

# CANADIAN METER STAMP NEWSLETTER

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*My previous e-mail address has been wrong for some time. Please note the new one above. Also, if you are on the net, send us a message so we have your e-mail address.*

**Note:** My ambition to do a comprehensive postage meter catalogue has developed lethargy. The project is too large and too expensive to illustrate every item as we have done in the Newsletters. We should probably continue to do the same as we have in the past - just catalogue items in a logical fashion.

What I have personally decided to do is reprint my 1972 Canadian Postage Meter Catalogue with new items but in the old format; that is, major types will be illustrated and sub-types just listed. This can be done fairly quickly. One problem for collectors is many of the type numbers we have used in the Newsletter will have to be changed so new collectors can use the catalogue more efficiently.

One obstacle is the difficulty is setting fair prices for metered material. (Depending on who owns the material - buy low and sell high?) Any thoughts would be appreciated. We all know what is scarce - but what's it worth. A recent example is the Friden 370000 short series. Do you have one in good condition? Save it! Again, what's it worth?

A continuing survey of PostPerfect items in collections indicates the following highs and lows - Anyone expand on these?

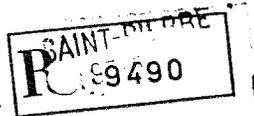
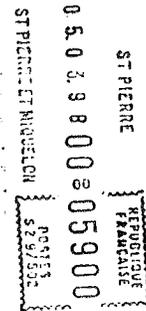
PB Model	PB-E710	PB-E717		PB-E711	PB-E711	
	450467	1450400	1460043	1465535	1500001	1510109
	453759	1454440	1463865	1467165	1509993	1513024
PB-E716	PB-E719	Leland states the following were used in Alberta, what are they?				
1600002	1610003	600672, 603526, 603535.				
1603722	1619073	Anymore in this series, or are they errors?				

I am still trying to bracket the NEOPOST section within the FRIDEN meter group. My highest Friden is F340229. My lowest NEOPOST is N340276. Can we say the change over was at 340250? The highest NEOPOST is N340983. This looks like it will be a scarce item with only 500 numbers used. The series did not continue even with another serial block.

Having said that, I wonder if the new Neopost indicia starting at 371000 is a continuation. We need some early dates to solve this. The highest Neopost to date is 371322.

A much reduced cover to The Passport Office. Note it was mailed from St. Pierre, St. Pierre et Miquelon and registered. Mail from our neighbour is not often found.

*The Passport Office  
Dept. of Foreign Affairs and  
International Trade  
Ottawa, Canada  
K1A-0G3*



The following article was recently sent to the Postal History Society of Canada. I have added more detail on this important subject.

### MANY CHANGES IN POSTAGE METER INDICIA

*by Ross W. Irwin*

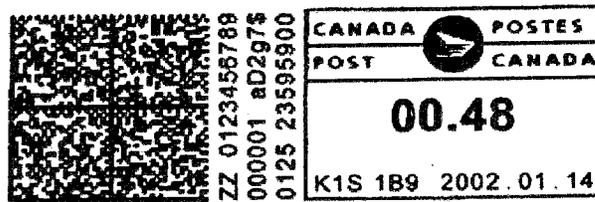
Anyone giving a cursory glance at the postage meter impression on today's mail will notice the changes that are taking place. There are only four companies operating in Canada - Pitney Bowes, Asom-Hasler, Friden-Postalia and Neopost. Each company produces a small number of postage meters to work with their greater number of mailing machines. The choice of a postage meter is related to the size and type of business where it is used.

From the earliest days Canada post has been concerned with mail fraud. The major fraud of concern is with high users of the system. A clerk printing a "0.00" meter impression is difficult to separate in the mail system due to the volume of mail processed. There are penalties such as loss of mailing privilege but little labour is put on the detection of this problem. Technology has been recruited to solve the fraud problem and to lighten the burden in resetting offices. Have you stood in line for a stamp while a clerk resets a postage meter? Frustrating!

