5c Log in Waterfall (2), Rock in Waterfall; 10c Double Epaulette (2), String of Pearls, Major Re-entries (Pos 29 \& 51), "C" Flaw (2); 12½c Major Re-entry (Pos 94), 17c Re-entry (Pos 5), each item with illustration of the variety. Also stitch watermark varieties (hard to see) on 5c \& 17c both unlisted. Minor flaws to very fine; an elusive group ideal for a specialist. (Unitrade 14iv/19iv)

Est. 1,000.00+


703 Cents Issue - Postal History Twelve covers - includes 1c local drop and circulars addressed domestically and one to USA; 5c domestic, plus one to N.B. and one to N.S.; 10c deep red purple on NO 251859 to USA; 10c double weight to N.B.; $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ to Scotland and another to Ireland; 17 c to England and to Scotland; and a newspaper masthead, latter franked with a 1c tied by four-ring '13' (Galt) cancel to Dundas. Minor flaws on some, mainly F-VF

Est. 1,000.00+


704 © Cents Issue - Collection Balance Sixteen used singles including shades / printings such as 10c chocolate brown (Unitrade 16i; PO1B, tiny perf flaws) and maroon (PO2), various perforation gauges on $1 \mathrm{c} / 17 \mathrm{c}$; and a basic set of plate proofs of pence issues ( $4 \mathrm{P} / 9 \mathrm{P}$ ).

Est. 1,000.00+

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705 P 14TCi-19TCi, $1859 \mathbf{1 c - 1 7 c}$ Cents The complete set of five trial colour plate proofs printed in black on india paper (the 2c Queen Victoria, issued in 1864, does not exist in black), each with lovely colour on fresh paper, ample to mostly large margins; a scarce set, VF-XF; the 17c with 2014 Greene Foundation cert.

3,000.00


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706 P 14Pii, 1c Rose A large margined plate proof single in issued colour on india, diagonal SPECIMEN overprint in black, a difficult proof to find this nice, choice XF
500.00+
$707 \star$ 14, 1865-1868 1c Rose, Perf 12 An unused example with noticeably superior centering, rich colour, a lovely stamp in premium condition, XF

1,000.00+
© 14, 1865-1868 1c Rose, Perf 12 An attractive and sound used block of four with bright colour and ideal light concentric rings cancels, Fine+

Est. 350.00+

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P 15TC, 15TCi, 5c Beaver Trial colour plate proof singles in orange vermilion and in orange brownishred, on card mounted india paper, latter with part left sheet margin, VF
500.00

$\star \quad 15 \mathrm{a}, 1867$ 5c Vermilion on Medium Wove Paper, Imperforate A very scarce imperforate single on the distinctive wove stamp paper, characteristic colour and impression associated with this key imperforate and displaying ample to large margins, the number of surviving examples is small indeed - to the best of our knowledge only three blocks of four, fewer pairs and the odd single exist, VF (Unitrade cat. \$27,500 for a pair)

Est. 2,000.00+


711 O 15c, 1859-1860 5c Brick Red, Perf $113 / 4$ A used block of five in the very early rich shade on bright fresh paper, couple short perfs but in otherwise remarkably sound condition, light four-ring numeral cancels (possibly '43'), Fine and scarce

Est. 350.00+


P 16TCiii, 1879 (circa.) 10c Prince Consort "Goodall" Die Proof, engraved and printed in vermilion on india paper, from the Compound Die (with the scarred die of the 12 p), tiny tone spot at lower left, very large margins all around, VF+

Est. 2,500.00+


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713 P 16TC, 1859 10c Prince Consort Trial colour plate proof in black on india paper; difficult to find, VF

714 P 16TCi, 10c Prince Consort Trial colour plate proof in black on india, diagonal SPECIMEN overprint in carmine, VF; 2013 Greene Foundation cert.


715 P 16Pi, 10c Black Brown Plate proof block on india paper in the intended colour of the first printing with vertical SPECIMEN overprint in carmine, hint of toning at lower left, otherwise VF

1,800.00
P 16Pii, 10c Black Brown Plate proof single on india with diagonal SPECIMEN overprint in carmine; bright and fresh with ample margins, VF
600.00


717 〇 16, 1859 10c Black Brown, Perf 113/4 The scarce first printing with true rich colour on bright fresh white paper, perforations well clear on three sides and nicely cancelled with part four-ring numeral; a key stamp, Fine 3,500.00
© 17, 1865-1867 10c Dull Purple, Perf 12 Used block in a lovely shade, wrinkling at top left and pulled perf on lower left stamp, used with partly distinct four-ring numeral cancels; a scarce used block of Fine appearance

Est. 350.00+


P 18TCi, 12 $1 / 2$ c Queen Victoria Trial colour plate proof pair in blue on india paper, part sheet margin at top, tiny margin cut between proofs, radiant colour and not often seen, VF

P $18 \mathrm{TCi}, 121 / 2$ c Dark Blue Trial colour plate proof in blue on india paper; an elusive coloured proof, VF


P 18TCii, 12 $1 / 2$ c Queen Victoria Trial colour plate proof in blue on india with vertical SPECIMEN overprint (Type A) in carmine, brilliant fresh and VF; 2014 Greene Foundation cert.
400.00

P 18TCii, $12 \underline{1} / 2$ c Queen Victoria Trial colour plate proof in dark blue on india, vertical SPECIMEN overprint (Type A) in carmine, in choice condition, VF+; 2014 Greene Foundation cert.
400.00
$\star$ 20b, 1867 2c Rose on Medium Wove Paper, Imperforate A lovely imperforate pair in the distinctive bright shade on wove stamp paper, large margined which is a challenge on this particular imperforate; very scarce this nice, VF

5,000.00


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