

Canadian Meter Stamp Newsletter

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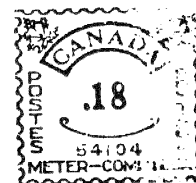
EDITOR'S NOTES

The next Newsletter will have Type 21 - the Friden group of postage meters as a theme. It will take me awhile to get things in one place to write it up. If you have unique items in the Friden line please send in a photocopy.

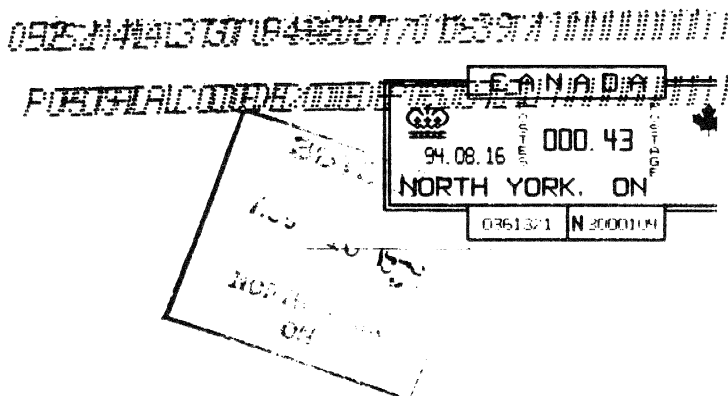
This issue has no theme. It strictly deals with items that members have sent in over the years and I am just getting around to use. Some are quite poor due to bad photocopies or very light impressions. I will describe the main features for inclusion. There are some very nice (meaning I wish I owned it) items shown here.

The first item I picked up for 10¢ in a dealers box at the Kitchener Stamp Show. It is an 18¢ rate. I didn't realize it existed.

The Ottawa Citizen
PATTERN DEPARTMENT
RESS AVE. SCARBOROUGH, ONT. M1P 4P7
RETURN POSTAGE GUARANTEED



Norbert sent me a Nixdorf (N3-104) from near North York city hall. They refused to give a sample so the purchased cover went through the mail. It has the North York RPO hand cancel and the 052 Toronto South Central Letter Processing Plant impression showing it went through the system twice. Somedays we get such treatment. Why?



In case you have a lot of money for which you do not have a plan. Canada Post will offer you a good franchise.

The attractive brochure can be picked up at your local RPO. I have reduced it here so you can read what goodies they will offer to you.

Take advantage of it through Canada Post Corporation's new *Postal Franchising Program*.

A program that offers the public more conveniently located post offices and extended hours of service. A program that offers you excellent new retail opportunities. And a program that will sweep Canada's retail postal service right into the future.

New Profit Opportunities

Postal products are always in demand. Everyone needs them. So day after day, stamps, parcels, registered letters, electronic mail and Priority Post courier service will be excellent profit opportunities for you.

You'll also profit from the sale of specialty items such as first edition stamps and stamp collecting accessories. A host of attractive postal novelties and gift items will catch customers' eyes too.

More Customer Traffic

A postal franchise will draw more people into your store. The simple fact is, as a traffic builder, franchising's potential is enormous.

Thousands of post office customers will come to you. And that will have a positive impact on sales throughout your store.

(What's more, stamps will be both pre-packaged *and* available elsewhere in your store - near the cash registers for example.)

As a result, line-ups will be reduced or eliminated and postal transactions will take much less time.

Unique, Attractive Design

In designing the franchise, we kept two ideas firmly in mind. The first was to create a work area that could easily be integrated into any store.

The second was to plan for the most efficient use of space.

a
store.

The result is an attractive, unique component design that can easily be adapted to any store.

We included modern point of sale technology that enables your employees to handle each customer quickly. We also planned the entire layout so your employees will find everything close at hand.

You'll find the franchise offers you ample room and no wasted space. You'll be pleased with the return per square foot it delivers.

Which Stores Qualify?

Only well-managed retail businesses should apply. Applicants are assessed on such criteria as store location, hours, parking facilities, the interior space available for the franchise, the store's general appearance and more. Your credit worthiness is an important factor, too.

Each Franchise Territory Is Defined

Each franchise has specific boundaries. In addition to the master franchise store, subsidiary locations can be operated within the franchise area.

Right now, franchise locations are being studied in communities all across Canada. Customer needs, population density and

The opportunity to run postal franchise right in your

traffic patterns are among the factors that will determine exactly where they will be.

You Get Comprehensive Support

Thorough training and ongoing support are available.

Special product, sales and marketing promotions and a Promotional Planning Calendar will be provided to support your sales effort throughout the year.

Merchandising And Presentation

All of your products will be attractively presented and easy to buy.

Most postal items will be pre-packaged, so customers will be able to serve them-

Better Postal Service For All

Franchising takes the two best qualities of private retail business - convenience and selling expertise - and combines them with the products and services of Canada Post Corporation.

The result is a modern retail postal service that will benefit Canadians from coast to coast.

