

# The Bulletin

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## CHECK OUT THOSE BIG OLD ALBUMS!

*Bill Findlay*

In April last year, I attended the last live auction held by John Sheffield in London. At that auction, I successfully bid on several banker's boxes containing, among other things, several of the older large albums (the Citation, the Senior Statesman and others). I paid in the area of \$50-\$75 for each of these boxes. Such purchases are always a gamble, but for me, much of the pleasure (profit?) is in the sorting through the material to see what is there. Sometimes this pays off!!

In the Citation, two finds stand out so far (I am only half way through the book – it is a slow process!). First, Ireland – I found Scott #96-98, issued in 1937, the “St. Patrick and the Paschal Fire” set. Catalogue value for this set is a whopping \$340.00 for used copies! Second, Monaco – the early issues are of particular interest here, as they produced a lot of wallpaper later on. In my case, I found nine stamps in the first issues of 1885 and 1891 – ranging from \$1.00 to \$40.00 in value for used copies, and totalling \$228.00! Bear in mind that I am using my old 2012 Scott catalogues here.

Now, I am well aware that catalogue value is one thing, and selling price is something else again. But even with that considered, I have more than recovered my cost for the boxes. My point here is that you need to be willing to check out this sort of material, take the time to take a close look, and then enjoy being rewarded for your efforts.

By the way, I now have that set of Ireland available if you are interested, as I already have those stamps in my collection. The Monaco stamps, however, are now gracing the relevant spaces of that country in the appropriate album.



### Upcoming Meetings

- Saugeen Stamp Club  
Tuesday May 7
- Kincardine Stamp Club  
Wednesday May 1
- Owen Sound Stamp Club  
Wednesday May 15
- Guelph Stamp Club  
Wednesday May 1  
Wednesday May 15
- KW Philatelic Society  
Thursday May 2

### *One Page Exhibits - Upcoming Topics*

**May –**  
Birds

**June -**  
Military

**July -**  
Natural Phenomenon

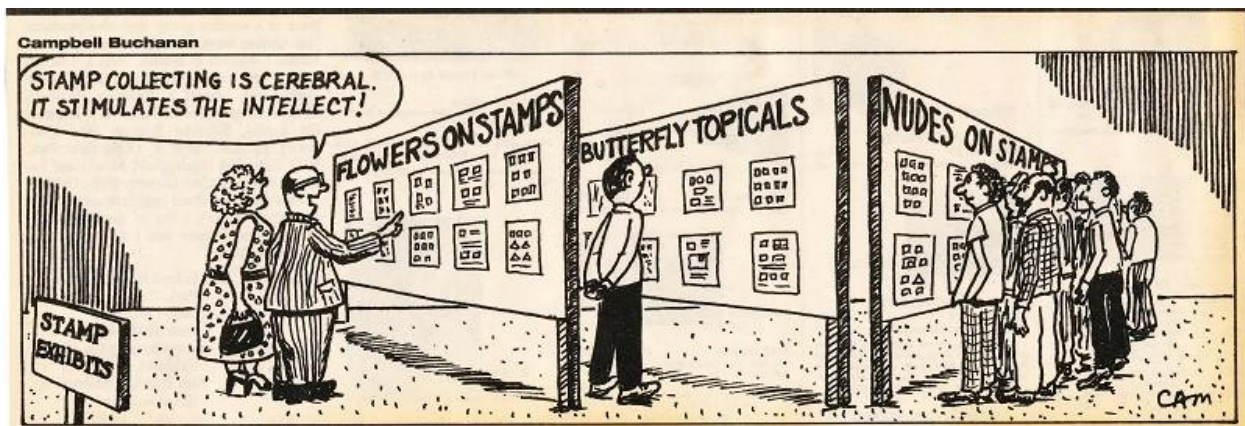
## THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN.....Walt Berry

The time for our annual show is coming up very soon – ARE YOU READY?

We want our show to be \*THE SHOW\* people want to attend!

The volunteer issues have been discussed and if everyone does their part it will be another successful show on May 4th. We hope to see many members along with a good showing of our philatelic friends from other areas. Canada Post has once again provided the club with a good selection of items for the hourly door prizes.

Hope to see many at the show – and bring a friend!



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### What's coming up:

See the Grand News for complete details for the following:

April 26/27 – Springpex, Hamilton, Ontario

May 4 – Saugeen Stamp Club Annual Show, Hanover, Ontario

May 5 – Mayday Show, Stratford, Ontario

June 21-23, 2019 – Royal \*2019\* Royale, Hilton Mississauga



During the early to mid or late 20<sup>th</sup> century, quite a number of Canadian Companies operated perforating machines to perforate the postage stamps for mailing at their various offices to identify its location. Some of the Companies were still using their perfin machines well into the 1970's or early 1980's (CNR). Each company or user had their "LOGO" perforated with holes into the back of the postage stamp and then adding an extra pin hole to the design somewhere in the layout to identify the office or location that it came from.

