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TWO NAPOLEONIC RELICS

A paper read at the February, 1895 meeting
of the York Pioneer and Historical Society,

by the

REV. HENRY SCADDYNG, D. D.

(Originally published in 1898 by D. Sutherland,
294 Yonge Street, Toronto, Ontario.)

We must all of us have remarked that in the dates which we have been familiarly using for several years are the exact counterparts, if we substitute eight for seven, of dates with which we are very familiar as having been those of events of a striking character, occurring at the close of the last century. It seems a very little while ago, since we were using the dates 1889-92-94, and we could not help being reminded thereby of similar dates, 1789, storming of the Bastille, 1793-94, the Reign of Terror, and other dates marking dreadful events in the drama not yet entirely played out, known as the French Revolution.

We also here in Western Canada have had several

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Napoleon, cont'd

centennial celebrations lately, that of the organization of the Province of Upper Canada, for example, and holding of its first Parliament in 1792, the laying out of York, i.e., Toronto, in 1793, and so forth; and in this year, 1895, we recall the close of the ever-memorable administration of Governor Simcoe in 1795.

How unaware were our forefathers of the startling events which were occurring in Europe at the very moment when they were acting and moving and making their mark on the soil of Canada here; and it is often well for us for our comfort and peace of mind, that we are not made acquainted with things that are happening at particular moments just outside our own sphere.

By a curious engraving which I happen to possess, I am reminded that about this time 100 years ago Napoleon Bonaparte was beginning to be the terror of Western Europe.

In three-years' time from 1795 he was seriously threatening England with invasion at the head of an overwhelming force. It was simply at the moment, perhaps, only a pretence just to spread alarm and to cover ulterior designs. He collected at St. Malo, on the coast of Brittany, in France, an immense force, naval and military, ostensibly for the invasion of England; but in reality it was probably from the very outset intended simply to mask the attack upon Egypt, which he suddenly made in the year 1798, and which was so gallantly checkmated by Nelson at the Battle of the Nile.

It is in connection with the gathering of an armament for the alleged invasion of England that the old engraving in my possession has an interest. I have accordingly determined to exhibit it to you. It was found among the papers of my father, who, I know, set a particular value upon it as having been secured by him at the time of the great alarm felt in England at the prospect of an invasion by Napoleon Bonaparte. Moreover, it may not be inappropriate to do so in that the name and fame of Napoleon are at the present time undergoing a revival in consequence of the simultaneous publication of illustrated memoirs of Napoleon in several popular periodicals.

The print to which I refer professes to give a view of a huge raft as seen afloat at St. Malo in February, 1798, and was "published February 13, 1798, by John Fairburn, No. 146 Minories, London." This engraving represents the apparatus for conveying the expedition to the shores of England, consisting of a gigantic ferry raft, bearing in the midst apparently a bomb-proof, metal-sheathed citadel and surmounted by a tall mast, bearing a flag somewhat resembling the tri-colour of later years.

The whole raft is supposed to be propelled forward by means of four engines contained in the same number of towers, situated two at each end; each engine turns a paddle-wheel of a large diameter, set in motion by a contrivance of six horizontal sweeps placed on top of the towers, so as to be acted upon by the wind after the manner of the great sweep of a windmill, only moving not vertically, but as we have said horizontally.

We have here paddle-wheel propulsion of very large vessels, anticipated with wind instead of steam as the moving agent.

On the flat floor of the raft are seen squadrons of cavalry proceeding at full gallop, in perfect order, however, passing across the surface, having entered the great floating affair by a set of drawbridges at one end, which can evidently be lifted up when the process of embarkation is completed, whilst a corresponding set of drawbridges to be used for debarkation are seen at the other end already hauled up.

They are deploying round and passing into an arched entrance to quarters provided for them in the basement of the central fortress or citadel.

Napoleon, cont'd

The engraving before us informs us that the extraordinary structure was 600 feet long by 300 broad, mounts 500 pieces of cannon, 36 and 48-pounders, and is to convey 15,000 troops, etc., for the invasion of England.

In the background is seen the Town of St. Malo, partially lining the shore, with adjoining heights, each crowned with a signal tower and flagstaff. Parkman, in his "Pioneers of France in the New World," page 181, thus describes the town of St. Malo:

"The ancient town of St. Malo, thrust out like a buttress into the sea, strange and grim of aspect, breathing war from its walls and battlements of rugged stone -- a stronghold of privateers, the home of a race whose intractable and defiant independence neither time nor change has subdued -- has been for centuries a nursery for hardy mariners."

Parkman then refers to Jacques Cartier, in whom Canadians are so much interested, inasmuch as it was from this port that he sailed on his famous voyage of discovery in the New World, April 20, 1534.

Parkman describes the portrait of Jacques Cartier preserved at St. Malo, now become familiar to all Canadians from Hamel's copy thereof.

Parkman informs us that it shows him as a man of bold, keen features, bespeaking a spirit not apt to quail before the wrath of man or the elements.

In the account appended to the engraving of the St. Malo raft, it should be subjoined, we are told, that a bomb-proof arrangement was made for the working of the paddle-wheels by horsepower, whenever the wind apparatus should be unavailable.

It may be added, too, that another great raft, the exact counterpart of the one described, is seen in the distance, putting out to sea, whilst a fleet lies in readiness in the harbour under the heights close by. Whether these formidable appliances for the invasion of England were ever constructed in all their completeness or not may be a question, but it is not improbable that we have in these pictures of them reproductions of adumbrations made in outline by the hand of the clever Engineer Napoleon himself.

After the abortive preparations of 1798 Napoleon still did not relinquish the designs which he had formed for the invasion of England. In the year 1804 he assembled an armament with the same object in view on a vast scale, but on this occasion not at St. Malo, but at the port of Boulogne, nineteen miles south-west of Calais.

In the meantime he had caused himself to be elected Emperor of the French.

His Army, which was styled the Army of England, now consisted, it is said, of 180,000 men, and a flotilla of 2,400 transports. Napoleon, fully confident of the success of this renewed attempt on England, had the die of a medal prepared, which was to be struck on his taking possession of London. The engraver was Jeuffroy, the designer was Denon, the device of the reverse was Hercules holding an amphibious monster in the air, half man and half sea-serpent, crushing it to death. The monster, of course, represented England, and Hercules was France.

In the mind of Napoleon and his artists the wish was doubtless father to the thought, but, as we know, it was not destined to be fulfilled.

The allusion in the device is to the mythological story of the destruction of Antaeus by Hercules. Antaeus, as the story goes, was the son of Neptune and Terra, and was powerless so long as he was kept from contact with Mother Earth, a contact he was ever desirous of repeating.

Napoleon, cont'd

I exhibit the engraving of the medal thus described, which appears in Plate V., contained in Edward Edwards' Napoleon Medals, published in London by Paul and Dominic Colnaghi in 1837. At page 15 of that work we are informed that "the dies of this medal were engraved in Paris, at the epoch when the expedition against England was preparing, and were intended to have been employed in London after the taking of that city."

As the expedition did not take place, the medal was never struck. Some impressions, however, in soft metal and fine plaster of Paris were made, and from them at a later period facsimiles were derived, copies of which are occasionally found in the cabinets of the curious.

The medal bears the inscription in French, "Descente en Angleterre," i.e., "Attack on England," and below are the words "Frappée a Londres, 1804," i.e., "Struck at London in the year 1804." But London was not captured. The trained bands of London stood in the way, and more formidable still were the people of the three Kingdoms, linked together as one united phalanx for defence.