That, in a nutshell, is the whole idea



behind the new Retail Postal Franchising Program.

It is an excellent opportunity to improve our retail service, as well as an excellent retail opportunity for you.

To find out more, write:

Director of Franchising, Sir Alexander Campbell Building, Confederation Heights, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0B1

PITNEY-BOWES PARAGON MAIL SYSTEM INVENTORY

SERIAL TOWN

000000 CITY-VILLE
200000 DON MILLS ONT
200008 ETOBICOKE ONT
200010 HALIFAX NS
200021 VANCOUVER BC
200030 WATERLOO ONT
200032 HALIFAX NS
200035 MISSISSAUGA ONT
200040 WESTON ONT
200041 HALIFAX NS
200042 VANCOUVER BC
200047 SASKATOON SASK
200052 WOLFVILLE NS
200053 FREDERICTON NB
200059 DON MILLS ONT
200067 DON MILLS ONT
200070 VANCOUVER BC
200073 PRINCE RUPERT BC
200075 MONTREAL P.Q.
200076 OTTAWA ONT
200079 HALIFAX NS
200082 TORONTO ONT
200085 VICTORIA BC
200086 VANCOUVER BC
200089 VANCOUVER BC
200092 MISSISSAUGA ONT
200108 VANCOUVER BC
200113 OTTAWA ONT
200117 KAMLOOPS BC
200120 VICTORIA BC
200124 VANCOUVER BC
200131 TORONTO ON
200132 VANCOUVER BC
200138 MONTREAL PQ
200146 TORONTO ONT
200151 THUNDER BAY ONT
200159 OTTAWA ONT
200162 OTTAWA ONT
200163 ALMA PQ
200170 OTTAWA ONT
200174 KINGSTON ONT
200183 TORONTO ONT
200196 OTTAWA ONT
200200 THUNDER BAY ONT
200222 REGINA SASK
200224 INUVIK NT
200227 MISSISSAUGA ONT
200228 CALGARY ALTA
200260 WATERLOO ONT
200266 OTTAWA ONT
200273 OTTAWA ONT
200284 KAMLOOPS BC
200316 VANCOUVER BC
200326 WINNIPEG MAN
200327 VICTORIA BC
200337 OAKVILLE ONT
200372 VANCOUVER BC
200375 HALIFAX NS
200380 TORONTO ON

200430 ST JOHNS NF
200466 TORONTO ON
200470 PETERBOROUGH ONT
200491 TORONTO ON
200523 SASKATOON SASK
200565 GORE BAY ON
200636 VANCOUVER BC
200637 HALIFAX NS
200639 MONCTON NB
200648 HAMILTON ONT
200685 CALGARY ALTA
200774 TORONTO ON

Who has more for this list? Particularly any varieties. Note the "ON" on 200466.

Mailing machines

Offices use swift high technology to generate information. If they choose to transmit documents by mail, they are using sluggish old technology that, at the end, relies on shoe leather to get the message to its destination. Bringing new methods to this old industry, Pitney Bowes Inc. of Stamford, Conn., dominates and leads the mailing technology market.

Its fastest machine, the Paragon Mail Processor, can measure, weigh, and apply postage to 90 envelopes a minute. If the envelopes are all the same size, it will do 225 a minute.

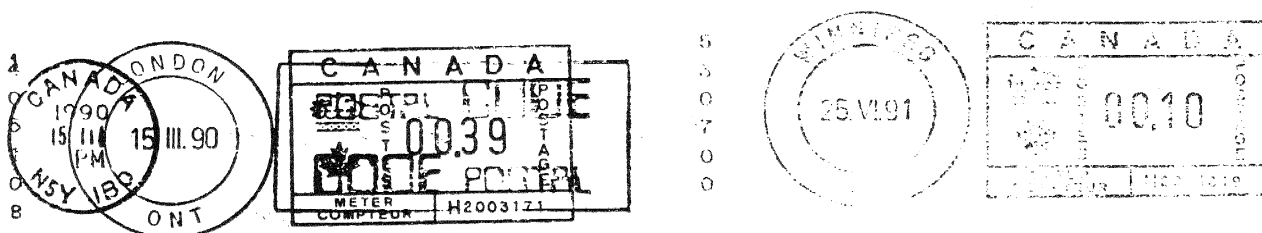
Paragons can be bought from \$18,000 to \$30,000 plus tax, the price depending on software and accessories. At the other end of the market, PB's smallest machines lease for \$15.50 a month plus tax. Tell them the cheque is in the mail.

Leland Brown sent me information that I can use over the next several issues including an inventory of Type 5, Type 6 and Type 12 meters. Leland also included the following items.