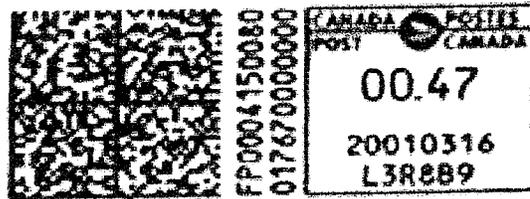
The U.S. Postal Service initiated IBIP (Information Based Indicia Program) standards for reducing mail fraud, increasing levels of metered mail and making delivery more efficient to users. These standards provide greater revenue security through digitally signed bar code in the printed indicia. Each indicia indicates the postage has been paid, and is unique to the mail piece. Even many of our newer postage meters print "Invalid Postage" if a 0.00 is coded in. The digital signature verifies the integrity of the information in the bar code, which is automatically scanned for faster mail processing. IBIP also makes it easier for postage meter vendors to track and audit postage meter use. The Canadian postal code in the indicia is a key entry point.

Examples of this form of technology are shown below, except for Ascom-Hasler, which has not marketed such an item. They state they will have one on the market this fall. The Sample CPC digital indicia is shown here. There may not be much to collect in the future.

### Sample CPC Digital Indicia



Friden-Postalia - two lines of information - FP0004150080 (meter number) (415 series)  
 The first 6 digits of the second row is an event counter.  
 Note the value is 4 mm, and the date mark form is 00000000.



Friden-Postalia - two lines of information - FP0004002402 (meter number) (400 series)  
 Note the value is 6 mm, and the date mark form is 0000.00.00.



Neopost IJ25 - one line of information - meter NE 0103300069 (meter number)



Pitney Bowes Jet Mail - three lines of information - PB 0301700409



The second part of this package is removing old meters from use. Canada Post will withdraw approval of postage meters which require resetting at postal outlets. This should shorten your waiting time! No postage meters will be reset at the post office after **December 31, 2002**.

PB - 0649; 5306; 5319; 5321; 5399; 5714; 5740; 6510; 5717.

Neopost - 9215; 9245; 9254.

F-P - MS-5; 7000

Ascom - 133; 143; 9210; 9310; 9363; 75813.

On **December 31, 2003**, Canada Post will withdraw approval of electronic postage setting system electro-mechanical meters.

PB- 5384; 5385

Finally, **December 31, 2006**, Canada Post will withdraw all meters which are not fully compliant with its new remote-reset, security, digital indicia and product capture requirements. This will include almost all postage meters now in use.

PB - 6511; 6911; 6991; A911; B711; B911; E111; E710; E716; E717; E719.

Neopost - 9515; 9545; 9555.

F-P - M1; 8000.

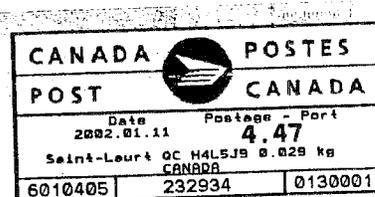
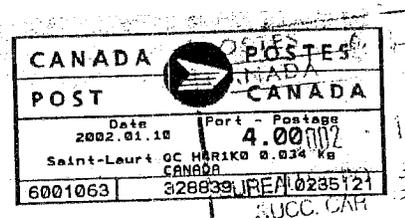
Ascom - Tele Meter Service (TMS) types

**Approved Past December 31, 2006:-**

Neopost - IJ25; IJ65; IJ75.

F-P - T-1000; JetMail if retrofitted.

Robert Kitchener shows the two types of "Nixdorf type" labels, French and English, from the same area H4L at Saint-Laurt (shortened title). The English reads "Postage - Port" and the French "Port - Postage".



## DICTIONARY OF POSTAGE METER TERMS

from “The Net”

Empower yourself with the language of insiders. We decipher the arcane terms, epigrammatic abbreviations, and weird words used in the postage meter industry.

### Account Codes / Account Tracking

Account codes allow you to assign the cost of postage to different departments or clients. Low-end postage meter models with this feature only track a department number, while more advanced models can indicate the client name or department for billing.

### Automatic Date Advance

A feature that automatically forwards the date logged in the meter so you don't risk having mail returned because the date was wrong.

### Automatic Postage Reset

This feature prevents users from accidentally printing large denominations. Meters accomplish this by resetting to basic first-class letter rate after each use, or by requiring a safety button to be pushed if the amount is over \$1. Either method is useful, especially if more than one person will use the machine.

### Base

The part of the mailing system that handles the mail through the meter. Standalone meters don't require a base.