It is somewhat singular that a lofty and conspicuous column 164 feet in height should be seen to this day on the heights above Boulogne, recalling the memory of Napoleon's quixotic ideas in regard to the annexation of England to the Empire of France.

How noble is the future which offers itself to the British Empire throughout the globe, could its sons everywhere be induced to dwell together in unity, and on every critical occasion to act like their forefathers when a tyrant sought to lay a yoke upon their necks. In this way, what Shakespeare said of the limited England of his time will be fulfilled in the case of the greater England of today, and still more in the case of the vaster and more compact British Empire of the following ages.

I close with a portion of his words to be found at the end of the famous tragedy of "King John," making therein the verbal change of "the Empire" for England:

"This Empire never did, nor never shall,
Lie at the proud foot of a conqueror...
Come the three corners of the world in arms,
And we shall shock them. Nought shall make us rue,
Let but the Empire to itself, rest true."

(The medal illustrated on page 1 is one dated 1803, by Brenet, on preparations for an expedition against England. editor)

ERRATUM

On page 213 of the December, 1978 edition of the Ontario Numismatist, it was stated that the item about the Russian Gold Medal of Merit had appeared in the November issue of the Illustrated London News. The introduction should have read that the item appeared in the November, 1860 issue of that magazine.

NEW MEMBERS

The application published in the December issue of the Ontario Numismatist has now been accepted. The following applications for membership have been received and if no written objections are received, acceptance will be acknowledged in the February issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

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Editor's Notebook

In France, a couple of centuries ago, it was the custom for the king to give out jetons to his courtiers and officials for New Year's Day gifts. The higher ranking the officials the more precious the metal of the jetons they received. It was for this gift-giving that the jetons of the various government departments were struck; pieces which bore in their exergues the name of the department for which they were issued, such as "TRESOR ROYAL," "CHAMBRE AUX DENIERS," "ORDINAIRE DES GUERRES," "MARINE," etc. -- even the "COL. FRANC. DE LIAM" jetons, the so-called Franco-American series which many people erroneously believe were issued for use in Canada. By way of a slight digression, it might be well to explain here that jetons were counting discs, minted for use with a counting board which was a form of the line abacus. Originating in the middle ages, jetons were used for doing arithmetical calculations.

The foregoing was by way of introducing the New Year. As this issue of the Ontario Numismatist is being put together on Christmas Eve, even your grumpy editor is feeling mellow. Therefore, as a New Year's Day gift to members of the O. N. A., I am not going to complain about a single thing in this column for this month. Happy New Year, everybody!

The Editor



From the Library

The following books have been donated to the O. N. A. Library:

Gould's Gold and Silver Guide To Coins, by Maurice M. Gould (donated by Arthur Leff)

Coins, by Howard Linecar (donated in memory of Gertrude Scott, Past President of the Sarnia Numismatic Society)

Silver & Nickel Dollars of Canada, by Stephan E. Dushnick (2 copies, donated by the author)

Have you used your O. N. A. Library lately?

A LOT OF BULL

(The following short article is taken from The Gentleman's Magazine, vol. XVI, ie. 1746. Once again, the English has been slightly modernized for easier reading.)

Number III is the representation of the golden Bull of Charles the 4th, emperor of the Romans (ie. the Holy Roman Empire, ed), and king of Bohemia, according to the original at Frankfort. On one side is CAROLUS QUARTUS DIVINA FAVENTE CLEMENTIA ROMANORUM IMPERATOR SEMPER AUGUSTUS, on the other side this verse,
ROMA CAPUT MUNDI
REGIT OMNIBUS FRAENA ROTUNDI.



It is called Bull from Bulla, a little gilt picture, which the young Romans during

the republick hung about their necks, till they were 14 years of age, and then consecrated them to their lares; but it has changed its meaning very much since that time; for of latter ages it has been made to stand for the seals, and even the decess of emperors and popes, particularly of the famous constitution of the empire, being a set of laws (in the nature of our Magna Charta) granted by Charles IV about the year 1360, to the electors and princes of the empire for establishing their rights, privileges, prerogatives, precedency and offices.

It has on the face the bust of Charles IV, and on the reverse, a castle with these words, AUREA ROMA; it is called golden, because of its gold seal.

The original is written in Latin on 24 leaves of parchment, and it is preserved with the greatest care in the senate house at Frankfort on the Mayne; a gentleman returned from his travels has brought us a copy of it.

NOW THAT'S PUBLICITY

Italian model Marilena Innocenzi has filed suit against the Bank of Italy, and is demanding the withdrawal of its new 50,000 lira banknote. The twenty-year-old model claims that her portrait appears on the note and that it was used without her permission.

CLUB NEWS

The November issue of Timber Talk, the newsletter of the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors highlights several new issues of wooden money issued by the Oshawa & District Coin Club, Richmond Hill Coin Club, Thistletown Coin & Stamp Club, Richmond Hill Dairy Queen, as well as a Christmas flat issued by newsletter editor Garry Braunwarth. Also featured is a news item about the Association's member George Parfet of Temple, PA., and an article by Stanley Clute on the Earl Haig Secondary School's fiftieth anniversary wooden dime.

The monthly bulletin of the Canadian Large Cents Club, the O. N. A.'s newest member club, suggests that local coin clubs try holding a Canadian coin grading quiz at one of their meetings, stating that the quiz would make "an educational contribution to all." In addition, a half page in the bulletin is devoted to editorial comments on grading.

The City of Ottawa Coin Club held its November 27 meeting in the War Museum, with 20 members and two guests in attendance. The President made the following appointments for 1979: Program Officer - Jerry Schneider, Auctioneer - Dick Nash, Fines Collector - Derek Robinson, Bulletin Editor - Heidi Walker. The outgoing Secretary presented a verbal report which indicated a net increase of 12 in the club's membership over the past year. The speaker for the meeting was Mr. Frank Fesco, who gave an interesting talk on "Directions Collections Can Take." He outlined fourteen examples of areas of collecting coins, tokens and medals which can provide a challenge for both the new and the advanced collector. His remarks were most effectively illustrated by specimens in each category, drawn from his own collection.

The Ingersoll Coin Club meeting for November was the club's pre-Christmas banquet. Sixty-two members and guests enjoyed a sumptuous dinner served by an Ingersoll senior citizens group. Guests included a delegation from Woodstock, Tillsonburg, Stratford, and London coin clubs. President Tom Masters presented Mrs. Anne Towle with a C. N. A. certificate and a ceramic cake plate for her contribution to the club's success in 1978. C. N. A. certificates were also awarded to Grant Monck, Barbara Macnab, and Evelyn

Club News, cont'd

Mercer. Ken Wilmot showed a trophy which had become lost for almost two years, and which was found at the engraving shop. Explaining that this trophy was being retired, he first wanted to make a formal presentation to club member Grant Monck, who had won it in 1977.

At the November 16 meeting of the Huronian Numismatic Association, in Barrie, the slate of officers for 1979 was elected. They are: President - Ken Prophet, Vice-President - Don Owens, Treasurer - Cec. Sharpe, Secretary - Bill Gage, Directors - Alma Gage, Conway Bishop, Doug White, Pam Shakell, Glen Shakell. According to the President, the club has increased its membership by over thirty new members during the past year.