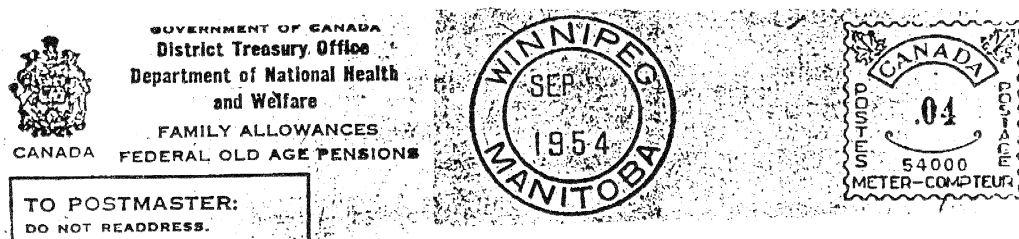
Toronto Air Mail Facility - TORONTO AMF in townmark. Meter RN775661 dated 17 XI 81



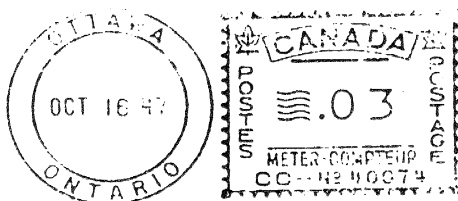
Two Hasler meters (H2003171 LONDON ONT, 15.III.90, and H2004419 WINNIPEG MB, 25.VI.91) showing the RPO number vertically to left of the townmark. These read 405108 and 530700. What was the use for these meters?



Proof that Type 8 starts at 54000, not 54001 as previously reported. This is meter 54000 used for Family Allowance payments at Winnipeg in September 1954.

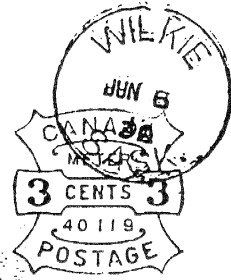


Double circle townmarks in Type 12 are scarce. This one is from Ottawa, used Oct 16'47. Meter 40074

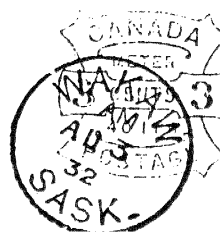


Shown here is a Type 5 RETURN POSTAGE / PREPAID using a smaller type font. Below is the same townmark but inverted. This is meter 40119 used in 1932. A very early use.

THE
BRITISH AMERICAN OIL CO.
LIMITED
At Point of Mailing



THE
BRITISH AMERICAN OIL CO.
LIMITED
At Point of Mailing

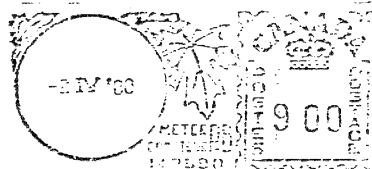


This Type 3.1, 4¢ rate is another rare item. Note it pays the airmail rate of 6¢ in 1930. The meter number is 1424 and was used at Winnipeg. The 2¢ rate is Type 3.3.



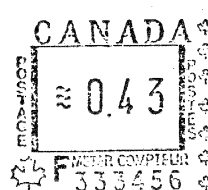
Type 11.1 with postmark ad reading POSTAGE DUE / DEPOT 1 / CALGARY. There is no townmark. The datemark reads: - 2 IV '80. Serial number 143590.

POSTAGE DUE
DEPOT 1
CALGARY

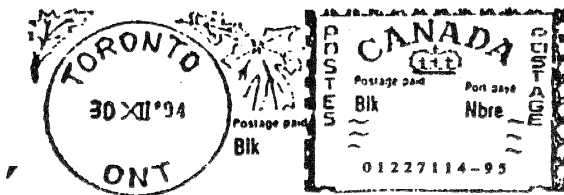


Friden meter 333456 showing a datemark (19.IV.93) but no townmark.

19. IV. 93



And finally something really new. It appears to be a Pitney Bowes 1000000 series postage meter with the same rate frame and town and datemark. Note that below the maple leaf it reads "Postage paid" and "Blk". Within the rate frame are the postage indicators of "Blk" and "Nbre" with 3 dashes below each one. At the bottom is a number - 01227114 - 95. Has anyone any clue as to what it is? Is it a meter or printed stamp?



The following is a Canadian Meter Town Checklist which I inherited and is dated 1949. Just running it here for the record.

