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Welcome to our special edition catalogue Selected Rarities XXII. In 2010 we attended the international show in London, which was a successful one for us both in terms of buying and selling. We are pleased to return to the U.K. for the Europhilex show May 13-16, 2015 at the same venue, the Business Design Centre in Islington. We hope to renew acquaintances and meet some new friends as well. For the convenience of our U.K. clients this catalogue also carries prices in sterling.

Some very interesting items can be found in this publication. We have tried to strike a balance among stamps, proofs and postal history, so wherever your interests lay, I sincerely hope you will be able to find something suitable to add to your collection.

A few of the many highlights include:

- A fresh mint block of the Nova Scotia three pence
- A mint block of Prince Edward Island three pence
- A full sheet of Newfoundland eight penny scarlet vermilion
- A rare unused shilling scarlet vermilion
- A beautiful mint block of 30 of the three pence triangle
- A full sheet of the 10 c black schooner
- Columbia flight covers from both St. John’s and Harbour Grace
- One of two known sets of Caribou Issue Imperforate Inland Revenue plate blocks
- A lovely mint Canada ten penny blue on white paper
- A vertically ribbed half penny on cover
- A spectacular American Bank Note trade sample sheet
- A mint plate block of six of the 20c Numeral Issue
- Quebec Tercentenary plate number blocks complete
- King George VI first issue die proofs
- Rare modern errors
- A rarely seen $\$ 2.00$ bill stamp showing Inverted Centre

If you have a chance to attend the show, be sure to drop by our booth. We will have part of our retail stock available for viewing. We will also be buying collections and accepting consignments.

Gary J. Lyon
May 2015
Member: ASDA - CSDA - PTS - APS - RPSC - BNAPS - CPSofGB - PHSC


Item 2301
1869 Five cent on Three pence bright red, watermarked Crown CC, perf $12^{1 / 2}$, a scarce unused example showing characteristic uncleared perf discs, quite well centered, ex. Ferrary, Fine to Very Fine (Unitrade $14 \$ 2,000$; Gibbons $23 £ 1,600$ )

Price: $\$ 1,295.00 ; £ 775.00$

Item 2302

1869 Ten cent lilac rose, watermarked Crown CC, perf $121 / 2$, a remarkably well centered unused example with lovely bright colour, a scarce stamp with such superior centering, Very Fine (Unitrade 15 \$1,200+; Gibbons 24 £900)


Price: $\$ 995.00 ; £ 595.00$

## British Columbia / New Brunswick

## Post-Confederation / Cents

Item 2303

1880s Wells, Fargo \&
Co's Express / Over Our Lines in the United States / Victoria, Vancouver Island. Printed blue frank on white envelope in pristine condition, with large oval merchant handstamp on reverse, franked with single 3c

orange vermilion (Scott 37) tied by light Wells, Fargo \& Co. / Victoria oval - date is illegible (mid-1880s), addressed to San Francisco; no backstamp as customary. An unusually choice express cover and very desirable as such, Extremely Fine (Unitrade 37; Gibbons 83)

Price: $\$ 495.00 ; £ 295.00$


## Item 2304

1879 (circa.) One cent Locomotive "Goodall" die essay in greenish blue on india paper, $27 \times 24 \mathrm{~mm}$, die sunk on card measuring $57 \times 30 \mathrm{~mm}$, showing locomotive facing left. Ideal for a serious collection, striking and rare, Very Fine (Minuse \& Pratt 6E-Ag) ex. Koh Seow Chuan (1999), Sir Gawaine Baillie (2006)

Price: $\$ 1,495.00 ; £ 895.00$


## Item 2305

1860-1864 One cent to Seventeen cent, complete set of top margin plate proof blocks of four on card mounted india paper, printed in issued colours (except One cent in dark violet).
American Bank Note Co. New York imprint shows on the One cent and Two cent. A beautiful set, Extremely Fine (Unitrade 6P-11P \$1,740+; Gibbons 7/19)

Price: $\$ 1,295.00 ; £ 775.00$

## New Brunswick

## Cents

## Item 2306

1879 (circa.) Ten cent Queen Victoria "Goodall" die proof in greenish blue on india paper, $26 \times 30 \mathrm{~mm}$, die sunk on card measuring $38 \times 57 \mathrm{~mm}$, showing die " 73 " number below design; an attractive and rare proof, Extremely Fine (Minuse \& Pratt 9TCa) ex. Sir Gawaine Baillie (2006)


Item 2307

1860 Twelve and One Half cent indigo Steamship, perf $113 / 4$, a beautiful mint block of ten with sheet margin at right, remarkably fresh, a few short perfs at top, quite well centered for the issue and showing full unblemished original gum, NEVER HINGED. Certainly among the largest surviving, Fine to Very Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade $10 \$ 2,475$; Gibbons for hinged $£ 700$ )

Price: $\$ 850.00 ; ~ £ 500.00$

## Item 2308

1851 Three pence blue on bluish wove paper, imperforate, an impressive mint block of four with fabulous bright colour on fresh paper, barely touching design at one corner but essentially full to large margins and unusually showing full original gum that has been lightly hinged on three stamps; lower right stamp is NEVER HINGED. A remarkable multiple, very few mint blocks still exist, Very Fine, Original Gum; Calves expertizing handstamp on reverse and 1997 Brandon certificate. (Unitrade $2 \mathrm{fx} \$ 12,800$; Gibbons $3 £ 4,000+$ )

Provenance: Senator J.A. Calder, H.R. Harmer, Inc. New York, February 1958; Lot 379

Price: \$7,500.00; $£ 4,500.00$

## Nova Scotia

## Cents



## Item 2309

Two different types of the Baddeck, Cape Breton Postmaster Grid " $5 c^{\prime}$ ". A rare duo bearing the two distinctive Baddeck Postmaster handstamps; both with clear 2011 Greene Foundation certificates.

1864 (July 9) Folded cover mailed from Baddeck to Halifax, franked with a well centered 5c blue showing centrally struck " $5 c^{\prime \prime}$ (Macdonald Type IVb) and tied by additional oval grid cancel as customary, horizontal file fold at foot away from stamp and postal markings, clear Baddeck (JY 9) dispatch and oval (Halifax) JY 12 receiver backstamps.

## Provenance: Dale-Lichtenstein, H.R. Harmer, Sale 7, January 1970; Lot 534

A. M (Sandy) Clark, Eastern Auctions, March 2011; Lot 132

1865 (July 25) from Baddeck to Halifax with 5c blue, trivial perf flaws at upper right; nicely tied by the very scarce long oval "5c." (Macdonald Type III) and additional oval grid. Minor cover edge flaws do not detract, clear Baddeck dispatch and oval (Halifax) JY 27 receiver backstamps. A very scarce and desirable cover; only four with Type III handstamp have been reported by Macdonald.