Each company wishing to perforate their postage required a permit from Canada Post Office, The perforator machines were manufactured by several office supply companies and were hand operated, operator was able to perforate five or more stamps at the same time, a larger machine capable 10 at a time.

These are known as "Code Hole Types"

Some of these companies you may be familiar with, Bell Telephone, Canadian National, Canadian Pacific, Great West Life, Sun Life and "CHP" International Harvester Co. and so. The complete list companies can be found in Handbook No. 5, Canadian Stamps with Perforated Initials (Second Edition) The British North American Philatelic Society (1961).

Postage stamps used by "ICH" appear to be all definitives, ranging from King Edward VII issue, KGV Admirals including War Tax, Scroll, Arch, Medallion, Pictorial issues, KGVII Mufti and War issues, and the QEII Karsh and Wilding issues.

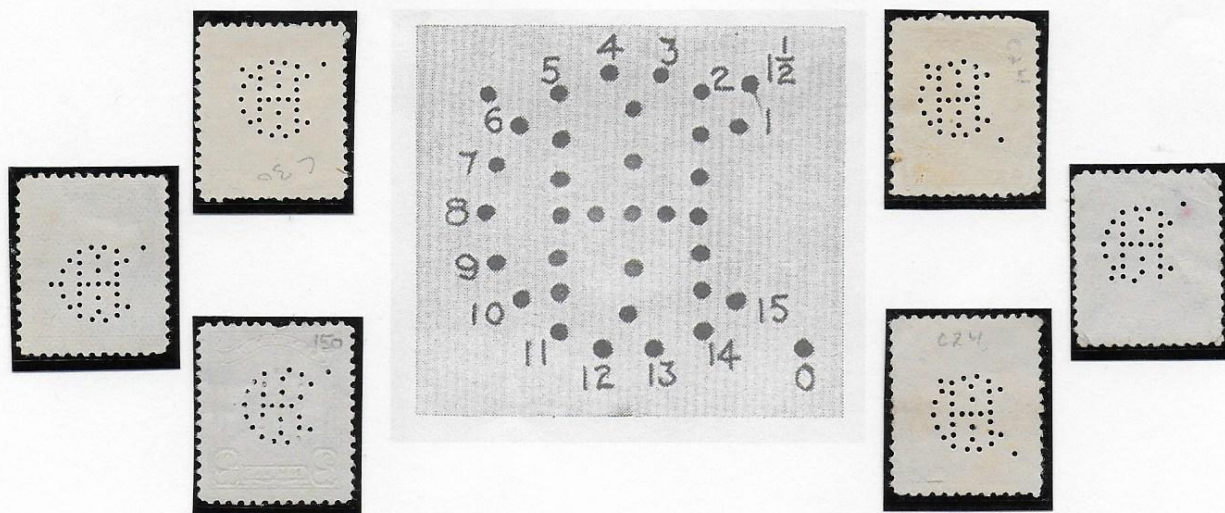
The following diagram provides a comprehensive view of the perfin diagram for the "ICH" Logo International Harvester Company, which had company Offices or Facilities across Canada, St. John, N.B. to Vancouver B.C. A means to identify each hole in forming the Letter "C" is numbered from top to bottom 1 to 15. This design provides an extra hole with the "0" outside the letter bottom right. There can be an extra hole located opposite one of the numbered holes of half-way between two of the holes, in which case the code hole is numbered plus one half. Location is determined by if the full number is missing the pin hole, and if the pin hole is present for the half numbers

Type 0 - Bellville, Ont.

- 1 -
- 1½ - North Battleford Sask.
- 2 - YORKTON Sask.
- 2½ - Estevan Sask.
- 3 - Brandon, Manitoba
- 3½ - Lethbridge, Alberta
- 4 - Calgary, Alberta
- 5 - Edmonton, Alberta
- 5½ - Quebec City, P.Q.
- 6 - Hamilton, Ontario

6½ - Weyburn, Sask.

- 7 - London, Ontario
- 8 - Montreal, P.Q.
- 9 - Ottawa, Ontario
- 10 - Regina, Sask.
- 11 - St. John, N.B.
- 12 - Saskatoon, Sask.
- 13 - Winnipeg, Manitoba
- 14 -
- 2-15 - Vancouver, B.C.



**Shared Strategies:**

**Got any old stamp catalogues? Especially colour? Cut them up to make a picture want list in a stock book. Hopefully you will not be buying duplicate copies again with this method.**

**Saugeen Stamp Club**

Chapter 220, Royal Philatelic  
Society of Canada  
Chapter 1538, American  
Philatelic Society  
Chapter 21, Grand River Valley  
Philatelic Association

We are on the web!  
<http://saugeenstampclub.webplus.net/index.html>

Meeting at St. Matthew's  
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Welcome to the G.,B.,S., and area  
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Stamp Clubs Circuit Book Club Fair  
First Annual Circuit Book Fair  
**Saturday May 25th, 2019**  
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