The Kent Coin Club in Chatham, has also elected its new slate of officers for 1979, as follows: President - Lou Wagenaer, First Vice-president - Al Burniston, Second Vice-president - Walt Stanski, Treasurer - Ted Oulds, Secretary - Al Caron, Directors - Jim Rhodes, Gord Claridge, Bill Martin, Bob Brooks, Doug Ruest, Tim Raaymakers, Bob Smith, Ellen Smith. The following members were elected to the club's 1979 Show Committee: Al Caron, Lou Wagenaer, Bill Martin, Bob Smith, Ellen Smith, Vincent Smith, Al Burniston, Jim Rhodes, Bob Brooks, Walt Stanski, George Renversez, Brian Johnston, Tim Raaymakers, Ted Oulds, Gord Claridge, Doug Ruest, Danny Petrosich, Tom Maynard.

Newmarket Numismatic Society heard a talk on the history of Newfoundland by Gary McKnight as well as a presentation on the 1949 Canadian silver dollar by Ray Gregory. Ray also presented a short slide production on pre-confederation coins.

The Orillia Champlain Coin Club held its annual banquet at its November meeting. The banquet was reported to be a huge success, with 76 people turning out for a lovely turkey dinner. The ladies of St. David's Anglican Church outdid themselves in preparing a superb meal. Many members generously donated items to be used for the door prizes and draws.

The November meeting of the Richmond Hill Coin Club saw a slightly unusual program. Long-time member John Curtis chaired a panel on Why Do You Collect? Members were asked to participate in answering questions such as "why do you collect?" "what do you collect?" "why do you come to club meetings?" etc. The program was considered to be one of the most interesting and successful that the club has had for a long time.

The St. Thomas Numismatic Association reports that its October meeting was proceeding normally, until a careless driver lost control of his car and damaged the cars of four members. The subsequent police investigation broke up the meeting. The club's Christmas party was planned for December 11, with a delicious dinner, draws, etc.

At the November meeting of the Stratford Coin Club, Wilf and Winnie Becker reviewed the history of the St. John's corps., for the 32 members and guests present. The talk covered first aid as far back as recorded Biblical happenings, right up to the present volunteer work. Spiced with humorous anecdotes regarding the answers to the question "what are bones", and to the more serious questions of what to do for different ailments and injuries, the talk was interesting to all.

Thistletown Coin & Stamp Club reports an increase of ten new members since its Annual Show in October. The club has requested nominations for its 1979 executive.

At the November 20 meeting of the Toronto Coin Club, in the Royal York Hotel, Dr. John Wilkinson spoke on "Rulers of Rome", covering a number of the most famous rulers and their relatives that have graced Roman coins: Julius Caesar, Nero, Otho, Titus, and many others. His presentation was accompanied by beautiful colour slides showing both the obverses and reverses of the coins covered. Interesting and humorous anecdotes were also included in the presentation. The following slate of officers was then acclaimed: President - Dan Bowyer, First Vice-President - Stan Clute, Second Vice-President - Dr. Donald McIntyre, Treasurer - Harvey Farrow, Directors - Jim Cartwright,

Club News, cont'd

Mirko Kopic, and Axel Nielsen. Jim Charlton, C. N. A. President, took the floor to present the C. N. A. Club Bulletin Award to the club. Editor John Regitko accepted on behalf of the club. It was also announced at the meeting that the C. N. A. executive has voted unanimously to award the 1981 C. N. A. Convention to the Toronto Coin Club. Also featured at the meeting was a display of medals created by Toronto medallist Dora de Federy-Hunt. It was also mentioned that Club Receptionist Retta Frampton had been released from the hospital and was completing her recovery from her heart attack, now, at her own apartment.

A. N. A. NEWS

Two news items of interest have just come to our attention from the American Numismatic Association. They are reprinted here, as they may be of interest to readers.

The A. N. A.'s museum holdings of United States coins received an important addition from a Chicago area collector who asked to remain anonymous. Dennis Forgue of Chicago's RARCOA, acting as go-between, accepted the coins from the donor and handed them over to A.N.A. museum curator Kenneth Hallenbeck. The timing of the transfer was arranged to coincide with A. N. A. President Grover Griswell's appearance in Chicago on a business trip.

The highlight of the collection - which has a total value in excess of \$21,000 - is a 1792 half dime in unusually choice condition. The officials agreed that early American coinage is needed to fill out the exhibits in the A. N. A. museum in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Other items in the collection include three proof and three Unc. specimens of the 1875-1878 twenty-cent coinage, making a complete set except for the virtually unobtainable 1876 CC. In gold there is a choice but not quite uncirculated three-dollar coin and five uncirculated dollars.

With its certification service running smoothly and very successfully, the A. N. A. is actively setting up a long-awaited grading service. The grading service will necessarily function in close cooperation with the certification service after the trial period expires.



Thomas K. DeLorey resigned his post as editor of Coin World's Collectors' Clearinghouse department recently and joined the A. N. A. staff on November 1. Executive vice president Edward C. Rochette, in welcoming the new addition to the headquarters staff, said, "Tom will be the man doing the grading." Rochette cautioned, however, that "we will not be accepting coins for grading until early next year, possibly shortly after the mid-year board meeting scheduled for February 5-7."



DeLorey has moved to Colorado Springs and is now working with Ed Fleischmann and John Hunter of ANACS to set up procedures and guidelines for implementing the grading activity. One prerequisite of having a coin graded will be that it first be certified as a guard against grading a fake piece.

Arrangements are being made to invite a few dealers who have conducted A.N.A. auctions to submit representative coins for the grading service to use as test samples. Thereafter a comparison of the A.N.A.'s and the dealers' grading would be made to check the similarity of results.

DeLorey, 23, is a native of Detroit, living in that area and graduating from Wayne

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State University before accepting a position in the advertising department of Coin World, in late 1973. He is a collector of British Commonwealth coins and the issues of Thomas Elder, and is compiling a catalogue of the latter material.

Show Schedule

- February 17, 1979 - Huronia Numismatic Association's Mini Show, Bayfield Mall, Barrie, Ont. Inquiries to: P. O. Box 243, Barrie, Ont., L4N 4T2.
- March 3, 1979 - North York Coin Club's Annual Coin Show & White Elephant Sale, North York Memorial Community Hall, 5090 Yonge Street, Willowdale, Ontario. Information from: P. O. Box 294, Station A, Willowdale, Ont., M2N 5P0.
- March 9, 10, 11, 1979 - Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers' Spring Convention, Sheraton-Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal, Quebec. Information: A. Bliman, box 31145, Sta. D., Willowdale, Ont., M2R 3G5.
- June 1, 2, 3, 1979 - the 17th Annual Ontario Numismatic Association convention, at the Royal Connaught Hotel, King St. East, Hamilton, Ontario. Information from: Lou Henderson, 1862 Main St. East, Hamilton, Ont., L8H 1G2.
- September (Labour Day weekend), 1979 - City of Ottawa Coin Club's annual show, at the Commonwealth Room, Holiday Inn, Kent Street, Ottawa. More details when available.
- September 15, 16, 1979 - Toronto Coin Club's Annual Fall Show, at the Royal York Hotel, 100 Front Street West, Toronto, Ont.
- September 29, 1979 - Pemex 79, in the Highview School Auditorium, Pembroke, Ont., opening at 10:00 A. M., with the theme of "Stamps, Coins, and Tourism.