### Consumables

The mailing supplies that you use and must replenish, e.g. labels and the ink or toner used to print the postage. In some cases you may use special envelopes, or even sealing fluid, as well.

### Decertification

The phase out of mechanical meters by Canada Post in favor of electronic meters, in hopes of reducing mail fraud due to meter-tampering.

### Decimal or Bulk Mail Meters

These are able to print postage in fractional amounts. Bulk mailings typically require postage to three decimal places, such as \$0.198.

### Feeder

The part of the base that is used to guide an envelope through the meter. Manual feeders require the user to shepherd the piece all the way through the meter; semiautomatic feeders handle the piece from the meter opening. Automatic feeders grab envelopes and process them on their own.

Flapping  
See Nesting.

Franking  
Synonymous with stamping. An envelope that has received postage has been “franked.”

High Value Blocking  
Requires that the user take the additional step of approving postage that is over a certain amount, e.g. \$1. This helps prevent the user from accidentally assigning large values of postage erroneously.

Indicia  
Marking printed on the envelope/package that indicates the amount of postage used, as well as the date and meter number.

Information-Based Indicia (IBI)  
The postage markings printed by PC Postage products. The 1W includes bar codes that indicate postage has been paid, as well as additional shipping information.

Mail Class Die  
Used to mark an envelope or package with specific markings showing a given postal classification, e.g. second-class mail.

Meter  
The part of the mailing system that prints postage. Meters are federally regulated; they can be rented but not purchased.

Meter Settings  
The maximum postage the meter is able to postmark. Machines have a set maximum, usually \$99.99, \$9.99, or 99 cents.

Nesting  
Method of stacking envelopes with their flaps open so they can be moistened and sealed as they run through the sealer. Sealers that are capable of opening the envelope flap do not require nesting, but cannot be used with already-sealed envelopes (as they would rip them open while attempting to open their flaps).

Online Postage  
Services that allow customers to download official Canada Post postage from the Internet and print it directly onto envelopes and labels using your existing printer (or, in some cases, a small proprietary printer). PC Postage can be entirely software-based, or can integrate with a small hardware storage device, which stores postage securely offline.

### Password Protection

A password is required to use the meter, thereby preventing unauthorized users from printing postage.

### Phone-Based Refill / Postage-By-Phone

Canada Post has now mandated that all postage meter refills be done over the phone.

### Postage Capacity

The maximum amount to which the meter could be filled at the post office. Most meters go to \$9,999, while a few run as high as \$99,999.

### Rate Chip

Digital scales that automatically indicate the charges for multiple classes of mail, or possibly for other carriers like UPS, store rate information in a replaceable chip. For fill functionality, this chip must be replaced any time a carrier changes its rates.

### Scale

A device that weighs letters or packages and, in some cases, indicates the amount of postage needed. Higher-end scales can interface with the meter so the correct postage is automatically entered.

### Sealer

The device that automatically seals envelopes as they are run through the meter. Most sealers can also seal envelopes that don't require postage, like paychecks.

### Stacker

The part of the mailing system that helps organize metered mail. A catch tray simply organizes the mail, while a power stacker actively clears the stamped mail away from the meter.

### Tape Dispenser

A device that will dispense a piece of tape for the system to meter. Higher-end models feature automatic tape dispensers.

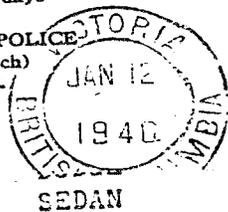
Effective October 26, 2002, Canada Post states the symbol for Newfoundland (NF) will change to (NL) for Newfoundland and Labrador. Look for an early one.

Here are the loose type datemarks for which I have a record. Let me know if you have any others.

DATEMARKS - LOOSE TYPE VARIETIES											
DM	1.1	1.2	1.3	7.4	7.5	7.6	8.1	8.2	8.3	8.4	
Blank		X	X	X			X	X	X	X	
MD/T/Y		X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
MD/Y			X	X	X		X	X	X		
MD/T		X	X								
MD/Y/T		X	X				X	X		X	
M/Y							X	X			
MY							X				
DM/T/Y							X	X			
DM/Y/T				X	X					X	
DM/Y						X		X		X	
DMY										X	
DMY/T										X	
T/MD/Y	X	X	X		X	X	X	X			
T/DM/Y								X			
T/Y/MD		X	X				X	X			
T/Y/DM											
T/Y		X									
Y		X	X				X	X	X		
Y/MD/T		X	X				X	X			
Y/DM/T											
Y/MD		X	X				X	X	X		
Y/M											
Y/DM					X					X	
Y/T/MD		X	X				X	X			
Y/T/DM											

Type 1, in red, used by the British Columbia Provincial Police. This force amalgamated with the RCMP in 1950.

