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information on the 1939 Royal visit. There is also a listing of World War II serial number prefix letters. The newsletter is rounded out with additional information on previous contributions.

September saw the arrival of a newsletter from the re-vitalised Re-Entry Group with a nice article on Newfoundland major re-entries on the 1865 decimal currency issue (#31 & 39). The September/October issue of the Newfie newsletter contains items by Bob Dyer on a new First Day for the 1929 Re-Engraved 3¢ Publicity Issue. There was a piece on the COX Philatelic

Letters, Kevin O'Reilly continued his monograph on Labrador Post Offices and there was a note on plating the 1933 Balbo airmail stamp. The August edition of *Confederation* contains an article by W.H. Manyuk "Unitrade Needs Revision." There are comments by Ron Ribler on various queries raised in previous issues. The *War Times* contains articles on Newfoundland censorship by Peter Burrows and World War II research resources by Bill Pekonen; mail "Held By Censor" by Chris Miller; and "Damaged by Fire and Water" also by Chris Miller. Tom Almond submitted an item on War Savings envelopes. The *BNA Perforator* for October also arrived. Jon Johnson submitted an article on "Postal History from the Director of Records Militia Council and Department of National Defence." Then, Barry Senior contributed a short item "Perfins on Stamps of Newfoundland." The September edition of *Postal Stationery Notes* contained an item about the post cards printed and issued under licence by the Postcard Factory. These are becoming a hot collecting item. There are updates on a number of subjects including Priority Courier, XPRESSPOST, Photo Mailers, Go Letters, and Sky Paks. There is also a reproduction of Post Office Department Order No. 7 (1871) dealing with Post Cards. Finally there is an illustrated piece by Michael Sagar on Cranbrook Trading Company wrapper advertisements. The Trans-Atlantic Newsletter contains an article from the Small Queen Large Queen era on combination covers. Dorothy Sanderson contributed a complicated registered cover from Upper Canada to Ireland (1858). This was followed by another example from St. John's Chapel, England to Upper Canada (1845, from the Martin Willcocks collection). These illustrations are followed by a brief discussion of the problems with early trans-Atlantic registered covers. There is an item from Jack Arnell on late fees. Malcolm Montgomery has indicated his intention of expanding the groups activities to include trans-Atlantic airmail material and has written a short piece on the use of air post "A Decision by the Postmaster General is approved."

The July/August edition of the *Corgi Times* contains an item on "Corner Paper Folds" by Donald Leblanc, Wilding period covers, rates and usage by Harry Machum and the Cameo-period 7¢ jet airmail by John Arn. John Hillmer submitted a piece on "Fun Items" in the Caricature and Landscape definitive series. Leopold Beudet sent along an item on the 1979 17¢ Postal Code commemorative issue. John Burnett submitted an article on interrupted mail.

That appears to have emptied the mail bag for this quarter. It just remains for me to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.