People In The News

INGRID SMITH, prominent numismatist and past president of the Toronto Coin Club, who has recently returned to Germany to take on an assignment involving counterfeit detection with the Bundesbank (the Government's bank, equivalent to this nation's Bank of Canada).

DORA DE PEDERY HUNT, well-known Toronto medallist, who has been featured in several news items recently, including an almost full-page write-up on page A-10 of the December 4 Toronto Star (Insight: Medallist's Art "Like Short Poems"), and an eight-page article in the Toronto Coin Club newsletter (The Works Of Dora De Pedery-Hunt), which also published -for the first time anywhere- several of the designs she had submitted in past years for consideration for Canadian coins.

PRICES OF YESTERYEAR

While memory of the season of goodwill remains with us still, and before the shade of Ebenezer Scrooge capers off into the more seasonal pages of the works of Charles Dickens, it might be interesting to look at some prices of days of yore. In this instance, I have chosen the year 1731, which comes reasonably close to being a quarter of a millenium ago. The figures are taken from our old standby, the Gentleman's Magazine of that year.





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THE YOUNG CAESARS

As a consequence of his victory over Marc Antony at the Battle Of Actium in 31 B. C., the Roman triumvir Octavian found himself in sole control of Rome's vast territorial empire. He devoted the rest of his life to restoring the empire to a semblance of order and peace. No doubt most Romans soon came to welcome this change from the half century of civil war to which they had been subjected. By his Settlement of 27 B. C., Octavian relinquished all of his extraordinary triumviral powers and was granted in their place several constitutional powers by the Roman Senate. At this time, he also received the title/name Augustus. His second Settlement took place in 23 B. C., and by this Augustus received additional powers. The end result was that, although he ruled under the cloak of a restored Republic, Augustus actually possessed all the powers of a constitutional monarch.

Occasionally, the coinage of Augustus gives us some indication of his official attitude as to who was to carry on the work of directing public affairs after his death. His nephew Marcellus, who may have been a potential successor, died in 23 B. C. It is possible that Augustus may have intended his friend and right-hand man, Marcus Vipsanius Agrippa, as his next successor for, in 21 B. C., he married Agrippa to Marcellus' widow, his daughter Julia. There are also coins, issued before Agrippa's death in 12 B. C., showing both Augustus and Agrippa. However, these may only indicate that he was Augustus' colleague in some of his powers. Agrippa's marriage to Julia resulted in several children. In 17 B. C., Augustus adopted two of the children - Gaius, born in 20 and Lucius, born in 17 - as his own sons. As they grew up, they were groomed to take their parts in public affairs. A silver denarius of the moneyer Gaius Marius, possibly struck in 17 B. C., shows on the reverse the heads of the two boys and their mother, Julia.

In 8 B. C., Augustus issued from his mint at Lyons, France, an extensive gold and silver coinage honouring young Gaius Caesar, the

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elder of his two adopted sons. The obverse reads AVGVSTVS DIVI F. (Augustus, son of a god) - his own adoptive father, Julius Caesar had been deified shortly after his assassination-- and depicts the laureate head of Augustus facing right. The reverse reads C. CAES. AVGVS. F. (Gaius Caesar, the son of Augustus) and shows Gaius on horseback galloping right, with two army standards and a military eagle in the background.



Six years later, in two B. C., the mint at Lyons began striking an even more extensive series of gold aurei and silver denarii. This series may have lasted as long as 11 A. D. The series was intended to honour the young princes - both together, this time. In particular it recalls their recent designations as consuls for the future - Gaius for the year 1 A. D. and Lucius for 4 A. D., as well as the conferring upon both of the title Princeps Iuventutis (Leaders of the Youth). The obverse mirrors the conferring upon Augustus himself of the title Pater Patriae (the father of his country) by the Senate. This coinage consists of a single obverse and a single reverse type. The obverse reads CAESAR AVGVSTVS DIVI F. PATER PATRIAE, and shows his laureate head facing right. The reverse reads C. L. CAESARES AVGVSTI F. COS. DESIG. PRINC. IVVENT. (Gaius and Lucius Caesar, sons of Augustus, consuls-elect and leaders of the youth) and depicts the two young men standing side by side, veiled in their roles as state priests and wearing togas - the mark of Roman citizenship (non-citizens were not allowed to wear togas). Each holds a spear and shield, with priesthood emblems above them. The silver denarii in this series are the most common denarii of Augustus.

Following the premature death of Lucius in 2 A. D., and that of Gaius only two years later, Augustus took the only course left open to him if he wished to ensure a dynastic succession, and adopted his stepson Tiberius as his successor. It was not until about 10 A. D. that he ordered coinage to be struck in Tiberius' name. Yet, when he died, in 14 A. D., Augustus was succeeded by his stepson Tiberius, a man whom he personally disliked and who was his last choice.



The coin shown above is a copper as issued by Tiberius (14 - 37 A. D.) showing the head of Agrippa on the obverse. The reverse depicts the sea-god Neptune.



Above is a silver denarius of Tiberius, showing on the obverse his own head facing right. The reverse depicts PAX, the goddess of peace. The so-called 'tribute penny' of the Gospels was a coin of this series.

QUIP: A Scot, an American, and a Canadian were dining together in an expensive restaurant. When the bill arrived, the Scotsman promptly declared that he would take it.

The next day, the newspaper carried a headline: 'Canadian ventriloquist shot in restaurant.'

(Thanks to the Stratford Coin Club for this little gem.)

Editor's Notebook



The theme of this month's editorial can be summed up in just one short word: **HELP!!!** The Editor needs your help to keep this publication up to scratch. While I may not resemble Old Mother Hubbard, nonetheless, the articles cupboard is completely bare. I made a similar plea for articles when I acceded to the O. N. A. President's request to take over this task, in October, but so far all that have been received from the members are promises. **PROMISES DON'T FILL PAGES.**

Your Editor is willing to work to make and keep this bulletin a worthwhile publication, but I cannot do everything. **YOU** have to supply some of the material! It doesn't have to be an in-depth, original research paper (although we would be happy to receive some of these, too), but could be a very simple introductory article. Nor does it need to be very long: a half page is just as acceptable as a long article.

So how about it? Won't you take pen in hand and contribute something to the life-blood of the O. N. A. - its publication? If only 10% of the membership wrote and sent in an article, your Editor would then have a stock of thirty articles on hand. Remember: **'WRITE'** is **NOT** a four-letter word.

The Editor.

A. N. A. NEWS: FIRST MOVE MADE IN ELECTION

In accordance with the new election procedure adopted by the American Numismatic Association board of governors, the incumbent elected officers have announced the positions they will seek in the 1979 biennial election, as follows:

- President ----- George D. Hatie, current Vice-president
- Vice-president ----- Adna G. Wilde Jr., current Governor
- Governor, seat no. 1 ----- Florence M. Schook
- Governor, seat no. 2 ----- Kurt R. Krueger, F. Morton Reed
- Governor, seat no. 3 ----- Charles J. O'Donnell
- Governor, seat no. 4 ----- Grover C. Criswell
- Governor, seat no. 5 -----
- Governor, seat no. 6 -----
- Governor, seat no. 7 ----- Virgil Hancock, John Jay Pittman

Seats numbers 1 through 4 are four year terms, while numbers five through seven are two year terms.

The new rules adopted by the A. N. A. make these declarations irrevocable. Each candidate, incumbent or not, must have five A. N. A. individual member and five A. N. A. club member nominations to have his or her name placed on the election ballot, and must accept or decline nomination on or before May 15, 1979. Nominations may be made by any A. N. A. member not earlier than February 1 and not later than April 15.

