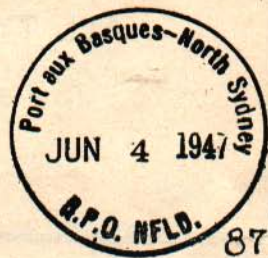
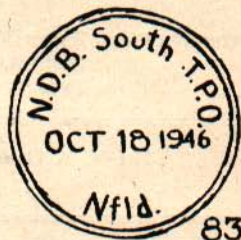
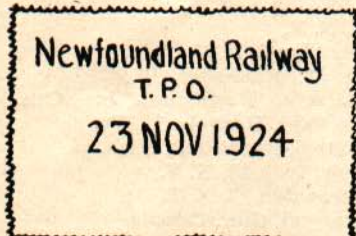
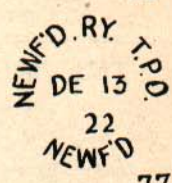
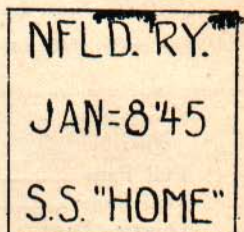
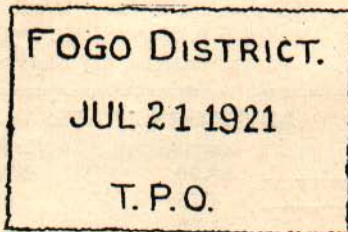


# THE TRAVELLING POST OFFICES OF NEWFOUNDLAND

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It would seem as though the article on the Travelling Post Offices of Newfoundland that appeared in the February and March issues of the 1947 *BNA TOPICS* filled a much wanted need. Quite a number of our members of BNAPS have written in and forwarded new cancellations, new information and new dates of use. Strangely enough the letters have come from the four corners of the world showing how truly international the hobby of philately and the membership of BNAPS really is. In the course of the past few months we have heard from Stanley C. Calder, BNAPS #326, a resident of Cheshire, England; S. A. Wood, BNAPS #221, of Auckland, New Zealand; Prof. A. V. Richardson, BNAPS #211, of Lennoxville, Canada; E. H. Hiscock, BNAPS #234, of St. John's, Newfoundland; K. M. Smith, BNAPS #272, of Fostoria, Ohio; and many of the collectors who constantly shove TPO's under our noses. In self defense we are now forced to carry a pad with us at all times to record the various changes.

Mr. Hiscock, in addition to submitting several new cancellations, also gives us this bit of pertinent information concerning illustrations #'s 46, 51 and 60 which were in the March issue of *TOPICS*. He says, "The illustrations #'s 46, 51 and 60 are not TPO's. With the advent of Commission Government, retrenchment closed a number of small Post Offices along the Railway Route. Where Railway Agents operated an office, they were handed over the Postal work. The cancellations illustrated are impressions of the Railway Date Stamp as used on passenger tickets and Bills of Lading. The Agents rather contemptuously threw aside the regular Post Office cancellations and instead used their Railway Daters. Such cancellations are an interesting phase of Newfoundland Postal History but are definitely not TPO's". That is it, fellow members, Mr. Hiscock definitely knows what he is talking about, so please strike out illustrations #'s 46, 51 and 60 from the March 1947 issue of *BNA TOPICS*.

From far-off New Zealand, S A. Wood forwards an excerpt from a periodical that states, "The Department of Posts and Telegraphs at St. John's reports the following Coastal Ships are serving as TPO's:

- S. S. Burgeo*—Port aux Basques & North Sydney TPO
- S. S. Home*—Placentia Bay TPO
- S. S. Baccalieu*—Coastal West TPO
- S. S. Glencoe*—St John's and Lewisporte TPO
- S. S. Clyde*—Notre Dame Bay TPO
- S. S. Northern Ranger*—Coastal North TPO
- M. V. Clarendville*—Straits TPO

The *S. S. Caribou* was sunk by enemy action on the 14th of October, 1942, with a loss of 137 lives while on the Port aux Basques & North Sydney TPO run.

Now if you will refer to *BNA TOPICS* of February and March we will endeavor to pass on to you the changes that have been referred to us:

<i>Illustration</i>		<i>Submitted by</i>
1.	Early use—June 17, 1942	Calder
15.	Early use—November 15, 1898	Hiscock
15.	Late use—June 10, 1902	K. M. Smith
20.	Early use—May 9, 1945	Calder
27.	Late use—October 11, 1934	Calder
30.	Late use—July 2, 1946	Calder
42.	Late use—December 8, 1914	Calder
47.	Early use—November 11, 1930	Meyerson
56.	Late use—March 21, 1939	Hiscock
59.	Seen without date stamp	A. V. Richardson

The new illustrations are as follows:

- Fig. 65 "BAY DE VERDE RY P.O.—NEWFD" May 4, 1927-Oct. 3, 1931  
Meyerson, Calder
- 66 "C.B. RAILWAY T.P.O.A.—NEWFD" Sept. 21, 1898 Meyerson
- 67 "C.B. RAILWAY T.P.O.A.—NEWFD" Sept. 9, '04-Nov. 21, '12 Meyerson, Calder
- 68 "C.B. RAILWAY T.P.O.B.—NEWFD" August 12, 1914 Calder
- 69 "CONCEPTION BAY RAILWAY P.O.—NEWFD" Feb. 19, '25-Aug. 31, '25  
Hiscock, Calder
- 70 "CON. BAY R.P.O.—NFLD" November 21, 1946 Wood
- 71 "FOGO DISTRICT T.P.O. July 21, 1921 Hiscock
- 72 "S.S. HOME, NFLD RY" January 8, 1945 Calder
- 73 "LABRADOR T.P.O.—NEWFD" September 19, 1914 Hiscock
- 74 "LABRADOR N.T.P.O.—NEWFD" August 6, 1939 Calder
- 75 "NEWFD RAILWAY T.P.O." December 16, 1917 Calder
- 76 "NEWFD RY T.P.O.—NEWFD" May 3, 1918 Calder
- 77 "NEWFD RY T.P.O.—NEWFD" December 13, 1922 Calder
- 78 "NEWFOUNDLAND RAILWAY T.P.O." November 23, 1924 Hiscock
- 79 "NFLD RY T.P.O.B." March 2, 1915 Calder
- 80 "S.S. NORTHERN RANGER—NEWFD" October 26, 1941 Hiscock
- 81 "N.D. BAY SOUTH POST OFFICE, NFLD" October 24, 1931 Hiscock
- 82 "N.D. BAY SOUTH POST OFFICE, NFLD" May 15, 1940 Hiscock
- 83 "N.D.B. SOUTH T.P.O.—NFLD" October 18, 1946 Calder
- 84 "PLACENTIA BAY T.P.O." Nov. 13, 1938-Sep. 13, 1943 Calder, Hiscock
- 85 "PLACENTIA RY T.P.O.—NEWFD" February 25, 1913 Calder
- 86 "PLACENTIA R.P.O.—NEWFD" Feb. 17, 1925-Feb. 23, 1927 Calder, Hiscock
- 87 "PORT AUX BASQUE—NORTH SYDNEY R.P.O. NFLD" 1st day of issue,  
June 3, 1947 Meyerson

In addition to the cancellations illustrated, we already have a good start toward another page of cuts, so we urge all members who have additions or corrections to send them along so we can in turn pass them on to the rest of the members in a future issue of *BNA TOPICS*.