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Michael Hamilton, J.L. Fredrick, Michael Oliver capture BCPSG awards

By Peter Kaulback
President

The group has four principal annual awards, the recipients of which are selected by the appropriate selection committee. The four awards are as follows:

Cameron Trophy -- for the best BWI exhibit shown during our annual convention; **Durnin Award** -- for best article in the *British Caribbean Philatelic Journal* during the past year; **Cooley Award** -- for outstanding contributions to the Group; **Addiss Award** -- for achievement in philatelic writing and research.

Our Annual General Meeting in Tortola included presentation of three of the four awards. The Cameron Trophy will not be awarded this year due to the fact that our annual meeting was not held in conjunction with a major philatelic show at which competitive exhibits were judged. The winners are:

Durnin Award

In their efforts to select this year's award winner, the com-

mittee reviewed all the articles in the *Journal* in 2001 and narrowed down the selection to five articles. The nominees were: **Edward Barrow**, "Trinidad & Tobago series offers challenge" (January 2001): Appears to provide a comprehensive coverage, with previously non-published and/or original research data. This article does justice to the intricacies of a modern issue. **John Byl**, "Cayman Brac: The 1932 manuscript provisional" (January 2001): An interesting subject, with new examples to illustrate this scarce usage. **John Byl**, "Cayman Islands: The 1908 manuscript provisionals" (July 2001): Quite good, with solid documentation, but it is difficult to write an original research article on this issue. **Michael Hamilton**, "Montserrat Inland Revenue Stamps" (October 2001): Authoritative article, with much original data, interpretations, and new information; just getting the material together for the article must have been a major achievement. Outstanding. **Richard Maisel**, "Cayman Islands: King George V Commonwealth issues (1921-1935)" (April 2001): Very well written and presented, with well-researched technical data; the appendices include the "nitty gritty" details that should accompany ar-

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ticles such as this one. A very serious contender for the prize.

While the quality of all the articles was of the standard that we strive to have, and to maintain, in the *Journal*, the latter two were the two finalists for the award, and it was eventually decided that Michael Hamilton was the winner. Congratulations to Michael, and indeed to all the authors for their significant contributions to the *Journal* throughout this past year.

Cooley Award

During the meeting it was announced that the Robert J. Cooley Award for this year was to be presented to J.L. Fredrick of California. This award, which is funded by a generous gift from Bob Cooley, recognizes outstanding service to the group. The announcement was tinged with a strong note of sadness, as we learned just prior to the meeting that Jay had recently passed away. The committee had specifically cited him for his outstanding efforts to increase membership during his four year term as president. Jay was also widely recognized as the leading expert on the stamps and postal history of the British Virgin Islands. He unfailingly shared his extensive knowledge with those of similar interests, both through journal articles and displays at various meetings, as well as directly from his extensive files. He was a true gentleman to all who knew him and will be sorely missed. The committee expresses their sincere condolences to his widow, Olga, and the other members of his family.

Addiss Award

Michael Oliver of the United Kingdom was selected as the first winner of the Edward Addiss Award. The award recognizes lifetime achievements in philatelic writing and

research. Funding for this new award was provided through a generous donation by Lee Addiss in memory of her husband Edward Addiss, who served as president of the group and wrote extensively on the postal history of Trinidad and British Honduras. As one of the leading authors on Leeward Islands stamps and postal history, Michael Oliver serves as a fitting choice for this major award. He was cited by the selection committee for the high quality of his numerous articles on Leeward Islands stamps and postal history, which have appeared in the *British Caribbean Philatelic Journal* and other major publications. In every case, the articles were largely based on original research conducted in important postal archives. The crowning achievement came with the recent publication of his book, *The Leeward Islands: Notes for Philatelists*, which provides a vast array of information never available before in any written format.

Congratulations to the three winners of the awards, and very many thanks to the chairman and members of the selection committee for the Durnin Award (Michel Forand with Charles Freeland and Chuck Cwiakala), and the chairman and members of the selection committee for both the Cooley and Addiss Awards (Rob Wynstra with Barry Friedman and Paul Larsen).

(Note: For further information on the Cameron Trophy, please refer to the article by Awards Chairman Paul Larsen entitled *BCPSG Cameron Trophy: the First Twenty Years* [*British Caribbean Philatelic Journal*, October 2001, Volume 41, No. 4, Whole Number 201, page 15]).

And special thanks to Michel Forand and Rob Wynstra for their help in preparing this article. ☒

So who were those people at the convention in BVI?

Although attendance wasn't large, those who attended the annual convention in the British Virgin Islands reported they had a wonderful time in the sun-splashed islands. President Peter Kaulback took names of those shown in the photograph on page 1, and provided the following information, from left to right: Graham Booth, Peter Jennings (a new member), Dr. Giorgio Migliavacca, Marge Doran, Roger Downing, René Manes, Bob Lebow, Dan Walker, Ed Waterous (Auction Manager); Peter Kaulback, David Druett (International Director); Rob Wynstra (Past President); Brian Brookes, Mary Gleadall, Jack Harwood (Vice President); Del Harris, Mary Kerr (Trustee); Joanna Warner, Clary

Holt, Charles Ricksecker. Charles Freeland was not shown because he had not yet arrived.

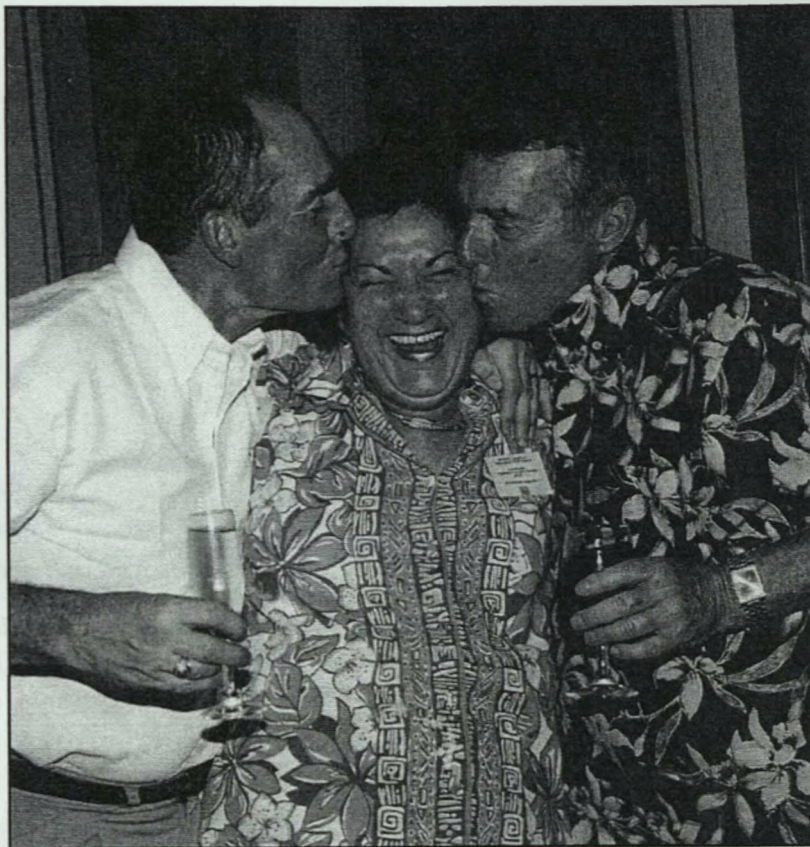
Special thanks were extended to the organizers of the convention for the outstanding job they did in making everyone welcome, both to the islands and to the show. The British Virgin Islands Philatelic Society, in addition to making us welcome, also presented its Tenth Annual Stamp Exhibition at the Barclays Bank in Road Town at the same time. It was an exciting and enjoyable time for all. There are numerous photographs and references to the convention in these pages. ☒

AGM in BVI Outstanding!

By Peter Kaulback
President

Our 2002 Annual General Meeting was held in the British Virgin Islands, in Road Town, Tortola over the period of October 31 to November 4, 2002. Our meeting, originally arranged between Past President Rob Wynstra and Giorgio Migliavacca, President of the British Virgin Islands Philatelic Society (BVIPS), was part of that Society's 10th Annual Stamp Exhibition. While our meetings are generally scheduled to coincide with a major national or international philatelic meeting, we do attempt to conduct a meeting once every five or so years in one of the territories of interest to the group.

Our last such meeting was in Barbados in 1995. Such meetings in a Caribbean location, while not offering the opportunity for competitive exhibits by our members and lacking a bourse and numerous dealers, do offer other specific benefits. And the greatest benefit associated with this year's meeting was the unprecedented coup achieved by the ambitious executive of the BVIPS. Through hard



President Peter Kaulback and Vice President Jack Harwood bestow congratulatory kisses on Astrid Wenzke, hospitality officer, in appreciation for all her good work.



Charles Ricksecker, Elizabeth Kaulback (wife of President Peter Kaulback); Graham Booth and Pat Walker pose for the camera.

work and perseverance over a period of some three years, they were able to achieve the loan of a magnificent stamp exhibit from the Royal Philatelic Collection, courtesy of Her Majesty the Queen. Very seldom are items from the Royal Collection available for public viewing, although during this Golden Jubilee Year there have been some specific exhibits, and this is the first time that items from the collection have been seen in the Caribbean, thereby giving our members an unprecedented opportunity to view such rarities.

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Mrs. Beatrice Brodie recognizes a cover her grandfather had received in Belgium from a person living at Beef Island in the early 1900s. The cover was part of a display of BVI rarities by Rob Wynstra.

Many of our members attending the meeting arrived in Tortola on Wednesday (October 30th) and were met by members of the organizing committee, a most thoughtful gesture. The following morning we had an informal meeting at which members had the opportunity to introduce themselves and I could present our schedule of events, and introduce some key members of the organizing committee, specifically Giorgio Migliavacca and Astrid Wenzke (Hospitality Officer). The remainder of the day was free and many people took the opportunity to walk the short distance from the hotel into Road Town. A welcoming cocktail party was put on for our benefit that evening at the Botanical Gardens

There were a number of items of discussion under new business, including the announcement of a new Study

and a most generous array of food and drinks was enjoyed by all present.

The AGM was held at 0900 hrs. on Friday morning at the conference room of the Treasure Isle Hotel. The meeting opened with the introduction of the 16 members present, all those who came to Tortola with the exception of Charles Freeland who, due to travel difficulties, was lost somewhere between Antigua and Tortola, along with his exhibits for the Court of Honour, and many items for our literature auction! Prior to covering the items on the agenda there was an unscheduled and sad announcement to those present, by Dan Walker, advising of the recent death of J.L. Fredrick. There followed a verbal presentation by the President, who also gave an update on membership statistics, and presented a report from the Treasurer. The next item of presentation was the winners of the Durnin, Cooley and Addiss awards (see separate article).