Provenance: Dale-Lichtenstein, H.R. Harmer, Sale 2, November 1968; Lot 891
Kanai "Specialized Nova Scotia", Harmers of New York, Oct. 1985; Lot 1119
A.M. (Sandy) Clark, Eastern Auctions, March 2011; Lot 134


## Item 2310

1875 cover endorsed "Via Queenstown" to I W Brackenburg, HMS Bellerophon, Admiralty House, Halifax, Nova Scotia" with unusual franking of British $1 / 2$ p Plate 6, 1p Plate 181 pair (folded over the edge of the envelope) and $21 / 2 p$ rosy mauve on blued paper, all tied by Christchurch OC 18/75 duplex, Halifax, NS OC 2975 split ring backstamp; repaired at lower right. A rare and desirable maritime cover, Fine

The addressee, Commander John W. Brackenburg served with distinction in the Anglo-Zulu War of 1879.

Price: \$1,250.00; $£ 750.00$

## Prince Edward Island

## Stampless



## Item 2311

Folded lettersheet from Scotland with "Edinburgh $26^{\text {th }}$ Sept 1800 " dateline inside, manuscript "Paid 3/9" handstamped "PAID SEP 30 1800" in red likely applied in London, carried via Falmouth to Halifax, then likely by local steamer from Halifax to the Customs House, Prince Edward Island. Couple file folds and some edge wear, an early cover in coming to PEI, via Halifax, Fine ex. J.J. Macdonald

Price: $\$ 450.00 ; £ 270.00$

Item 2312

1844 (March 27)
Folded entire lettersheet mailed from Aberdeen, Scotland with clear dispatch datestamp to Charlottetown but MISSENT to Charlotte, South Carolina, endorsed "Missent \& forwarded from Charlestown"

showing three different manuscript rates, finally delivered to Charlottetown, backstamped St. Andrews, NB MY 16 double arc transit in blue and Prince Edward Island MY 22 arrival in red. An unusual misdirected cover to PEI, Very Fine

Price: $\$ 1,500.00 ; £ 900.00$


## Item 2313

1861 Two pence deep rose on soft yellowish wove paper, perf 9, an elusive example of Die II (Position 15), reasonably centered and with excellent perforations for this notoriously difficult First Issue, strong colour on fresh paper and clear grid cancellation. A very rare stamp taking into consideration that Die II only appears once in every sheet of sixty, Fine to Very Fine (Unitrade 1a unlisted Die II; Gibbons 2a £1,000)

Price: $\$ 1,495.00 ; £ 895.00$

## Prince Edward Island

Pence


## Item 2314

1861 Three pence blue on soft yellowish wove paper, perf 9, an exceedingly rare mint block of four with intact perforations, trivial surface abrasion on upper right stamp, full original gum with top pair hinged, lower right stamp very lightly hinged and lower left stamp NEVER HINGED. We are aware of only one other First lssue Three pence blue block of four. A desirable item for a serious collection, Fine OG (Unitrade $2 \$ 6,400$; Gibbons $3 £ 4,400$ ) ex. Alan Griffiths

Price: $\$ 4,750.00 ; £ 2,850.00$

## Prince Edward Island / Newfoundland

Cents / Pence


Item 2315

1872 One cent orange Queen Victoria, perf $11 \frac{1}{2} \times 12$, lower sheet margin mint block with gorgeous fresh colour, imperforate horizontally between stamps and sheet margin, quite well centered with full original gum, never hinged, almost Very Fine (Unitrade 11v \$700; Gibbons 36 variety)

Price: $\$ 475.00 ; £ 285.00$

## Item 2316

1857 Six and one half pence scarlet vermilion on thick porous wove paper with mesh, imperforate, a seldom seen used example of this difficult stamp, adequate margins all around and with centrally struck segmented cork cancel in black, Fine to Very Fine; 2013 Greene Foundation certificate (Unitrade $7 \$ 4,125$; Gibbons $7 £ 4,500$ )


Price: \$2,750.00; £1,650.00

## Newfoundland

Pence
Item 2317

1857 Eight pence scarlet vermilion on thick white porous paper with mesh, imperforate, a brilliant fresh mint sheet of twenty stamps, margins reduced and corner crease in lower right corner ending in a tear just touching stamp, tiny thin spot on position 4, but nevertheless in a lovely state of preservation; hinged mostly at top and
 bottom leaving nine stamps NEVER HINGED. Very few intact sheets survive (to the best of our knowledge only five), Very Fine OG (Unitrade $8 \$ 19,000+$; Gibbons 8 for hinged $£ 7,500+$ )

Provenance: Robert H. Pratt, Harmers of London, October 1986; Lot 94
Dr. Chan Chin Cheung, Christie's, September 1995; Lot 63
Sir Gawaine Baillie, Sotheby's, May 2006, Volume VI;; Lot 302

THE ONLY DENOMINATION OF NEWFOUNDLAND'S FIRST THAT STILL EXISTS IN INTACT SHEETS.

Price: $\$ 9,500.00 ; £ 5,750.00$


Item 2318

1857 One shilling scarlet vermilion on thick porous wove paper with mesh, imperforate, a rare unused example, completely sound and rarely encountered thus, showing clear even margins all around and deep rich colour; A. Brun guarantee backstamp. A Fine example of this classic rarity; (Unitrade 9 as Fine $\$ 15,000$; Gibbons $9 £ 26,000$ )

Expertization: 1977 RPSL certificate

Price: $\$ 7,500.00 ; £ 4,500.00$

## Item 2319

1860 Two pence orange on thin hard wove paper, imperforate, a choice mint example with exceptional colour, strong impression on fresh paper, full original gum relatively lightly hinged; a nice stamp, Very Fine, Original Gum (Unitrade 11 \$1,200; Gibbons 10 £550)


Price: $\$ 850.00 ; £ 500.00$

## Newfoundland

Pence / Cents


## Item 2320

1860 Three pence on thin hard wove paper, imperforate, an impressive mint block of thirty stamps with lovely fresh colour and full sheet margins on three sides, diagonal crease at lower left touching three stamps, hinged on three stamps leaving twenty-four sound NEVER HINGED examples. Among the largest surviving multiples of this denomination; a great showpiece, Very Fine (Unitrade 11A \$9,360; Gibbons 11 for hinged $£ 3,300$ )

Price: $\$ 6,750.00 ; £ 4,000.00$


## Item 2321

1865 Five cent brown on thin crisp wove paper, perf 12, an appealing unused (regummed) example, exceptional centering with unusually large margins, scarce thus and nicer than most existing examples, Very Fine (Unitrade 25 \$700; Gibbons 26 £600)

Price: \$595.00; £350.00


Item 2323
1865 Thirteen cent Schooner on thin crisp paper, perf 12 , a post office fresh mint block of four, quite well centered for this notoriously difficult stamp, with full immaculate original gum, never hinged. A scarce multiple to find in such quality, Fine to Very Fine, Never Hinged. (Unitrade $30 \$ 2,280$; Gibbons 29 for hinged $£ 480$ )

Item 2322

1870 Ten cent black Prince Albert on stout white wove paper, perf 12, lower margin plate imprint block of six, mint with lovely rich colour and sharp impression, reasonably centered for this early perforated issue, full original gum, with natural wrinkling as normally encountered on this particular denomination, an impressive and rare early plate imprint multiple. Fine to Very Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade 27 for stamps alone $\$ 5,700$; Gibbons 32 for hinged $£ 1,650$ ) ex. Sir Gawaine Baillie (2006)