A nonincumbent member who wishes to become a candidate for Governor may disclose at any time the seat number for which he or she will stand, but must do so irrevocably at the time of accepting nomination. Because the election timing is tied in with the annual convention, which is earlier than usual in 1979, election ballots will be mailed to members by June 13 and must show a return postmark

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not later than June 28.

In addition, the Association is soliciting nominations for the 'Great Lady of ANA' Award. At the convention in Houston last August, the first such award was presented to Mrs. Evie Kelley of Albuquerque. Now the committee is seeking nominations from which the recipient of the 1979 Award will be chosen.

The A. N. A. board of governors authorized the establishment of the Faye Rochette Memorial Fund in 1977 for the purpose of perpetuating the memory of the former wife of A.N.A. executive vice-president Edward Rochette. Prior to her untimely death in August, 1977, Faye became well known to many members of the association, especially those who attended its annual conventions.

According to the committee that administers the fund, 'anyone nominated for this award must be a member of the A. N. A. but not an officer of it. Consideration will be given to the nominee who best exemplifies the many traits and characteristics of the one whom this award honours: sincerity, friendliness, compassion, frankness, dedication, enthusiasm and the possession of an ebullient and high-spirited personality.'

Selection of the recipient of this award is vested solely with the Faye Rochette Memorial Award committee, composed of William C. Henderson, Chairman; Frederic Mantei, Jr.; and Edward C. Rochette. The selection must be made from the list of nominees submitted. It is important that the nominator give information as to the qualifications for the award of the person he names. A. N. A. members may submit nominations for the award prior to March 15. They should be sent to: The Faye Rochette Memorial Committee, P. O. Box 2366, Colorado Springs, CO 80901, U. S. A.

KRUGERRAND TAXABLE?

According to Mr. Robert Aaron, the well known coin columnist of the Toronto Star, the krugerrand has been ruled taxable in Florida. Writing in a recent edition of the Star, Mr. Aaron notes the case, which involves a Miami coin dealer, Arthur Smith, who operates the firm of Sidney W. Smith & Sons. The judge ruled that the gold krugerrand is not true legal tender of South Africa and is therefore subject to Florida sales tax.

The coin, which contains an ounce of gold, is a popular investment item, especially in the United States. Despite the fact that a copy of the South African Mint and Coinage Act, which defines the krugerrand as legal tender for the payment of debts and obligations, was introduced as evidence, the court ruled that the coin is unique as it does not have a fixed value. The judge also stated that, since the coin is a popular investment item, it cannot be viewed as legal tender.

COIN CLUB NEWS

The 129th meeting of the CITY OF OTTAWA COIN CLUB was held at the War Museum on December 18. At this time the President commented on the success of the club's Christmas party on December 8, noting that Mr. Denis Cudahy, Production Manager of the Royal Canadian Mint, an invited guest, had conducted a question and answer period of great interest, after first delivering a few brief remarks. Following the President's report, other business was transacted. The Treasurer displayed one of the new \$20 Bank of Canada notes, and outlined the similarities and differences, placing emphasis upon the change in colour and the positioning of the serial numbers. Len Fletcher was unanimously re-appointed as the club's O. N. A. representative.

Club News (cont'd):

The last meeting of the HURONIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION was held on Thurs., Dec. 21. There was a good turnout of members and guests, despite the nearness of the holidays. President Ken Prophet informed members that he had received a card from Don Owens, who is now residing in British Columbia. Featured at the meeting was a dinner which was delicious, according to all reports. It was noted that Moira Hunt, the star of radio C.K.V.R.'s 2 P.M. show, would feature Ken Prophet at 1:30 P.M., on February 15, in order to publicize the club's mini show (see under Coming Events).

The INGERSOLL COIN CLUB met December 18 at the Ingersoll & District Memorial Centre. The gathering was actually a joint meeting with the Woodstock Coin Club, and a large number of Woodstock members were in attendance. It was noted that one of the non-resident members of the club, Mr. A. W. O'Neil of St. Thomas, had passed away. The following 1979 slate of officers was elected: President - Thomas Masters, Vice-president - Stella Hodge, Secretary - Howard Whitfield, Treasurer - Leonard Coles, Directors - Lorne Mercer, Glenn Springer, Aulis Koslonen. President Masters announced the appointment of the editorial staff: Barbara Macnab and himself. Barbara Macnab read two Christmas poems. Grant Monck spoke on the importance of the junior members in coin clubs. Stella Hodge delivered some interesting facts about the U. S. buffalo nickel. In addition, Thomas Masters showed slides of his collection of Christmas coin cards. Len Coles read a humorous fictitious letter from a mother to her son.

The KENT COIN CLUB's December meeting in Chatham, Ontario saw twelve members and one guest in attendance. Membership applications from Vicki Thomas and Scott Thomas were accepted. President Lou Wagenaar reported on problems incurred at City Hall in trying to get a raffle license for the club's show. It was announced that the show has been booked at the Wheels Motor Inn for Sunday, April 22, 1979.

The ORILLIA CHAMPLAIN COIN CLUB met on Thursday, December 7 for its Christmas party and election of officers. Harry Booth reported on the results of the club's CB radio draw, and Gordon Horne reported on the annual banquet. After presents were distributed, the evening wound up with a delicious array of refreshments. The club's 1979 executive is as follows: Past President - Russell Smart, President - Jan Johnston, Vice-president - Richard Ivey, Secretary-Treasurer - Dorothy Horne, Editor - Frank Jones, Publicity - George Ray, Directors - Ken Huggins, Russell Smart, Betty Draper, and Chris Hayes (Jr.), Auctioneer - Harry Booth, Auditors - Harry Booth and Russell Smart, Welcome Table - Jo-Ann Hayes, Membership Secretary - Gordon Horne.

The December 17 meeting of the ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB was opened by President Hal Siemens with 62 members and guests in attendance. Past President Vic Snell spoke about the new \$20 bills. He mentioned that the \$5, \$10, \$50, and \$100 bills would follow suit. Past President Gary Oblinsky mentioned that he had received a letter of thanks from the library for the coin books which were donated. It was decided that the club will purchase more of the Charlton catalogues and distribute them to the libraries. Membership Chairman Hilda Shepard reported that the club has a membership of 110 senior and 9 junior members. The new club executive for 1979 will be: President - William Steinhoff, Past President - Hal Siemens, Vice-president - Doug Andrews, Secretary - R. N. Voaden, Treasurer - Fred Barley, Librarian - Mrs. Ritchie, Historian - Glen Waite, Membership Chairman - Mrs. L. Shepard. After the induction of the new executive, the meeting wound up with refreshments and an auction.