Mary Kerr of Christ Church, Barbados (she is a BCPSG Trustee) points to the "Missing Virgin" displayed in the Royal Philatelic Collection Exhibit. At right is Clary Holt of Burlington, North Carolina.

Group Leader for St. Vincent (Peter Elias replaces Joe Chin Aleong who is no longer a member), the need for someone to take over Publication Orders responsibility in the near future, the question of the availability of our mailing list to members/dealers, and a modification to the website. Following some general discussion and questions, the meeting was adjourned and we proceeded with the presentation by Rob Wynstra. A mix-up regarding the availability of a slide projector (rather than an overhead projector) was in fact beneficial in this instance and Rob

treated us all to a most informative discussion of a selected number of items from the exhibit that he had brought for display in the Court of Honour. Rob passed



At the Annual Dinner, from left, Dr. Giorgio Migliavacca (BCPSG member and President of the British Virgin Islands Philatelic Society); His Excellency Governor Thomas Macan; BCPSG President Peter Kaulback; and Mrs. Macan.

Following Rob's enthusiastically received presentation we proceeded to the Literature Auction. Ed Waterous, our very hard working Auction Manager, had prepared a list-

ing of some 176 lots, slightly more than half of which were literature items and the others, auction catalogues. The auction for the literature items was completed, however the catalogue portion was deferred until Charles Freeland's luggage arrived, hopefully accompanying Charles.

Friday afternoon's activity commenced with our group of members and their spouses/family/guests boarding the



Peter Jennings, Fellow of The Royal Philatelic Society London (and BCPSG member) presents stamps and The Times Royal Handbook to BVI Philatelic Society President Dr. Giorgio Migliavacca (left), while Miss BVI, Bethsaida Smith, and BCPSG President Peter Kaulback look on.

the items around for those present to view, and gave a most interesting review of mail from village post offices, with particular emphasis on the British Virgin Islands.

Safari buses arranged, to go to the lovely house of Roger Downing (Vice Chairman and Secretary of the Organizing Committee) and his wife. There we were treated to

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snacks and a generous array of drinks to go along with the intoxicating view south over Sir Francis Drake Channel to the string of islands that run between St. John (U.S.V.I.) and Virgin Gorda, such as Peter Island, Dead Chest, Salt Island, Cooper Island and Ginger Island. Astrid Wenzke pointed out the landmarks and explained the relevant geographical and historical details. Upon leaving the Downings, we went for lunch to Cane Garden Bay where many swam at the beach adjacent to the restaurant. We continued our tour of the island, being dropped back at the hotel at around 4 p.m.

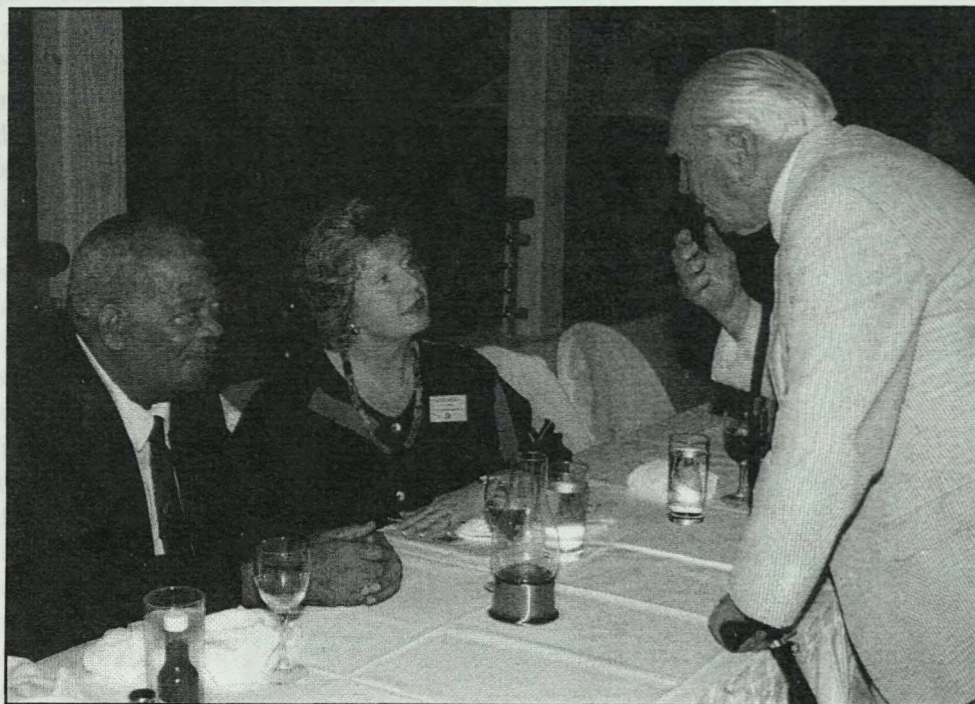
Saturday was Day 1 for the 10th Annual Stamp Exhibition, held at the hastily reconfigured Barclays Bank. The Master of Ceremonies for the inaugural ceremony was the charming Mrs. Dancia Penn-Sallah, QC, who presented the impressive list of speakers including His Excellency the Governor, Mr. Thomas Macan,



BVI Philatelic Society President, Dr. Giorgio Migliavacca, left, makes presentation to BCPSG Past President Rob Wynstra, right, while Miss BVI Bethsaida Smith looks on.

selection to Tortola, had selected these 72 pages. The six frames included two (29 pages) of BVI, and one each for Bermuda (9 pages), Turks Islands (11 pages), Cayman

Islands (11 pages) and Montserrat (12 pages). While all the material was spectacular, the *piece de resistance* was the legendary "Missing Virgin," now seen to have returned in triumph. During the printing of the 1/- issue of 1867, the central figure of St. Ursula was omitted from a very few stamps; the whereabouts of only three are known today, including the Queen's copy. There were unique items and pieces of great interest in every frame, nay, on every page, and this report cannot and is not the appropriate site to do justice to this exhibit. Also in the Court of Honour were other exhibits from three of our members, Giorgio Migliavacca, Charles Freeland and



Clary Holt (right) in discussion with Chief Minister, the Hon. Ralph T. O'Neal and Elizabeth Kaulback.

and the Chief Minister, Honourable Ralph T. O'Neal, who together cut the ribbon to open the show. The undoubted centerpiece of the show was the aforementioned selection from the Royal Collection. The Keeper of the Royal Collection, Mr. Charles Goodwyn, and his assistant Mr. Suresh Dhargalkar, LVO, who had personally brought the

Rob Wynstra. Giorgio's impressive exhibit of BVI included an historic cover carried on the final trip of the SS *Rhone* that foundered off Salt Island in 1867. Charles Freeland presented three separate exhibits: three frames of Virgin Islands rife with unique items, five frames of St. Vincent (1796-1932) and, for me, an especially inter-



Dr. Giorgio Migliavacca (right) discusses a BVI collection on display with His Excellency The Governor Thomas Macan.

esting frame on the Barbados 1906 Nelson issue with original artwork. Rob Wynstra, renowned for his Leeward Islands expertise, displayed mail from village post offices in the Virgin Islands with examples not only from Tortola but also from Anegada and Virgin Gorda (including an 1804 letter, one of very few recorded stampless covers from a BVI village post office), and Anguilla and Barbuda. The exhibits by these three members received a great deal of interest from visitors to the show.

Our annual banquet was held on Saturday evening at The Moorings, Mariner Inn Restaurant, within walking distance from the hotel. This was probably the best attended dinner that the BCPSG has ever had because this was in fact a joint dinner with the BVIPS and approximately 150 people enjoyed a magnificent evening, albeit the sound system could have been better, thus enabling all in attendance to more clearly hear the numerous speeches and presentations. The head table included the Governor, the Chief Minister and the Speaker of the House, and many other dignitaries were in attendance. Ms. Astrid Wenzke was the Master of Ceremonies, and Dr. Migliavacca was very busy making numerous presentations along with myself, assisted by Miss British Virgin Islands 2002, Bethsaida Smith. I am most grateful for the presentation of a lovely

carved coral pelican that I received, along with an inscribed copy of the newly released *Specialised Stamp Catalogue of The British Virgin Islands, 1787-2001*, edited by Giorgio Migliavacca.

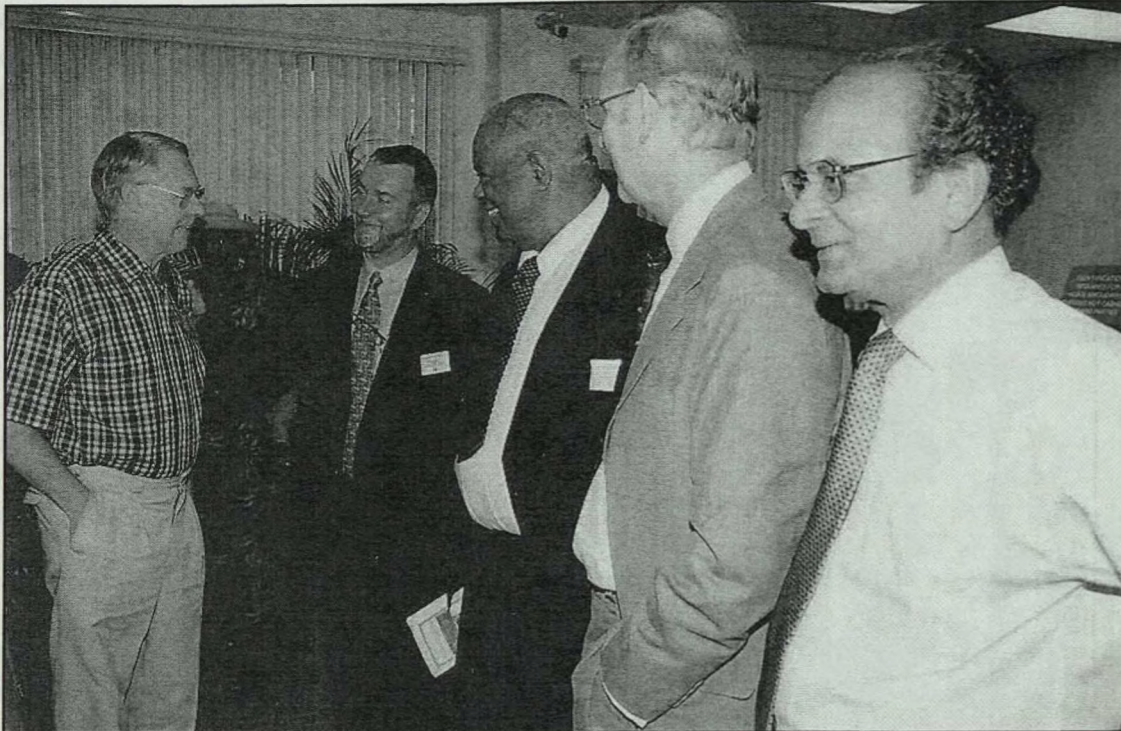
Sunday was a day to enjoy the show, spending more time viewing the exhibits, and to collect examples of the show catches, including a "Watrous Special," that Ed had made to commemorate our meeting. The closing ceremonies were at 3:30 p.m., with Master of Ceremonies Keith L. Flax. I spoke on behalf of the group and my remarks centered on the outstanding quality of the 10th An-

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Former Superintending Architect to The Queen and Assistant to the Keeper of The Royal Philatelic Collection, Mr. Suresh Dhargalkar (left) congratulates Vice Chairman of the 10th BVI Stamp Show, Roger Downing (right) for the pivotal role he played in the success of the event. Miss BVI Bethsaida Smith and BCPSG President Peter Kaulback are in the background.

nual show, the coup that had been achieved in securing a portion of the Royal Collection along with Mr. Dhargalkar's charming presence, and the overwhelming hospitality that had been shown by all to those of us that were visitors to "Nature's Little Secret."



