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UP and COMING

September 7 BRUNPEX 2013
Rotary Lodge Centennial Park
Moncton, NB (see page 4)

September 10 Club Meeting
Annual General Meeting. Auction

Sept 19 Friends of Philately
NS Museum Boardroom, Halifax

September 20-21 NOVAPEX 2013
Dartmouth Sportsplex (See page 2
and 3)

October 8 Club Meeting
TBA, Auction

November 12 Club meeting
TBA, Auction

December 10 Club meeting
TBA, Charity Auction

Travelling? Check out time and
place of other shows at
www.rpsc.org/shows.html

A NEW DLO HANDSTAMP

Article No. 14 in a Series

by Gary Steele



Only Reported copy, Montreal h/s ERD's Toronto & Hamilton

BRANCH DEAD LETTER OFFICE

MAR 20 1918

MONTREAL, QUE.

LOCAL DEAD LETTER OFFICE,

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HAMILTON.

DEAD LETTER OFFICE C

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TORONTO ONT.

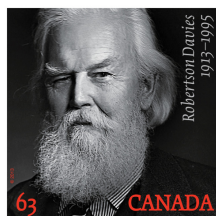
The pleasures of Postal History are that you just can't imagine what you will come across in the future. Dead Letter Office items with handstamps of two different offices occur frequently. Specimens with three different office handstamps much less.

Add to the fact that the Montreal single oval h/s was previously unknown with no proof known, and the Toronto and Hamilton handstamps are both earliest reported dates.

In addition the Hamilton item only recently found also, 1 of 2 known, has a comma after 'Office,' and a period after 'HAMILTON.'

The journey starts with an underpaid post card from Montreal, MAR 19 1918 that is **RETURNED FOR WAR TAX**. same date double circle h/s then to the Montreal Branch DLO one day later. It appears that no payment could be received from the sender as few post cards have return addresses so it was forwarded to the addressee via the Toronto DLO per handstamp Mar 21 1918 and then to the Hamilton Local DLO Mar 22 1918.

No additional postage for War Tax was received for which this item would not exist without a governmental revenue act to help pay for the financial requirements of WWI.



Summer releases from Canada Post - Stella (top),
Robertson Davies (LL) and the Tragically Hip (LR).
Three other bands were issued - Beau Dommage,
The Guess Who and Rush (See page 2)

Strange but True

PARIS — Probably the greatest amount of postage ever purchased for a single piece of mail matter was bought by Mr. Chester Weaver. He himself is the mail matter and he paid \$683.52 in postage stamps to be carried in the air mail from San Francisco to New York in his haste to reach Paris. News of this odd method of travelling was received yesterday [Dec. 9] by the United States Line's office in Paris. The arrival of Weaver and the mail matter is expected to establish a record in postal service between San Francisco and Paris.

From *The New York Times* 1924 a feature 75 years ago. (Times Dec 10 1999)



Cover Story

This double rate cover from St. Thomas, cancelled on 30/6/1892, to Halifax Nova Scotia is franked with three stamps of the DANISH WEST INDIES -12 Cent + 4 Cent (x2). It was recently selling for \$1850 US on eBay. The letter was forwarded by the ship Vigilance. The recipient—Messrs. R. I. Hart & Co. is listed in McAlpines Directories for Halifax as a West India Merchant located on Lower Water Street. Several civic addresses are given over the years 1890 to 1907 as ranging from or including 39-47. Reuben Hart (August 16, 1821 - Jan. 29, 1907) lived on Pleasant Street, Halifax in the 1890s and was listed in the Directories over the years as Commission and Fish Merchant, and West India Merchant. We was known to be quite well to do and generous, especially in is native Guysborough County and the church. His brother Levi (May 18, 1826 - Dec. 23, 1907) was also a well-to-do merchant in Halifax, had a lovely home with grass tennis courts. The Harts were the sons of Loyalists from Connecticut that originally moved to Boylston, Guysborough Co., NS. The younger Harts took up business in Halifax in the late 1840s.

Nova Scotia Stamp Club Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada

<http://www.nsstampclub.ca/>

Nova Scotia Stamp Club meets at 7:30 p.m. on every second Tuesday of the month (except July and August) at the Nova Scotia Museum, 1747 Summer Street, Halifax, N.S. The club publishes a monthly newsletter (except summer) which is released on the first week of the month.

Dues are C\$15 per person (US\$20 US, US\$25 International) or C\$22.50 per couple payable to:

Nova Scotia Stamp Club
102 Birch Bear Run
Lewis Lake, NS B3Z 4B8
webnews@nsstampclub.ca

Advertising rate for the newsletter or website is \$50 (CDN) per year.



Canadian Recording Artists Souvenir sheet released in July 2013. The Rush FDC, postcards and limited prints are already sold out indicating the popularity of this iconic Canadian band.

NOVA PEX Awards 2013 Banquet

[Royal Artillery Park Officers Mess](#)

21 September, 2013 - 7 for 730 pm

Tickets \$60

Menu: Cash Bar

Roast Butternut Squash Soup

Field Green Salad with Roast Italian Vegetables

Herb Marinated Chicken Breast with Wild Mushroom Ragout

New York Cheesecake

Free parking

Please advise of any special dietary requirements.

Tickets can be purchased electronically by emailing i_win@live.ca or calling Marcus Brauer at (902) 466-4339.