If not delivered in 10 days  
return to  
COMMISSIONER, B. C. POLICE  
(Motor Vehicle Branch)  
VICTORIA, B. C.

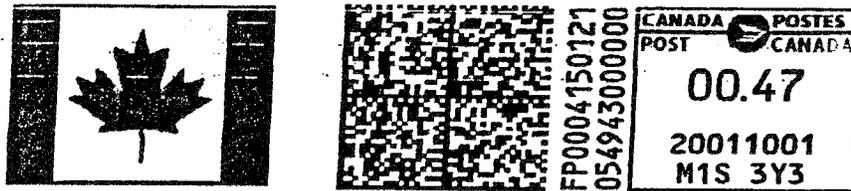
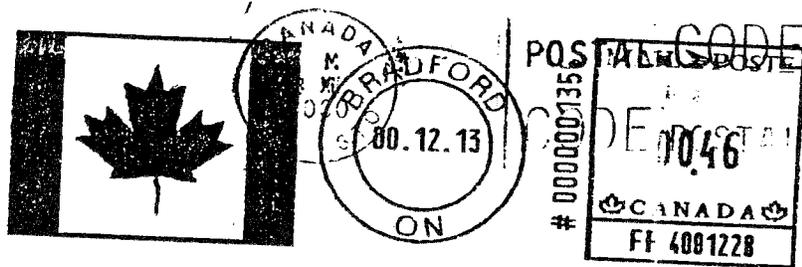


JONATHAN CLIFFORD.  
MERVILLE,  
B. C.

Jack Brandt sends this impression which has an excised townmark. There also appears to be something missing in the print which has left a line. It was ad mail even with the 0.94 rate.



Flags are becoming popular as an advertisement. With the high cost of ink I am surprised so many are used.



COUNTY OF METASKIWIN

BOX 6960



One of the first Canadian meter catalogs. This one sheet produced by old fashioned blue printing was issued by the Hamilton Stamp Club in 1937. Hamilton was a hotbed of meter collectors at the time.

*TYPES OF CANADIAN METERS  
WITH SERIAL NUMBERS*



MIDGETS NO. 1500 & UNDER THESE ARE NOW OBSOLETE.



NO'S 4000 TO 4300  
AND 04000 TO 04020



NO'S 54000 TO 54025



NO'S 4000 TO 40412  
AND 48000 TO 48015



NO'S 82400 TO 82800



NO'S 46000 TO 46200

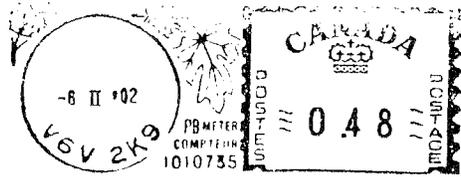


NO'S 94000 TO 94025

THE STAMP CLUB OF HAMILTON - FEB. 8. 37

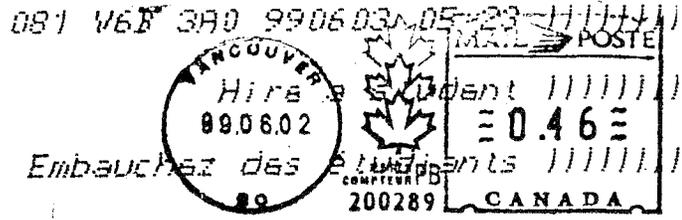
Townmark from Telus (Anyone have shares in this dog?) showing a postal code, V6V 2K9 in the townmark - unusual. More unusual is V6V is Surrey, BC, and 2K9 is 101 Avenue. Corner card is Calgary! Probably a bulk mailer. Same situation exists with a Paragon meter (202118) Thanks Wilf.

TELUS ADVANCED COMMUNICATIONS  
 SUITE 3300  
 400 - 4 AVENUE SW  
 CALGARY AB T2P 0J4



Current RCMP cover with postal ad address.

