



POSTAL INFORMATION, ETC.

1st CLASS MATTER. Letters.

Letters addressed to places in Canada and United States, 3 cents per 1 oz. or fraction thereof.

Great Britain and all Foreign Countries, 5 cents per 1/2 oz. or fraction thereof.

Letters addressed to places in the United States must be prepaid at least one full rate (3 cents); otherwise they will be sent to the Dead Letter office.

Partly prepaid letters addressed to places in Canada will be forwarded to destination, subject on delivery to double the amount of postage remaining unpaid, and letters on which no postage has been prepaid will be sent to the Dead Letter Office.

2nd CLASS MATTER.

Newspapers and Periodicals published not less frequently than once a month and posted from the office of publication for transmission to regular subscribers in Canada, the United States and New Foundland, are sent free of postage. All specimen copies and all copies of publications published less frequently than once a month, must be prepaid 1 cent for each pound or fraction of a pound.

3rd CLASS MATTER.

Matter of this class must be so packed or put up as to be easily opened for examination, and there must be no correspondence enclosed.

Patterns and Samples.

Bona fide Patterns and Samples of Mereandise, not exceeding 24 ounces in weight, may be sent to any place in Canada at 1 cent per 4 ounces. Must be put up so as to admit of inspection. Goods sent in execution of an order, however small the quantity may be, or articles sent by one private individual by another, *not being actually Trade Patterns or Samples*, are not admissible as such. A sample of tea is limited to half a pound. The limit of weight to the United States is eight ounces. The limit of weight to Great Britain is 2 ounces. Limit of weight to the United Kingdom is 5 lbs.; dimensions, 2 feet in length, 1 foot in width and depth.

4th CLASS MATTER Parcels.

Parcels should be plainly addressed, and there must be no correspondence enclosed.

Parcels for Canada must be prepaid 6 cents for 4 ounces, and must not exceed 5 lbs. in weight nor two feet in length by one foot in width or depth, and the senders name should be written on the lower left hand corner.

5th CLASS MATTER.

Comprises such articles of general men's handiwork as are not entitled to any lower rate of postage. Postage 1 cent per oz. or fraction of an oz. Limit of weight 5 lbs.; of size 2 feet in length by one foot in width or depth. Matter claiming to be 5th class *must be open to inspection* and there must be no correspondence enclosed. Packages of 5th Class Matter may be sent to the United States for the same prepayment as is required within the Dominion, but the contents will be liable to Customs inspection and collection of duty in the United States. Sealed Tins containing Fish, Lobsters, Vegetables, Meat, etc., if put up in a solid manner and labelled in such a way as to fully indicate the nature of their contents, may be sent as 5th Class matter within the Dominion, but no sealed tin can be forwarded to the United States under this head. Liquids, oils and fatty substances may be sent to places in Canada and the United States as 5th Class, if put up in accordance with the ruling referring to such articles in the Canada Postal Guide for 1891, page xiv.

REGISTRATION.

All classes of matter addressed to places in Canada, the United States, New Foundland, Great Britain or any Postal Union Country may be registered for a fee of five cents for each article in addition to the Postage, and letters may be registered to most of the countries not included in the Union.

Every article intended for registration *must be handed in at the wicket*, and a receipt obtained therefor. *No receipt must be dropped into a letter box*. The registration fee should be paid by registration stamp.

The sender of a registered article addressed to any Postal Union Country may entitle himself to a certificate as to the disposal of said article by the Postmaster at the office addressed, on prepayment of an additional fee of 5 cents.

MONEY ORDER OFFICE.

COMMISSION ON MONEY ORDERS.

On Money Orders drawn by any Money Order Office in Canada on any other Money Order Office in the Dominion, is as follows:—

	Payable in Canada.	
On Orders up to \$2.50 and under	3c.	
Over \$ 2.50 " 5.00 "	4c.	
" 5.00 " 10.00 "	6c.	
" 10.00 " 20.00 "	10c.	
" 20.00 " 30.00 "	12c.	
" 30.00 " 40.00 "	15c.	
" 40.00 " 50.00 "	20c.	
" 50.00 " 60.00 "	24c.	
" 60.00 " 70.00 "	28c.	
" 70.00 " 80.00 "	32c.	
" 80.00 " 90.00 "	36c.	
" 90.00 " 100.00 "	40c.	

No single Money Order, payable in the Dominion of Canada, can be issued for more than \$100; but as many of \$100 each may be given as the remitter requires.

The other Countries and British Colonies upon which Money Orders are granted; the rates of Commission in all cases being as follows:—

	If not exceeding \$ 10	10c.
Over \$10 " "	20	20c.
" 20 " "	30	30c.
" 30 " "	40	40c.
" 40 " "	50	50c.

In sending money by mail, it is always best to transmit by Money Order if possible. If sent by letter, it should always be registered.

There is a direct exchange of Money Orders between Canada and the following countries:—

Victoria.	Australia.	Tasmania.
New S. Wales.	"	Hawaii.
Queensland.	"	China.
New Zealand.	"	Japan.
South Australia.	"	Fiji.

TABLE OF DISTANCES.

—APPROXIMATE—

From Victoria to	Miles.
Fort Wrangel	801
Skagway Bay	1024
Lake Tagish	1000
Lake Lebarge (via Chilcat)	1174
Fort Selkirk	1418
Stewart River	1524
Dawson City (Klondyke)	1504
Fort Cudahy	1047
Telegraph Creek	949
Dense Lake	1024
Teslin Lake (via Stickeen)	1079
Teslin Lake (via Taku)	1079
Quesnelle	443
Skagway Bay, over the White Pass to Lake Tagish, (Pack Trail)	30 Miles.
Lake Tagish to Klondyke, down river	534
Fort Wrangel to Telegraph Creek (river steamers)	148
Overland from Telegraph Creek to Teslin Lake	150
Head of Teslin Lake to Klondyke	584

Vessels Entered and Cleared at Canadian Ports.

	Atlantic	No.	Tons	Pacific	No.	Tons
Montreal	734	1,262,461	Victoria	2034	1,631,200	
Halifax	2206	1,234,012	Nanaimo	1051	850,031	
St. John	3914	1,146,533	Vancouver	622	500,112	
Quebec	724	905,858				
	7,578	4,548,064		3,707	3,000,308	

It will be seen from the above that the marine freight-carrying trade on the Pacific coast already almost equals two-thirds of that on the Atlantic at the above principal ports, and that the proportion of tonnage per ship is nearly 3 to 2, indicating a larger average class of vessels.