BCPSG member Charles Freeland of Basal, Switzerland (left) exhibited a selection of BVI rarities and impressive collections of St. Vincent and Barbados at the convention and stamp show. He is pictured here being congratulated by Dr. Giorgio Migliavacca, Chief Minister Hon. Ralph O'Neal, His Excellency The Governor Thomas Macan and Assistant Keeper of The Royal Collection Suresh Dhargalkar.

The raffle drawing followed, and we were thrilled that the wife of one of our members, Jean Brookes, won the largest prize of Tiffany gold earrings. The closing remarks were given by Mr. Mark Young of Barclays Bank. Sunday evening included the conclusion of the literature auction now that Charles's luggage had at last caught up to him. The conference room no longer being available, due to a church service, we conducted our business in the hotel bar area and amid some amusing moments of bidding confusion, the auction was suc-

cessfully completed.

On Monday, the final official day of our meeting, there was the opportunity to visit the adjacent island of Virgin Gorda. Astrid had undertaken her organizational magic again and the 21 persons that went had a most enjoyable time. We took the high-speed ferry (made in Western Australia!) from Road Town to Virgin Gorda and were treated



Members of the BCPSG, BVIPS, and guests at the end of a "Welcome Cocktail Party" hosted by the BVI Tourist Board at the Curator's Hall, BVI Botanic Gardens.

to an island tour in a Safari bus. Astrid, her tour guide skills in high drive, gave us a tour of the island before we descended on The Valley Post Office. After lunch many people made their way down to the spectacular beach at The Baths and enjoyed the afternoon in pure Caribbean luxury. Later, after our return to Tortola, there was a Farewell Cocktail Party at a Road Town restaurant where, once again, the hospitality of our hosts, the British Virgin Islands Philatelic Society, was outstanding.

Those present at the Tortola meeting were: Peter Kaulback (with Liz); Jack Harwood (with Lynn); David Druett (with Chandy); Mary Kerr (with Felix); Rob Wynstra; Ed Waterous (with Dawn); Graham Booth; Brian Brookes (with Jean); Marge Doran; Charles Freeland; Mary Gleadall; Del Harris (with June); Clary Holt (with B. Jefferson and Harriet); Bob Lebow (with Johnita); René

Manes; Charles Ricksecker; Dan Walker (with Pat). Peter Jennings, FRPSL (with Stella), who was in Tortola principally as a philatelic journalist, has applied for membership. Those members of the BVIPS who are also members of the group are Dr. Giorgio Migliavacca, Roger Downing and Joanna Warner.

In conclusion, allow me once more to express my thanks and congratulations, and the appreciation of all of the above members, to all members of the Organizing Committee of the 10th Annual Stamp Show for an excellent show and for their first class hospitality and friendliness. ☒

Thanks to Felix Kerr, Astrid Wenzke, Stephen McMaster, and Marge Doran for photographs, and to The Island Sun newspaper for information.



BCPSG President Peter Kaulback (left) presents a commemorative medal to BVI Chief Minister, the Honorable Ralph O'Neal, while Miss BVI Bethsaida Smith looks on.



Assistant Keeper of The Royal Philatelic Collection Suresh Dhargalkar, LVO, RIBA (right) accepts a 1979 BVI definitive stamp with inverted watermark as a token of gratitude from the BVI Philatelic Society. Dr. Giorgio Magliavacca, left, BVI Philatelic Society president, makes the presentation as Miss BVI Bethsaida Smith looks on.

The Tudway Papers Revisited

By Mark W. Swetland
Of the USA

John M. Willem wrote five articles for the *British Caribbean Philatelic Journal* between October 1977 and April 1979 (See Bibliography at end of article). John was greatly interested in and puzzled by the Tudway letters that began appearing on the philatelic market in 1972 and continued until 1976. John's purchases began in 1974 and by 1978 he had some 330 original letters.

John was an outstanding researcher. His early training as a newspaper reporter gave him a sense for the unusual and a feel for a mystery. It also created a strong desire to solve the mystery, a desire that kept him going until he achieved his goal. The Tudway papers first gave John a wish to know the source of the letters. Then he wanted to know how they got onto the market. Finally, he wanted to learn who put them on the market.

His work answered all of these questions. His first article reported that the Tudway letters had been stolen from the Somerset County Record Office in Taunton, Somerset, England and told the story which had appeared in the *Somerset Gazette*. Further, the letters were all taken by John H. Hamer, the Accessions Assistant for the Record Office.

John's work with the Tudway letters and his interest in the economics of the sugar trade led him to plan a book on the Tudway papers, a plan defeated by his death in December 1979. John's wife Lois then took up his plan but her illness and death in 1984 kept her from following through. His book has never been written.

If you have a desire, a wish or a strong urge to write and publish a book on the Tudway papers, John's material is ready for your use. John's files are now with Dan Walker, the BCPSG librarian. His address today is on the inside cover of each issue of the *British Caribbean Philatelic Journal*. He will be more than willing to assist you in every way possible.

Dan has an inventory that came with Willem's papers. He reports that they now are on shelves next to the BCPSG library. John's files contain nine 3-ring notebooks, two 4" x 6" file boxes with a file card of notes on every letter which came to him and 38 folders which are listed.

Benedict Quinn, who bought Parham Lodge in the 1940s, found old Tudway papers and letters when he occupied

the lodge. He photocopied them and made up several notebooks, two copies of which were in John's files. Quinn titled them "The Tudway Papers 1752-1807 / Somerset Beans for Parham Sugar." The remaining seven 3-ring binders contain for the most part typed transcripts of over 1,000 letters from Antigua to England. The 38 folders are correspondence files with Antigua collectors, Tudway Quilter and the Somerset County Record Office, one with the Tudway abstract of title, two with material on the trial of John Hamer, four with various inventories of the letters and still more subjects.

A short story on the Willem files between 1984 and today may help. I was in contact with Lois in 1983 and we planned to meet at her home. Her illness and then her death kept us from meeting. After her death the heirs agreed to let me have the papers with the thought of writing a book on the papers. John's files came to South Carolina with us in 1984 and remained here with our moves from one house to another. As our houses grew smaller, keeping John's files with the books I acquire and the files I generate meant at last that some of them had to be stored in the garage. A garage in South Carolina is no place for papers. Dan Walker agreed to put the papers in the BCPSG library so the transfer was made this year.

From 1984 to 1988 I worked on the papers. John's work showed that much more material might be in the Somerset County Archive. In 1986 Jean and I went to Taunton and spent a week there while I researched Tudway material in the archives. This let me add to the letters that John had collected. After our return I obtained the help of two people in Taunton to carry out further research on the records using guides which I set for them. The result is that many more letters came which still need to be transcribed and typed so they will match the work done by John.

Anyone who wishes to take on this work will find me giving all the help I can. I would be greatly pleased to let you have the work I have done and the drafts prepared on such a book. While John's letters spoke about writing a book, he did not leave an outline or description of the book he planned other than a Preface which seems unfinished. The drafts of each section I have begun may provide a starting point but a new author has no obligation to follow what I have written. You are free to write the story, as you think best.

One of the stories in John's papers is the story of finding the source of the Tudway papers, their theft and recovery

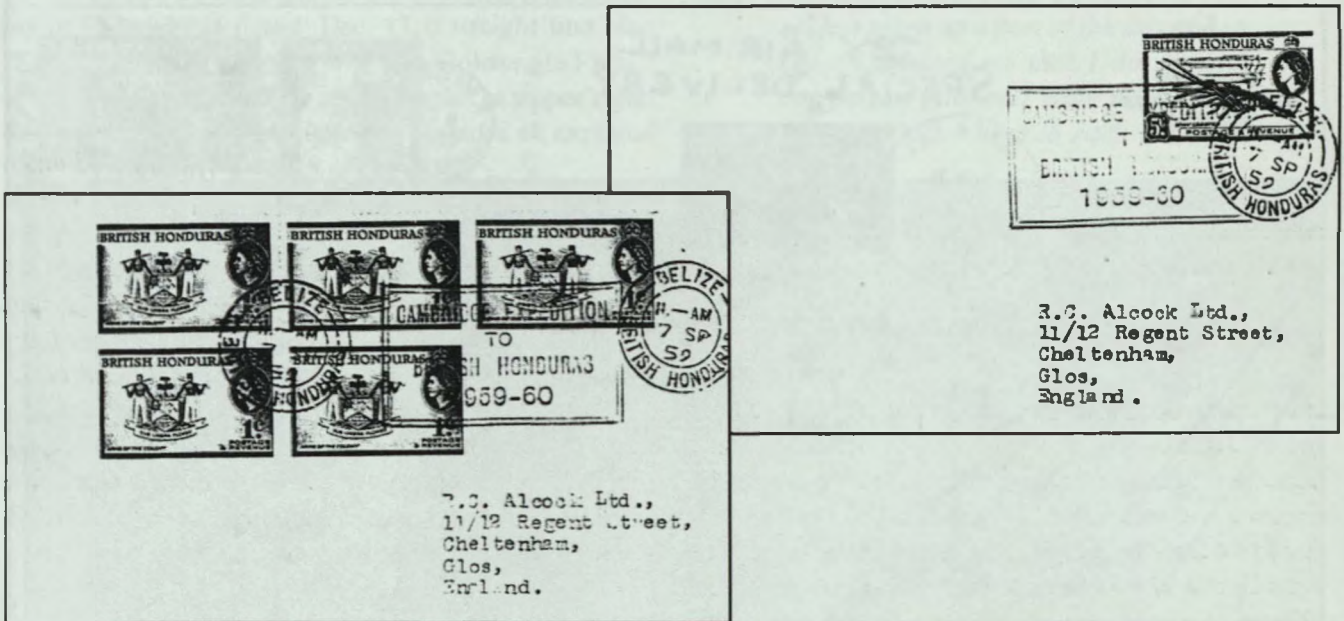
Letter to the Editor

More British Honduras "Cam to the Cays" covers emerge

Reference the article, "From the Cam to the Cays" in Vol. 42, No. 4 (October-December 2001), I have two copies of the cover in my collection and both are to the same name and address as Ian Matheson's. Both covers also have the same boxed cancel. Both of my covers are also

franked at 5¢. I have also seen one other cover offered for sale and this was also to the same address and franked at 5¢. All the covers I have seen have the same date cancel as the one shown in the article.

