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UP AND COMING

[Moncton Stamp Fair](#) - April 8
100 War Veterans Ave, Moncton NB

[NS Stamp Club](#) - April 11, 7:30pm
Museum of Natural History

[Friends of Philately](#) - April 18
Note the Day Change until at least April. 3rd Tuesday of the month

[Halifax Stamp Fair](#) - April 15 & June 3
April details on Page 4

[BNAPEX 2023 Halifax](#) - Sept. 15-17

Check out the status of other shows at
www.rpsc.org/shows.html or
www.csdaonline.com/shows

NSSC 2022-23 PROGRAM

Apr 11 Jim Graham: War Industry in
Canada 1939-1945

May 9 Bill Burden...TBD

Jun 13 Closing Meeting.

Auctions occur at every meeting. Show
and tell items are always welcome.

If you have a program or newsletter
item that you want to share please let
us know.

Call for Volunteers

Ahead of the September Annual General Meeting, the Executive is currently seeking volunteers for any role on the executive. If you are interested in helping, please contact Guy Jeffrey guy.jeffrey5@gmail.com

MONCTON STAMP FAIR DATES

The second Saturday of the Month at
100 War Veterans Ave, Moncton NB

May 13, June 10

POSTAL HISTORY OF GUYSBOROUGH, NOVA SCOTIA - 1838-1946

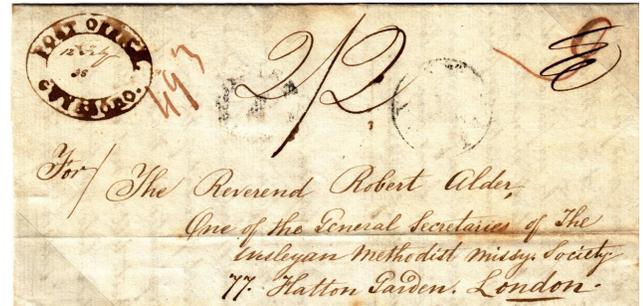
by Jane Sodero

Guysborough, Nova Scotia is typical of many small communities across Canada in the development of its post office and the postal markings used. The land in and around the town of Guysborough was settled by United Empire Loyalists who were given land grants in the 1760s. When the first way office for Guysborough was established around 1825, Robert Molleson Cutler was appointed as master. Cutler's father, Thomas, was an important figure among the Loyalist settlers and came to be known as "King" Cutler.

Cutler officially remained the way office master and later postmaster until 1861 while serving in the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council. It is this political association which has led postal historians to reason Cutler was permitted some latitude in calling Guysborough a post office on the oval way office mark which was used from 1837 until 1840.

During much of Cutler's tenure as postmaster, E. I. Cunningham was 'responsible' for the post office. He was appointed postmaster in 1861 and established the first packet service from Guysborough. From 1887 to 1922, three Hadley family members served as postmaster for Guysborough: William G. Hadley, a merchant to 1911, his widow, Elizabeth to 1918 and his daughter, Daisy Cunningham to 1922. Laurier Grant was appointed postmaster in 1922. During Grant's tenure, the postmaster received a commission on the stamps and money orders sold at the Guysborough office and the rural offices it served. From this income, Grant bought office supplies and paid a full-time clerk and two part-time staff. Among his duties, he sorted mail for routes to 33

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12 Feb 1838 to London
Fewer than 5 copies in private collections
25 Apr 1838 London arrival marking
9d prepaid rate corrected to 2sh 2d due



19 Sep 1842 to Halifax
Fewer than 5 copies in private collections
Free Frank Letter (abolished in 1844) "On Service of the Person".

NOTE.—If the Annuitant cannot write, his mark must be affixed in the presence of a witness, and be attested by the signature of that witness.

Signature of Annuitant

Date of Payment	AMOUNT OF PAYMENT	Officer's Signature	The Dated Stamp of the office to be affixed against every entry.
1921	\$ 647.68	R. G. G.	MAR 30 1937 N. S.

MONEY ORDER TRANSFER OFFICE (MOTO)

Proof Date - 24 Mar 1937

2.9cm x 2.2cm - Purple Ink typical of MOTO usage

LOCAL DEAD LETTER OFFICE. NEW HANDSTAMP - ARTICLE #77

by Gary Steele



46x28.5mm, seriffed
1st line mixed, 2nd line caps
milled outside rim
No proof known.

Until now there has only been one reported Kingston Local Dead Letter Office handstamp of any type. There is a proof copy of another handstamp but no copies of it have been reported.

Recently, this post card (Figure 1) was listed on eBay and upon close examination the handstamp looked different from the proof strike.

In the other attached post card (Figure 2), in the KINGSTON, ONT. text the 'K' and 'O' are larger than the rest of the capped letters. They are not in Figure 1. Much more pronounced is the upper line with sentence case lettering rather than all-caps lettering.

