

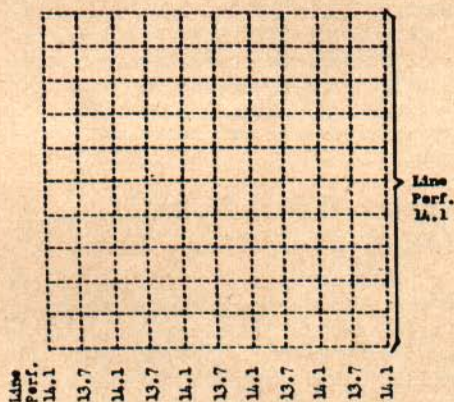
Trail of the Caribou

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NEW ITEMS FROM NEWFOUNDLAND

DR. R. WILLAN, writing in the June issue of 'Maple Leaves', advises that he has discovered that a block of the 4c, Scott No. 189, consisting of two pairs imperforate between horizontally, in reality has a compound perforation as all horizontal perfs. are 14.1 line while the vertical ones are 13.7 and 14.1 alternately. This, at any rate, is what I deduce from reading Dr. Willan's article and examining the variety in my own collection. Just as a guess, I would assume that the sheet was laid out as follows:



I would appreciate hearing from anyone who has a marginal piece of this variety, as in this way we will be able to determine whether the first vertical perforation is line 13.7 or 14.1, as there is absolutely no basis for my assuming that it is 14.1. Will all readers please check and advise as to what they have, and a very deep bow to Dr. Willan for this very interesting discovery.

I guess that it doesn't do to get smug and satisfied in stamp collecting. Just about when we had decided that we had seen all possible varieties of Newfoundland part-

perfs., we made a fortunate purchase and came up with two previously unrecorded examples. We are sure that they aren't unique and yet here it is 20-25 years after issue and they make their first public appearance, to our knowledge. The first is a mint vertical pair of the 30c, Scott No. 198, imperforate between. In addition the pair is line perforated 14.1, a perforation not previously recorded for this stamp, though Scott Nos. 195, 196 and 197 have long been known line perforated 14.1. The second is another mint vertical pair imperforate between of the 7c, Scott No. 248, but in this case the perforation is the 13.2 comb, as I recall—the first instance of a part-perf. in a comb perforation. Both very interesting items and both far from usual.



Fig 12

Back in March and May, 1956, we ran two articles on the POSTAGE PAID handstamps and at that time we illustrated 11 different types. The latest one (Fig. 12) was found on a wrapper and we have no definite idea as to the date as there was no other marking. However, it seems to be an exact duplicate of Fig. 6, with the exception that the words "St. John's N.F." have been added between the bottom line and the letters "G.P.O.", and we know that handstrike No. 6 was used in the years 1942 and 1943, so that it is reasonable to assume that handstrike No. 12 ran concurrently. Further information will be greatly appreciated. ★