DISPATCH

KWPS NEWSLETTER

The December 10th ZOOM meeting had Sixteen members sign in, including first timers Andreas Van Gastel and John Eby

The January 14th Meeting will be a ZOOM meeting– sign on information will be emailed a day before the meeting.
Jim Oliver will be talking about his 10 Years of selling Stamps on e-Bay.
Prepare your Show & Tell items for this Meeting.

Zoom webinars presented by the RPSC

You are invited to a Zoom webinars open To all club members
Monday January 11, 2021 06:30 PM
Webinar Speaker - Derwin Mak
a science fiction writer, comics fan, cosplayer, and philatelist. He collects stamps related to comics and science fiction and runs the Transcamster Bog local post.
Register in advance for this webinar:
https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_S7EyMVX2RDyIoON6_H6Kag

Monday January 18, 2021 06:30 PM
Topic: RPSC January 18, 2021 Stamp Panel
Register in advance for this webinar:
https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_G_sYr324QmGyDIJPevgtPw
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinars.

ZOOM Auction

The next Oxford Club ZOOM auction will be on Friday January 8th
Watch your email for information

Zoom Computer Program

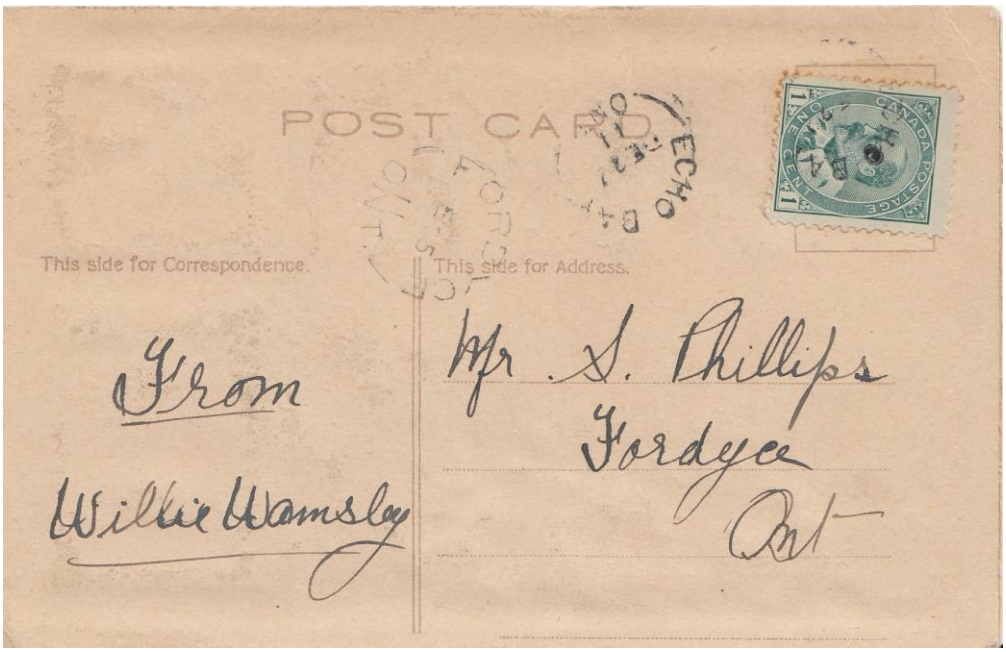
You won't need to install any extra software to join a Zoom meeting. You can do it all through a web browser. Follow the link in the invite to the meeting sent by email to you... A new tab will open on your preferred web browser. If you don't have the Zoom app. installed, click the box on the page to download the app. You can join by audio only or participate if you have a laptop computer with a video camera and microphone. You can also join with a smartphone. Procedures for "Show & Tell" will be emailed.

GRVPA Developments:

Consider volunteering as a club representative. Need President, Secretary, and New Collector Coordinator.
Elections March 9, 2021 ZOOM meeting

85th Anniversary Dinner

by Olaf Poulsen
will be re-scheduled DUE TO covid-19 restaurant restrictions.
Refunds are available
Contact Olaf Paulsen



Christmas Post Card – 700 km journey
Mailed from Echo Bay Ontario to Fordyce Ontario
Dispatched Friday, December 22, 1911
Received in Fordyce Monday, December 25, 1911 by Isabella "Bell" Champion,
wife of Postmaster William Moses Champion, at their General Store.
Probably picked up on Christmas Day or Boxing Day, by Samuel Phillips,
or his wife "Lizzie" who lived next to the General Store.