The post card does not seem to indicate any reason for the Post Office to send it to the DLO office. I suspect it was initially sent unpaid and then forwarded to the Local DLO as it is non-letter mail, File #572 applied on the upper left, payment received from the addressee, and franked with 2x 1 cent Admirals, cancelled on the September 8, 1922.



Figure 1



Figure 2 - All caps handstamp above. Right - Proof, no known copies

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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.

Membership is C\$15 per person (C\$20 US, C\$25 International) or C\$22.50 per couple.

Send new membership applications and renewal payments to...
NS Stamp Club c/o Jeff Parks
102 Birch Bear Run,
Lewis Lake, NS B3Z 4B8

CLUB LIBRARY UPDATE

After many years of service, Heather MacKenzie is stepping down as Club Librarian. In addition, the Nova Scotia Museum asked the club to vacate their locker space. The Club Executive is looking for a volunteer to take over library duties as well as space for housing the library. Please contact a member of the Club Executive if you are interested in helping.

In clearing the locker, the following items are missing from the library. If you have any of these books, please let Sean Weatherup (sweatherup@eastlink.ca) or Jane Sodero (jimsodero@hotmail.com) know.

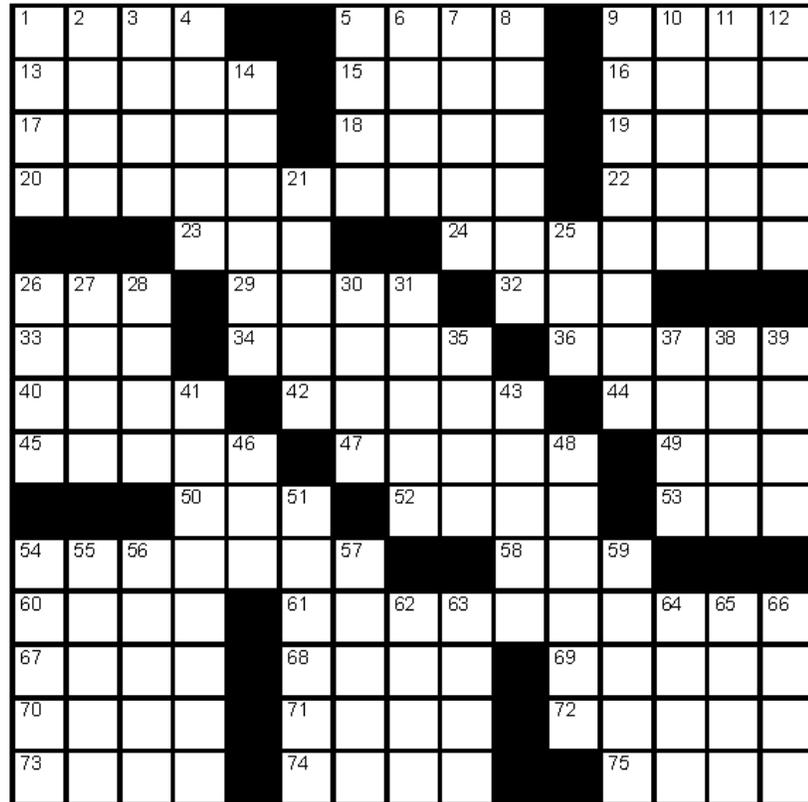
- Official Catalogue of Canadian Precancels.
- Foster, C. E. – Showcasing Your Stamp Collection.
- Morin, Cimon – Canadian Philately: Bibliography and Index, Supplement 1983.
- Canada: The 1967-73 Definitive Issue.
- MacManus, George – Post Offices of New Brunswick, 1783 – 1930.
- Stulberg, Fred – Upper and Lower Canada Steam-Boat Mail to the 1860s.
- Bileski, K – Some Canada Stamp Errors.

CROSSWORD

by Kevin Smith

Across

- 1. Small songbird
- 5. Oil of _
- 9. Seductress
- 13. Vehicles
- 15. Sunscreen ingredient
- 16. Composer Stravinsky
- 17. Relative of 41 down
- 18. Make ___ of
- 19. Give a hoot
- 20. Issue of May 1, 1840
- 22. Pantry containers
- 23. _ vous plait
- 24. Organic compounds
- 26. N.L. Central team: Abbr.
- 29. Painting subject
- 32. Lend an _
- 33. "Exodus" hero
- 34. Beetles-to-be



- 36. Kitchen worker
- 40. Like lips, after the dentist
- 42. Michel or Gibbons rival
- 44. Deadly force
- 45. Handed out
- 47. Fashion's Calvin
- 49. Actress Thurman
- 50. Olympics chant, sometimes
- 52. About
- 53. Funnyman Ackroyd
- 54. Goes
- 58. NHLers from Denver
- 60. Bank product
- 61. It often featured Queen Elizabeth II
- 67. Verve
- 68. __ _ much
- 69. Beer alternative