CANADIAN METER TOWN CHECKLIST

<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Meter No.</u>	<u>Nova Scotia</u>	
Calgary	54020	Amherst	40176
Edmonton	54008	*Antigonish	84421
Lethbridge	83870	Halifax	54028
Medicine Hat	1438	Kentville	1148
Raymond	83241	Liverpool	140226
Sedgewick	84543	Sydney	40190
		Trenton	83970
		Truro	46015
<u>British Columbia</u>		<u>Ontario</u>	
Kelowne	140924	Acton	46091
N.P.C. 1113 (Navy P.O.)	140231	Agincourt	84267
*Nelson	140901	*Ajax	140214
New Westminster	83983	Allandale	82724
Powell River	83987	Batawa	84011
*Trail	140583	Belleville	82765
Vancouver	54019	Brampton	82800
Vernon	40226	Bramford	82406
Victoria	54023	Brockville	40169
Mission City	1331	Burlington	82668
		Cardinal	82761
		Chatham	82494
		Cobourg	40025
<u>Manitoba</u>		Copper Cliff	83811
Brandon	1182	Cornwall	82512
Ninette	84190	Dundas	83465
Portage La Prairie	40018	Dunnville	82547
St. Boniface	82453	Essex	1034
Wawanesa	94066	Fergus	82485
Winnipeg	04003	Fort Erie	83807
		Fort Erie North	4070
		Fort William	82909
		Frankford	84034
		Galt	40228
		Cananoque	83251
<u>New Brunswick</u>		Georgetown	140228
Bathurst	83799	Gravenhurst	83006
Edmundston	40046	Grimsby	47202
Fairville	40268	Guelph	82656
Fredericton	40229	Hamilton	54023
Moncton	4264	Hespler	83844
*Port Elgin	84794	Humberstone	82881
Sackville	47000	Ingersoll	46156
Saint John	40079	IrOquois	82771
*Woodstock	83304	Kingston	83769
		Kitchener	46040
		Leamington	83701
		Lindsay	82693
		London	54066

Ontario (cont.)

Merritton 82952
 Midland 83369
 Milverton 84736
 Mount Forest 82945
 New Liskeard 82877
 Newmarket 82614
 Niagara Falls 83228
 Niagara-on-the Lake 82769
 Oakville 83343
 Orillia 83865
 Oshawa 04005
 Ottawa 54035
 Ottawa Sub. P.O. 18 94009
 Owen Sound 82519
 Paris 83347
 Penetanguishene 140807
 Perth 40300
 Peterboro 82587
 Peterborough 82587
 Port Arthur 82887
 Port Colborne 34414
 Port Credit 46019
 Port Hope 82968
 Prescott 83016
 Preston 82944
 Renfrew 82928
 Sarnia 84001
 Sault Ste. Marie 83754
 Smith Falls 94873
 St. Catharines 94005
 St. Thomas 46046
 Stratford 82960
 Sudbury 33005
 Tecumseh 47254
 xThorold 140858
 Timmins 47152
 Toronto 83877
 " New Toronto Postal Ste. 54004
 " House of Assembly 54087
 Toronto Leaside 82654
 Toronto Weston 140093
 Trenton 83464
 Walkerton 83574
 Wallaceburg 84650
 Waterloo 84746
 Weterloo 44037
 Welland 82924
 Weston 82810
 Windsor 40041
 Windsor Walkerville 82769
 Postal Sta. 4057
 Winona 84693
 Woodstock 46046

Ontario (cont.)

Prince Edward Island 140267
 Charlottetown 140267
 Quebec 140135
 Arvida 82838
 Asbestos 140057
 Basilique Ste-Anne 82832
 Beauharnois 83371
 Brownsburg 83566
 xCherrier 94528
 xGatineau 84633
 Demacona 83089
 Drummondville 83382
 East Angus 82569
 Farnham 83058
 Gardenvale 83688
 Gatineau 83778
 Granby 83778
 Grand Mere 140004
 Hull 84531
 Jean Brillant 84022
 xKenogami 82454
 xLac Beauport 82621
 La Tuque 83539
 Levis 84529
 L'Islet Station 82529
 xMassville *Massville* 82741
 Massog 82741
 Montmorency Falls 4024
 Montmorency Village 84749
 Montreal 83882
 Niogo 04006
 xPlessisville 84728
 Quebec 83430
 Rock Island 82850
 Saint Hyacinthe 82485
 Shawinigan Falls 140302
 Sherbrooke 46094
 xSorel 40242
 Ste. Anne De Beaupre 84540
 St. Jean 83247
 St. Jerome 40161
 St. Johns 84724
 Ste. Therese
 Three Rivers
 Trois Rivières

Quebec (cont.)

Valleyfield 83095
 Verdun 84753
 Victoriaville 83414
 Waterloo 83989
 Windsor Mills 82797
 St. Hyacinthe 82531

Saskatchewan

Fort Qu'Appelle 143020
 Moose Jaw 82733
 North Battleford 84033
 Prince Albert 46064
 Regina 4114
 Saskatoon 82580
 Swift Current 140872
 Yorkton 1283

ROYAL VISIT TO CANADA (crown) GR/TA 1939 Slogen Checklist

x40370 Windsor Ontario
 x82542 Montreal Quebec
 82565 Waterloo Ontario
 x4988-Toronto-Ent.
 x82576 Montreal Quebec
 82877 New Liskeard Ontario
 83306 Toronto Ontario

PROVINCE VARIATIONS

Prov. Abbreviated	Prov. & Period	Prov. in full
Alta.	4039	Alberta
B.C.	140901	British Columbia
Man.	4015	Manitoba
x N.S.	554	Nova Scotia
N.B.	140860	New Brunswick
Ont.	54000	Ontario
P.E.I.	140263	Quebec
Que.	40332	Saskatchewan
Sask.	140108	