Price: $\$ 3,950.00 ; £ 2,350.00$


Price: $\$ 1,450.00 ; £ 875.00$

## Newfoundland

## Cents

Item 2324

1876 Five cent blue, rouletted, a remarkable lower sheet margin mint block of six showing full plate imprint below centre stamp; all stamps are exceptionally well centered, with lovely fresh colour and clear impression, hinge reinforcement on bottom left pair leaving four stamps NEVER HINGED. A very scarce plate multiple, especially
 desirable in such nice quality, Very Fine; 2009 Greene Foundation certificate (Unitrade 40 for stamps alone $\$ 5,600$; Gibbons 43 for hinged singles $£ 1,200$ )

Price: $\$ 3,950.00 ; £ 2,350.00$

## Item 2325

1887 Ten cent black Schooner, an impressive mint complete sheet of fifty stamps with full imprints at top and bottom, showing listed varieties line through "CE" of "CENTS" (Positions $33,38,43$ ) and the scarcer two lines through "CE" (Position 18); minor perf separations strengthened by hinges along edge of the sheet leaving a total of forty-four stamps never hinged including all of the varieties. A fresh and intact sheet with many nicely centered stamps; rarely seen or offered. A great showpiece that we believe to be the last existing sheet, Fine to Very Fine (Unitrade 59, 59i, 59ii $\$ 18,215+$; Gibbons for normal hinged singles $£ 3,750$ s); ex. Sir Gawaine Baillie (2006)

Price: $\$ 12,500.00 ; £ 7,500.00$


Item 2325

## Newfoundland

## Cabot



Item 2326

1897 Discovery of Newfoundland, a superb set of fourteen in plate proof blocks of four, in issued colours on card mounted india paper, Extremely Fine (Unitrade 61P-74P \$3,100; Gibbons 66-79)

Price: $\$ 1,950.00 ; £ 1,150.00$


## Item 2327

1919 (June 14) Handley-Page Flight; Munn \& Co. envelope franked with \$1 on 15 c scarlet, without comma after "POST" tied by customary cork, mailed from Harbour Grace (JU 1419 CDS) with Atlantic Aerial Mail / Handley-Page oval cachet handstamp in black on reverse; some edge wear at left. Only 56 covers (from the total of 115) were carried from Harbour Grace, even fewer with special black cachet, Fine to Very Fine (AAMC FF-4a; Unitrade C2a; Gibbons 143a)

Price: $\$ 2,250.00 ; £ 1,350.00$


## Newfoundland

## Air Post



## Item 2328

1930 (September 25) "Columbia" Trans-Atlantic flight cover endorsed "Per Air Mail Columbia via Harbour Grace" mailed from St. John's to London, England, franked with an exceptionally well centered example being Position 2 in the setting of four, clearly tied by characteristic St. John's SEP 25 1130AM 1930 slogan datestamp, and showing a neat Harbour Grace AM OC 930 flight departure CDS postmark on reverse. A choice cover franked with an unusually well centered example of this sought-after pioneer airmail stamp, Very Fine (Unitrade C5 $\$ 17,500$; Gibbons 191 on cover $£ 9,000$ )

Expertization: 2012 Greene Foundation certificate
ACCORDING TO DALWICK \& HARMER "NEWFOUNDLAND AIRMAILS" HANDBOOK, A TOTAL OF 332 LETTERS WERE CARRIED ON THE "COLUMBIA" FLIGHT. HOWEVER, ONLY 100 WERE FRANKED WITH THE SPECIAL SURCHARGED STAMP. A MAJORITY OF THE KNOWN COVERS (SO FAR NEARLY 50 HAVE BEEN REPORTED POSTMARKED) ARE FRANKED WITH A NOTICEABLY OFFCENTERED AIRMAIL STAMP.

Price: $\$ 12,500.00 ;$ £7,500.00


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## Item 2329

1930 (October 9) "Columbia" flight cover, Strapp's Pharmacy Harbour Grace envelope mailed to Liverpool, England and bearing a unusually well centered example of the 50 c on 36 c olive green special Trans-Atlantic surcharge, Position 1 in the setting of four, tied by Harbour Grace AM OC 930 departure CDS, a clear second strike shown at left; vertical cover crease well away from stamp. A rare flight cover originating from Harbour Grace, Very Fine Unitrade $\$ 21,000 ;$ Gibbons 191 on cover $£ 9,000$-)

Expertization: 1992 Greene Foundation certificate
ONLY 100 COVERS WERE FRANKED WITH THE SPECIAL SURCHARGED STAMP, ONLY ABOUT ONE THIRD OF WHICH WERE MAILED DIRECTLY FROM HARBOUR GRACE. OF THESE, ONLY 15 HAVE BEEN ACCOUNTED FOR BY NORRIS DYER. See BNAPS Exhibit Series No. 19, page 109.

Price: $\$ 14,500.00 ; £ 8,750.00$

## Newfoundland

## Officially Sealed



## Item 2330

1905 King Edward VII Officially Sealed, a very scarce and choice plate proof block of four in colour of issue, on card mounted india paper with sheet margin at top. Not often seen as a block, Very Fine (Unitrade OX1ii \$4,000+; Gibbons unlisted)

Price: \$3,250.00; £1,950.00


## Item 2331

1932 First Resources complete booklet in pristine condition, containing all five panes - 1c green, line perf 13 , two panes of 2 c rose comb perf $131 / 2$ and the $3 c$ orange brown line perf 13 ; plus advertising interleaves, covers are unmarked, very clean and choice. As nice as they come, Extremely Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade BK2 \$1,200; Gibbons SB2a £550)

Price: $\$ 995.00 ; £ 595.00$

## Item 2332

1932 First Resources complete booklet, containing all five panes perf 14 (small holes) 1 c grey black, three panes of 2 c green, Die 1 and the 3 c orange brown; first and last pane have even toned gum; includes advertising interleaves, covers are unmarked and clean. Difficult booklet to find, Very Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade BK3 \$900; Gibbons SB2b £500)


Price: $\$ 739.00 ; £ 439.00$

## Newfoundland

Inland Revenues


## Item 2333

1966 Five cent to Twenty dollar Caribou Inland Revenue (Bradbury, Wilkinson Printing), a spectacular and extremely rare complete set of eight imperforate blocks of six showing full plate imprint in lower margins, bright fresh colours and full original gum, never hinged. One of only two known sets, Very Fine, Never Hinged (Van Dam NFR46A-NFR53A \$11,250+)

Three blocks show engraver's crayon mostly in sheet margin from archival filing as customary for these imperforates. Only two plate imprints appeared on each unique imperforate sheet of fifty.