Kevin May
Ipswich, Suffolk, England



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of the unsold letters. I have drafted this story and will soon complete it for the BCPJ.

John's Tudway papers have at least two more stories waiting to be told. One is the story of the people connected with the letters, the Tudway family members who owned the plantations on Antigua and the plantation attorneys and managers who wrote the letters. Who were they? What sort of people were they? The second is on the economics of raising sugar cane on Antigua and the sugar trade between Antigua and England.

My address is also on the inside front cover of each issue of the BCPJ. That makes it is easy to contact me by mail, email or telephone.

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Jamaica to USA, Special Delivery

By John Tyacke
Of Canada

Figure 1 shows a "By Air Mail - Special Delivery" cover postmarked March 5, 1948 from Kingston, Jamaica to California. It pays the regular air mail rate of 6d. A 13¢ U.S. Special Delivery stamp has been added and postmarked in Miami, also on March 5. The

nearest date to 1948 that I have) but could find no mention of Special Delivery, not even within Jamaica. One unusual entry I found was that quinine "is also sold at all Post Offices in 1/4d and 1d packages." (No doubt an anti-malaria initiative.)

As there is no manuscript indication that the Special Delivery fee was prepaid in Jamaica, I assume that the sender



Figure 1

arrival backstamp at Pasadena is dated March 7.

added the U.S. stamp which the Jamaican post office did not cancel. On arrival in Miami it was canceled and commenced its Special Delivery status.

I checked the *Jamaica Post Office Guide* for 1952 (the



Figure 2

I also illustrate an air mail cover from Bogota, Columbia (Figure 2) postmarked December 24, 1942 to which a U.S. Special Delivery 10¢ stamp has been added and which has received the identical postmark. After passing through Jamaica for censorship, the arrival backstamps are dated December 29 at New York.

Perhaps members could clarify the U.S. procedures for overseas Special Delivery to the U.S.A. Were the stamps available at overseas post offices? ☒

Barbados: 1842 Ice Vessels

By Fritz Roett
Of Canada

Over 25 years ago we acquired the cover illustrated in Figure 1. Yes, a pretty innocuous looking ship letter from Barbados to Boston, Massachusetts. Docketed "Barbados Sunday November 27th, 1842," it bears a somewhat indistinct blue arrival marking of Philadelphia dated Dec. 17, a straight line blue "SHIP" handstamp, a manuscript "p. Violette via Phila." at lower left and a red "20 and squiggle" at upper right. We are indebted to Wierenga¹ who provides an explanation

Barbados Sunday November
27th, 1842.

Ever Dear Sister Mary,

An opportunity offers to send to the States tomorrow and I did intend to devote this day to writing all my relatives a long letter but by perusing (sic) the many letters I received by the Ice Vessel has taken up a part of the day and so deeply affected me that I do not feel competent (sic) and have not time to write but a few lines to each but I feel

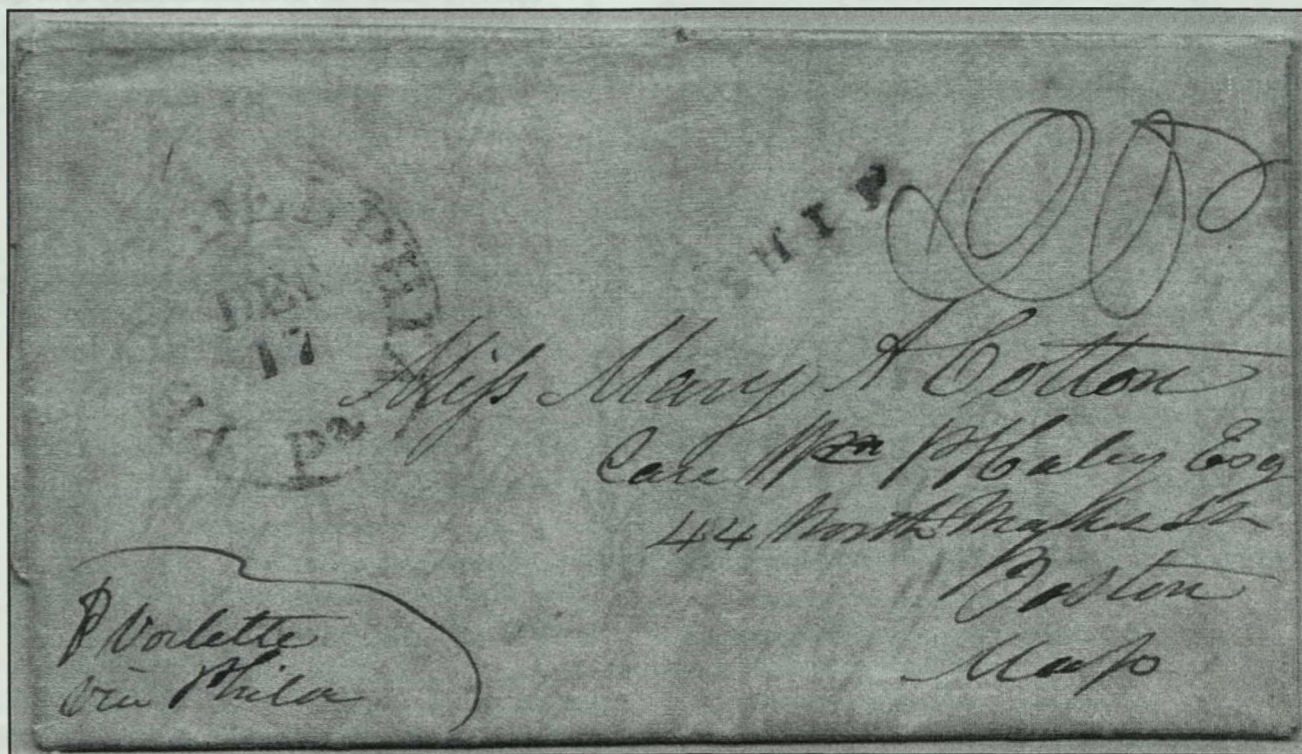


Figure 1

Ship letter from Barbados to Boston dated November 27, 1842 with a blue Philadelphia arrival marking of December 17. Assessed 20^{3/4}¢ -- Ship Fee of 2¢ plus the Inland Rate of 18^{3/4}¢.

tion to the rate charged. In accordance with the Act of April 9, 1816, the Ship Fee was set at 2¢ and the Inland Rate was 18^{1/2}¢ for distances between 150 and 400 miles. The Act of March 3, 1825 increased the Inland Rate to 18^{3/4}¢. On page 23, Wierenga states: "The fractional portion of the rate on covers showing 12^{1/2}¢ or 18^{3/4}¢ in manuscript often appeared as a scrawl or squiggly line, as postal clerks applied these markings in a hurry."

Turning now to the letter, the text is as follows:

that even a few will be acceptable.

I read with deep interest the communications respecting the union on which depends your future happiness. I hope you will consider it the most important step you can take and weigh the subject well before you leap into your future destiny from which you cannot retreat - I do not give you this caution haveing (sic) the least doubt but that the

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choice is a good one as I feel from what I have been informed that if I was present I could have no objection to your union with Mr. Kidder. I feel glad that you are likely to get so good and worthy a man but still I cannot help feeling anxious for one that I have had such care (?) of and done so much for -

It appears that you was published before you rec.'d the melancholy news of the death of our brother Daniel (.) I hope you will not be in such a hurry as not allow a proper time to elapse as to pay proper respect to the memory of one who was so near and dear to us - I merely suffer this not doubting the respect of your feeling for brother Daniel.

There is much advice and many things I would wish to say to you on this occasion (sic) but today I do not feel competent (sic) and have not time (.) therefore Dear Sister I leave all to your discretion and good judgement (sic) feeling quite sure that with the care and advice of Mr. and Mrs. Haley nothing can go wrong and may happiness attend your union is the wish and fond hope of your best friend and brother who considers your happiness next his own

I received two letters from Mr. Kidder I shall endeavor to answer them today

I am in tolerable good bodily health but very lonely (sic) and low spirited it is quite uncertain when I shall return although I know that I should be much more happy at home but I am in a business where the interest of others are concerned and I can-not think to leaving to to ----- injury a few month will determine whether it is likely to be profitable then I shall decide what cause to pursue (sic) if it is not likely to be profitable I shall proberbly (sic) write for them to send out some one to take charge of it and I will return and live in Boston still hold and interest in the business - so I have no doubt let it be as it will I shall proberbly (sic) be at home in the course of next season - you will give my love to cousin Charlotte tell her I will answer her kind letter soon - Remember me timely (sic) to all enquiring friends my best regards to Mrs. Templeton and Mary

Bowen I hope you will keep up their acquaintance (sic)

I shall have another vessel come out I expect about the first (?) of January by which I hope you will write all the particulars about every thing you think will interest me - I hope you write often to mother and comfort her in her affliction poor woman I fear it is too heavy for her to bear I wish I was with her to comfort & console her but as it is I need someone to console me - I have had built over brother Daniels grave a tomb 6 ft long 3 ft wide & 2 1/2 ft high and put upon the top the marble monument that Mr Haley sent out and may it forever stand sacred to the memory of one who should be remembered by all who knew him ---

I hope this will find you in good health with all my friends and relatives
I am as ever Your affectionate
brother Dudley

P.S. I wish you would say to Mr Haley to send mother a suit of mourning if an opportunity offers if not send money enough to buy it there and charge to my a/c DPC