City	Province name missing
Halifax	N.C.R.-21
Toronto	" 104
Hamilton	" 311
London	" 361
Ottawa	" 403
Windsor	" 601
Simcoe	" 621

N.C.R.-703	N.C.R.-845	N.C.R.-862	N.C.R.-902	N.C.R.-964	N.C.R.-981	N.C.R.-501
Winnipeg	Regina	Saskatoon	Edmonton	Vancouver	Victoria	Montreal

INVENTORY OF TYPE 11 MAIL-O-MAT USE

NUMBER	TOWNMARK	EARLIEST	LATEST	USER
51002	TORONTO ONTARIO	AUG 22'47	SEP 6'47	Pitney Bowes (CNE)
51009	OTTAWA ONTARIO P.O.	JAN 3'45	AUG 6'53	Pitney Bowes
51010	OTTAWA ONTARIO P.O.	FEB 3'44	JAN 3'45	Pitney Bowes
51010	OTTAWA ONTARIO P.O.	17 IX'57	19 IX'57	Pitney Bowes (UPU)

Wilf Whitehouse reports the following town:-
OYAMA BC serial 670990

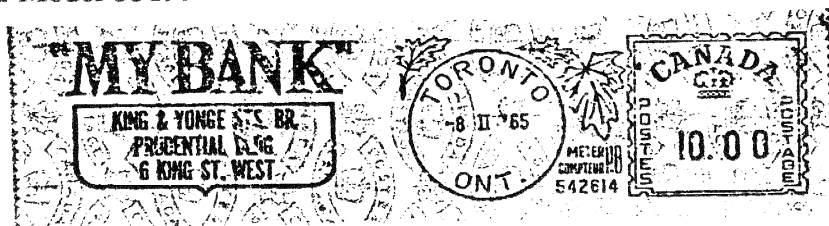
"No doubt you are aware there has been a change in the style of meter serial numbers in Type 11. I have not been able to pin down at exactly where the change took place; however, the last number in the old style of serial number I have is 160294, while the lowest number in the new style is 160402. The new style numbers are similar to those in Type 18. Can anyone narrow the gap for this change in type font?"

Type 18 serial numbers reported include 156000 and 156086.

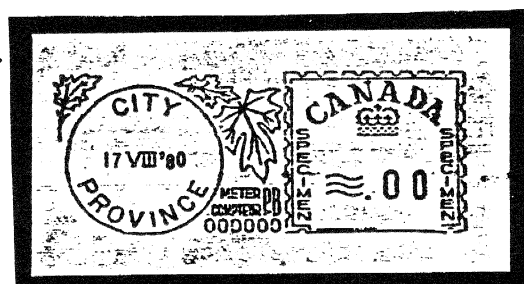
Below is a ≡.00 free frank in meter 556454. The meter is from the Gouvernement du Quebec, Cabinet du Premier Ministre. I thought free franking was only available in Ottawa while the legislature was in session. Is this an authorized use?



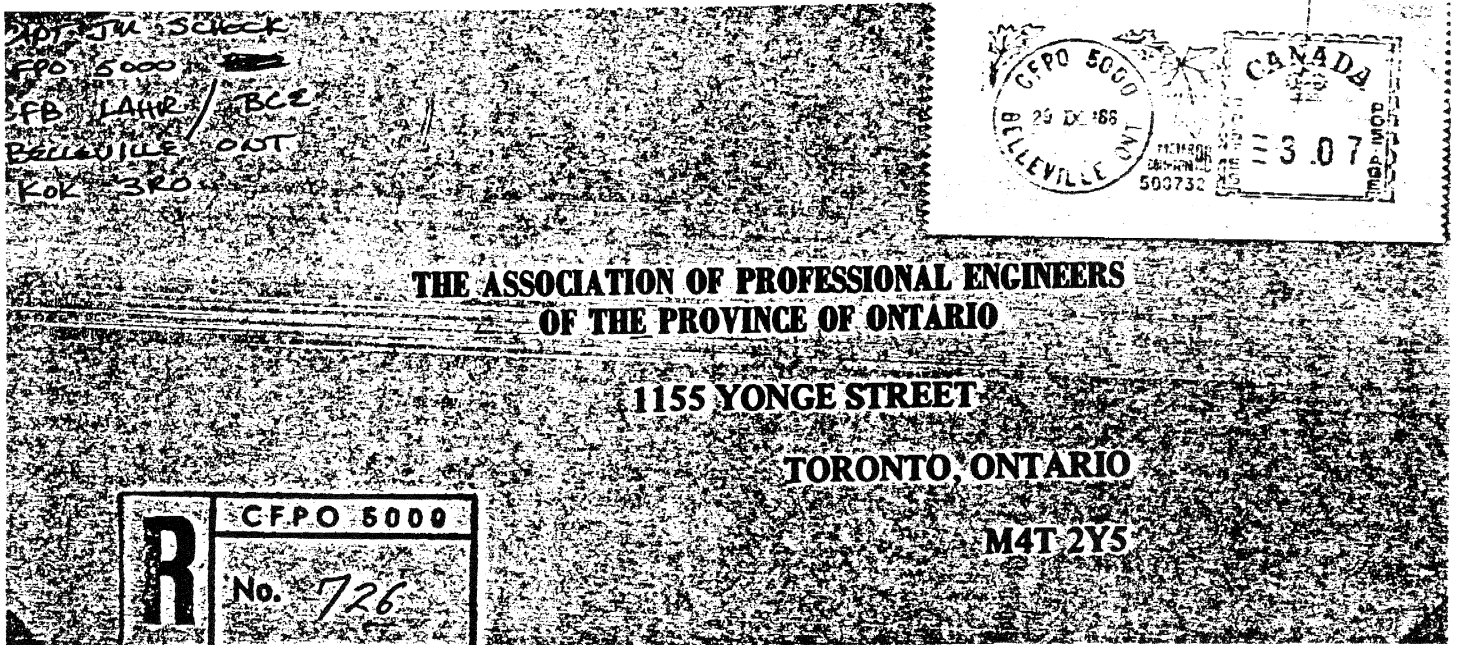
Just to show that the 542000 series has a \$10.00 value, not \$9.99. The difference is the indicia below is from a Model 5319.