Price: \$8,500.00; £5,000.00


Item 2334

Montreal Market Report folded circular dated July 17, 1852 and sent to Baune, France, bearing Paid at Montreal / 1 circular handstamp in red for postage paid to London, plus French accountancy " 15 " marking indicating 15 centimes to be collected on arrival for postal rate from Great Britain to France; Calais 3 AOUT 52 red transit CDS on front, Baune 4 AOUT receiver on back. Reported by Vic Willson as the EARLIEST CIRCULAR PAID RATE TO A FOREIGN COUNTRY. An important item suitable for a serious Pence era exhibit collection, Very Fine

Price: $\$ 1,250.00 ; £ 750.00$

## Province of Canada

Stampless


## Item 2335

Crimean War Period - 1855 (January 17) Folded circular rated " 1 " handstamp in black, struck out with concentric rings, Quebec JAN 171855 dispatch at left with red PAID handstamp indicating full payment mailed to Dresden, Saxony, via New York for the Collins Line "Baltic" that sailed January 25, 1855 to Belgium. Montreal JA 20 and Aachen $8 / 2$ transit backstamps and showing black " $21 / 2 d$ " stamped debit to Saxony and two different currency manuscript " $21 / 2$ " in blue denoting postage due (Aachen) and red crayon " $25 / 10$ " postage due (Dresden). A very rare properly paid circular to a foreign country during the Pence period, Very Fine

Illustrated in Arfken, Leggett et al. "Canada's Pence Era" book on page 291-292 (Figure 270)

Provenance: Warren Wilkinson (June 2007; Lot 289)

Price: $\$ 2,000.00 ; £ 1,250.00$


Item 2336

1858 (June 14) Folded "Montreal Broker's Circular" printed circular mailed from Montreal, via Boston to Harbour Grace, Newfoundland. Red "PAID" (italic) handstamp with manuscript " $11 / 2 d$ " rate ( $1 / 2$ penny for circular and $1 p$ for Cunard mail via Boston), light Montreal Paid JU 14 "tombstone" dispatch at lower left, St. John's JU 211858 transit on back and clear Harbour Grace JU 22 double arc receiver on front. An extremely rare circular rate to Newfoundland during the Pence era (effective July 18,1857 to June 30,1859 ) - a great showpiece believed to be UNIQUE, Very Fine; ex. Warren Wilkinson (June 2007; Lot 117)

Illustrated in Arfken et al. "Canada's Pence Era" book on page 164 (Figure 139)

Price: $\$ 2,500.00 ; £ 1,500.00$

## Province of Canada

## Stampless



## Item 2337

Folded report of "Bank of Upper Canada / General Election" dated June 25, 1859 mailed from Toronto to Bath, England with "PAID 9791 / VIA QUEBEC" bank's charge account number and light red "PAID 3" handstamps in red, shortpays the minimum required Book Post rate of 4d (7) cent as of July 1 for not over 4 ounces). Carried on the Allan Line Nova Scotian from Quebec on July 9 arriving in Liverpool July 19, 1859; Bath JY 21 receiver backstamp. An exceedingly rare printed matter rate to England during the Pence era, Very Fine; ex. Warren Wilkinson (June 2007; Lot 213)

This particular rate and classification - neither a newspaper nor a prices current, may have benefited from a possible special rate.

Illustrated in Arfken, Leggett et al. "Canada's Pence Era" book on page 276-277 (Figure 255)

Price: \$1,750.00; £1,050.00


Item 2338

Bradbury, Wilkinson \& Co. One penny Queen Victoria, engraved die essay in black, stamp size on thick white card (0.008" thick), in choice condition and rare - most examples offered are plate proofs on the thinner hard bond paper and in other colours. A very nice item for the specialist, Extremely Fine (Minuse \& Pratt E-Ba)

Price: $\$ 1,750.00 ; £ 1,050.00$

Item 2339

1851 Six pence slate violet on handmade laid paper, imperforate, a superb example displaying large margins and portion of adjoining stamp at top, lovely bright colour and sharp impression on pristine paper, neat centrally struck concentric rings in BLUE - an elusive coloured cancel the 1851 first issue, Extremely Fine


The invisible laid lines, colour, impression and paper of this example are all characteristic of the first printing. 2014 Greene Foundation certificate (Unitrade $2 \$ 2,500$; Gibbons 2 £1,300)

Price: $\$ 1,450.00, £ 875.00$


## Item 2340

1853 Three pence brown red on medium white wove paper, imperforate, an attractive unused example with good margins, amazing rich colour and strong impression on fresh paper; select quality, Very Fine; 2012 Greene Foundation certificate (Unitrade 4a for unused $\$ 2,100$; Gibbons $£ 3,000$ )

Price: \$1,450.00; £875.00

## Province of Canada

Pence


## Item 2341

1855 (August 2) Blue folded cover mailed from London, U.C. to New York franked with horizontal pair of Three pence red on medium wove paper, scissor cut between, with sheet margin at top tied by concentric rings and London double arc dispatch at lower left, border exchange office CANADA / PAID 10cts" handstamp in red denoting postage was prepaid in full; no backstamp as customary for mail to the United States; couple light file folds in no way affecting stamps and postal markings. An appealing sheet margin multiple on cover, Very Fine; 2013 Greene Foundation certificate (Unitrade 4; Gibbons 5) ex. Daniel Cantor (September 2011; Lot 357)

Price: \$1,350.00; £800.00


## Item 2342

1858 Ten pence blue on thick white wove paper, imperforate, a magnificent mint example of this popular classic stamp, well clear to very large margins, fabulous colour and razor-sharp impression on fresh white paper and showing large part original gum, relatively lightly hinged. A great stamp in all respects and rarely seen in such superior quality, Very Fine, Original Gum; 2014 PSE certificate (Unitrade 7a $\$ 27,000$; Gibbons $20 £ 16,000$ )

Provenance: Josiah K. Lilly, Part II, March 1967; Lot 347
Described as ".. a Gem, Extremely Fine"

Price: $\$ 19,500.00 ; £ 11,500.00$

## Province of Canada

Pence

## Item 2343

1857 Half penny rose on medium wove paper, imperforate, a large margined example with deep colour, showing an unusually large portion of Hamilton SP 211858 double arc datestamp; trivial minute inclusion at top right is hard to see, Very Fine; clear 2013 Greene Foundation certificate. Unitrade $8 \$ 1,000$; Gibbons $17 £ 600$; these values are for a normal concentric rings cancelled stamp)


Price: $\$ 750.00 ; £ 450.00$


Item 2344

1857 (August 23) Folded circular bearing a single franking of the Half penny rose on medium wove paper, well clear to large margins, fresh and tied by legible and quite clear four-ring '15' cancel from Guelph, sent to Kingston with complete AU 231857
receiver backstamp; light central file fold. An exceptional and very scarce first month of issue usage, Very Fine (Unitrade 8; Gibbons 17) ex. Henry Lubke (June 1992; Lot 288)

Price: \$2,000.00; £1,200.00

## PRTNTED OTRCULAR.

## Item 2345

1858 (April 28) Folded printed circular to Donegal, franked with Half penny rose on the rare VERTICALLY RIBBED PAPER, just touching frameline at foot to large margins tied by diamond shaped grid cancel of Toronto, Shakespeare APR 281858 and Strasford AP 281858 transit backstamps; circular is severed along folds with small tear at bottom left, nevertheless an exceedingly rare usage of this particular short-lived paper type; according to the Firby Pence issue census only two covers are known, this example and a newspaper, Fine (Unitrade 8b $\$ 6,000$; Gibbons 21a $£ 6,500$ )

## Expertization: 2013 Greene Foundation certificate

Provenance: Dale-Lichtenstein, H.R. Harmer, Inc. Sale 10, December 1970; Lot 291
Ed Richardson, Firby Auctions, November 1991; Lot 456
Warren Wilkinson, Firby Auctions, June 2007; Lot 16
Daniel Cantor, Bennett Auctions, September 2011; Lot 285

Literature: Illustrated in Arfken, Leggett et al. "Canada's Pence Era" book on page 136 (Figure 114) and Capex '96 Gems of Canadian Philately on page 27.