NOVA PEX 2013

September 20 – 21, 2013

Dartmouth Sportsplex

www.nsstampclub.ca

This September 20th and 21st will see the largest, annual gathering of philatelic expertise, collectors and material in Atlantic Canada. NOVAPEX 2013 is a tradeshow dedicated to the hobby of stamp collecting. The focus this year is engaging youth. The annual show and sale will be held in Dartmouth Sportsplex, 20-21 September, 2013. Friday 2pm to 9 pm, and Saturday 9 am to 2 pm. Organized by the Nova Scotia Stamp Club (NSSC), it will attract dealers, visitors and children. Including, dignitaries and subject matter experts from the region and elsewhere in Canada.



NOVAPEX also has a large competition component where “frames” are made up by collectors and displayed then judged. These displays represent the finest collections and research in the Canadian hobby. There will be an awards presentation and dinner the evening of 21 September at the Royal Artillery Park (contact i_win@live.ca for tickets).

This event is a high priority for the NSSC and for philately in general. A decline in collecting interest in our youth is a key component affecting the sustainability of the hobby and retail organizations. The 2013 NOVAPEX will provides a unique opportunity to reinvigorate stamp collecting within today's youth by providing a unique opportunity for kids within HRM and Atlantic Canada. As NOVAPEX is a no cost event, this is a great opportunity so see some unique historical rarities from our past. With a unique focus on Atlantic Canada, NOVAPEX offers free stamps and stamp collecting materiel to children, to assist with their interests at the Kids Table.

1st Woodlawn Scouts will also have a unique fundraising item available consisting of a piece of Angelique wood from the Bluenose II, a Bluenose stamp and the 1937 silver dime (first Canadian dime with the Bluenose on it), available at the show for \$50 each. These are signed by the Captain of the Bluenose II and include a certificate of authenticity. Only 20 of the original 40 made remain available for purchase.



There will be draws and giveaways at NOVAPEX and something for everyone, from reference material to the opportunity to have your family's collection reviewed by philatelic experts from across Canada. Stamp dealers, auction houses and members from the Nova Scotia Stamp Club will be on hand to answer your questions. Information about joining the Nova Scotia Stamp Club can be found at <http://www.nsstampclub.ca/about.htm>.

This year's NOVAPEX will be more than what it has been in the past, it has the capacity to become a truly unique community affair. Bringing together parents, children, community leadership and retailers. Take an afternoon away from the regular and visit us for this once a year event! For more information or rental space, please visit us at:

<http://www.nsstampclub.ca/novapex13.htm>

Classifieds

Amanda Lewis has begun a business selling stamps and supplies - more details will follow in future editions. You can contact Amanda at :
ARL1964@yahoo.ca.

STAMP SWAP: Available - Better worldwide and Canada for trade by want list:

penny.auction.stamps@gmail.com

Douglas J. Gray Supplies Sale

While supplies last! (tax included)

Vario Sheets: 4 packs for \$20.00

Hinges: 2 packs for 5.00

All mounts: 20% off cat.

Call me with your order at 461-0528 and I will bring them to the next meeting.

For Sale - Frames

I have 6 of the old club 8 page wooden frames in good condition for sale. Price \$10 the lot, or \$2 each. Please contact:
 Michael Peach, 832-1662.

Framed Bluenose Keepsakes

consisting of the 1929 50c Bluenose stamp, a 1937 Dime and a piece of the new replica Bluenose II½, is available for \$50 each and can be purchased through Marcus Brauer (466-4339). Photos of the project development and available frames can be viewed at <http://tinyurl.com/c42o6te> and <http://tinyurl.com/c5hy7vz>. This endeavour is supporting local Scouting.

Philatelic Books For Sale.

I am getting old and it is time to reduce my Philatelic Library.

Please contact

Dave Harvey 435 1517

daveandsyl@eastlink.ca

NSSC Members Palmares

Royal * 2013 * Royale

Single Frame

Gold Derek Smith

Postage Rate Handstamps for Transatlantic Mail
 Used in N.B., N.S. and P.E.I. 1840-1859

Auxiliary Markings Club—Award of Merit

Multi Frame

Gold Doreen Fitzgerald

Greetings from Digby Through Postcards

St. Catharines Stamp Club—Creativity Award

Gold Jean-Jacques Tillard

Saint-Pierre et Miquelon, la première série
 "Groupe" et ses différents usages 1892-1901

APS—Pre-1900 Medal of Excellence and ribbon

AAPE—Title Page Award

Vermeil Brainard Fitzgerald

The 1939 Royal Tour of North America – The
 Philatelic Trail

AAPE—Gold Award of Honour Pin

Vermeil Jack Forbes

Cyprus: Air Mail Usages Paid with King George
 VI Definitives

Silver Derek Smith

Saint John N.B. on McCoy "Patriotic" and
 "Heraldic" Picture Post Cards 1902-1909

Have your Say on the Future of Canada Post

Canada Post wants to hear your views on the future of mail delivery. Whether you live in a rural or urban community, your input is important and will help shape future mail delivery services. **You can submit your comments online at www.canadapost.ca or by mail to:**

The Future of Canada Post
 2701 Riverside Drive, Suite NO800
 Ottawa, ON, K1A0B1

Newsletter Articles Urgently Needed

This is a tedious exercise for me to chase down items of interest for the newsletter. Please send me your articles and cover stories now. Unless of a timely nature, items will be printed on a first come basis. Thanks for all those who have contributed in the past year and I look forward to hearing from you **all** soon. **The deadline for the October issue is September 28, 2013.**

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 Riverview, NB
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!!ATTENTION!!

Stamp Enthusiasts

BRUNPEX 2013

Sponsored by

The Fundy Stamp Collectors Club

Date: Saturday September 7, 2013

Time: 10 am to 4 pm

Place: Rotary Lodge
 Centennial Park
 St. George Blvd.
 Moncton, NB

For directions see www.fundystampclub.ca

Activities: Dealer Bourse & Auction

Free Admission