Dave Cooper sent in quite a few examples of Type 20. Here is a tape showing the new machine cut ends (non-serrated) that was introduced in early 1980.

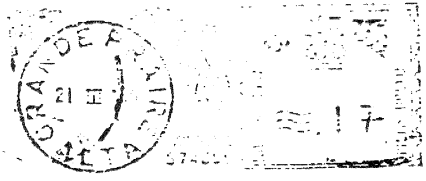
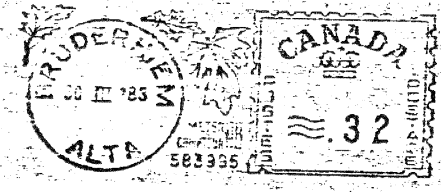
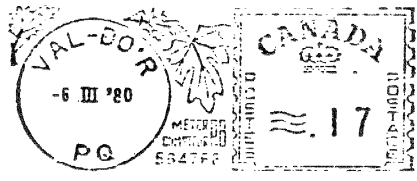
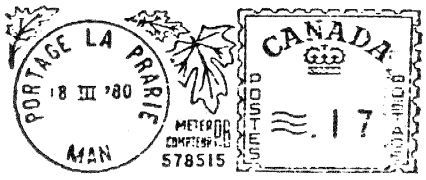


Cover posted at CFPO 5000 in Lahr, Germany, to Toronto. The meter was applied at the main Post Office in Belleville which houses CFPO 5000. I don't know about the Registration.

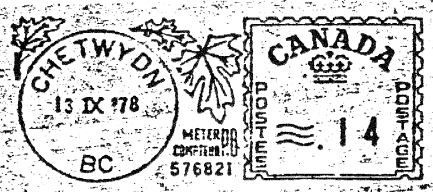


Below are some indicia with incorrect spelling in the townmark.

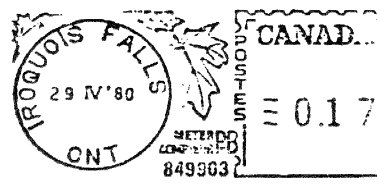
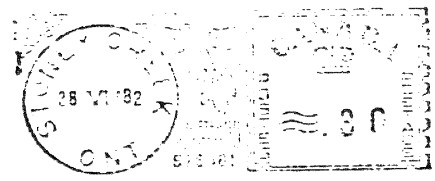
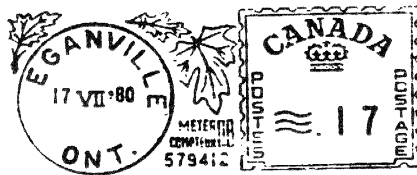
PORTAGE LA PRA(I)RIE; VAL-D() OR; BRUDERH(IE)M; GRANDE PRAIR(I)E; CHETWY(DN)



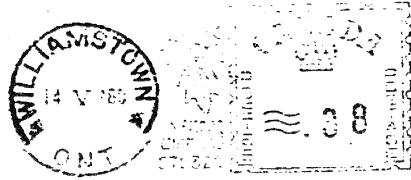
CHETWYND ELEMENTARY &
SECONDARY SCHOOL
BOX 447
CHETWYND, B.C.
VOC 1JO



Below are some town names which are off centre - EGANVILLE, STONEY CREEK.
The "A" has been removed from IROQUOIS FALLS A



Looks like this die for WILLIAMSTOWN has been recut higher?

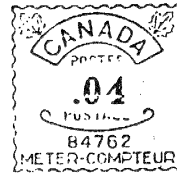


A number of postal directives of interest.

