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CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

## SPRING SHOW

The annual show of the Calgary Philatelic Society will be hapening very soon. The show and bourse will be held at the Westward Inn on the 24 and 25 of April.

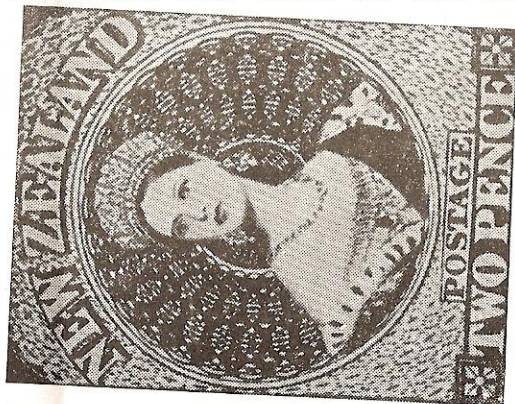
There will be a dinner held in conjunction with the show. We must know in advance how many people are planning to attend. Tickets must be purchased in advance. The cost is \$6.50<sup>4</sup> person. Tickets may be obtained from either Tom Lemon or Phil Wolf.

Volunteers are required in transporting glass and frames to and from the exhibition. Anyone wishing to lend a hand please come to Meeting on April 6 or contact Phil Wolf at 277-5278.

## THE NEW ZEALAND CHALON HEAD

The Chalon Head issue of New Zealand is named so because the portrait of the Queen used is from a commissioned painting of Queen Victoria at the time of her coronation. The artist was Alfred Edward Chalon.

Edward Henry Cor bould made the sketch for the guidance of the engraver, William Humphrys, and the dies were completed by Perkins Bacon & Co. in August 1854. The first shipment of the stamp dies arrived in New Zealand in Feb. 1855. They were printed in Auckland and were in use around November.



## SQUARED CIRCLE CANCELS OF CANADA

The first square circle postmarks of Canada were introduced in late April 1893. Twenty five post offices used these cancels. The lines of the first cancellers were too thin and by June of that year a similar type of cancel was introduced but this one had heavy bars. These were in wide use until early 1900. Around 250 of these were issued.



## Joint-Issue of Canada and U.S.

On June 1 Canada and the U.S. will issue a commemorative to note the American Bicentennial. The stamps will feature a likeness to Benjamin Franklin who was the first postmaster of Canada and the U.S. The background will be a reproduction of a map of North America published in 1776.

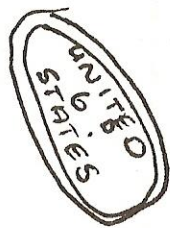






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Examples of markings found on covers from the Red River. Prior to 1853 the mails went either by packets of the Hudson Bay Co. which went either via York Factory to London or overland to Canada. Late in 1853 an arrangement was made with Americans to carry the letters to Saint Paul and other centers. These covers cover various cross border markings which makes these covers a very interesting aspect of early Canadian postal history.

# CANADIAN VARIETIES



Sketch #248 — Canada Scott's #107 showing some on numeral 2 at left.



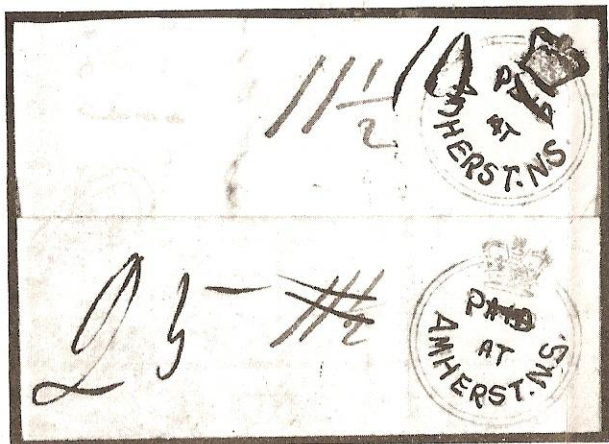
Sketch #250—Canada Scott's E1 with heavy hair line through Canada Post Office.



Sketch #249—Canada Scott's 131 illustrates open boxing at left. This from a strip of 5



Sketch #253—Canada Scott's 126 with period after numeral. From a strip of four thick paper variety.



Examples of the Amherst N.s. Paid Crowned Circle  
 These copies from 1845-1846 vintage.

The Post Offices of the Cook Islands.

| Post Office   | Opening date | Population(1960) |
|---------------|--------------|------------------|
| Aitutaki      | 1892         | 2,500            |
| Raratonga     | Before 1891  | 9,000            |
| Penhryn       | 1902         | 6 00             |
| Niue          | 1902         | 5,000            |
| Mangaia       | 1903         | 2,000            |
| Atiu          | 1909         | 1,300            |
| Mauke         | 1912         | 800              |
| Rakahanga     | 1916         | 300              |
| Manihiki      | 1926         | 1,000            |
| Danger Island | 1926         | 1,200            |
| Mitiaro       | 1935         | 300              |
| Manuae        | 1965         | 20               |

(x Niue is included since its postal history runs parallel to that of Cook Islands; however its administration is separate.)

The first stamps were issued in 1892. However covers bearing N.Z. stamps and carried by ship under subsidy from the New Zealand Post Office. The first set of stamps were only valid locally and to certain countries. Mail addressed elsewhere had to carry N.Z. stamps as well.

APRIL 6 7:30 GENERAL  
 BASEMENT LIBRARY MEETING  
 APRIL 20 7:30 AUCTION  
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