The Christmas party of the TORONTO COIN CLUB was held at the Royal York Hotel on Dec. 11. Club President John Regitko introduced six of the seven most senior members of the club and asked each one to say a few words. Sam Snider, one of the founding members of the club, recalled when it originally met in members homes, stating that, at one of these early meetings, former member Bob Marlee brought along six 1921 Unc. 5 cent pieces and no-one took up his offer of selling them at \$35 each. Bert Peddie presented a list of names of the original members, and recalled the time Bob Marlee had hidden his collection in a box in the coal bin before going on vacation, only to return and find that the bin had been refilled and tons of coal poured over the box. Dr. Jack Wilkinson recalled the first C. N. A. convention, sponsored by the Toronto Coin Club, and over which a prominent member resigned because he thought that the undertaking would be a disaster. Vincent Greene mentioned the early growing pains of the club. Louise Graham recalled her joining the club under protest due to her husband's insistence. She was immediately appointed club Treasurer and went on to have a very active hand in the 1954 C. N. A. convention. Harvey Farrow brought along various memorabilia from the club archives, and reviewed the club's 1953 membership list, noting that only seven of those members are still active in the club. Jim Charlton sent his regrets from Florida at not being able to attend. Each of the above received a Certificate of Award congratulating them on the successful completion of 25 years of membership in the club. John Regitko spoke on Emergency Monies of the World and gave everyone present a meat ration token. Outgoing President Regitko thanked everyone for the support they have given him over the past two years and hoped that the same courtesy would be extended to the new executive, which is as follows: President - Dan Bowyer, First Vice-president - Stan Clute, Second Vice-president - Dr. Donald McIntyre, Treasurer - Harvey Farrow, Directors - Jim Cartwright, Mirko Kasic, Axel Nielsen, Past President - John Regitko.

Twenty-six members and guests turned out for the December meeting of the WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY. Clint Jantzi conducted a white elephant sale which netted the club \$84. The club held a total of ten meetings in 1978 with speakers including Scott McLaren, Ray Gregory, Stan Clute, Ken Wilmot, John Regitko, and Bill English.

According to Toronto Star Coin Columnist Robert Aaron, two new clubs have recently been formed in the Toronto area. The Markham Coin Club began about two years ago, and is now firmly established. The club consists mostly of students of high school and junior high age and meets on the fourth Saturday of every month except January, July and August, in private homes. The club is centered in the area around Highways 7 and 48, and publishes a monthly bulletin. Credit for the organization of the club goes to two local high school students, Bruce Gilbert and Carey Albert. They are now trying to relocate the club in a local library. Membership and meeting information about the club may be obtained from Bruce at 294-2403, or from Carey at 294-6096.

The Amesbury Coin Club was founded last Spring by Tom Bailey, a retired insurance and mutual fund consultant who is well known in Toronto area numismatics. This club meets on the fourth Thursday of each month in the Amesbury Public Library, 1565 Lawrence Ave. W., near Keele St. Membership and admission to meetings are free and visitors are welcome.

Keep that CLUB NEWS coming in, folks!!!

Noted United States numismatist William F. Spengler has presented a very select collection of 230 silver and bronze coins of ancient Bactria to the American Numismatic Society, a scholarly numismatic organization based in New York City, but with a worldwide membership which includes most of the top names in numismatics. Mr. Spengler, a former U. S. Consul General to Lahore, is a recognized expert on Bactrian coinage and plans on preparing a definitive catalogue.

DEFINITION:

A bracteate is a silver coin so thin that only one die was used to strike it, the reverse being an incuse impression of the obverse. These coins are mainly of German origin. Also existing, but perhaps lesser known are some German-Swiss issues.

Show Schedule

- February 17: HURONIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION'S mini-show, Bayfield Mall, Barrie, Ont.
Inquiries to P. O. Box 243, Barrie, Ont., L4N 4T2.
- March 3: NORTH YORK COIN CLUB'S annual coin show & white elephant sale, North York Memorial Community Hall, 5090 Yonge St., Willowdale. Information from P. O. Box 294, Station A, Willowdale, Ont., M2N 5P0.
- March 9 - 11: CANADIAN ASSOCIATION of NUMISMATIC DEALERS' Spring convention, at the Sheraton-Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal, Que. Information: Al Bliman, P. O. Box 3145, Station D, Willowdale, Ont., M2R 3G5
- April 15 - 21: COIN WEEK CANADA, sponsored by the Canadian Numismatic Association.
- April 22: KENT COIN CLUB'S annual coin show, Wheels Motor Inn, Chatham, Ont. Information from Kent Coin Club, P. O. Box 95, Chatham, Ont., N7M 5K1.
- April 26 - 29: SPRING TOREX '79, Sheraton Centre, 123 Queen St. W., Toronto. Admission \$1. Stamp & coin exhibition & bourse, auction sessions. Information from Peter Findlay, P. O. Box 28, King City, Ont., or Al Bliman, P. O. Box 3145, Station D, Willowdale, Ont.
- June 1 - 3: ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION'S 17th annual convention, at the Royal Connaught Hotel, King St. East, Hamilton, Ont. Information: Lou Henderson, 1862 Main St. E., Hamilton, Ont., L8H 1G2.
- September (Labour Day Weekend): CITY OF OTTAWA COIN CLUB'S annual show, in the Commonwealth Room, Holiday Inn, Kent St., Ottawa. More info when available.
- September 15 & 16: TORONTO COIN CLUB'S annual Fall show, Royal York Hotel, 100 Front St. W., Toronto.
- September 29: PEMEX '79, in the High School Auditorium, Pembroke, Ont., opening 10:00 A. M., with the theme of 'Stamps, Coins, & Tourism'.

People In The News

Messrs. John Regitko, Dan Bowyer, & Stan Clute, who have been appointed by C. N. A. President J. E. Charlton to serve on the Canadian Numismatic Association's newly formed Editorial Committee, and Mr. David Ashe, a former Editor of the Canadian Numismatic Journal, who has been appointed to chair the committee. Their task will be to try to find ways to improve the Journal, and encourage more original articles.

TORONTO COIN CLUB MEMBER EXPLAINS

BROKEN PINKY.....

(Swiped from the Toronto Coin Club bulletin)

Toronto Coin Club member Jack Veffer recently had a minor fall during which he broke a bone in his little finger. The doctors promptly set it and put it in traction consisting of not only a cast around his whole hand but also a wire hanger from which to suspend the dressing and his finger.

Since his occupation calls for dealing with members of the public who deluged him with not only sympathy but questions as to the cause, Jack understandably got tired of hearing himself repeat the dreadful details for the hundredth time and produced a written explanation which he had xeroxed and handed to everyone before they had a chance to ask.

To overcome your own curiosity, we are pleased, as a public service, to publish the explanation below. Besides, he threatened to break mine if I didn't.

DEAR INTERESTED PERSON:

MY LITTLE FINGER IS BROKEN AND A VERY NICE PLASTIC SURGEON PUT A CAST ON AND ALSO PUT THE LITTLE DEVIL IN TRACTION.

THEY SEEM TO DO THESE THINGS IF YOU HAPPEN TO WEAR A SUIT, WHITE SHIRT AND A TIE WHEN THE ACCIDENT HAPPENS.

IF YOU HAPPEN TO BE WEARING JEANS, CHANGE INTO A FANCY SUIT BEFORE VISITING THE DOCTOR. IF YOU DON'T, YOU ARE LIABLE TO END UP WITH A PLAIN SPLINT OR CAST AND YOUR LITTLE FINGER MAY BECOME EVEN MORE USELESS THAN IT ALREADY IS.

NO, I WAS NOT DRUNK AT THE TIME I TRIPPED AND FELL.

PLEASE POSE ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS IN WRITTEN FORM AND YOU WILL GET AN ANSWER NEXT YEAR.

THANKS FOR YOUR KIND INTEREST.

YES, A BOTTLE OF WINE WOULD MAKE ME FEEL BETTER.

Now, aren't you glad you didn't ask!