R.C.M.P. / G.R.C.  
 657 WEST 37th AVE.  
 VANCOUVER, B.C.  
 V5Z 1K6



Augustus .J. Quattrocchi of Perth was one of the first to find the new PB digital impressions even though it is number 366. They use some form of purple ink which is hard to print.

Interesting postmark safety ad from Guelph in 1977.

 **Guelph**  
 ONTARIO • CANADA  
 GUELPH POLICE FORCE  
 15 WYNDHAM ST. S.  
 N1H 6N4

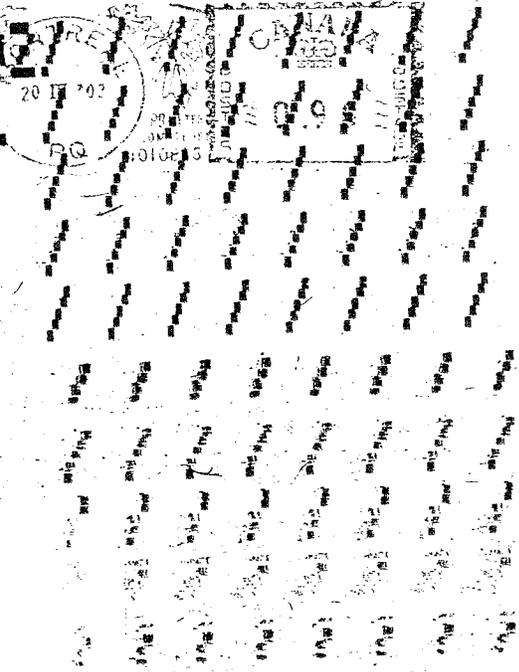
**LOCK YOUR CAR**  
 Reduce Thefts



Most of you despair at the amount of ink Canada Post uses to cancel covers. For flats I show an example of the old and the new. Who wants a brown envelope anyway?

**systems**  
Business Document Providers

1A0 020321 19:03  
POSTAL CODE / CODE POSTAL



LOO  
C5

## LIST OF TOWNS

This list is of material I have at hand and no doubt contains many town that have been reported. I have no easy way of checking, so for the town collectors here it is. The form in which the town is now written changes. Periods have now become dashes. The meter number is also a guide to the form.

