

# Trail of the Caribou

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LAST month we discussed one of the interesting covers from John Siverts' collection, and this month we will discuss a card that we feel will be of interest to our fellow collectors. It is a card sent out by the General Post Office and posted on Jan. 14, 1898. It supplements the card discussed in BNA TOPICS back in November 1953, at which time we listed the stamps available at the Post Office back in 1896. The list printed on this card is as follows: The entire Cabot set (Scott Nos. 61-74), with the notation that the 1c and 2c values (Scott Nos. 61 and 62) could not be obtained outside of full sets. Then we have a listing headed "Former Issue"—nine varieties, viz: ½, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 12 and 24 cents, at 64 cents the set, and it is only available in the set. Scott Nos. 79 and 81 were also available, as were the 1c and 2c card, as well as the 4c reply. The complete set of envelopes and wrappers was listed at 19 cents. One of each of everything listed could be purchased for \$3.28, including 20 cents for postage and registration. We would appreciate word from anyone who may have any other cards or lists such as these in their possession.

**J. Millar Allen** (BNAPS 966) of Lisburn, Northern Ireland, is in with another note concerning the CAPO cancels. This time he gives us a list of his earliest and latest dates of use and he asks us to supplement it. We immediately had recourse to the November 1945 TOPICS to see what Ian Morgan had to say about opening dates, and the balance of this list is a mixture of the dates out of Morgan's article, Allen's letter, and our collection:

	Opened approx.	Latest rec. of use
CAPO 1 .....	9-7-41	8-27-44
CAPO 2 .....	9-7-41	11-23-43
CAPO 3 .....	9-7-41	2- 7-45
CAPO 4 .....	11-4-43	8-17-44
CAPO 5 .....	12-13-42	7-25-45
CAPO 10 .....	7-13-42	7- 5-43

All additions will be warmly welcomed and listed in TRAIL.

Mr. Allen has also sent along a tracing of a CAPO 10 cancellation that we have not seen before, and we are illustrating it herewith. Thank you, Mr. Allen!



Purple

In "Stamp Collecting" for August 5, 1955, in his column W. E. Fyndem espouses the cause of one of the more recent Newfoundland stamps. It is his considered opinion that the 48c (Scott No. 266) is a stamp that will become increasingly good. In the same issue of the magazine, Geo. C. Ginn & Co. advertise some Newfoundland items and included among those advertised is a copy of the 4c (Scott No. 189) in the line perf., at 7/6.

**N. W. Scales** (BNAPS 1058) of Evansville, Ind., has just made a purchase of a considerable number of the "AND" perfin on cover and among the new varieties he has uncovered are the following: Normal, Scott Nos. 145, 147, 164 and 173; reversed, 132, 164 and 173; read up, 132 and 147, and in the read down variety the new listings are Scott Nos. 131, 145, 147 and 166.

All of our readers who are members of the C.P.S. of G.B. should be certain to read in "Maple Leaves" the column written by Dr. Willen and titled "Newfoundland Corner". We understand that the column is to be a regular feature and if future columns are as interesting as this one in its discussion of the Guy Tercentenary Issue, then count us in, and we are already anxiously looking forward to the next instalment. ★