Price: \$5,500.00; $£ 3,250.00$

## Province of Canada

Pence


Item 2346

1857 Seven and One Half penny green, plate proof block of sixteen on card mounted india paper, showing full plate imprints at left and top; light diagonal crease on top left proof, fresh and Very Fine (Unitrade 9P $\$ 5,600$; Gibbons 12)

The left imprint has been noticeably re-entered with visible doubling of ".. Wright, Hatch \& Edson, New York" - left of Position 25.

Price: $\$ 2,400.00 ; £ 1,450.00$


## Item 2347

1857 Seven and One Half penny green on medium wove paper, imperforate, an appealing and sought-after unused example of this classic stamp, clear at foot to huge margins, completely devoid of the flaws that plague most known examples, Fine to Very Fine; 1969 PF certificate (Unitrade $9 \$ 9,000$; Gibbons $12 £ 13,000$ )

Price: $\$ 7,500.00 ; £ 4,500.00$

## Item 2348

Transient newspaper wrapper prepaid with Half penny rose on medium wove paper, perf $113 / 4$, in sound condition with four ring numeral cancel mailed via British Packet Line to England, showing clear large "1d" rate handstamp (to pay the US transit fee) at right. Wrapper with edge tears and crease at top, minor discoloration of no importance
 for this impressive Pence era franking - THE ONLY RECORDED EXAMPLE of an overseas newspaper rate, Fine (Unitrade 11; Gibbons 25)

Provenance: Warren Wilkinson, Firby Auctions, June 2007; Lot 209
"Canada's Pence Era / The Pence Stamps and the Canadian Mail 1851-1859" book mentions on page 252 that transient newspapers to and from the U.K. sent through the US (Boston or New York) were charged 1d - could not be prepaid, was to be collected upon delivery in the United Kingdom.

Price: $\$ 5,500.00 ; ~ £ 3,250.00$

## Canada

ABNC Trade Sample
Item 2349

1868 American Bank Note Company Trade Sample Proof complete sheet showing nineteen different stamps, engraved in deep green on white india paper, includes the Province of Canada 1857 Half pence and 1855 Ten pence, plus Federal Bill Revenue 1865 Ten cent; New Brunswick 1860 Twelve and One Half cent; Newfoundland 1865 Two cent, Five cent, Ten cent, Twelve cent and Thirteen cent; Nova Scotia 1860-1863 One cent and Eight and One Half cent; plus seven different from Latin American countries.

This exceptionally rare sheet is fresh with crisp impression, couple negligible flaws. Rarely seen in such a superior state of preservation, Extremely Fine (Minuse \& Pratt PB-A)

THIS ITEM EASILY RANKS AMONG THE MOST ATTRACTIVE AND DESIRABLE OF ALL PROOFS OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICAN PHILATELY. VERY RARELY SEEN INTACT AND UNDOUBTEDLY AMONG THE FINESTOF THE FEW REMAINING. A SPECTACULAR SHEET DESTINED FOR A SERIOUS COLLECTION.

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ABNC Trade Sample


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## Province of Canada

## Cents



Item 2350

1859-1867 One cent deep rose, lower right plate proof block of sixteen with lovely deep colour on card mounted india paper, showing full plate imprints at right and at foot, Very Fine (Unitrade 14P \$4,000+; Gibbons 30)

Price: $\$ 2,500.00 ; £ 1,500.00$


## Item 2351

1860 (August 25) Five cent red Nesbitt postal envelope, slightly reduced at left, uprated with pair of 5 c vermilion, perf 12 manuscript cancelled and mailed from Kirkwall, U.C. to Grass Valley, Nevada County, California, bearing a superb double arc dispatch in red with filled-in date at lower left, Rockton AU 25 and Hamilton AU 27 transit backstamp, as well as border exchange office CANADA PAID 10 cts handstamp with manuscript " 15 " over "10cts" on front. Forwarded on arrival to Mountain Well with large circular Grass Valley SEP 301860 departure postmark which also ties pair of stamp and manuscript "Ford $3 C^{4}$ " postage due charge for reposting. A visually striking and very scarce 15 cent franking to the West Coast of United States, Very Fine (Unitrade 15 + U1)

## Expertization: 1981 Greene Foundation certificate

Illustrated in Arfken \& Leggett "Canada's Decimal Era 1859-1868" book on page 102 (Figure 2)
Provenance: Horace Harrison, Robert Lee Auctions, Sale 101, February 2001; Lot 1943 - The clear highlight of the sale. Sold for \$4,750 hammer + 10\% buyer's premium.

Price: $\$ 4,500.00 ; £ 2,750.00$

## Canada

Large Queen

## Secrétaire Provincial,

QUEBEC.

## Item 2352

1875 (January 18) Folded pre-printed Judicial Statistics wrapper bearing a well centered Half cent black, perf $11 \frac{1}{2} \times 12$ tied by smudged cork cancel, light St. Maurice Champlain double arc dispatch at lower left with manuscript filled-in date; Three Rivers JA 18 and Quebec JA 20 receivers. A very scarce and particularly choice single-usage, Very Fine; 1992 Greene Foundation certificate (Unitrade 21a; Gibbons 62) ex. S. J. Menich (June 2000; Lot 2)

The half cent rate was intended for newspapers and periodicals under one ounce. This cover demonstrates an unauthorized usage of the half cent for a piece (printed matter) under one ounce. The official rate was One cent per two ounces prepaid by stamp (effective July 15, 1873 to September 30,1875 ).

