

THE POSTAL MARKINGS

ST. JOHN'S GENERAL POST OFFICE

AND SUB OFFICES

1840 - 1949

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SUB OFFICES

The continuous growth of St. John's during the latter half of the nineteenth century, exerted pressure on the G.P.O., as it was the only post office in the city. J.O. Fraser became Post Master General in 1885, and during his tenure, several sub offices and a way office were opened in St. John's. From 1886 to 1888, sub offices were opened at **Central** (Water Street East), **Riverhead** (Water Street West) and **Southside** (Southside of the harbour), plus a way office at **Kingsbridge** (far northeast part of the city).

As the core of the city grew, offices were opened on Duckworth Street East (far east end), Quidi Vidi (serving the Village), Mundy

Pond (far northwest end of the city) and Monkstown (upper levels). These offices were opened from 1901 - 1913. In the 1930 - 1940's era, new offices were opened on Water Street West (far westend) and Harvey Road (upper levels of city). A special office was granted to the Newfoundland Hotel in the mid 1930's to serve tourists staying at the hotel.

The above mentioned offices have all been documented in Pritchards records at Ottawa, or in postal history collections. The Newfoundland Almanacs also list eight other offices that have not been recorded as yet. These are included in the sub office list for general information. I would be very interested in information on these strikes to complete the visual list.

- SOM #1:** Kings Bridge. 1886-1927
- SOM #2:** St. Johns Central. No Apostrophe in Johns. 1886-1894
- SOM #3:** Southside, St. Johns. 1886-1910
- SOM #4:** Riverhead, St. Johns. 1886-1931
- SOM #5:** St. John's Central. Apostrophe in John's. 1894-1925
- SOM #6:** Monkstown, St. John's. 1901-1923
- SOM #7:** Duckworth Street East, St. Johns. 1903-1913
- SOM #8:** Duckworth Street, St. Johns. 1907-1931
- SOM #9:** Mundy Pond Road, St. Johns. 1910-1928
- SOM #10:** Quidi Vidi Road. 1918-1925
- SOM #11:** Quidi Vidi Road. 1925-1931
- SOM #12:** Kingsbridge, St. Johns. 1928-1931
- SOM #13:** Rawlins Cross, St. Johns. 1929-1934
- SOM #14:** St. John's West. 1932-1949
- SOM #15:** Hotel Branch, St. John's. 1934-1935
- SOM #16:** Mundy Pond, St. John's. 1932-1941
- SOM #17:** Harvey Road, St. John's. 1944-1949

- SOM #18:** St. Johns East. Arcs 1.5 mm. 1893-1913
- SOM #19:** St. Johns. East. Period at end of Johns. 1918-1920
- SOM #20:** St. Johns East. Arcs 3mm 1923-1924
- SOM #21:** St. Johns East. 22 mm circle. 1923-1932
- SOM #22:** St. Johns East. Machine Cancel. 1925
- SOM #23:** St. Johns East. Time Dater. 1932
- SOM #24:** St. Johns East. 28 mm double circle. 1937-1945
- SOM #25:** St. Johns East. 30 mm double circle. 1945-1949
- SOM #26:** St. Johns East. 30 mm double circle. 1948-1949
- SOM #27:** St. Johns East. Registration, NF. 1947-1949
- SOM #28:** St. Johns East. Registration, NFLD. 1946-1949
- SOM #29:** St. Johns, East end. Wavy Rectangle. 1929

SOM #30: East End, St. Johns. 28 mm double circle. 1931

Freshwater Road 1898-1932
Garrison Hill 1890-1922
Pleasant Street 1912-1931
Prescott Street 1905-1908
Throburn Road 1909-1932
Water St. West 1911-1921

LISTED IN ALMANACS

Allendale Road 1921
Battery 1930-1932



SO 1



SO 2



SO 3



SO 4



SO 5



SO 6



SO 7



SO 8



SO 9



SO 10



SO 11



SO 12



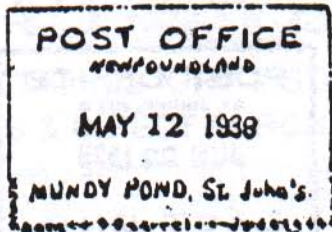
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SO 15



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SO 17



SO 18



SO 19



SO 20



SO 21



SO 22



SO 23



SO 24



SO 25



SO 26



SO 27



SO 28



SO 29



SO 30