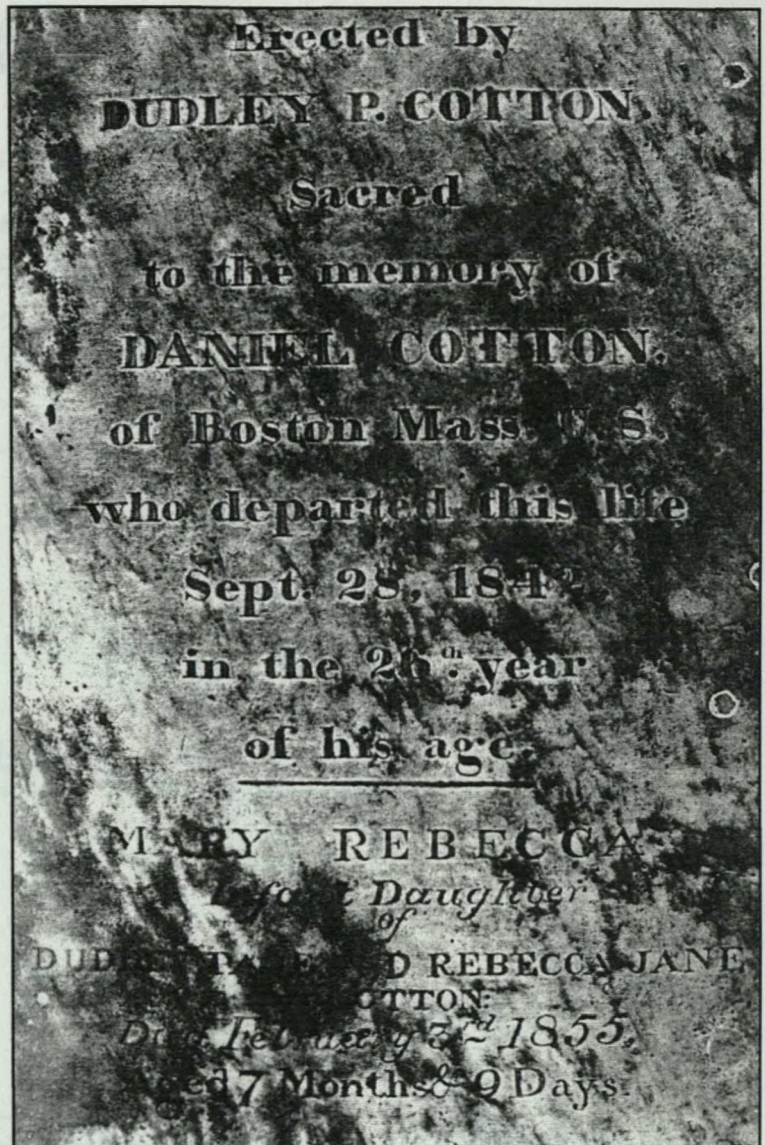
Miss Mary A Cotton
Care Wm P Haley Esq
44 North Market St
Boston
Mass

What has intrigued us for so long is the reference to an "Ice Vessel." Eventually, we were able to piece together the puzzle when, by chance, we came across the book *The Bridge - Barbados* by Patrick Roach.² On pages 21 and 22 he states:

"In 1844 Dudley Page Cotton emigrated from Maine to Barbados. He set up the firm of 'Cotton and Haley.' This firm was formed to supply ice to the island of Barbados. Mr. Cotton's partner, Haley, remained in Maine and arranged for the cutting and shipping of blocks of ice from the Kennebeck (sic: *Kennebec*) river. A short time after arriving in Barbados, Dudley Page Cotton fell in love with a lady called Rebecca Roach and they were married. ... The Cotton's son, Henry Evan Cotton, became a minister and moved back to Maine."

Another reference we have found to the ice house is: *Bygone Barbados* by Ann Watson Yates.³ On page 71 there is a photograph of "The Standard Ice House Hotel" which clearly shows D. P. Cotton & Co. In *The Bridge - Barbados* and *Bygone Barbados* the dates given are 1844 and 1848, respectively. However, from the letter, it is clear that the company was in operation in 1842. Interestingly enough the letter is addressed to Mr. Haley who was Cotton's partner.

From the text, it appears Dudley was thinking of returning to the United States, but it is unclear whether he did so, only to return in 1844 (to marry Rebecca). As can be seen, Dudley's brother died after arriving in Barbados, with the marble for the tomb being supplied by Mr. Haley. A photograph of Daniel's tombstone (also referred to in the letter) in St. Michael's is shown in Figure 2. The inscription on the tombstone reads:



Erected by
Dudley P. Cotton
Sacred
to the memory of DANIEL COTTON
of Boston Mass. U.S.
who departed this life
Sept. 28, 1842
in the 26th. year
of his age.
MARY REBECCA
Infant Daughter
of
DUDLEY PAGE AND REBECCA JANE
COTTON Died February 3rd. 1855,
Aged 7 Months & 9 Days.

Figure 2
Photograph of the tombstone of Daniel Cotton
at Bridgetown, Barbados.

This clearly shows that brother Daniel died on September 28, 1842, thus confirming the date of the letter. Another point in the letter which intrigues us is the fact that sister Mary was going to marry a Mr. Kidder. In the Dale-Lichtenstein⁴ sale, for Lot 119 there was a cover from Barbados addressed to a Kidder and Sons in North Carolina, dated February 1870. It would be interesting to determine whether the Kidder and Sons were in fact Mary's husband and her children. Perhaps some other person will research this.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The author wishes to acknowledge the assistance of my good friend, Mary Kerr, in tracking down the Cotton tombstone and her husband, Felix, for providing the photograph.

FOOTNOTES

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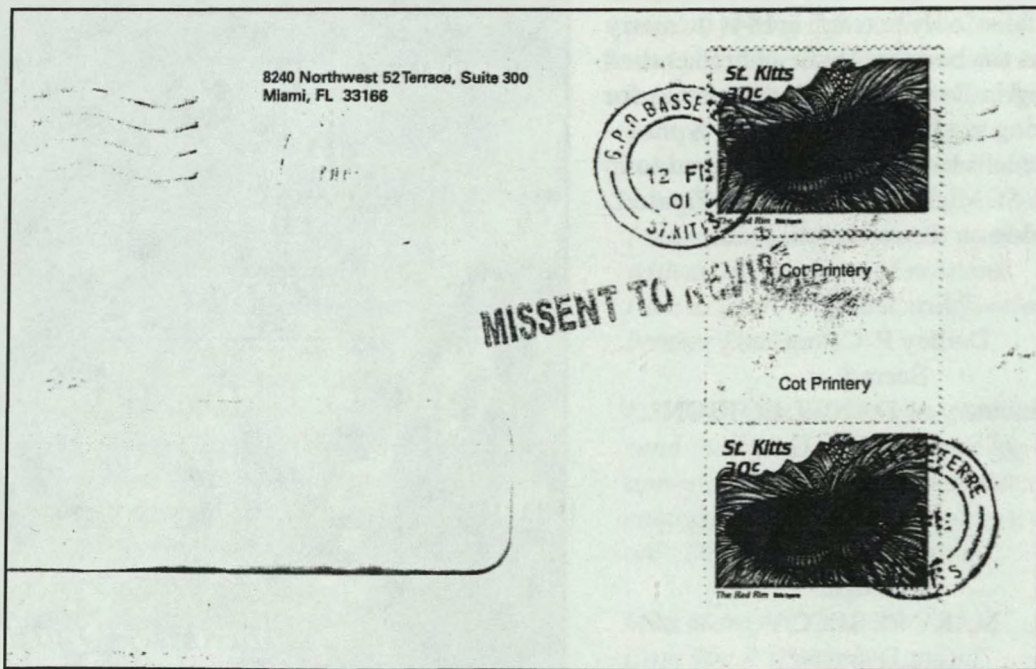
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Interesting new markings from the islands

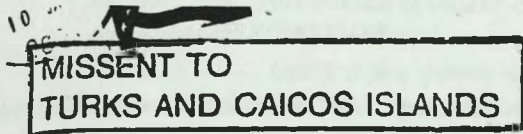
By Steven G. Zirinsky
Of the USA

Here are some newer cancels and markings seen from the Caribbean islands. The collection includes "Missent" to Turks and Caicos, Nevis and "missing stamps" from Dominica, as well as some interesting markings from St. Kitts.

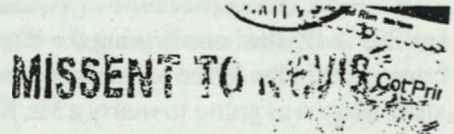
MISSENT



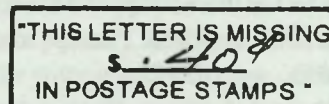
"Missent to Nevis" 2001



"Missent to Turks and Caicos Islands"



"Missent to Nevis"



"This Letter Is Missing \$.40 In Postage Stamps" Dominica

MARKINGS FROM ST. KITTS



What date is this?



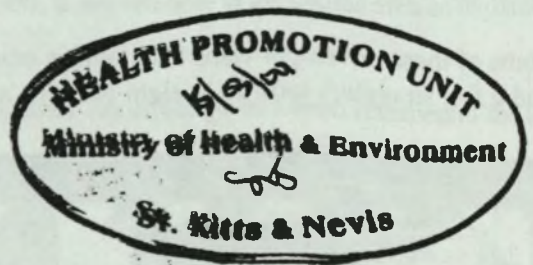
Cayon Post Office

RECORDED INFORMATION
10/15/01/50

RETURNED TO SENDER

Unclaimed
Addressed to
Insufficient
No such street
No such office in state
Do not mail in this envelope

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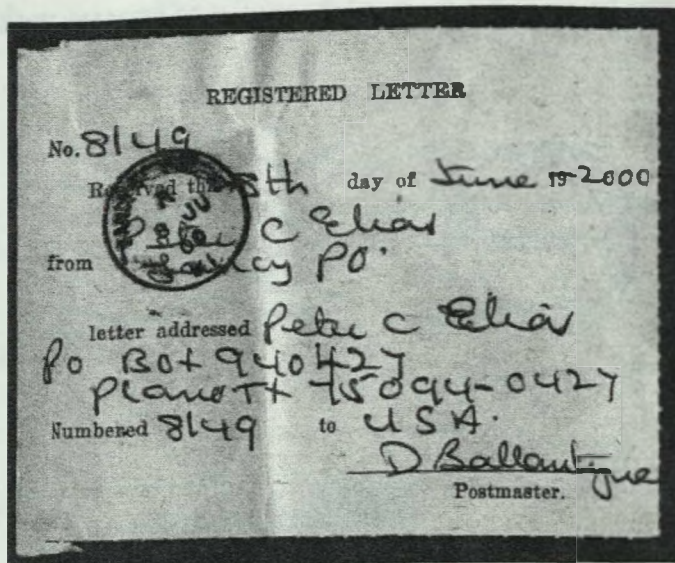


Fancy that!

By Peter Elias
Of the USA

In 2000 I undertook a project to get examples of all three postmarks and registration labels in use currently at the various village post offices in St. Vincent and the Grenadines. I had sent each postmaster/postmistress three addressed and stamped envelopes; two of the envelopes had EC \$3.40 postage (or more) on them (this covers EC .90¢ postage and EX \$2.50 registration fee) and one envelope with just EC 90¢ postage (or regular airmail postage). Also enclosed was a form letter stating that I was working on this project and if they would be kind enough to nicely postmark the covers I had enclosed and return them to me. If anything, I figured this would be a good way to get some nicely used copies of all the mint St. Vincent stamps and sets I've accumulated over the years and actually make them work for their intended purpose (especially those ubiquitous "Leaders of the World" train and car issues).