Price: $\$ 1,950.00 ; £ 1,175.00$


## Item 2353

1869 Six cent brown on soft white "blotting" paper (Duckworth Paper 8) from Plate 1, a scarce unused example in sound condition, Fine; currently unpriced in Unitrade catalogue in unused condition, an indication of its scarcity. (Unitrade 27ii; unlisted in Gibbons)

Price: $\$ 1,150.00 ; £ 695.00$

## Item 2354

1885 (September 16) Clean envelope with letter content mailed registered from Ottawa to Old Orchard, Maine, USA, with beautiful multi-colour franking, all Montreal printings, perf 12 - 1 c yellow, 2 c green, two $3 c$ orange vermilion and 2 c orange RLS, tied by straightline REGISTERED or "Crown" handstamps, boxed Registered Ottawa datestamp; forwarded

back to sender with Buffalo transit SP 26 and Ottawa SP 27 receiver on back. A lovely "Crown" cancelled cover, Very Fine (Unitrade 35i, 36, 37, F1; Gibbons 75, 78, 83, R1) ex. S.J. Menich (June 2000; Lot 262)

Price: $\$ 950.00 ; £ 575.00$

## Canada

Small Queen

Item 2355

1870 (Fall) Three cent rose (First Ottawa printing), perf 12 , a remarkable top sheet margin pair of this distinctive early shade, quite well centered on fresh paper and showing complete THREE CENTS counter with shading, diagonal crease entirely confined to selvedge away from imprint, stamps with full, dull white
 original gum, NEVER HINGED. A rare plate imprint multiple especially desirable in such quality, Fine to Very Fine, Never Hinged. (Unitrade 37a for stamps only $\$ 2,850$; Gibbons 80 for hinged singles $£ 700+$ )

Price: $\$ 1,500.00 ; £ 900.00$

## Item 2356

1876-1879 Five cent olive green (Montreal printing), perf $11 \frac{1}{2} \times 12$, an appealing mint example, couple nibbed perfs at foot, lovely pastel shade and showing large portion dull, white streaky original gum associated with this printing, Fine to Very Fine, Lightly Hinged (Unitrade 38a \$1,000; Gibbons 97 £650)


Price: $\$ 650.00 ; £ 395.00$


Item 2357

1880s Five cent olive green (Montreal printing), perf 12, a selected mint example with lovely fresh colour, well centered with unusually large margins, part original gum, hinged. Very Fine (Unitrade 38 \$1,200; Gibbons $85 £ 425$ )

Price: \$550.00; £325.00


Item 2358
1888 (December 6) Envelope mailed from St. Stephen, NB to Birmingham, England, franked with a nicely centered and large margined Ten cent rose lilac, Montreal printing, perf 12, tied by dispatch CDS, additional strike at left, St. John transit on back; paying a UPU double-weight letter rate to England, arriving in Liverpool where it was found by a postal clerk to contain valuable enclosures (in this case coins); as postal laws required it to be registered, an unpaid 4 d registration fee was applied and rated " 8 " (to collect - double deficiency), handstamp Registered / 16 DE 88 / Liverpool oval in black. British Post Office "Caution" label, manuscript "Coin" had been affixed on reverse at Liverpool - believed to be the only existing example of this design, being a different type than the one applied at London. It explains this regulation and reason for its registration fee being charged; next-day arrival Birmingham registered handstamp. Letter has been opened on three sides for display, Very Fine (Unitrade 40; Gibbons 89)

Provenance: Stanley Cohen (October 1986; Lot 584)

## A VERY RARE COMPULSORY REGISTERED COVER, ESPECIALLY DESIRABLE WITH A TEN CENT SMALL QUEEN FRANKING.

Price: $\$ 3,250.00 ; £ 1,950.00$

## Canada

Small Queen / Diamond Jubilee
Item 2359
1890s Five cent brownish grey (Ottawa printing), imperforate block of four showing right portion of Boggs Type Vl imprint (from the "Ottawa" 200 -subject plate), large margin; the distinctive shade without gum and scarce as a multiple, Very Fine (Unitrade $42 i \$ 1,800$; Gibbons 106 a $£ 1,400$ )

Price: $\$ 1,450.00 ; £ 875.00$


## Item 2360

1897 Three cent bright rose, an incredible mint example surrounded by gargantuan margins virtually impossible to find on this popular set, brilliant fresh colour and full original gum, never hinged. A stunning JUMBO ideal for someone looking for something exceptional, Extremely Fine, Never Hinged; the term "one-in-a-million" is perfectly relevant for this stamp. (Unitrade 53; Gibbons 126)

Price: \$595.00; £350.00


Item 2361

1897 One dollar lake, a lovely fresh mint block of four with true colour and intact perforations, lower left stamp barely hinged, lower right never hinged. A scarce multiple, Fine to Very Fine (Unitrade $61 \$ 5,100$; Gibbons 136 for hinged $£ 2,200+$ )

Price: $\$ 3,500.00 ; £ 2,100,00$

## Item 2362

1897 Four dollar purple, a well centered example with true rich colour and a neat face-free squared circle cancellation at top, Very Fine (Unitrade $64 \$ 1,600$; Gibbons $139 £ 700$ )

Price: $\$ 1,150.00 ; £ 695.00$


## Item 2363

1897 Five dollar olive green, a nicely centered used example showing Re-entry (Trimble No. 3; Position 8) with visible mark in "O" of "POSTAGE", post office fresh colour, light magenta Winnipeg CDS postmarks to record payment of bulk mailing of newspapers. An attractive stamp with the plate variety, Very Fine (Unitrade 65 variety \$1,600+; Gibbons 140 variety £700+)

Price: $\$ 1,150.00 ; £ 695.00$

## Canada

Leaf

## Item 2364

1897 Eight cent orange on horizontal wove paper, a choice, large margined mint imperforate pair with characteristic full white original gum, associated with this horizontal weave paper. Scarce this nice, Extremely Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade 72a \$2,250; Gibbons 148a variety)

Price: $\$ 1,750.00 ; £ 1,050.00$


## Item 2365

1897 Ten cent brown violet, large engraved die proof in issued colour, $64 \times 74 \mathrm{~mm}$ on card mounted india paper, showing die "F-109" number and American Bank Note Co. Ottawa imprint below stamp design; a few tiny light foxing spots hardly detract from this very scarce and Very Fine die proof (Minuse \& Pratt 73P1a; Unitrade 73; Gibbons 149)

Price: $\$ 2,250.00 ; £ 1,350.00$


Item 2366

1902 Seven cent, trial colour large die proof printed in brown (colour of the issued Six cent) on india paper measuring $62 \times 75 \mathrm{~mm}$ sunk on card, showing customary archival adhesive on reverse only; with die " $\mathrm{O}-10$ " number and American Bank Note Co. Ottawa imprint below stamp design. A rare coloured die proof unlisted in the exhaustive Minuse \& Pratt handbook, Very Fine (Unitrade 81; Gibbons 160)

A very small number of trial colour die proofs exist; only one die proof in brown of the Seven cent was present in the famous 1990 ABNC Archives sale.