(Our thanks to Jack and to the Toronto Coin Club's Editor, John Regitko, for providing us with this bit of humour. Ed.)

IN CASE YOU HADN'T ALREADY HEARD:

The Bank of Canada has announced that it is changing the way in which most denominations of Canada's banknotes are numbered. The purpose of the change is to make the numbers capable of being read by machines. To this end, the numbers will appear on the back of notes rather than on the front. They will be in black, rather than red and blue, and they will appear against a white background.

The first banknote to be numbered in this way, the \$20 note, was to be available to chartered banks at all Bank of Canada agencies on Monday, December 18, 1978. It was expected to be available in many chartered bank branches shortly thereafter. A similar change is planned for the latter part of 1979 in the \$5 and \$10 notes, and at a later date in the \$50 and \$100 notes. In each case the first issue of a newly numbered denomination will be announced immediately in advance of such issue.

In the case of the \$20 note, advantage has been taken of this change in order to make two other

(Bank of Canada, cont'd):

changes so that it will be easier to distinguish from other Canadian banknotes. The first of these is to reduce the green tones and increase the pink and orange tones on the face of the note, to increase the colour contrast between the \$20 and the \$1 note. The second change is to clarify and strengthen the large numbers on the corners of the front of the note, showing the value. The other principal features of the note remain unchanged, including the portrait of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the coat of arms, and the scene on the back.

The \$20 notes now in circulation carry the date 1969. The modified notes will bear the date 1979, and will circulate alongside the 1969 notes. The latter will NOT be withdrawn from circulation.

CANADA'S FOURTH COMMEMORATIVE SILVER DOLLAR

(Reprinted from the Ingersoll Coin Club bulletin. We hereby extend our deepest appreciation to the Ingersoll C C's Editorial Committee, Barbara Macnab and Thomas Masters.)

On February 21, 1957, a proclamation was issued, prescribing the design of a new silver dollar coin to be struck the following year to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the gold rush and the creation of British Columbia as a crown colony in 1858. The obverse of this coin remained the same as the design used since 1953, the uncrowned head of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, with the inscription ELIZABETH II DEI GRATIA REGINA.

The reverse was designed by Stephen Trenka who was born in Hungary and who studied at the Ontario College of Art. Mr. Trenka also designed the reverse of the 1951 commemorative 5 cent piece.

The dollar design shows the Rockie Mountains in the background with an off-centre totem pole in the foreground. The words CANADA and BRITISH COLUMBIA to each side of the totem pole. The dates 1858-1958 appear between CANADA and the raven on the pole. DOLLAR appears at the bottom of the totem pole.

It is appropriate that the totem pole was chosen as the main feature because these poles used to be common sight in the Indian villages dotting the coast of British Columbia. They are well known throughout the world and are considered by many authorities to be unsurpassed by any other form of aboriginal art.

Many of the figures on the poles represent fish, birds, or animals. Some were erected as a monument to a chief after his death, others to commemorate historical events, others are comparable to what we know as coats of arms. Often they depict myths or tribal traditions.

The custom of erecting totem poles began to peter out shortly after 1900. Very few remain standing in their natural habitat today. Many others have been salvaged and preserved by museums and parks throughout the world.

Shortly after the new dollars were released in 1958, there was talk that the totem pole design was offensive to the Indians but to my knowledge nothing ever came of it.

Over three million of these coins were minted in .800 fine silver, almost three times as many as the previous record dollar striking in 1953. Today these coins are one of the favourites in the dollar series. The next time you hold one of these coins in your hand, remember that a great deal of history is depicted there.

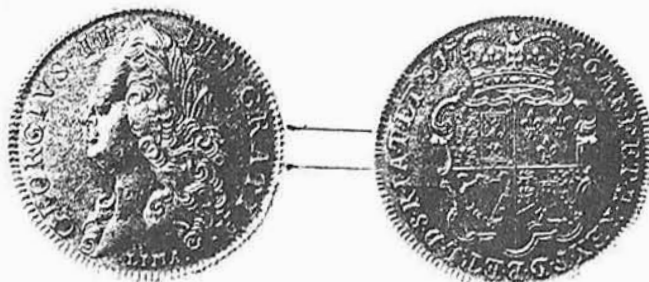
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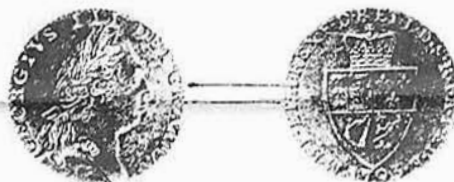
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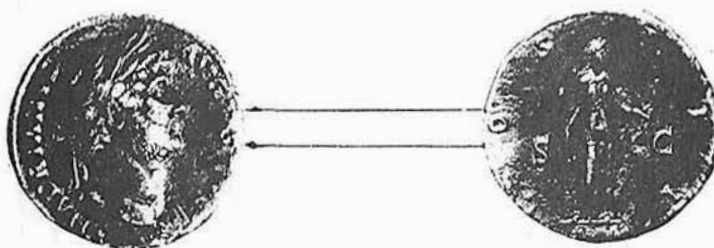
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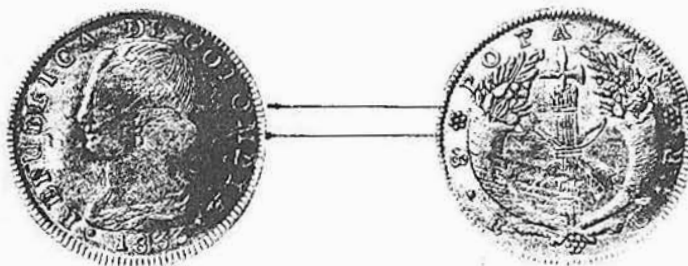
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6. Can you identify the ruler shown on this coin portrait? Answers to the quiz next month.





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The medal depicted above was created in 1519 by Quentin Metsys, then the leading artist of the city of Antwerp. The medal was cast in bell metal. The obverse depicts the bust of the famous Dutch humanist, Desiderius Erasmus of Rotterdam, facing left. The reverse shows a bust of Terminus, the ancient Roman god of boundaries, facing left on a pedestal.

One of the medals was presented to Erasmus himself, and a number of others were distributed to his followers. Originals of this medal are exceedingly rare, and although later uniface cast copies exist, these also are rare.

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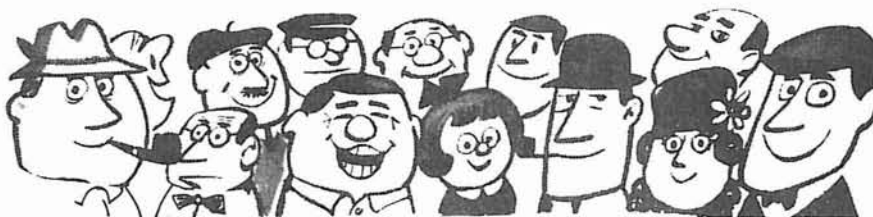
One of the ANA campaign postcards being handed out by Stephen R. Taylor in his attempt to win a seat.