STEPHENVILLE CROSSING NFLD	1553530	NOTRE D MT CARMEL PQ	0230514
HAPPY VALLEY GOOSE BAY NFLD	1556322	VILLAGE-DES-HURONS PQ	1120735
HANT'S HARBOUR NF	1550053	MASCOUCHE PQ	1005614
CONNE RIVER NF	1114507	LES COTEAUX PQ	1052475
GOULDS NFLD	0227029	LAC-MEGANTIC P.Q.	1005682
GRAND FALLS WINDSOR NFLD	0231426	MISTASSINI PQ	1011138
CLARKES BEACH NFLD	1126133	VILLE ST-GEORGES P.Q.	4006270
LONG HARBOUR NFLD	1115024	CONTRECOEUR PQ	1122483
WELLINGTON STATION PEI	0232436	KILDARE PQ	1557342
PORTER'S LAKE NS	1113057	MASSON-ANGERS PQ	0220572
LOWER WEST PUBNICO NS	1125668	MANIWAKI PQ	0222754
PUBNICO NS	1106695	POINTE-CLAIRE-DORVAL PQ	0224915
ST-LOUIS-DE-KENT NB	1113533	NOUVELLE PQ	1554363
HALEY STATION ONT	1006147	ST MAURICE PQ	2015325
M'CHIGEENG ON	0227834	ST.CHARLES SUR RICHELIEU PQ	1113009
POINT EDWARD ON	0229024	ST-ANSELME PQ	1007647
WINNIPEGOSIS MAN	1120419	ST-AUGUSTIN PQ	2006339
BJORKDALE SASK	1125462	ST-BENOIT-LABRE PQ	1104376
ZENON PARK SASK	1107312	ST-BONEVENTURE PQ	0231075
RED DEER COUNTY AB	4004585	ST-CELESTIN PQ	1552375
ALDER FLATS ALTA	1555105	ST-DOMINIQUE-DE-BAGOT PQ	1551199
ROSEDALE STATION AB	1009018	STE-ANNE-DE-BEAUPRE PQ	1557813
CHARLIE LAKE BC	2050210	STE-BARBE PQ	1118756
CACHE CREEK BC	1550798	STE-JULIE PQ	1551111
SALMON ARM BC	1550449	ST-ELIE-D'ORFORD PQ	1555904
DEASE LAKE BC	1551561	STE-MARIE PQ	1550854
GRAND FORKS BC	2001110	STE-THERESE-DE-BLAINVILLE PQ	0231415
LANTZVILLE BC	1106611	ST-FAUSTIN PQ	1007355
NEW AIYANSH BC	1101516	ST-HENRI-DE-LEVIS PQ	1123032
SOOKE BC	0223713	ST-JANVIER PQ	1556940
SPANIARDS BAY NF	4001924	ST-JEAN-PORT-JOLI PQ	1053711
RIVIERES DES PRAIRIE QC	4001429	ST-JEAN-SUR-RICHELIEU PQ	1116642
SAULT-STE-MARIE ONT.	1006706	ST-LOUIS-DE-GONZAGUE PQ	1116051
TIGNISH PEI	1001501	ST-MICHEL-DES-SAINTS PQ	1100163
SHIPPAGAN NB	1011025	ST-SIMEON PQ	0222583
ST-ANSELME PQ	1007647	ST.ROCH DE L'ACHIGAN QC	4004925
TUSKET NS	1001380	ISLE.VERTE PQ	1003023
GREटना MB		ST-ANDRE-AVELIN PQ	0228772
DORION-VAUDRIEL PQ	1122946	ST.DOMINIQUE . DE . BAGOT PQ	1551159
BROMPTONVILLE P.Q.	551700	ST.BONIFACE-DE-SHAWINIGAN PQ	600703
MAGAMIC PQ	570938	ST-PAUL-DE-JOLIETTE PQ	693797
SAINTE-MARIE PQ	2071807	MASHTEUJATSH PQ	1553979
GREENFIELD PARK PQ		L'ANSE AU LOUP NFLD	0231201
METEGHAN NS	2001726	REVEL STOKE BC	332086
YORK LANDING MB	1466346	STE-THECLE PQ	1001218

The most recent MSS Bulletin included in the auction a Type 9 specimen dated OCT 10 '36. Suggested value is \$10.00.

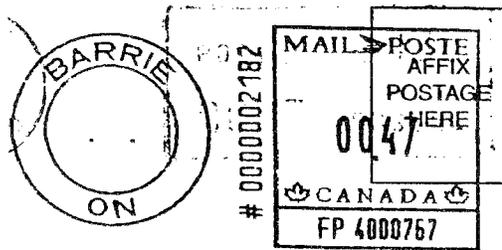
Also in the Bulletin is a reference to the new British meter site. I have visited it and is full of good stuff. Have a look yourself at:- [www.nixon48.freecservice.co.uk](http://www.nixon48.freecservice.co.uk)

Wilf's contributions below:-

(Mail>Poste) FP 4050176 - no dot in value. Also exists on (CpoPC) FP4050006



(Mail>Poste) FP4000767 - datemark blank



The balance of this issue is filled with the writing of Leland Brown in Popular Stamps at the mid-point of the past century.

July, 1942.

POPULAR STAMPS

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which is the only number in this series to have a dot in front of the amount of postage paid. All others have a star.

Mr. A. B. McNeill has made a collection of high value items in the 94000 series and has 125 different values totalling nearly \$200. Statistics show that the total postage revenue for the year ending March 1941 was around 44 million dollars with roughly 10 million used for machine postage. Permits are kin to meters and yet they are different. A pretty one was sent to me recently. It originated in Montreal and the slogan reads, "Use Gas for Home, Shop, Factory. It Never Fails."

Keith Denis, a Popular Stamps reader from Port Arthur, Ontario, writes asking a few questions which I shall attempt to answer. Postage

meters are used in over 50 different countries according to a booklet prepared by Pitney Bowes in Stamford, Conn. They do appear in many languages. In reply to where they were first used, Mr. Simon tells us that "Chr H. Kahrs of Christiana, Norway must be considered as the originator of the idea as his machine made its debut on August 24, 1900, undoubtedly the first day of metered mail." This is contrary to the general belief that meters were first used in New Zealand. In the next issue I shall discuss another topic submitted by Mr. Denis.