Some of these envelopes came back within one month, and a few stragglers took up to eight months, and there



are still a couple of them outstanding. Despite my pleading, many were not postmarked clearly (I wanted to scan copies of the postmarks and registration labels).

The strangest return, though, was from the tiny post office of Fancy at the northernmost tip of St. Vincent. I once tried to drive there, but was told that past the village of Owia, you would need a four-wheel drive vehicle. But I digress...

All envelopes I had submitted were standard #6 size and had a preprinted address sticker on them. Instead of getting my envelope back registered, it arrived inside another envelope (#10 size) prepared by the local postmaster, D. Ballantyne. The postmaster had postmarked the stamps on my envelope (June 6, 2000) and applied the registration label (#8149) [the village of Fancy uses Kingstown registration labels as it doesn't have any of its own], then took the address sticker and registration label off my envelope and placed them on the #10 size envelope, into which was placed my envelope and the registration receipt.

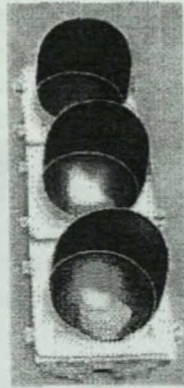
The postmaster then applied \$3.60 of postage to this outer envelope which now bore the registration label. The outer enve-



“First ever” traffic lights in the BVI

Those who live in more populated areas will probably get a chuckle from the cachet on this cover which commemorates the “First Ever Traffic Lights In the BVI.” The traffic light is located in Road Town, Treasure Isle at the Station Road junction, according to Giorgio Migliavacca, who provided the cover.

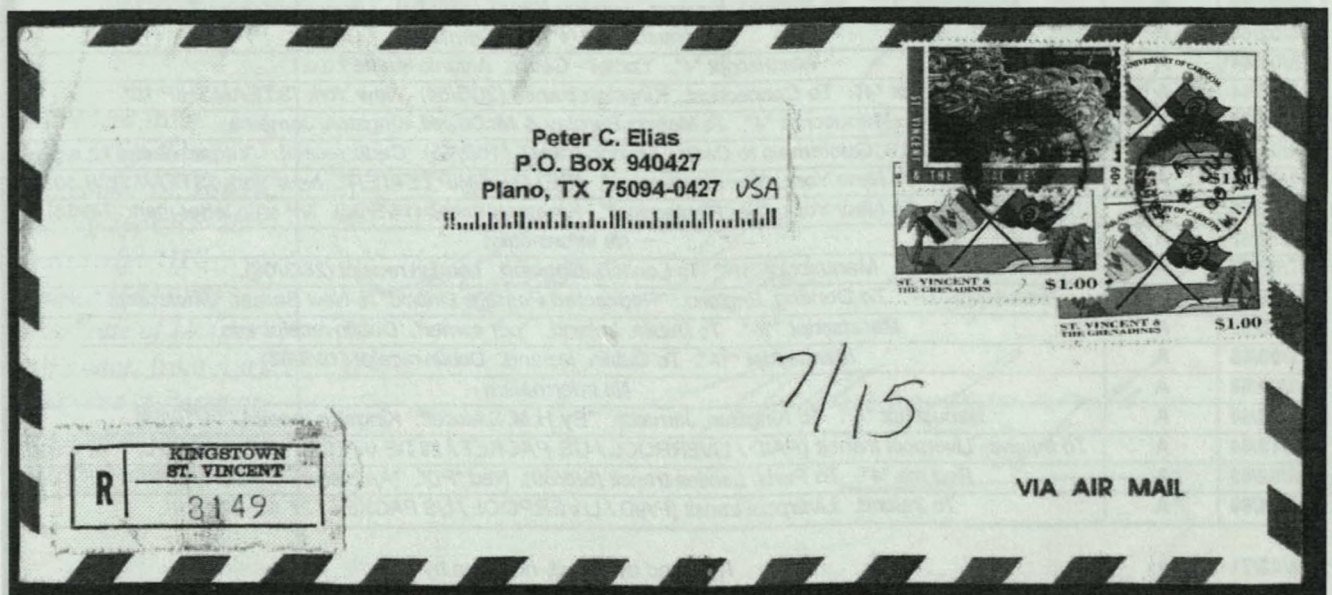
But your editor can understand how installing a traffic light can be a momentous occasion; in one direction from where he lives, there are no traffic lights for about 125 miles (St. Georges, Quebec), and in the other, it’s 75 miles (Bangor, Maine). Now that’s remote! ☒



FIRST EVER TRAFFIC LIGHTS IN THE BVI
OFFICIAL LAUNCHING, 4 NOV. 2002
ROAD TOWN, TREASURE ISLE,
STATION ROAD JUNCTION

lope was postmarked in Fancy also, but two days later, on June 8, 2000. It arrived here in the Dallas area as registered mail on July 15 (five weeks later).

This is very puzzling to me, as there was no note attached indicating why my envelope had been returned to me this way. Can anyone offer any explanation? ☒



The Belize Paid Type BP-2 CDS

By Ian Matheson
Of South Africa

In the February 1983 issue of the *British Caribbean Philatelic Journal*, I wrote about the Belize Paid Type BP-2 datestamps and the rates of postage reported on the entires found with this type. The rates issue has been satisfactorily resolved in the interim, but the last word has not yet been written on the datestamp(s) themselves.

Robson Lowe¹ wrote that three handstamps were sent to Belize to coincide with the appointment of the first Colonial Postmaster in March 1860. These were Types BP-2 (Belize Paid), BSC-1 (19.5mm Belize datestamp), and a ship letter mark, which he records as having been seen used in 1874. Of Type BP-2 (he called it Type HS16), he wrote, "The above is found with code letters A and C, the former is normal." However, there seems to be no evidence to support these theories by Robson Lowe.

The BP-2 story was re-described by Ted Proud², who clas-

sified the datestamp as Type PD2 and wrote, "Set with code A from 1862." Again we see the assumption that the code A and code C were produced by the same instrument. Proud uses separate type numbers, where more than one similar instrument were sent (for example, the two K65 types and K6 and the two "BELIZE" in bars, types K7 and K8).

Ed Addiss³ conducted a study of the British Honduras date and cancellation stamps from what remains of the Post Office archives at Freeling House, 23 Glasshill Street, London SE1 0BQ. He showed that two handstamps were sent out to the Colony on April 30, 1860. They were the Belize Paid handstamps with code A (proof strike dated AP 27/60) and code C (proof strike dated MY 1/60). They are therefore separate instruments and should be classified as such. Reported entires indicate that they were never used concurrently, code C having been used first.

In my own (as yet unpublished) listing of the postal markings of British Honduras, I have accorded different type numbers to each instrument -- "BP-2a" (code C) and "BP-

Date	Code	Details
17/07/60	C	Manuscript "5" & "6". To Isle of Wight, England. London transit (12/8/60)
15/08/60	C	Manuscript "10" & "1/-". To Sheffield, England. London transit (13/9/60). Antonio Mathe f.a.c.
12/09/60	C	Manuscript "5" & "6". To Sheffield, England. London transit (13/10/60). Antonio Mathe f.a.c.
18/03/61	C	Manuscript "5". To Liverpool, England. London transit (12/4/61)
15/12/61	C	Manuscript "5". To Edinburgh, Scotland. London transit (14/1/62)
14/01/62	A	No information (reported by Addiss)
14/02/62	A	Manuscript "5". To Edinburgh, Scotland. London transit (18/3/62)
14/09/63	A	Manuscript "11". To Edinburgh, Scotland. London transit (14/2/63).
14/01/64	A	Manuscript "11". To Rutland, England. London transit (13/2/64). Uppingham receipt (13/2/64).
14/02/64	A	Manuscript "1/4". To Germany.
15/03/64	A	Manuscript "4". Yzabel - Cadiz. Antonio Mathe f.a.c.
14/05/64	A	Manuscript "4". To Connecticut. Kingston transit (20/5/64). New York "STEAMSHIP 10".
15/09/64	A	Manuscript "4". To Messrs Barclay & McDowell, Kingston, Jamaica.
14/01/65	A	Manuscript "1/4". Guatemala to Cadiz. London transit (16/2/65). Cadiz receipt. Antonio Mathe f.a.c.
11/09/65	A	Manuscript "4". To New York. "Per Plantagenet". "BELIZE SHIP LETTER". New York "STEAMSHIP 10".
08/05/66	A	Manuscript "4". To New York. "Per Plantagenet". Kingston transit (14/5/66). NY ship letter mark (7/6/66).
05/12/67	A	No information
07/03/68	A	Manuscript "1/-". To London, England. London receipt (28/3/68).
07/07/68	A	Manuscript "1/-". To Dorking, England. "Redirected Postage Unpaid" to New Barnet. Manuscript "1d".
03/08/68	A	Manuscript "1/-". To Dublin, Ireland. "per carrier". Dublin receipt cds.
31/08/68	A	Manuscript "1/-". To Dublin, Ireland. Dublin receipt (19/9/68)
19/09/68	A	No information
06/10/68	A	Manuscript "4". To Kingston, Jamaica. "By H.M.S.Mullet". Kingston receipt (14/10/68).
07/12/68	A	To Ireland. Liverpool transit (PAID / LIVERPOOL / US PACKET / 29 DE 68 / 2B). Ex Lt Langford, 4 WI Regt.
15/02/69	A	Red ms "4". To Paris. London transit (5/4/69). Red "PD". "Ambulante Calais 6/4/69"
07/04/69	A	To Ireland. Liverpool transit (PAID / LIVERPOOL / US PACKET / 27 AP 69 / 2B).

08/03/71 A

Reported by Proud, not seen by me.

2b" (code A). It can be seen from my listing that Type BP-2a is an extremely rare mark, whereas Type BP-2b is relatively common, by British Honduras standards. It is interesting, but probably not significant, that I have not yet seen reports of two covers carried on the same trip!

Proud's book lists departure dates of ships from Belize, based on a study by the late Eric King; it can be seen that the dates of postmark do not always coincide with the quoted departure dates.

