

THE CANADIAN STAMP CATALOGUE.

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TERMS.

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These, however, are very scarce, as the Government stopped the issue and but few were circulated.

ISSUE 1887.—Two new cards were issued in this year, the design of stamps being like die 3 of the wrappers.

ISSUE 1888.—In this year the reply card changed to a very dark shade of green.

No.	Date.	Value.	Color.	New.	Used.
129	1877	1 cent	blue (Montreal)	.10	.02
130	1877	1 "	blue (Mon.-Ottawa)	.15	.05
131	1877	2 "	green (U. Kingd'm)	.25	.15
132	1881	2 "	green (Post. Union)	.05	.05
133	1883	2 "	black (reply)	.15	.10
134	1884	2 "	black (error reply)		
135	1887	1 "	blue	.05	.05
136	1887	2 "	black (reply)	.05	.05
137	1888	2 "	dark green (reply)	.05	.05

BRITISH COLUMBIA and VANCOUVER ISLE.

This Province first issued postage stamps in 1861. The first stamp issued was the 2½ pence, which may be described as follows: Head of Queen Victoria to left in centre of stamp; "British Columbia" at the top and "Vancouver Isle" at the bottom, both in two lines; on the left hand side "Postage" and on the right hand side in two lines, "Two Pence Halfpenny." The stamp was in color pink. It is found both perforated and unperforated. In 1865, a 5 and a 10 cent was issued for use in Vancouver Island only. They were both of the same design and may be described as follows: Head of Queen Victoria to left in circle; "Vancouver Islands" above and value in words below. The color of the 5 cent was rose. The color of the 10 cent was blue. Both the 5 and 10 cent stamps are found perforated and unperforated.

In 1864 a three penny stamp was issued. The centre of the stamp was occupied by an oval scroll and on the scroll were the words: "British Columbia Postage, Three Pence." Inside the space which was enclosed by the scroll was a Roman Numeral "V," surmounted by a crown. This stamp was perforated. Color, blue

In the year 1868, stamps were printed from the above sheets and surcharged the value in cents. Nearly all of the stamps of Br. Columbia and Vancouver Isle are found on water-marked paper. I therefore in my reference list mention them all as being found on watermarked paper. I have not as yet seen the 2½ pence pink watermarked and I should like to hear from any person who has, or knows of such a specimen. I do not price Br. Columbia stamps because my stock of them is not very large and what few I have are not for sale.

No.	Date.	Value.	Color.
139	1861	2½ pence	pink (unperf)
139	1861	2½ "	pink (perf)
140	1865	5 cent	rose (unperf)
141	1865	5 "	rose (perf)
142	1865	10 "	blue (perf)
143	1865	10 "	blue (unperf)
144	1864	3 pence	blue

The 3 penny stamp of 1864 printed in various colors and surcharge with new value (in cents) perf.

145	1868	2 cent brown	black surch'rg
146	1869	5 " red	" "
147	1869	10 " rose	blue "
148	1869	25 " yellow	violet "
149	1869	10 " violet	yellow "
150	1859	1 dol. green	green "

Watermarked Crown and C.C.

151	1861	2½ pence pink unperf	
152	1861	2½ pence pink perf	
153	1865	5c. rose unperf (doubtful)	
154	1865	5c. rose perf	"
155	1865	10c. blue unperf	
156	1865	10c. " perforated	
157	1864	3 pence blue	

3d. Surcharged.

158	1868	2c. brown, black surcharge (doubtful)	
159	1869	5c. red, " "	" "
160	1869	10c. rose, blue	" "
161	1869	25c. yel., violet	" "
162	1869	50c. viol., yellow	" "
163	1869	\$1 green, green	" "

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