



A Registered Letter from Bright in 1903

South Easthope Township in Perth County changed both township and county to move south into East Zorra.

Banner post office was opened in 1893 to become the first and only post office geographically situated in Oxford North Township, at the corner of Conc. 5 road and the 20th sideroad. It was so named by E. N. Minkler because he considered Oxford the "banner county" of Western Ontario.

In 1896 Folden's Corners post office was established at the corner of the 4th conces-

sion road and the 12th sideroad of West Oxford. It was named after Franklin Folden, who came from Ireland to the township in 1834. Muir was opened in 1901 on what is now Highway #53 a bit west of the eastern boundary of Oxford East Township. It was named after a Scottish family.

From 1910, on the introduction of rural mail delivery caused the closing of many post offices located in tiny hamlets. Their postmarks are interesting to find on stamps and covers from the period of their existence.

## Trail of the Caribou

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At the last ASDA Show held in New York during the latter part of Nov. '62, we purchased a very interesting cover. It was an envelope franked with 3 copies of the 3c Provisional, Scott #75 and it was registered and mailed from Cape Ray sometime in the latter part of Nov. '97, during the period of the emergency. It is a registered cover and as such was 3c underpaid as the registry rate at that time was 6c. The envelope therefore bears the black Type 3 "MORE TO PAY" cancel as well as a black handstamped "6"

to cover the 3c underpayment and the 3c penalty. In addition this interesting envelope addressed to St. John's bears three back-stamps, CHANNEL, COASTAL T.P.O. WEST and the St. John's barred circle. An interesting cover to start with but made far more intriguing by the story the cancels tell.

This time it is Edgar C. Black, BNAPS #1639, Vancouver, B.C., who sends along an item that was submitted to him by Harold Dilworth, BNAPS #692, also of Van-

cover, B.C. along with a letter stating that the item had been purchased from the stock of the Stanley Stamp Co., partly owned by H. A. MacMaster, BNAPS #484. The item submitted is a block of 6 (3 x 2) with right hand margin plus the marking that is always put alongside stamp #50 in the last issue. It is the 3c, Scott #255, with a definite diagonal line of color across the earring. From the fact that the variety is in the middle stamp of the top row and the stamp immediately at its right is stamp #50, this variety occurs on stamp #49. We have several mint sheets of this stamp, 4 to be exact, and a careful study of all four failed to show the variety which means one of two things, either the variety is not constant or else the four sheets that I have are not from the corner that has the variety as this stamp was printed in sheets of 400 and then quartered. May I therefore urge all Newfoundland collectors to look through their stock and advise if it is a permanent variety or whether it was a dirty plate or something of that sort. I'll be waiting.

Just the other day we received the H. R. Harmer, London, catalogue for their sale the end of January and a Newfoundland cover that was illustrated piqued our interest as it looked familiar to us. They offered for sale a copy of the 3d green, Scott #11, used on cover from St. John's to Portugal Cove on Nov. 15, 1863. In this forthcoming sale the cover is estimated to bring 30 Pounds and yet this very same cover sold in the "Mackie" sale, also conducted by H. R. Harmer on April 10, 1962, a little more than 9 months ago under lot #368. We are glad to see some of this ma-

terial coming back into the market and we wish that a few other items would as we were not successful in getting more than about 20% of the material that we bid on originally.

If you are a collector of Newfoundland stamps then all roads this Winter and Spring should lead to the offices of Robson Lowe, London, England. We are in receipt of a letter from Robbie advising that they have a collection described as FRESH UN-USED or MINT for sale by private treaty at 2,810 Pounds. In a letter to us the collection is described in part as a block of 10 and 2 singles of the 1d., two copies of the 3d., a corner block of 6 of the 5d., a very fine 6d., two 6½d., a complete sheet of twenty and two singles of the 8d. and a remarkable copy of the 1/. The oranges comprise two 2d., a single and a triangular block of four of the 3d., an excellent 4d. and a marginal 5d. The 1861-62 lake issue is very well represented and I will stress only the highlights, a copy of the 1d. chocolate-brown with watermark, a copy of the rare 1d. red-brown error of color, a block of four of the 2d. on thin paper, a complete sheet of 20 of the 4d. on thick paper, a block of four of the 8d. on watermarked paper and a complete sheet of 20 of the 1/. showing most of the watermark. In all there are 150 stamps offered for sale. Is that enough to make your mouth water, well, it isn't all because on April 3rd., they are offering at auction the "BURRUS" collection of Newfoundland. We don't know anymore about this last offer but we can hardly wait.

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## Notes on

# THE YUKON AIRWAYS AND EXPLORATION CO. LTD.

by H. L. BANNER  
PART III (Conclusion)

### STAMPS

The stamps were produced in Vancouver by Clarke and Stuart Ltd., a reputable and old established firm of printers and engravers. In 1950 I visited them and learned that the stamp was designed and the die engraved by Mr. W. H. Jordon, who is well known in Canada for the beauty of his designing and for his exquisite engrav-

ing. I had the pleasure of a long talk with Mr. Jordon and he told me that he had served his time with E. S. A. Robinson Company of Bristol England. Mr. Jordon stated that before proceeding with the Yukon Airways stamp job, the sanction of the Post Office was sought. This was forth coming in the form of a letter of authority allowing the Yukon Airways to have the