Price: $\$ 3,500.00 ; \mp 2,150.00$

## Item 2367

1902 Seven cent large die proof printed in olive yellow - colour of issue, on india paper sunk on card measuring $61 \times 75 \mathrm{~mm}$, customary archival adhesive shows on reverse only; with die "O-10" number and American Bank Note Co. Ottawa imprint below stamp design. A very rare die proof, in fact only one die proof in the issued colour was present in the well known 1990 ABNC Archives sale. Very Fine (Minuse \& Pratt 81P1a; Unitrade 81; Gibbons 160)

Price: $\$ 3,250.00 ; £ 1,950.00$

## Canada

Numeral

## Item 2368

1898 Ten cent brown violet, a remarkable mint Plate 1 imprint strip of four, fabulous colour on fresh paper, quite well centered for this particularly difficult plate múltiple, some separation strengthened by a hinge at right,
 centre pair with pristine original gum, never hinged. Certainly among the nicest plate imprint multiples of this denomination, Very Fine (Unitrade $83 \$ 6,000$; Gibbons 163 for hinged singles £680+)

Price: $\$ 3,250.00 ; \mp 1,950.00$


Item 2369

1900 Twenty cent olive green, an impressive mint block of six showing right-hand portion of plate imprint " $\mathrm{A}-\mathrm{No}-1$ ", nicely centered within noticeably large margins for the issue, lovely bright fresh colour; a couple gum thins entirely confined to edge of sheet margin, lower left and right-hand stamps are lightly hinged leaving the other four NEVER HINGED. A key plate multiple, Very Fine (Unitrade 84 \$14,000; Gibbons 165 for hinged singles $£ 1,950$; no premium added for plate imprint)

Price: \$9,500.00; £5,750.00


Item 2370

1908 Half cent to Twenty cent, complete set of eight die proofs, all stamp size (except 10 c full size die sunk on card), printed in colours of issue on india paper, all with large margins on contemporary card. A very rare set, Very Fine

The shades of these die proofs are noticeably different than the issued stamps on wove paper, both perforated and imperforate.

Price: $\$ 4,500.00 ; £ 2,750.00$

Québec Tercentenary

## Item 2371

1908 Half cent to Twenty cent, a fabulous complete set of Plate numbered blocks of four, each with full plate number inscription in top margin; all are from Plate No. 1 except One cent (Plate 4) and Two cent (Plate 3). Unusually nice quality for these difficult plate multiples, displaying fresh colours with centering ranging from quite well to extremely well centered; lightly hinged in selvedge and on one or two stamps per block. A very challenging set to assemble, especially in this quality, Very Fine to Extremely Fine (Unitrade 96-103; Gibbons 188-195)

Provenance: Bertram Collection, Shanahan, February 1959; Lot 1169

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Price: $\$ 12,500.00 ; £ 7,500.00$


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## Canada

Québec Tercentenary


## Item 2372

1908 Five cent blue, an important and exceedingly rare Plate 2 block of four, reasonably centered and fresh; minor horizontal crease at top and couple faint spots of glazed gum at lower right, otherwise with full original gum. A very rare intact plate numbered multiple ideal for a serious collection, Fine to Very Fine; ex. Herbert McNaught (2009), "Libra" (2011)

The great rarity of this intact plate block was recognized by Rosemary Nickle - who assembled and sold an important collection of the Quebec issue. She commented that she had never seen a complete Plate No. 2 block.

Price: \$4,500.00; £2,750.00


Item 2374

1913 Five cent deep blue, an attractive top margin mint Plate 3 strip of four, quite well centered in an unusual deep shade, hinge remnant in top margin barely touching centre pair, end stamps never hinged, Fine to Very Fine (Unitrade 111 \$1,410+; Gibbons 205b)

Item 2373

1922 Four cent olive bistre, wet printing, well centered and fresh mint Plate A1 imprint block of four, hinged on top left stamp, others never hinged, Very Fine (Unitrade 110 \$800+; Gibbons 249)

Price: $\$ 375.00 ;$ £225.00

## Admiral

## Item 2375

1914 Five cent dark blue, a beautiful mint Plate 7 imprint block of eight, quite well centered with radiant colour, minute spot at edge of top margin, bottom centre pair very lightly hinged leaving six never hinged; a very scarce plate multiple, Fine to Very Fine (Unitrade 111 \$3,490+; Gibbons 205b)

Price: \$1,950.00; £1,150.00


## Item 2376

1917 Ten cent plum, a remarkable mint block of four with superb colour and centering, showing full strength Type A lathework, plate imprint "OTTAWA No 7" clearly shows under the lathework in addition to doubling of the lathework ( 5 mm wide) at right; couple negligible trivial gum thin specks from hinge removal on top pair, lower pair and lathework margin are never hinged. A wonderful showpiece for an advanced Admiral collection, Very Fine Extremely Fine (Unitrade 116 \$6,000+ - the double lathework variety is currently unlisted; Gibbons 210)

Price: \$4,500.00; $£ 2,750.00$

Admiral



Item 2377

1920 Ten cent plum, wet printing (Plate 11 / 12), mint block centered left, showing near full strength Type $C$ lathework, minor vertical perf separation in margin only, Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade 116 \$5,240; Gibbons 210)

Price: $\$ 1,950.00 ; £ 1,150.00$

Item 2378

1924 Ten cent yellow brown, well centered and fresh mint Plate 22 block of eight, hinged on selvedge and lower centre pair, tiny gum thin on upper left stamp, five stamps never hinged, Very Fine (Unitrade 118b \$1,440+; Gibbons 254a)

Price: $\$ 695.00 ; £ 425.00$

## Canada

## Admiral

Item 2379

1925 Ten cent bistre brown mint Plate 23 block of eight etched " $H$ " above "L"; originating from the upper left pane, deep rich colour and nicely centered, lightly hinged in selvedge only, stamps Very Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade 118 \$1,440+; Gibbons 254)

Price: $\$ 750.00 ; £ 450.00$


## Item 2380

1912 Twenty cent grey green, wet printing, top margin mint block of this notoriously difficult first printing, characteristic sharp impression, shade and perforations, quite well centered for this, tiny inclusion on lower left stamp mentioned for the record, full pristine original gum that has never been hinged. An elusive multiple and superior than most that still exist, Very Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade 119d $\$ 4,800+$; Gibbons unlisted printing)

Price: \$2,500.00; £1,500.00

## Item 2381

1937 One cent to Eight cent King George VI Mufti, complete set of six large die proofs in issued colours on india paper $85-87 x$ $86-89 \mathrm{~mm}$, each die sunk on full-size card measuring $229-230 \times 152-154 \mathrm{~mm}$; all with imprint and different die number below stamp design. A desirable and seldom seen set of proofs, Very Fine (Minuse \& Pratt 231P1a-236P1a; Unitrade 231-236; Gibbons 357-362)

Price: $\$ 4,500.00 ; £ 2,750.00$

## Canada

## Modern

## Item 2382

1969 (6c) Christmas - Children Praying, mint single with black colour complete omitted. A striking missing colour error; select fresh and Very Fine, Never Hinged; 2004 Greene Foundation certificate Unitrade 503a \$3,000; Gibbons 645a £1,700)

Price: $\$ 1,950 ; £ 1,150.00$


## Item 2383

1977 Two cent Western Columbine (CBN printing), perf $12 \times 12 \frac{1}{2}$, very scarce example printed on the gum side, choice and seldom seen, Very Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade 707a \$1,250; Gibbons 857a £350)

Price: \$850.00; £500.00

Item 2384

1985 (\$1) Glacier National Park (CBN printing - Clark Paper), lower left blank (as issued) corner block of four with dark blue (engraved) inscriptions omitted, showing the best possible centering for this rare error; pristine fresh and Fine to Very Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade 934a \$5,250; Gibbons 884ba $£ 2,800$ )