I would like to hear from any readers who can add to my listing, so that we can develop a comprehensive picture of the mails of the period. My postal address is P.O. Box

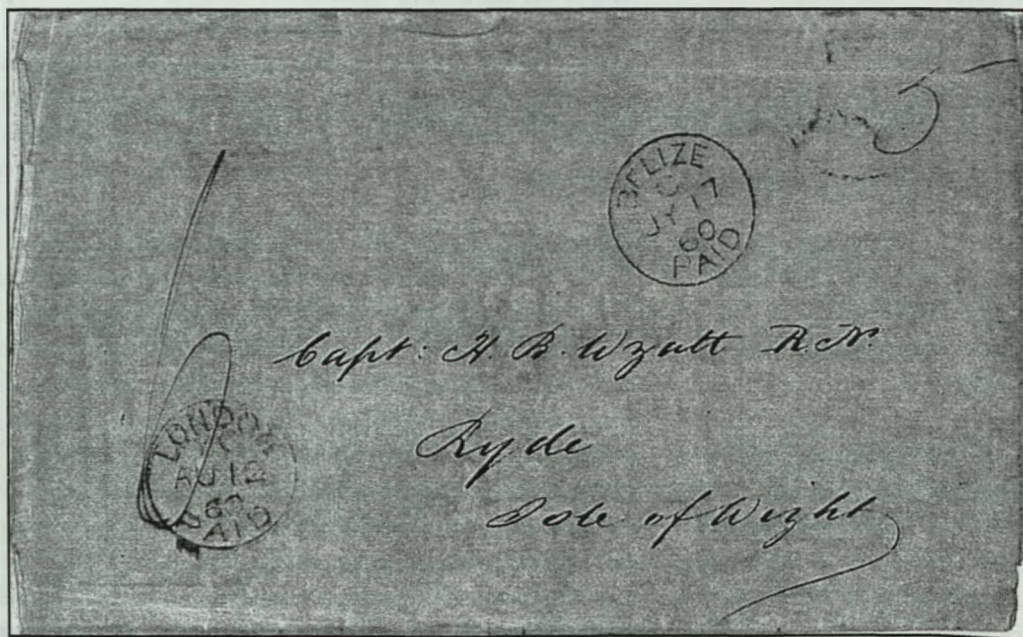
533, Kelvin 2054, South Africa, and my email address is ianmatheson@icon.co.za. ☒

FOOTNOTES

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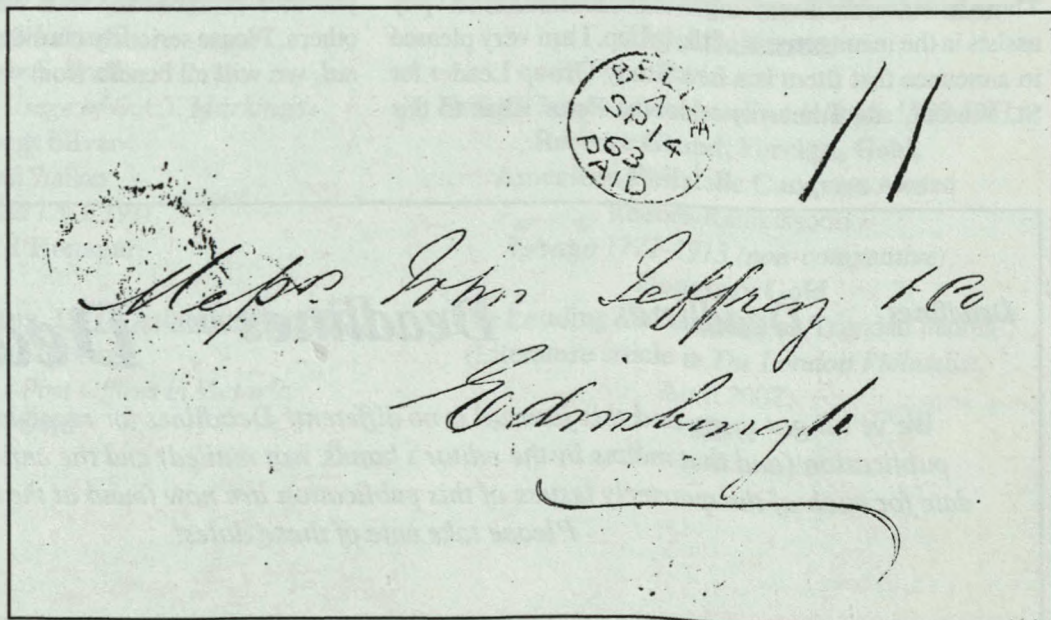
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³Ed Addiss, "British Honduras Marks from the Post Office Archives," *BPSC Postal History Resource No. 2* (Supplement to *The Belize Collector*, 5 (1991)).☒



Entire sent from Belize to England (July 17, 1860) bearing earliest recorded date of Type BP-2a. Rated "6" (6d per half ounce) and "5" (5d due to Postmaster General in London). [Author's collection]

Entire sent from Belize to Scotland (September 14, 1863) bearing Type BP-2b. Manuscript "11" denotes 11d out of postal rate of 1/- (per half ounce, from April 1863) due to Postmaster General in London. [Author's collection]



President's Message

By Peter J. Kaulback

The meeting in Tortola is now over and the suntan is undoubtedly beginning to fade for those, like myself, who have returned to much cooler climes ...there was snow on the ground when Liz and I got back to Canada! The meeting was a great success and for those of you that were unable to attend, you really did miss a memorable number of days of great camaraderie, unsurpassed philatelic treats and being hosted by the most generous and efficient of hosts in a location that truly deserves its name as "Nature's Little Secret." (See the separate report on the AGM in this issue.)

The next meeting, this one in a more conventional format with bourse and exhibits along with a major show, but unfortunately without items from The Royal Collection, will be in Chicago in slightly less than a year. Please start to think about attending the show and our 2003 AGM.

Apart from the AGM there is other news to report to you, some good and some other news that is sad. In this latter regard I refer specifically to the recent death of a great friend of many of the members, and a true champion of the group, Jay Fredrick. Jay was a Past President and also a Group Leader for many years, for the British Virgin Islands. I have expressed the condolences of the Officers, Trustees and membership to Mrs. Fredrick. There have been some changes in the cadre that so aptly assists in the management of the group. I am very pleased to announce that there is a new Study Group Leader for St. Vincent, and I heartily welcome Peter Elias to this

role. Peter is one of our most enthusiastic members, along with being one of the youngest, and Peter will undoubtedly be a role model for other Group Leaders with some of the ideas that he has. St. Vincent enthusiasts are fortunate indeed. Another change is that Tim Tweddell, our most efficient Treasurer, is assuming the role of Advertising Manager and I thank Tim for stepping into this expanded role. Tim replaces Chuck Cwiakala who has been in this role for many years and has worked extensively on behalf of the group both in this role and in other behind-the-scenes activities. Thank you, Chuck, for all your efforts on our behalf.

***Tortola a great success:
now start planning to
join us in Chicago!***

While on the topic of offering thanks for a job well done, I must single out Ed Waterous as most deserving of the thanks of all members for the tremendous job that he has done with our recent auction, both the literature portion

in Tortola (which required bringing all the material with him, and indeed talking a lot of it back), and the mail auction stamp portion. Thank you, Ed, for all your efforts. Lastly, please heed the message from our Editor in the last issue. The contents, and hence the quality, of the *Journal* depends upon the contributions of the membership. We are always looking for new material, both longer articles and shorter pieces, perhaps even questions or queries, photographs of an unusual item, requests for information on a specific topic, or whatever else interests you as a member and thus would undoubtedly interest others. Please seriously consider contributing to the *Journal*, we will all benefit from your efforts. Thank you. ☐

Deadlines

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We've all got them, and this journal is no different! Deadlines for receiving material for publication (and that means in the editor's hands, not mailed) and the anticipated mailing date for each of the quarterly issues of this publication are now found at the bottom of page 3.

Please take note of these dates!

BCPSG Exhibits and Awards

By Paul Larsen
Awards Chairman

Following is a listing of recent British Caribbean Philatelic Study Group (BCPSG) member exhibit participation and awards:

INDYPEX 2002, July 12-14, Indianapolis, Indiana

Eric Glohr

Leeward Islands Postal Stationery: The Queen Victoria Issues (single frame):

Vermeil

Hawaiian Postal Stationery 1882 to 1900

Vermeil, UPSS Marcus White Award, AAPE Award

Minnesota Stamp Expo, July 19-21, Crystal, Minnesota

Peter Flynn

Imperial Censorship in Bermuda

Grand Award, Gold, Civil Censorship Study Group Award, Postal History Society Medal

PHILAKOREA 2002, Aug 2-11,

Seoul, Republic of Korea

Darryl Fuller

Leeward Islands Postal Stationery: QV to KGV1

Gold

Paul Larsen

German Caroline Islands 1899-1914

Large Vermeil, Special Prize

Reuben Ramkissoon

Tobago 1772-1913

Gold

Development of United States Lunar Exploration

Large Vermeil

Roger Schnell

The Evolution and Usage of O.A.T. Markings

Large Silver

Dan Walker

Grenada 1751-1911

Prix d'Honneur

STAMPSHOW 2002, Aug. 15-18, Atlantic City, N. J.

George Bowman

Railroad Traveling Post Offices in Victoria

Gold

David Herendeen

Evolution of Postage Due Stamps in the French Community, 1876-1930s

Prix d'Honneur

Paul Larsen

Federal Issues of the Leeward Islands 1890-1911

Prix d'Honneur

Ubangi-Shari-Chad 1900-1938

Prix d'Honneur

German Caroline Islands 1899-1914

Prix d'Honneur

Roger Schnell

Trans-Pacific Airmail with Hong Kong Circular Air Transit Markings (single frame)

Gold, AAMS Gold

WW II Airmail Communications Between USA and Finland (single frame)

Gold, AAMS Gold

BALPEX 2002, Aug. 30-Sept. 1, Hunt Valley, Md.

Reuben Ramkissoon

Trinidad Red Cross Label that Became a Stamp (single frame)

Gold

SESCAL 2002, Oct. 4-6, Los Angeles, California

George Bowman

Railroad Traveling Post Offices in Victoria

Gold, SAS/O Bronze

Reuben Ramkissoon

Tobago 1772-1900

Reserve Grand, Gold, PHS Medal

CHICAGOPEX 2002, Nov. 22-24, Arlington

Heights, Illinois

Paul Larsen

Federal Issues of the Leeward Islands 1890-1911

Reserve Grand, Foreign, Gold,

American Philatelic Congress Award

Reuben Ramkissoon

Tobago 1772-1913 (non-competitive)

Honorary Gold

"The Landing of Columbus on Trinidad Shores"
(Literature article in *The London Philatelist*,

April 2002)

Silver

NOW is the time for YOU to act!

With arrival of the new year, NOW is a good time to make a resolution to contribute an article to the *Journal*. Simply put, without your help, this publication will cease to exist, or I will be forced to reprint articles from past issues.

Currently, I have in the file a lengthy article by Dr. Reuben A. Ramkissoon on independent Anguilla overprints of 1967; a note and copy of Antigua cover from Dr. Gale Raymond; two interesting covers from Steven Zirinsky; and a short article from Ian Matheson on Belize. That is the sum and total of what is on hand. If you have sent an item and it has not appeared in print, or is not listed here, then you should contact me because I don't have it.

Over the past several months, a number of you have indicated you were doing research. NOW is the time to begin publishing that material. Please let me hear from you, and soon!

Also, if I may, I'd like to ask authors to provide *foot-note* references in the following manner:

¹John Smith, *The Stamps and Postal History of Mars*. (Chicago: The Postal History Society, 1987), 5.