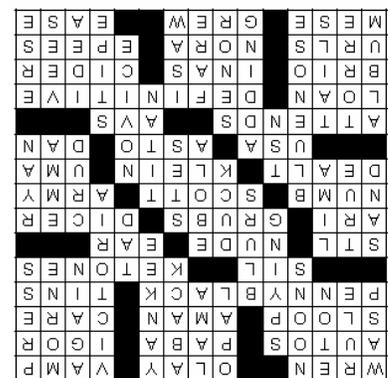
- 70. Modern addresses, abbr.
- 71. Author Roberts
- 72. Fencing weapons
- 73. Month, It.
- 74. Got big
- 75. Relaxation

Down

- 1. Stinger
- 2. Reign over
- 3. Prep school for a prince
- 4. Middays
- 5. Iridescent stone
- 6. Tibetan monk
- 7. One way to be taken
- 8. Blue Jay foe
- 9. Subject of 20 across
- 10. Over

- 11. Gros _
- 12. Iron
- 14. Peeping on
- 21. Smudges
- 25. Just a bit
- 26. Make smooth
- 27. Test response, often
- 28. Peruvian capital
- 30. Get down!
- 31. African scourge
- 35. Marie, et al.
- 37. Gunk
- 38. Hermione portrayor
- 39. Gosling or Reynolds
- 41. #158, in 42 across
- 43. Moon of Saturn
- 46. One place to watch the NBA
- 48. 1st time exhibitor

- 51. Doing some math
- 54. Place to put 20 across or 41 down
- 55. Baseball manager Joe
- 56. Follows closely
- 57. Mexican mister
- 59. REM singer Michael
- 62. Taxi rider
- 63. One of Caesar's boasts
- 64. Brainchild
- 65. Flying formations
- 66. Gaelic



SPRING STAMP FAIR

Saturday, April 15 2023
9 am - 2 pm

Dealers / Club Table

Auction at 1:30

East Dartmouth Community Centre
50 Caledonia Rd., Dartmouth

Free Admission / Free Parking

!!Help...Volunteers Needed!!

ODDS AND ENDS**Stamp Fair – Reminders**

Michael Pierce is looking for volunteers to help with Stamp Fair set-up on Friday April 14 7-8:30 pm and on Saturday April 15 at 8 am.

There will be a club table at the Stamp Fair. Anyone wishing to take advantage of this may contact Karen Galbraith at 902 865-1361 or kgalbraith@eastlink.ca or bring material to the stamp fair.

John Hall shared that Christopher D. Ryan's Catalogue of the Federal Tobacco Stamps of Canada (2021) is available at the following site along with updates. This book is sure to be a great resource to both new and veteran revenue collectors.

<https://sites.google.com/site/canadiantobaccostamps/home?authuser=0>

GUYSBOROUGH CONTINUED...

post offices in the County and, in later years, took on inspection duties for some of those offices.

The postal markings used in Guysborough were typical of accounting post offices across Canada including double split rings, split ring, duplex and registration markings and a series of at least 7 CDSs. In the 1930s, MOOD and MOTO markings were introduced.

The Post Office in Guysborough is still open today although it moved to a smaller building in 2017. Of the 33 offices once served by Guysborough, only three remain: Canso, Little Dover and Larry's River.

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Grant, Laurier. Recollections of a Life in Guysborough. self-published, 1987.

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UPCOMING VIRTUAL PRESENTATIONS

compiled by Ann Miller

You can register for the event via the host's website. Many are recorded, posted, and available to the public for subsequent viewing. All groups have a number of recorded presentations available.

British Empire Study Group

<https://bestudygroup.org>

April 13th, 7 p.m., Jamie Smith, "West African Military".

Collectors Club of New York

<https://www.collectorsclub.org/Live%20Video%20Program/>

April 19th, 6:30 p.m., Alan Barasch, Computers, computing and the Internet, the story or technology on stamps.

Royal Philatelic Society of Canada

<https://www.rpsc.org>

April 11th, 8 p.m., Stamp Talk, Derwin Mak, "Wonder Woman" (note Tuesday).

April 17th, 8 p.m., Stamp Panel, French Philately in Canada.

Royal Philatelic Society of London

<https://www.rpsl.org.uk/language/en-US/Home>

May 2nd, 11 a.m., James Podger, "Welsh Postal history".

Postal History Society of Canada

<https://www.postalhistorycanada.net/php/index.php>

Date and topic not yet announced.

North Toronto Stamp Club

<https://www.northtorontostampclub.ca/>

April 20th, 7 p.m., David McLaughlin, "Canada Maple Leaf Issue 1897-1898".

West Toronto Stamp Club

<http://www.westtorontostampclub.org/>

April 18th, 8 p.m., Discussion Group, Denzil Fernandes, "Sea mail from Bombay".

LIBRARY CONTINUED...

- Stanley Gibbons – Collect British Stamps. (2001)
- Feldman Galleries – New Brunswick and Nova Scotia – The Warren Wilkinson Collection/Canada – The Joseph Hackney FRPSL Collection.
- Murray, G. Douglas – The Post Office on Prince Edward Island: 1787-1990.
- Webb's Postal Stationery Catalogue of Canada and Newfoundland. (5th Edition)