
The January edition of the Transatlantic Mail Study Group newsletter was the first for Malcolm Montgomery. He has pretty much carried on from where Jack Arnell left off. The first item "Old Letters" shows a 1797 letter addressed to "Charlott Town, S^t Johns Island" describing the contents of a chest that was apparently sent at the same time. Another interesting item is entitled "Getting The Mail To The Coast". In contrast to Jack Arnell's research on the movements of Canadian Transatlantic mails to and from the ports, this example illustrates how the British mails made their way to the ships. It's a pity we can't reproduce the whole newsletter, for there's a wealth of information even though you may not actually collect this period of postal history.

In the March edition of the newsletter, a new highlight has been added by inserting a colour photocopy of a feature cover on the front page. Very attractive. In this particular case the cover illustrates a rediscovered New Brunswick handstamp, 1 shilling and fivepence halfpenny in blue. Excerpts from "General instructions to a postmaster - 1848" are included in the discussion of the rate. Two more articles - Inland Charges on Atlantic Mails and Forwarding Postage Due - United Kingdom, with illustrations, complete the newsletter - another fine edition.

The November/December 1995 issue of the Newfie Newsletter edited by John Butt has some excellent articles. It begins with the continuation of the Slogan Cancels of Newfoundland, an article started in the September/October issue. It is edited based on articles published by Carl Newswanger and the Myerson Brothers. Also from the exhibit put together by Derek Paul and from some of Don Wilson's collection. It is meant as an update to which members can submit contributions. Horace Harrison submitted a photocopy of an unaddressed registered cover with a beautiful watercolour hand-painted cachet of the Newfoundland shield. Horace is inquiring as to the existence of more of the same. Duncan Campbell's beautiful pre-stamp covers are shown. Kevin O'Reilly's article on Labrador cancels is the feature of the newsletter. This will be a feature for some time to come, and a good one.

The January/February edition of the newsletter has two main articles. These are the ongoing listing by Kevin O'Reilly of "Labrador Post Offices", and John Butt's listing of "Slogan Cancels of Newfoundland". Both are excellent, and provide an opportunity for students of Newfoundland postal history to add information or provide comments.

Bill Topping is the editor of the British Columbia Postal History Research Group newsletter. Items described in auction catalogues as "unlisted" must be thoroughly scrutinized. In the March issue Bill notes that the "Harbour Princess" corner card handstamp is often misdescribed as an unlisted postal (T.P.O.) marking. Bill takes us through several other interesting items supplied by various members. You'll enjoy the piece "Victoria Postage Due '10'", and the story of mail carried on the mission ship *Columbia*. The feature article I think would be the research done on Big Lake Ranch post office, and the various types of postmarks used. Dr. Brian Plain is working on the Dead Letter Office cancellations used in B.C. and membership assistance is requested. The usual annual report and membership list appears at the end of the newsletter.

The January issue of the R.P.O. newsletter edited by Bill Robinson illustrates several