**METER NOTES & NEWS**

By M. L. Brown, Rutland, Sask.

In looking back over last year several meter slogans are of interest. From Vancouver comes a fine slogan on the cities diamond jubilee which reads "1886 Vancouver 1946 Diamond Jubilee June 30 to July 1". Another one from the west reads "Business is Moving to B.C." and shows a large van travelling.

The need of those not so fortunate is portrayed on several slogans. "No Finer Cause No Greater Need—Crippled Children—" from Montreal on Meter 84790 and two types of Christmas seal slogans used by many concerns from various cities "Fight Tuberculosis Buy Christmas Seals" with a picture of a 1946 T.B. seal and "Buy X-Mas Seals" also with T.B. seal. Another slogan used widely was "Support Your Red Feather Services".

Travel now that the war is over is expressed once again by Meter 82591 from Montreal with the words "Florida by Bus" with a picture of a new streamlined bus. Others are "Canadian Pacific Spans the World" and "Canadian Pacific Hotels Your Host Across Canada" both on meter 140305 used in Montreal.

I have a new type meter reading Meter-Compteur CC-No. 40002 which was used at Renfrew, Ontario. It is the same design as was used by National Postal Meter Co. on their meters numbered N.P.M. 9922 and 9923 except that it has the letters C.C. in place of N.P.M. indicating to

me that the National Postal Meter Co. has now been taken over by the Commercial Control Corporation. Has anyone any further information? Also hope you will give me any other notes and news which might be of interest to meter collectors.

This year according to my records marks the twentieth year of meter slogans in Canada. The first one known was used in May 1927 on the Midget type meter on number 365 and advertises an "Ostermoor Mattress". Other slogans are known from July on of the same year.

**METER NEWS AND NOTES**

By M. L. Brown, Rutland, Sask.

After a long absence here I am again with further developments in the meter field.

For a short time last year the Family Allowances branch of the Department of National Health and Welfare for Ontario used a rather odd meter. It was a 143000 type but instead of the usual Postes, Postage, and value it read Postage Paid Permit No. 1 and is found only on meter 143336. This meter also had a slogan reading "Family Allowances are for Your Children." It would appear that this meter will be hard to find as it was used for only one month as near as I can find out.

Since then ordinary meter types have been used in Ontario and Saskatchewan and they have used a number of interesting slogans such as "Education Week November 14-20th Visit Your School" and "Recreation Pays Dividends". Whether or not other provinces are using meters for the mailing of Family Allowance cheques I have been unable to find out so would appreciate hearing from anyone who could tell me.

The current 143000 series of numbers have now passed on into 144000

numbers and the highest I know of to date is 144192. Another note is that Roman numerals are appearing in use in Ontario and English speaking provinces. I believe they have been used exclusively for the benefit of the French in Quebec.

Interesting slogans of 1946 are "Slow Down at Sunday House of Assembly. Toronto meter 54100; "Give (Red Cross) Work of Mercy Never Fails" 140857 from Regina, Saskatchewan "Guard Your Health" on 140109 Toronto, Ont.; "Clean Up, Light Plant Up, Light Up" from various cities: "Stop Accidents Because Accident Stops You" from Vancouver on 140103; "Alberta has 660,000 sq. miles of Mountain Plains" from Edmonton on 140215; "Forward With the West" from Portage La Prairie, Manitoba picturing stooks of grain and a rising sun; and several slogans on meter 1056 from Regina: "Saskatchewan The Hunter's Paradise", "Saskatchewan Parks Sure in Leisure" and "Saskatchewan Parks Invite You"; from Halifax a very fine slogan on meter 200th Birthday 1749-1949 Bicentenary "Pray Work Priez Travaillez Donnez" from Regina on 143316; "Churchill on the Prairies Trade Service" on several meter numbers in Saskatchewan; "Use Your Democratic Right Vote" also from Regina and on meter 140108; and mentioning although used in the slogan "See the Calgary Stampede July 8th to 13th 1946" picture of a full dress Indian and used from Calgary on 140120

For some time now meter collectors have been using Canadian postage postmark as well as their own. Now meters are following with the use of "London, Ont., Canada" meter 143458 in the townmark.