Price: $\$ 2,500.00 ; £ 1,500.00$


Item 2385

1983 \$5 Point Pelee National Park, upper left blank field stock corner block, all stamps showing an additional albino impression of the engraved inscriptions, the double embossing is clearly visible on the back. An unusual variety; another interesting feature is the "CANADA \$5" imprint is shifted to right and thus shows trace of the "trimmed" marginal imprint. Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade 937iii \$1,400; Gibbons 885d variety)

Price: $\$ 895.00 ; £ 525.00$

## Item 2386

1995 Forty-five cent Queen Elizabeth II (CBN printing), lower left blank field stock block of six showing a dramatic shift of the " H " comb perforation resulting in part-imperforate error, rare as only one sheet was ever found, Very Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade 1360 variety; Gibbons 1162 g variety)

Price: $\$ 725.00 ; £ 425.00$


## Canada

Modern


Item 2387

1995 Eighty-eight cent Masterpieces of Canadian Art Floraison, mint single with gold (foil) colour completely omitted; a dramatic and elusive error, Very Fine, Never Hinged; 2003 Greene Foundation certificate (Unitrade 1545a $\$ 2,000$; Gibbons 1629a £1,000)

Price: $\$ 1,150.00 ; £ 695.00$

Item 2388

2000 Forty-seven cent Queen Elizabeth II, lower left imperforate plate inscription block of four in pristine condition; one of only five known, Very Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade 1683a \$2,000; Gibbons 1162 ia as two pairs $£ 800$ )

Price: \$1,250.00; £750.00



Item 2389

1998 Forty-five cent Christmas Angels, perf $13.1 \times 13.6$, upper right plate inscription block of four showing the scarcer perforation change - from sheet format, in pristine condition, Very Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade 1764b \$2,500; Gibbons 1859b footnote)

Price: $\$ 1,450.00 ; £ 875.00$

## Item 2390

2001 Forty-seven cent Lunar New Year - Year of the Snake, upper right plate inscription block of four with gold Chinese Symbol omitted on all four stamps; very rare as only four upper right blocks can exist (just four sheets were found), Very Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade 1883a \$9,500; Gibbons 2050a $£ 3,800$ )


Price: \$5,500.00; £3,250.00

## Canada

Semi-Official Airmail


## Item 2391

Pioneer flight; 1928 (August 17) Moose Jaw to Winnipeg, pristine cover without addressee, endorsed "via Special Air Mail Flight / Moose Jaw to Winnipeg" bearing a $2 c$ green Admiral tied by Moose Jaw 10:30AM AUG 171928 departure cancel; on reverse the scarce (\$1) Moose Jaw stamp, being Position 2 in the pane of five, well centered and sound, affixed at foot of envelope so that the Winnipeg 8:30PM AUG 171928 arrival cancel is struck above the stamp. The finest existing cover bearing this special stamp, Extremely Fine (Unitrade CLP7 \$3,250+)

Price: $\$ 2,950.00 ; £ 1,750.00$


Item 2392

Northern Air Service; 1925 (June 27) (25c) blue, select tête-bêche vertical mint pair with perforations on all sides, full original gum. Seldom seen, Very Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade CL5 \$1,275)

Price: $\$ 995.00 ; £ 595.00$

## Item 2393

Patricia Airways; 1927 (September 1) (50c) Style Two, select mint example showing ascending 5 c overprint (Type B) in black, fresh with full original gum, minor natural ink offset on gum from overprinting. A scarce airmail stamp, Very Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade CL20 \$1,125)


Price: \$995.00; $£ 595.00$

## Canada

Semi-Official Airmail
Item 2394

Patricia Airways; 1927 (June 11) (50c) Style Three, roulette, bottom left Plate " 11 " pair with descending 5c overprint (Type B) in red, lower stamp showing third " $O$ " malformed - filled in LOOKOUT (Position 7), hinged in selvedge, stamps Very Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade CL25a, d \$735)

Price: $\$ 675.00 ;$ £ 395.00


## Item 2395

Patricia Airways; 1927 (September 17) (50c) Style Three, roulette, lower left Plate " 20 " mint single with INVERTED ascending (5c) RED LAKE handstamp (Type D) in deep purple, fresh and Very Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade CL30c Footnote \$300+)

Price: \$265.00; £159.00


## Item 2396

1915 Five cent dark blue "WAR TAX" overprint in black, a superb mint example with exceptional colour on fresh white paper, superior centering and full unblemished original gum, never hinged. Rarely seen attributes on this particular stamp - widely regarded as one of the toughest to obtain in choice quality. A great stamp worthy of the finest collection, Extremely Fine, Never Hinged (Unitrade MR2B \$1,600+; Gibbons 225 for hinged $£ 130$ )

Price: $\$ 1,950.00 ; £ 1,150.00$

## Canada

## Postal Stationery

## Item 2397

1860 (April 11) Five cent red Nesbitt envelope mailed registered to Quebec, with Long Island Locks, U.C. double arc dispatch at lower left, filled-in date, embossed stamp cancelled by pen; (2c) registered fee paid in cash; Ottawa City split ring AP 12 and large Quebec circular datestamp in red on back. Light
 wrinkling to envelope; an attractive and scarce registered usage of a Nesbitt envelope originating from a small post office, Fine to Very Fine (Unitrade U1)

Price: $\$ 475.00 ; £ 285.00$


## Item 2398

1863 Ten cent dark brown Nesbitt envelope cancelled by light but legible four-ring '28' cancel from Paris, U.C., same-ink split ring dispatch at lower left, sent to Lisbon, New Hampshire with no backstamp as customary on mail to the US; light ageing confined to reverse. A rare and appealing four-ring numeral cancelled cover, Very Fine (Unitrade U2 \$2,100) ex. Dale-Lichtenstein (January 1970; Lot 1544)

Price: \$1,700.00; £1,050.00

## Item 2399

Third Bill 1868 Two dollar red and black Queen Victoria, perf 12, a spectacular example showing the dramatic INVERTED CENTRE ERROR, remarkably well centered for this rarity, used with a combination of manuscript and blue datestamp cancellations, full intact perforations and completely devoid of the flaws that plague almost all of the very few known examples that survived. A superb stamp in all respects and a great showpiece for any revenue collection, Very Fine; 2010 Greene Foundation certificate (Van Dam FB53a \$12,500+)

Provenance: Philip Little Jr., Sissons, Sale 335, February 1974; Lot 694 Robert Cunliffe, June 2009; Lot 1074

Price: $\$ 10,500.00 ; £ 6,250.00$

## Canada

Revenues - Provincial


Item 2400

Alberta 1906-1907 Twenty-five cent purple and black Law Stamp, lower left mint block of four showing fancy "L" variety (Position 10), full original gum, hinged, Very Fine; a scarce multiple. (Van Dam AL9, AL9L $\$ 1,000+$; no premium added for the variety as it is still unpriced in mint condition)

Price: $\$ 950.00 ; £ 575.00$

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