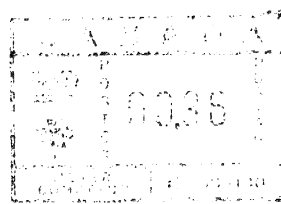
IMPORTANT; URGENT; RETURN POSTAGE GUARANTEED; COURRIER;
HOUSEHOLDER RATE; BULK MAIL (Note the postal code warning)

Postmark ad inverted.

IMPORTANT



URGENT



RETURN
POSTAGE
GUARANTEED



CAPITAINE
At: MEYANDRE RENE

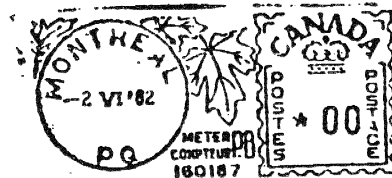
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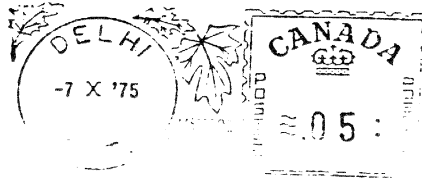
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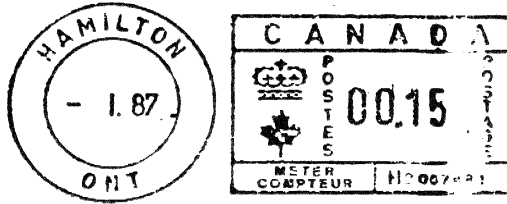
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Sans Adresse
Householder Rate



BULK
EN BLOC



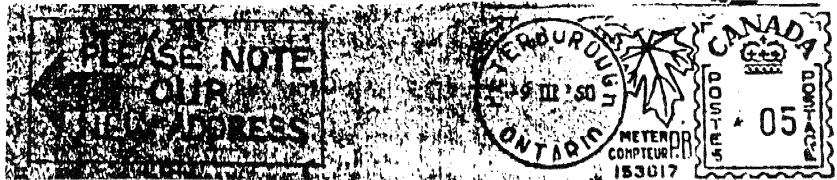
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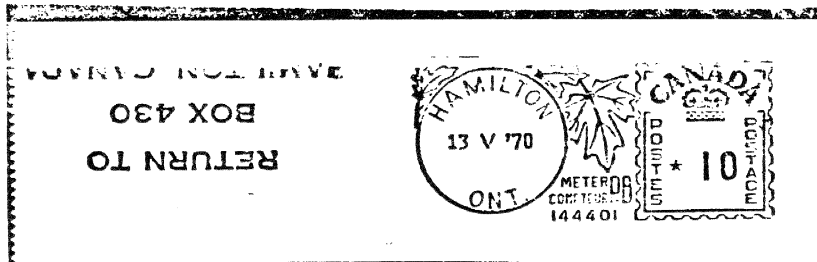
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WELLINGTON STREET W
GUELPH
N5C 3K5

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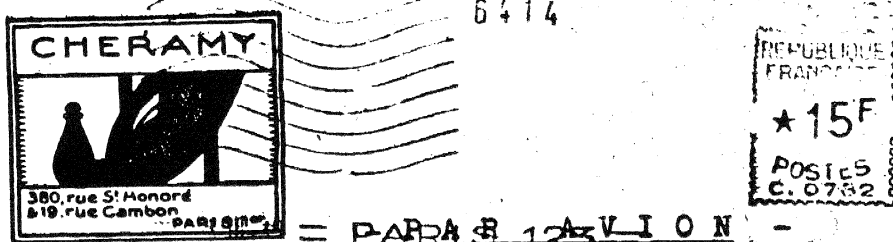
MAIL DELAYED
WRONG POSTAL CODE
Please notify your
correspondents
COURRIER RETARDE
CODE POSTAL ERRONE
Veuillez aviser vos
correspondants



RETURN TO
BOX 430
HAMILTON, CANADA



A cover posted at Paris, France, using a Havas Model C.0762 meter and addressed to the Isles de St.Pierre & Miquelon, just off Newfoundland. The receiving handstamp is dated 15-3-1949.