Tineke Vos' first one-page exhibit

XMAS

The Netherlands is a funny country, they eat a lot of cheese and chocolate and sometimes they wear wooden shoes. What else is peculiar is that they do not usually do gift giving at Christmas, but on St. Nicholas eve, the evening of December 5. Christmas is more a religious and family Holiday. They also do not have Christmas stamps, or St. Nicholas stamps; they call them December stamps. They started that only in 1987. The first few years they had one or a few every year, similar stamps, same value, but in 1998 they went crazy and issued 15 - 20 per year. Still the same value, different designs.

Below the Dutch December stamps from 1987 – 1994.

While researching if the Netherlands had St. Nicholas (Sinterklaas) on a stamp, on a Dutch site, I found that Canada had the world's very first Christmas stamp in 1898. It was a 2c map of the world stamp, with the British Empire highlighted. At the bottom of the map it says: Xmas 1898.

It shows that the word Xmas is not a new invention, but existed already 120 years ago. In 1998, at the 100th anniversary a replica is showing on a 45 cent stamp.

After 1898, annual Christmas stamps did not start in Canada until 1964, 2 per year till 1969. The stamps had the same design (except 1968) but different colours and value. The 1968 stamps were 2 different Innuit soapstone carvings. The other years showed the Star of Bethlehem in 1964, the offered gifts in 1965, praying hands in 1966, children caroling in 1967 and children praying in 1969.

Then in 1970, 12 Christmas stamps were issued. After that most years had 3 or 4 stamps, except in 1975 when 6 were issued. Nowadays we have 4 stamps a year: 3 with Christmas themed, but non religious designs of different values. A "P" stamp, a US value and an International value. And a separate "P" stamp, with a more religious design.

I did find Sinterklaas though. In Canada in 1991.

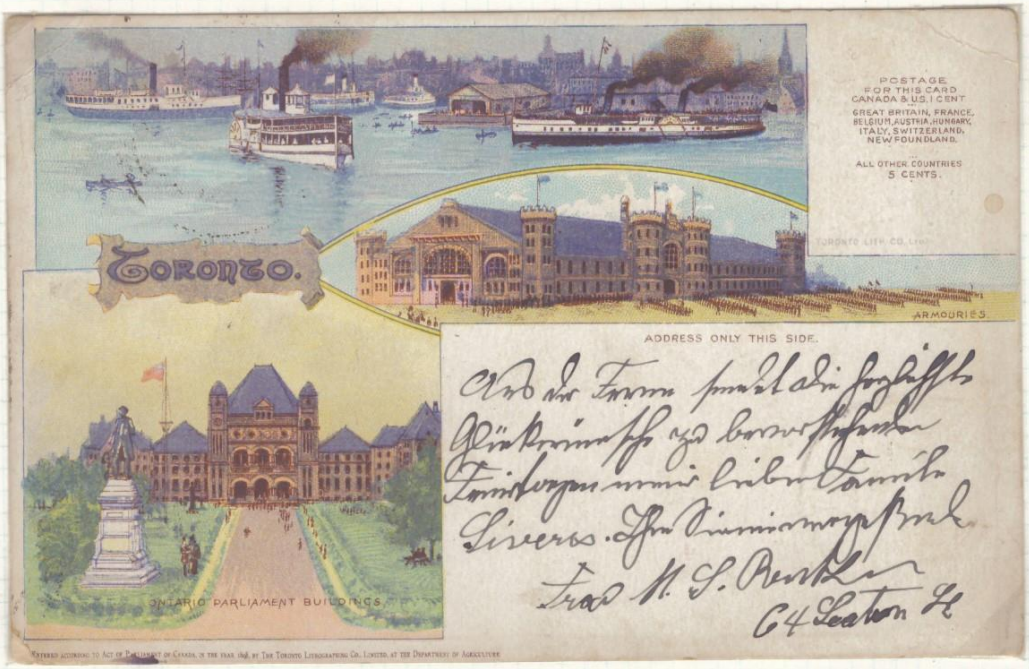
Did not find a Dutch one.

Toronto Litho Company Christmas Greeting Post Cards

by Leigh Hogg

TORONTO LITHO Co. FIVE CENT FIRST CLASS TO GERMANY 1898

'TORONTO' CITIES SERIES.



POSTAL RATES

TYPE I

TORONTO TARGE RING CIRCULAR ORB CANCEL PREPAYING THE FIVE CENT RATE TO GERMANY CANCELLED DEC 20, 1898 ARRIVING HEIDELBERG JAN 1, 1899

