

B.N.A. AUCTION REPORTS

The prices realized at the second part of the 'Pack' sale were received too late to be printed in the last issue and by this time, you may be familiar with them. However, I shall note some of the outstanding prices and offer the usual suggestion that you write me for any prices you may want. Of particular interest is the price of \$320 paid for the composite Die proof of the 12d Black and 10c Black. A superb used 6d Violet (2) cat \$35 sold for \$63. Superb used copies of the 6d on wove paper (5, 5b) cat \$35 sold at \$70, 61, 55, 54. A superb used 7½d Green (9) cat \$85—\$155. A used blk 4 of the 5c Beaver (15) slight reinforced, realized \$110. Imperf pairs of the small cents went as follows: 1c Yell (33b) cat \$20—\$23; 3c Verm (37b) cat \$24—\$26, 21, 20; 6c Red Brown (39a) cat \$24—\$28; 5c Grey (44a) one thin, cat \$20—\$15; 20c 'Widow' (46a) cat \$20—\$41; 8c Gray (48d) cat \$24—\$28.

Harmer, Roche & Co.: May 10, 1945. CANADA. A superb unused 50c King Edward (95) cat \$22.50 sold for the new high of \$31.

H. R. Harmer, Inc.: May 9th, 1945. CANADA. An imperf pair of the 8c Blue Gray (48d) cat \$24—\$36. Imperf pairs of the Postage Dues sold as follows: 1c (J1b) 2c (J2b)—5c (J3b) each cat \$20—each realized \$23. Sale May 14th, 1945. Of special interest was the sale of the imperf tete beche booklet panes of 12 of the Victoria and Edward Issues. Each sold at \$195. An imperf tete-beche pane of 12 of the 1c Yellow (105b) sold for \$112. A similar pane of the 2c Yellow Green (107c) brought \$112 and one of the 3c Carmine, pane of 8, 4x2, sold at \$86.

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AUCTION COMMENTARY

Dan Meyerson

On April 16, 1945, the collector of Newfoundland stamps was treated to quite a show at the offices of the Cosmos Stamp Company. Starting with the Guy Issue most of the imperforate and part perforate pairs and blocks listed in Scott, and many of those still unlisted, were offered for sale.

The gem of the collection was a superb mint block of four, imperf between vertically, with the NFW error, #87c and d, in the 12 x 11 perforation that sold for \$410. This is the first instance of this error in the 12 x 11 perf being sold in the United States at auction in the past five years. Both the Brown and Green collections contained this error in the part perf block, but it was in the 12 x 14 perf.

A mint horizontal pair of the 1c imperf between in the 12 x 11 perf. 87c, sold for \$35 and the same stamp, but this time in a vertical pair imperf. between, #87e, brought exactly the same price.

The Guy set in fine O. G. condition sold for \$27.50, while the engraved set in like condition brought \$29.

Imperf pairs of #114a changed hands at \$18.50 and \$17.50 respectively. The Caribou set brought \$11.50, better than ¾ of catalog.

The 2c on 30c, #127a, with the surcharge inverted sold for \$62.50, while a copy of the 3c on 6c, #160a, also with the surcharge inverted brought \$52.

A vertical pair, O. G., of #163, imperf. between, a variety unlisted by Scott, sold for \$32, and the same stamp in an imperf block of four, also unlisted, sold for \$80.

The 2c, #164a, in a mint imperf. block of four brought exactly \$100.

A superb mint block of four of #183, imperf between horizontally, unlisted in Scott, sold for \$410, and a similar block of the 3c, #187, also unlisted, sold for \$405.

In the Gilberts, mint imperf blocks of four of the 1c, 2c, 4c and 10c, all unlisted in Scott, brought \$260 per block when sold as separate lots.

In the Airmails, a mint copy of the Halifax invert, #C3b, sold for \$240, and a De Pinedo on flown cover sold for \$227.50. A mint Columbia, #C5, in superb condition brought \$310. The DO-X and Balbo stamps brought \$24.50 and \$21.50 respectively.