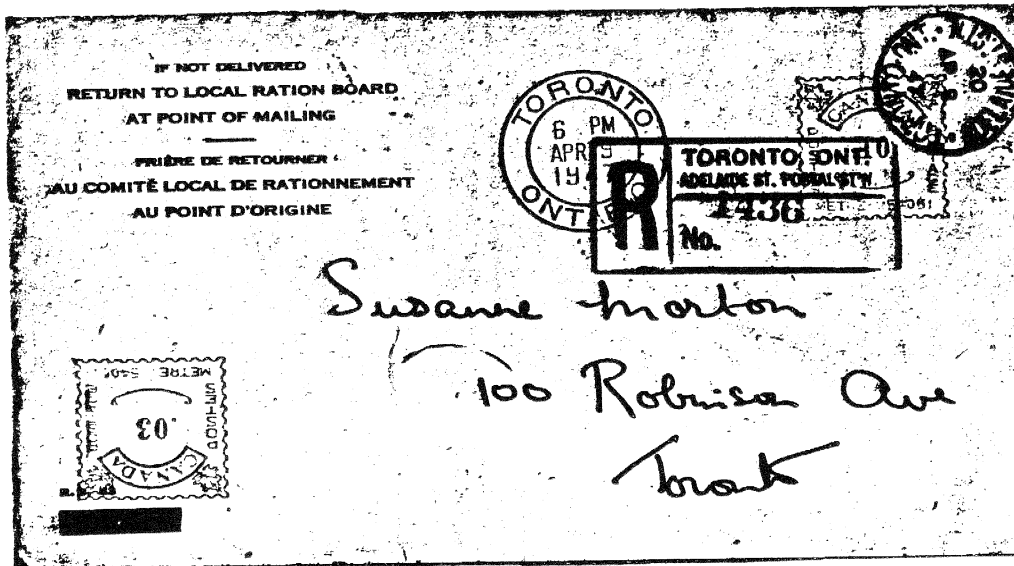


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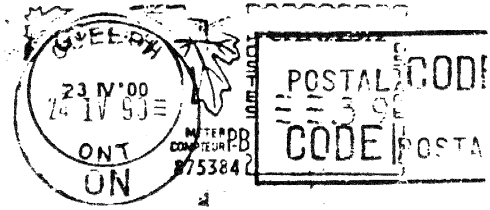
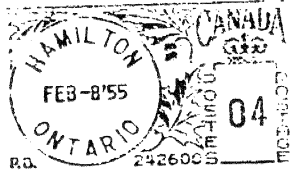
- Iles de St.Pierre & Miquelon

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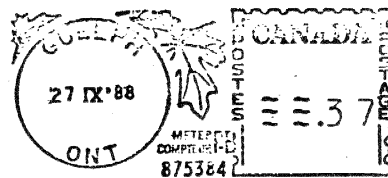
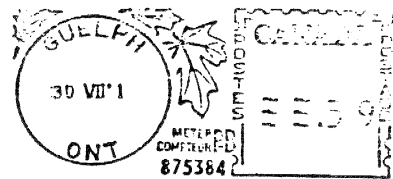
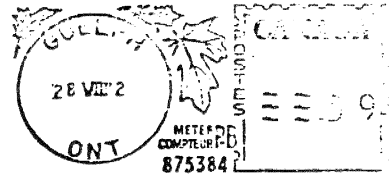
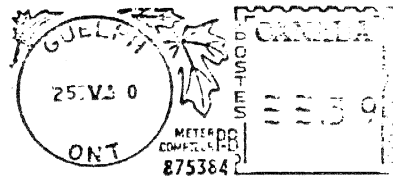
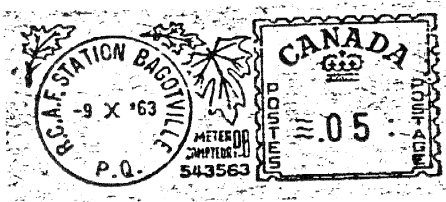


Here are examples from the same meter in Guelph. Note the year in the datemark. Only the last one is correct.

Below is a Type 14 showing the unusual datemark FEB-8'55.



A couple of R.C.A.F. Stations using Type 20 indicia



A scarce item. This impression posted at Kilmar, Quebec, is datestamped on the ROYAL TRAIN which used handstamp #421 on MONT.CAL. & OTT. It is dated 26 FE / 51.

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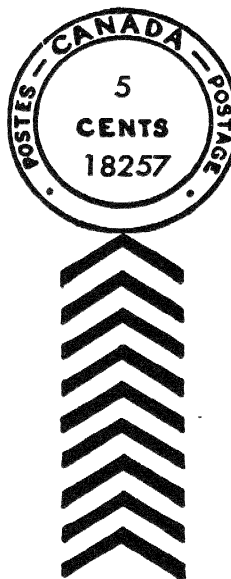


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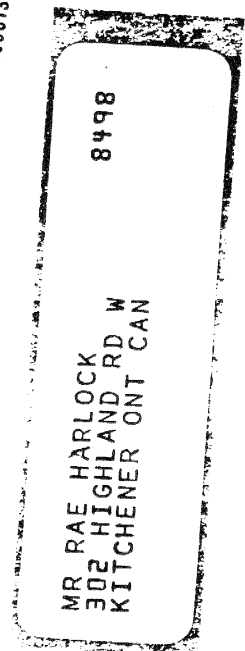
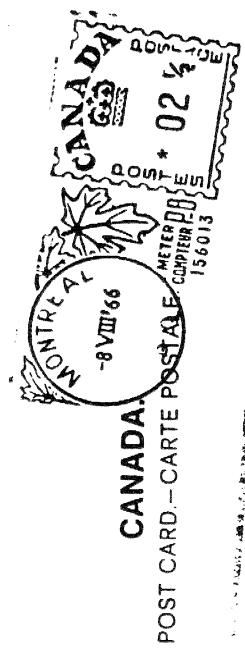
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