

Slowest GB to Canada Mail

I have developed a database of over 850 GB to Canada covers (1795 to Present) where I can demonstrate both the mailing date and arrival date.

8 Nov 1823 folded letter Inverness, Scotland to Montreal paid 1/2½d to Liverpool, + 2/1d by sailing ship to Falmouth, Trans-Atlantic Packet to Bermuda, and on to New York. Overland to Montreal, Lower Canada, 26 Feb 1824. Total 110 Days – Longest elapsed time I have recorded in my database.



10 Mar 2020 Air Mail, Utoxeter, Staffs to Calgary, Prepaid by PayPal (£2.30 for 25g). Sent at very start of COVID. Processed in Canada 16 Apr 2020 (date on barcode). Delivered Calgary 8 Jun 2020 (Pers. Com. from recipient). Total 90 Days – Longest elapsed time I have recorded during COVID.

Two additional covers in 2020 took more than 50 days to be delivered in Canada. Additional information for the data base would be very welcome.