

# Trail of the Caribou

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Earl P. I. Apfelbaum, a member of our very active Philadelphia Group has just come up with a previously unrecorded item. We've seen a photo of the item so that we are certain that it does exist. The item in question is a pane of 25 (5x5) of Scott #211 except that the top two horizontal rows are without overprint. One sheet had been previously recorded with the top row without overprint, but this is the first time we have heard of the existence of a sheet with two rows without overprint. Of course the item is only good in a complete sheet or in vertical strips of 5. Certainly a very nice item and thanks for letting us see it.

We've just received the prices realized for the Sir Lindsay Everard Airmail collection that was sold at auction by H. R. Harmer Ltd. London, on Oct. 19 and 20. On the whole, high prices prevailed and here are some of the results. A "Hawker" on cover only brought \$1036.00, a rather low price but possibly so because the cover was not backstamped at London. However the "MS. Martinsyde" changed hands at the very princely price of \$1890.00, very likely a new high. The "Alcock" on flown cover sold for \$86.40 and a "Handley-Page" no comma variety went for \$84. A complete pane of 25 of the Halifax overprint went rather reasonably at \$176.40, a flown "DiPinedo" at \$448, a flown "Columbia" at \$364, and a mint "Columbia" with tiny corner crease realized \$406.00. Complete sets of die proofs of the 1931 unwatermarked Airmails in black and in issued color were sold at \$58.80 and \$72.80 respectively. A horizontal pair of the 50¢ imperforate between realized \$147 in mint condition and \$123.-20 in used condition. The same stamp in a vertical pair imperf between was knocked down at \$106.40, one stamp

in the pair minutely thinned. A horizontal pair of the \$1 imperf between went at \$134.40. The entire set in strips of 3, we are sure that the \$1 stamp is a strip of 4, perforated "SPECIMEN" sold for \$56. 5 Progressive proofs of the 5¢ Labrador Issue sold for \$154, while 3 of the 10¢ value went at \$89.60. 4 of the 30¢ value changed hands at \$123.20 and 8 of the 75¢ value realized \$238. The complete set in Die Proofs in black went at \$154 as did a set of Die Proofs in issued color. The imperforate sheet of 50 of the 5¢ and 10¢ value each brought \$644. The sale closed with a "Balbo" on flown cover being sold for \$37.80.

A note is in from Bill Lea of Manchester, England, telling of some new finds he made while at Lisbon for the recent International. Bill showed his excellent collection of Canada which those of us who attended CAPEX in '51 were privileged to see. The new finds made by Bill were in the field of Essays and Die Proofs of the first issue of 1857. Among the new items recorded were the Essays of the 6d and the 1/- in black listed by Boggs on page 38 as E2 and E3. However these Essays found by Bill were on thin wove and were previously unrecorded. In the field of Die Proofs, also in black, there were examples of the 6d, 8d, and 1/- also on thin wove. Boggs had previously recorded only the 1/- so the other two values must be added to the list of those in existence even though thus far they are the only examples known. It is always thus that in the most out of the way places rarities are apt to exist. Aside from the Silver-Gilt medal that Bill won for his Canada we are sure that the Newfoundland find added quite a bit of spice to the trip. Let's hope that we

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