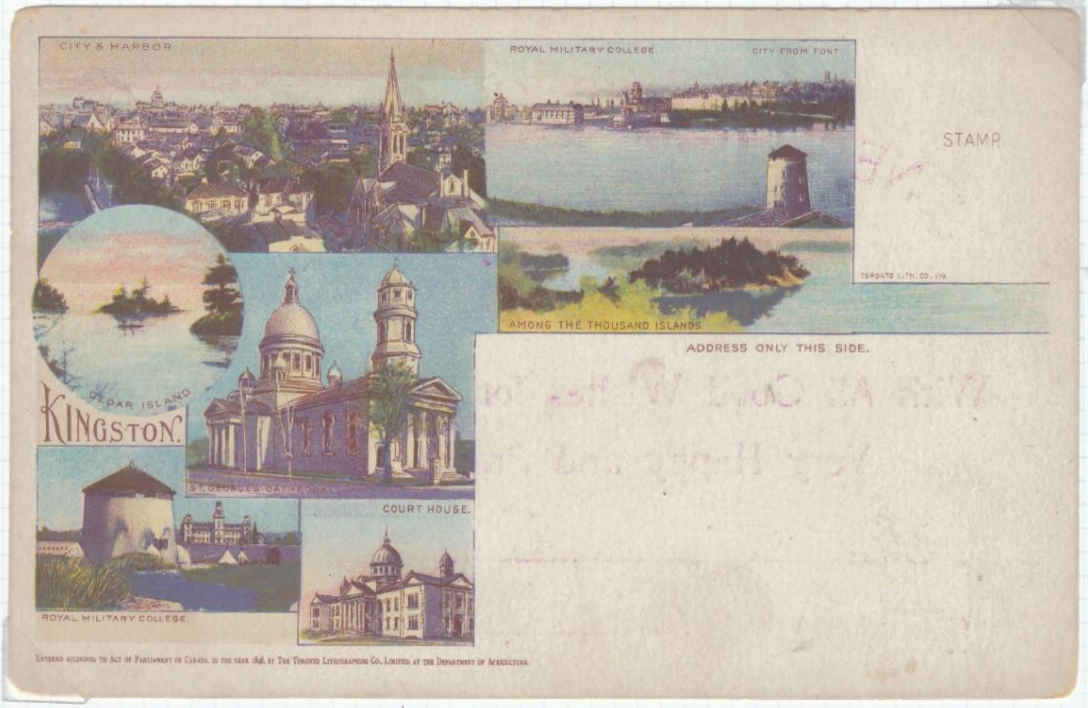
BACK 'B' XMAS & NEW YEAR GREETING (RARE)

A 30% REDUCTION PHOTOCOPY

TORONTO LITHO CO.

KINGSTON
CIRCA
1900

TYPE I



NO CREST

← TORONTO LITHO CO. LTD.

"ENTERED TO ACT OF PARLIMENT OF CANADA IN THE YEAR 1898 BY TORONTO LITHOGRAPHIC CO LIMITED"

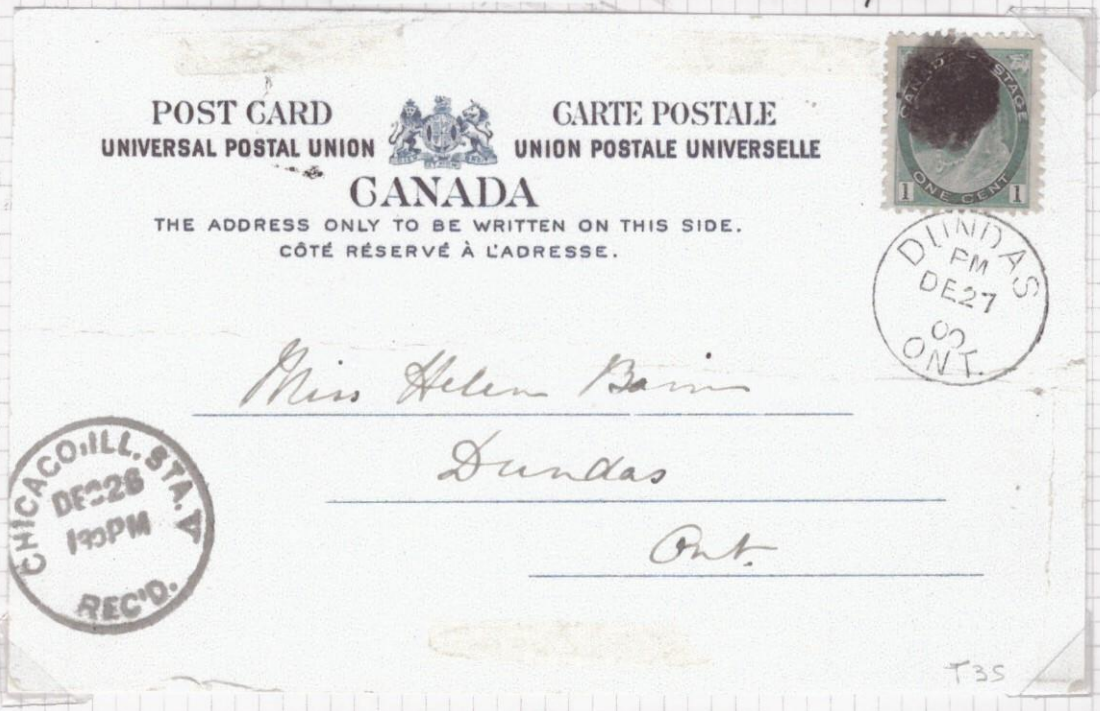
RARE NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS PRINTED BACK