That is to say, author, comma, name of book, period, parenthesis, publication city, colon, publisher, comma, date, parenthesis, comma, page number (no "p"), period.

For *bibliographies*, the style to use is as follows:

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This is the Turabian style preferred for scholarly use.
-- Everett Parker

NOTICE

It is with great sadness that we have recently learned of the death of J.L. "Jay" Fredrick, in California. An appropriate obituary will be included in the next issue of the *Journal*.

Dominica research help needed

International Director David Druett sent the following appeal, asking that members please respond with research help.

"I am currently studying the Dominica 1923 Badge Issue and would be most interested in hearing from anybody doing the same. I have noted several vignette and frame varieties, most of which are plated, but a couple are still mysteries. I'd be delighted to hear from anyone with a similar interest."


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Membership Director's Report — By Tom Giraldi

New Members

All new applicants listed in the last issue of the Journal have been accepted as members of the British Caribbean Philatelic Study Group.
Congratulations and welcome to the Group.

New Applicants

No new applicants this time.

Change of Address

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Surrey Stamps, P.O. Box 50, Haslemere, Surrey GU27 1WX UNITED KINGDOM

Address Correction

Ralph Harnischfeger: Street address should be 60 Thompson Lane.

Necrology

Jack Arnell died in 2000
Tex Whitehouse
J.L. "Jay" Fredrick

If any member has information, such as a change of address, to be included in the Membership Director's Report, please contact me, either by mail (see inside front cover of the Journal) or by email, at TEG43@aol.com Thank you.

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ANTIGUA		BRITISH GUIANA cont:	
1860 GB QV 6d entire from Whitehaven AU 1 60 to G.C. Bespham, Antigua. Clean.	£80	1878 (1c) on 6c brown OFFICIAL (SG.145), fine used pmk'd dramatic cork animal-paw. Cat. £90.00.	£36
1870 QV 4/- Stamp Duty CC, generally fine mint showing "cracked cog" variety.	£24	1879 cover to London with 8c rose CC. Sender puts under flap "the postage to Demerara now is changed to 4d". Pmk'd Georgetown AP 25 79 d/ring.	£48
1876 QV 6d blue-green (SG.18), used horizontal strip of three with "malburin" (tool mark) variety.	£48	1879 cover to London with 8c rose CC tied cork cancel, American-type Georgetown cds alongside.	£225
1876 QV 3d Stamp Duty CA, imperforate Plate Proof. Fresh with gum, full clear margins.	£175	1941 boxed royal blue "V for Victory" advertising cover with KG6 6c to Ohio. Most attractive.	£40
1956 (JY 18) FFC Antigua to Montserrat.	£50	BRITISH HONDURAS	
BAHAMAS		1938 comm. KG6 5c cover to USA, fine black UFC S/S Santa Marta cachet alongside address panel.	£35
1850 wrapper from Governor's Harbour to London, very fine BAHAMAS dbl-arc OC 10 1850/B b/stamp.	£120	CAYMAN ISLANDS	
QV 1d Interinsular top right corner marginal imperf. Plate Proof horiz. pair in black. Very thin paper and pronounced plate scratch.	£275	1903 KE7 1d carmine CA (SG.4), vfu DE 11 05 with top of "S" of ISLANDS fully joined by red dot.	£24
ROCK SOUND (T.1) C/JA 20 15, superb full cds on KE7 2 1/2d (SG.63).	£30	1914 KGV 10/- on green MCA (SG.52as) fine mint ovp'd "SPECIMEN". Cat. £85.00.	£48
1916 2/- Staircase MCA (SG.79), fresh mint showing "rifleman" variety.	£25	1913 KGV 10/- on white MCA (SG.52bs) fine mint ovp'd "SPECIMEN".	£20
1929 (JA 2) FFC Miami to Nassau. Locally applied black "UNCLAIMED" h/stamp (63 x 7mm) on face.	£55	DOMINICA	
BARBADOS		1879 QV 6d green REVENUE (R2) fine fully dated used with CC INVERTED wmk. SG unpriced.	£50
Panelli type forgery of the 1852-58 1/2d deep green fine used, clear margins.	£24	GRENADA	
Bootheel "11" very fine full on 1d blue (SG.23). Early strikes of this being very scarce.	£20	RMSP early problem entires of FE 10, FE 22, and MR 7 1842 to Duncan, Edinburgh all arriving AP 24 by steamer race-loser "Tay".	£100
1892 "Y HALF-PENN" on QV 4d (SG.104), fine used and fine variety.	£14	1888 4d. on QV 2/- (SG.41), fresh mint with strong surcharge reading "E POSTAG". Attractive.	£50
1894 Austro-Hungarian Consul cover to Dumfries with Seal 2 1/2d and 1d, boxed "LATE FEE".	£48	QV 1d carmine UPU Post Card to London with fine black strikes Carriacou "F" dated 29 NO 94.	£180
1906 1/4d Nelson (SG.145w), CC INVERTED wmk fine mint. Cat. £32.00.	£18	JAMAICA	
1920 3d Victory u/m block of four MCA INVERTED wmk. Cat. £120.00.	£40	MONTEGO BAY (T4a), very fine strike across flap on AU 2 1825 entire to Scotland.	£125
1943 cover to Antigua. 4d Badge pmk'd St. Philip, H/27 censor label at left.	£20	SPANISH-TOWN/JA good clear of reverse flap on FE 5 1831 entire to Scotland. Contents partly about his dead horse with living foal in her belly.	£48
BERMUDA		Paid at Valparaiso (poor) on cover originating from American ship (probably whaler) to Beverly, Mass. with Kingston-Jamaica MR 6 1850 transit on flap. Blue "SHIP" and MOBILE, Ala 10 MAY/10 arr.	£175
c1850 OHMS wrapper to Ebenezer Scote MD, Her Majesty's Ship Cornwallis, Bermuda marked lower left "Surgical report, Halifax Sick Quarters".	£300	Kingston DE 10 1849/A despatch and Montego Bay DE 12 1849 arrival on reverse local cover rated "8".	£15
1883 QV 1d rose-red (SG.23) fresh mint. Cat. £80.00.	£35	ST. ANNS BAY dbl-arc AP 3 1853 good alongside address on prepaid 2/4 entire to London. Contents re outbreak of yellow fever.	£75
1886 QV 3d grey (SG.28), mint block of four, one stamp with small extra circle in lower right triangle.	£30	1859 (MY 25) double rate cover to London with GB 6d horiz. pair clearly tied "A75" numerals. Rare.	£400
CM21 blue "45" censor, superb alongside address panel on ppc to UK with 2d pmk'd 27 APR 43.	£240	"A63" on QV 1/2d (SG.16), very fine full at 4 o'clock.	£12
BRITISH GUIANA		"642" on QV 4d (SG.22b), very fine full upr. strike.	£40
Tiny 2-line BERBICE, June 26 1816 (2 1/2 x 16 1/2 top, x 20 1/2mm bottom) displays fine on top flap of entire to Ireland. Only 3 strikes known, see T+H Page 196.	£950	1901 unsealed rate cover to Kingston with bisected diagonally QV 1d (SG.27) superbly tied Half Way Tree B/16 MY 01 cds.	£250
Complete "Royal Gazette" newspaper to Ireland with "BG L FE 8 1858" (Leguan code) on masthead.	£375		
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JAMAICA cont:		ST. VINCENT cont:	
TICHFIELD (violet TRD 11) 9-2-03, superb full upr. on QV 2½d Keyplate (SG.29).	£25	Lucas, London. Light Ship Letter/crown/Plymouth (S.5) above address panel.	
1903 ½d Arms (SG.33w), CA INVERTED wmk fine used. Cat. £30.00.	£12	ST. VINCENT fleuron NOV 14 (1817) good across reverse flap to Lucas, London rated 2/2. Mentions hurricane neighbouring islands (the one which buried the Governor of St. Lucia in Government House).	£120
1935 1½d SJ (SG.115), fine full margined block of 20 (2x10) with extra flagstaff mint. Cat. £80.00.	£28	1880 QV 1d olive-green (SG.29) pmk'd "A10" with full centrally placed extra row vertical perforations.	£120
1937 cover with Italy 25c green, 2 x 50c purple to Constant Springs pmk'd Milano. Very attractive.	£5	OFFICIAL PAID h/stamp (PML.82) very fine from Administrator pmk'd Kingstown FE 24 93 to London. Cover has "Government Office" printed flap.	£120
"Salvaged Mail/Aircraft Crash/Prestwick 25-12-54" violet boxed on complete cover to Liguanea Hotel.	£150	1899 QV 4d Keyplate (SG.71) fresh mint ovp'd SPECIMEN with broken "M" variety.	£32
1962 2d Bugler (SG.193), u/m imperforate with black omitted.	£25	QV ½d green Newswrapper to Baron A. de Worms, Brighton pmk'd Kingstown A/FE 28 01.	£24
LEEWARD ISLANDS		UNION-ISLAND C/SP 15 no year, fine full on KE7 ½d (SG.76). Ex Messenger and illustrated Page 116 of the handbook. Some reverse toned perf. tips.	£75
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1918 ½d War Stamp (SG.61w), fine mint with MCA INVERTED wmk. SG unpriced.	£85	1877 (FE 27) mourning cover to London with 1/- chrome-yellow (SG.78). Colourful.	£125
KGV 1d, 2½d Script (SG.66,72), both in fresh u/m corner marginal Plate 1 blocks of four.	£8	1890 QV 1/- green & red ovp'd FREE FEE fresh u/m.	£28
ST. CHRISTOPHER		1917 "O.A.S." cover with oval Passed Field Censor/crown/3453 arriving Belmont B/JY 13 17.	£45
1834 (MR 28) entire from Knaresborough, Yorks to Stoneford Estate, St. Kitts rated 2/4 unpaid.	£85	1936 Luftpost via N.Y. cover with Germany 25pf Swastika & Eagle, 40pf Lufthansa plane. Attractive.	£24
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1920 KGV ½d printer's sample in blue and brown imperforate ovp'd SPECIMEN on brown card.	£125	TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS	
RMSP tours advertising stamp for St. Kitts, u/m.	£18	1893 QV 2½d ultramarine (SG.65), fresh u/m horiz. strip of five ovp'd "SPECIMEN". Cat. £275.00.	£165
ST. LUCIA		1912 OHMS reg. cover to Army & Navy Co-op in London with 31 x ¼d red Cactus on face. Appears complete, one stamp a little damaged.	£150
1902 KE7 1d CA (SG.59), used block of 9 (3x3).	£15	VIRGIN ISLANDS	
CHOISEUL */20 JA 16 fine full upr. on KGV ½d (SG.78).	£10	1884 QV 2½d ultramarine (SG.31w), fine mint with CA INVERTED wmk. SG unpriced.	£125
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ST. VINCENT			
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