

The Stamps of Canada.

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These Envelopes used or unused are now almost unobtainable, and of course are in great demand. They enjoyed a very limited circulation only. In 1877 the government issued two new envelopes for use in the Dominion.

Issue of 1877—large oval, white paper
1 cent—blue
3 cents—vermillion

We come next to newspapers wrappers, the first of which were issued in 1875. We have the following varieties.

Issue of 1875—wrappers
1 cent—blue on cream
1 cent—blue on straw
1 cent—blue on pinkish white

Issue of 1879
1 cent—blue on clear white

Three years later a new wrapper was issued similar in design to those which preceded it, but much more roughly executed.

Issue of 1882
1 cent—blue on pale straw
1 cent—blue on manilla

Canadians did not seem to appreciate the value of Postal Cards until the year 1871. We have two varieties of the first issue of the one cent card; those first issued bear the imprint of the British American Bank Note Co., of Montreal and Ottawa; those appearing at a later date have the words "and Ottawa" left out. In 1877 a two cent card for communication with the United Kingdom was issued. This was followed in 1879 by the Postal Union Card. In 1882 the one cent engraved card was withdrawn to make room for the rough electrolyte now in use. A reply card was issued in 1883.

Issue of 1871—Postal Cards; buff card
1 cent—blue
1 cent—blue (variety)

Issue of 1877
2 cent—green

Issue of 1879
2 cent—green (Postal Union)

Issue of 1882
1 cent—blue on buff

Issue of 1883
Reply card—steel gray; no perforation

New Issues

BAHAMAS—Stamps of a new type have been issued as follows: 1 penny, red; 4 pence, yellow; 5 shillings, bronze green.

FINLAND—The color of some of the current set has been changed, and three new stamps added, as follows: 5 pen., green; 10 pen., red; 20 pen., yellow; 25 pen., blue; 1 mark, gray and red; 5 marks, green and red; 10 marks, brown and red.

PERAK—The 8 cents yellow of Straits Settlements has been surcharged for use in Perak.

PUTTIALA—All the current adhesive, and envelopes, as well as post cards of India, have been surcharged "Puttiala State," for use in this independent native state.

PORTO RICO—A new post card is out. 3 cents, brown on white.

ROUMELIA—The colors of the 5 and 10 paras have been changed to lilac and green respectively.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS—Still another provisional has been made, viz: the 5 cents in blue, surcharged "Two Cents."

SWEDEN—10 and 20 ore stamps, carmine and blue, have been issued. There is also a new 10 ore official stamp and 5 ore, green, post cards, single and double.

TRINIDAD—One penny unpaid letter stamps are in use. Color, black.

BARGAINS.

In order to reduce our stock we will sell the following stamps at reduced prices for the next 60 days.

10 War Department 12c, 10 Brazil 10c, 10 Roumania 15c, 7 Victoria 10c, 3 Argentine 1862 new 20c, 4 Suez new 25c, 6 Bulgaria 15c, 6 Mexico 1884 15c, 30 France 15c, Guatemala 1878, 4 for 40c, 5 Saxony 8c, 5 Austria Telegraph 10c, 7 New Granada 10c, 5 Hussev's Locals 1869 25c, 5 Venezuela 10c, 15 Hungary (including 20 and 25 kr) 15c—the above lot #2. Continentals post free, 23c. per 1,000.

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