1-1 COLOUR PHOTOCOPY

TORONTO LITHO Co 1900

BENBOW PRE-PRINTED CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR GREETING

RARE CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR PRE PRINTED CARD
WARSHIP - 1ST CLASS BATTLESHIP - BENBOW
TO DUNDAS DEC 27, 1900 MISSENT FROM TORONTO
VIA CHICAGO - REC'D DEC 26, 1900.



STAMP PANELS

To be held at 7:00pm EST monthly through 2021.

Have questions? Need answers?
Join a RPSC Panel discussion group.

(m) moderator (p) panelist * no more panelists needed

***MONDAY JANUARY 18**
STAMP COLLECTING.
Where do I get stamps? How do I store them? What tools and supplies do I need? Basic questions and answers? Ken Lemke(m), Jerry Piotrowski(p), Bob Thorne(p), Stuart Keeley(p)

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 9
COLLECTING AND REAL LIFE.
What does a collector do? How can collecting stamps help in life? Chris Hargreaves(m)

MONDAY MARCH 15
MOVING BEYOND ALBUM COLLECTING.
Why would I want to? What are some areas to collect? Ken Lemke(m), Ed Kroft(p), Sid Mensinga(p),

MONDAY APRIL 19
THEMATIC COLLECTING.
What is it? Why is it the newest rage? Chris Hargreaves(m), Jean Wang(p), Derwin Mak (p),

MONDAY MAY 17
THE BACK OF THE BOOK.
What does it comprise? Should I collect it? Is it affordable? Chris Hargreaves(p), Ingo Nessel(p), John Wilson(p)

MONDAY JUNE 21
SAMPLE COLLECTING AREA.
Communications during War. What can I collect? How did it work? Were the solders well served? George Pepall(p), Leigh Hogg (p)

***MONDAY JULY 19**
OTHER CONSIDERATIONS.
Forgeries, basics in spotting them. Insurance, do I need it and where can I get it? What to do with inherited collections? Chris Hargreaves(m), Garfield Portch(p), Chris Green(p), John Wilson(p)

MONDAY AUGUST 16
CLUBS.
Why join a club? Benefits of a club? Where to find a club? What is the RPSC? Ed Kroft(m), Garfield Portch(p), Ingo Nessel(p)

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 20
STAMP SHOWS.
What are they? Why they are worth visiting? Camaraderie and the social benefits of collecting. Mike Walsh(m), Charles Verge(p), Jane Sodero(p)

MONDAY OCTOBER 18
EDUCATION AND YOUTH.
Should I get my child involved? What are youth interested in? What can be learned from philately? Jane Sodero(m), Ted Nixon(p),

MONDAY NOVEMBER 15
INTRODUCTION INTO EXHIBITING.
What is it? How does it work? How to get started? It is easier than you think. Charles Verge(p), Jane Sodero(p)

MONDAY DECEMBER 20
RESEARCH.
Why should I research my collection? How to conduct research. What resources are available? What is the Harry Sutherland Philatelic Library? Charles Verge(p), John Wilson(p)

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To be held at 7 p.m. EST monthly through 2021. *(All talks held on Mondays)*

Jan. 11: Derwin Mak "The Batman First Day Ceremony at New York Comic Con"

Feb. 8: David Foot "ELDO: Forerunner to the European Space Agency"

March 9: Liz Hisey "Telling Stories with Postcards"

April 12: Ron Majors "Canada/British North America (BNA)-Union and Confederate Postal Cross Border Correspondence during the US Civil War"

May 10: Gerard McCulloch (Punk Philatelist) "Online Philately"

June 14: Jane Sodero "topic forthcoming"

July 12: Ed Kroft "Uncommon Destinations for Mail from Palestine During British Occupation: 1917-1948"

Aug. 9: Jean Wang "topic forthcoming"

Sept. 13: Robin Harris "Evolution of the Unitrade Catalogue from 2005 to the present"

Oct. 11: Chris Green "topic forthcoming"

Nov. 8: Chris Hargreaves - "Paying for air mail: Canadian Air Mail stamps and protocols, 1928-1939"

Dec. 13: Michel Houde "From Philatelist to Specialist"

Stay Healthy and Philatelically Active!!

Become a "Zoomer" to Stay Philatelically Active !!