I would be pleased to hear from any readers with meter news. I can keep this corner going and interesting. I was glad last year to hear from several readers who are collecting while in Ontario on a holiday. I trust I shall be able to contact you this year.

144044; "Air Mail" from on meter 143577; and from on meter 54023 "Plan Now" in British Columbia, Canada.

A variation in the usual is North Vancouver and British Columbia in full but in very due to lack of space. Also several errors lately. In the the townmark was upside in the other the slogan both are rather scarce items errors in dates are quite

Since last writing on by Family Allowances Branch received information on the in Quebec, British Columbia Nova Scotia. All seem to same slogans with the exception of Quebec which as yet has no Slogans used in addition mentioned last time are "All Children Need Vitamin D", "Allowances are for you", "Good Health Your Greatest Friend", "Watch Your Child's Winter

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An interesting but small group of Canadian meters are those numbered 04000 to 04018. This group was first used in 1934 and I have noticed two numbers still appearing this year. Others may still be in use as well. Numbers still unknown are 04009, 04013, and 04014. These machines only print one value thus resembling our first type of meter used in Canada. Among the values known on these machines is a one half cent green on meter 04015. This is the only case I know of in which a Canadian meter machine was equipped to print that value. There are three sub-types in this group with the machine number reading (1) Metre No. on 04000-04003 (2) Metre on 04004-04012 (3) Meter-Compteur on 04016-04018 Many slogans are to be found and Return Postage Pre-pays are also known.

For those interested in Military cancellations it may be of interest to mention that N.P.O. 1113 and N.P.O. 617 may be found on meters. The first mentioned is on meter numbers 140031 and 1400231 while the latter is on 84038. Another navy townmark reads "Victoria H.M.C. Dockyard B.C." and is also on 140031.

Our meters are usually found in red. However, green, blue and purple are quite common, while brown, yellow and orange are fairly scarce. I just received an orange one on meter 84962 from Windsor, Ontario, my first in a number of years.

Slogans of interest are "Much Crippling is Preventable! Correct Deformities Early" from Toronto on meter 140581; "Building A Better Canada" from Montreal on number

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A cover has come to hand bearing a British meter number NI68 with the town name of Liverpool and a well a "Paquebot Posted At Sea" cancellation. It was delivered to Montreal address and is a most interesting and unusual combination. Information as to other similar examples would be welcome.

Again this year the slogan "We Fare Federation Red Feather Services" has made its appearance. Others of note are "Travel Manitoba Inside The Rim Of Adventure" from Winnipeg on Meter 54066 and 54086 "Lets Do It Together" from Toronto on Meter 140034; "Pasteurized Milk Is The Only Safe Milk" from Toronto on 3860E; "Fight Cancer" from Regina on 83300; Fight Tuberculosis from Ninette, Man. on 84190 and "The Salvation Army Help The Red Shield Appeal" used by several concerns during September.

Radio slogans appear frequently advertising both programmes and radio stations. The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation uses the same slogan from its various offices, globe and the words "CBC Radio Canada". From Toronto on 83276 I found the slogan "CBL Toronto

Watts". On 140632 from Winnipeg is the slogan "Now 5000" used by station CKRC. A number of the many radio programmes have appeared on meters are "In The Marconi Show "L" "Lanky" Every Sunday Night" Montreal on 140144: "Laugh with Wayne & Shuster on the RCA Radio Show Thursday Evenings CBC Canada Network" from Montreal on 140160; and from Edmonton 140690 is the slogan "Return Post- Guaranteed Heaven & Home" Edmonton Alta."

Information on new town names is coming in thanks to the many letters. Also a special thanks to Bretton Perry, 240 Alpine Tuckabone, New York for the many new town names supplied from collection. Here are some of those reported:—Nelson, B.C.; Trail, B.C.; Mission City, B.C.; Ninette, Man.; Elgin, N.B.; Woodstock, N.B.; Monkish, N.S.; Ajax, Ont.; Port Hope, Ont.; Simcoe, Ont.; Amsegh, Ont.; Thorold, Ont.; West- Ont.; Cherrier, Que.; Chicoutimi, Que.; Kenogami, Que.; Lachute, Que. and Plessisville, Que.