The banquet speaker at the 1978 O. N. A. Convention, held in Vineland, Ont., has declared his candidacy for the Board of Governors of the American Numismatic Association in this year's election. Stephen R. Taylor, a Dover, Delaware banker, is running for Seat # 6 on the Board. This is the first time that Mr. Taylor has run for the Board. He has stated, "The average collector will be represented by my election to the A. N. A. Board and I will continue to work for the advancement of numismatics and the ANA. I will support:

- A return of the dues structure to the 1978 level in an effort to retain current membership rolls,
- A revision of the Numismatist to include Young Numismatist and Club News and an increase in articles,
- A committee to study the feasibility of dividing the country into regions, with each region having equal representation on the Board,
- A published set of rules and guidelines for awarding bourse tables at ANA conventions,
- An ANA sponsored program for Young Numismatists at major conventions nationally,
- A revision of exhibit rules and an increase of awards for exhibitors to encourage more members to participate,
- A continuation of open board meetings with a published agenda for the membership."

Another recent O.N.A. banquet speaker also running for the Board is incumbent A.N.A. Board member Virgil Hancock, Past President of the Association and a well-known authority on counterfeit detection. Mr. Hancock, of Bellaire, Texas, was the banquet speaker at the 1977 O.N.A. Convention, held in Oshawa, and also donated a substantial sum of money to start a fund for clubs to sponsor junior members.

COIN WEEK CANADA



Recently a meeting was held between representatives of the Toronto Area coin clubs and the Canadian Numismatic Association, in an effort to coordinate the efforts for Coin Week Canada in this region which has many clubs close together. Because it is felt that the thoughts expressed at the meeting will be of interest to other coin clubs in the province, an abstract of the minutes of the meeting is reproduced below.

MINUTES OF THE COIN WEEK CANADA: TORONTO COMMITTEE MEETING

The first meeting of the Coin Week Canada: Toronto Committee comprised of representatives of local area groups was held at Toronto on Thursday, February 22nd, 1979. Convened at 8:30 P.M., the meeting was called to order by Jack Veffer, First Vice President of the Canadian Numismatic Association. Present were Jack Veffer; Paul Johnson, C.N.A. Ontario Director; Frank Gallant, Richmond Hill Coin Club Treasurer, in lieu of President John Munro-Cape; Dan Bowyer, Toronto Coin Club President; Ken Prophet, Huronia Numismatic Association President and C. N. A. Executive Secretary; Tom Bailey, Thistletown Coin & Stamp Club President; Al Bliman, Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers Executive Secretary and Canadian Paper Money Society First Vice President; and Fred Jewett, North York Coin Club President, and Ontario Numismatic Association Toronto Area Director.

Absent were Ray Gregory, C. N. A. Club Liaison Officer and Newmarket Numismatic Society President; Edwin Keetch, Oshawa & District Coin Club President; Ricky Morse, Scarborough Coin Club President; Ralph Bagnall, Mississauga Coin Club President.

Mr. Veffer began by welcoming all in attendance and affirming that they were all here by his personal invitation. Consequently, Mr. Jewett moved that Mr. Veffer be appointed Moderator for the Committee. Seconded by Mr. Bliman, this motion carried.

It was noted by Mr. Veffer that the C. N. A. was interested in boosting the efforts of Coin Week Canada (C.W.C.). He explained that there was only a moderate success realized last year, but that it could be built upon. Mr. Veffer maintained that the C. N. A. should not want to carry the total weight but rather distribute it to regional groups on a proportionate basis. He qualified this statement by saying that the C. N. A. was not only the largest Canadian numismatic body but the only one to operate on a national scale, and therefore should in future be empowered to act as a coordinating head. It was noted that a meeting of this magnitude should have been assembled months ago.

A round table discussion ensued wherein a basic premise was universally felt that coordination and cooperation go hand in hand. Suggestions such as the lending of exhibit cases and the borrowing of numismatic material were aired amongst signs of positive concurrence.

The importance of the news media to C.W.C.'s outcome was then expressed by Mr. Veffer. He said that although Canadian Coin News, C.A.N.D., and other coin-related



commercial endeavours will be expected to contribute to the promotion of C.W.C., they were not essential to its success. In fact, Mr. Veffer countered, there was not a need for promotion within the hobby proper but rather outside of it. The main concern was, as he saw it, to simply prove that coin collecting was a fun thing to do. Although Mr. Veffer agreed that the means of conveying this to the non-collecting public were open to interpretation, he proposed that each representative express his views on what a correct course of action should be.

Mr. Veffer initiated the input by committing the C. N. A. to the printing of suitable letters, posters, and ribbons, but added that other groups should want to help out in some aligned fashion. Mr. Bliman stood and related that the C.P.M.S. had arranged a travelling paper money exhibit last year for branch libraries in Scarborough, Ontario. Unfortunately, the display, composed of low grade notes, was broken into and the cases destroyed. It was noted that the C.P.M.S. would look dubiously upon a similar project. Mr. Johnson maintained that library displays must never be comprised of expensive material and that this incident, being an isolated example, should not detrimentally affect similar attempts. Mr. Bailey wondered if appropriate books from the library could be placed alongside the numismatic exhibits.

Mr. Veffer then suggested that local clubs meet in area malls for one month to present first hand impressions to the general public. The curiosity of the public must be aroused, he said.

Mr. Johnson then informed everyone that he has been in contact with Mr. Parker, the Public Relations Person for the North York Library system, and that they have arranged for displays to be placed in three strategic locales. Further, Mr. Johnson expressed the need for a strong push during the C.W.C. period as it will fall on both Easter Monday and Easter Sunday, when little can be achieved. Mr. Gallant proposed that a phone number be set up to handle any queries that the public may have, as people are more prone to call than to write or even attend meetings.

Mr. Jewett then asked to voice a few general thoughts. He felt that a group such as this was essential in approaching newspapers and similar institutions, for it not only checks embarrassing repetitive requests but also presents the impression of an organized homogeneous front. As well, Mr. Jewett stated that under such direction quality material could be solicited for manned displays that normally proves unavailable. The need for easily accessible information concerning important display times and locations was then stressed by Mr. Johnson.

At this time, with due regard for time remaining, Mr. Prophet moved that a second meeting for specific duties be arranged. A date of March 15th was selected. Mr. Bailey added that March would be the only meeting for most local clubs before C. W. C. Mr. Jewett then remarked that this evening's meeting would at least hold us in good stead for 1980 considering the limited time left for this year. Mr. Prophet then extended the apologies of the Huronia Numismatic Association who would not undertake a commitment for 1979 as workers were just unavailable. A guarantee of support was promised for 1980.

Mr. Veffer requested that Mr. Jewett ask the C. N. A. to supervise the western Ontario area, considering their strong influence within that part of the province. Mr. Veffer then suggested that C.W.C. have a set budget for next year. He also asked that each club donate whatever amount they could to this fund, adding that the easiest way out was to give money. Following this, Mr. Veffer moved, in his capacity as C.N.A. First Vice President, that the C.N.A. provide \$100 to the C.W.C. Toronto Committee Fund for 1979, which was duly seconded by Mr. Johnson. Mr. Veffer qualified this motion by stating that the budget would be solely for advertising expenditures and therefore donors to it should not necessarily expect a tangible return.

Mr. Johnson remarked that advance reports should be submitted to Mr. Harold Don Allen as documentation is the only viable means of securing just recognition for efforts. Mr. Tallant then commented briefly on a variety of T.V. and radio shows the Richmond Hill Coin Club had arranged for C.W.C. '79. Mr. Veffler indicated that a similar T.V. program could possibly be set in Toronto through Mr. Sid Banks of channel nineteen.

It was then decided to allow Mr. Johnson the privilege of coordinating advertising. As well, a partial list of whom to forward copies of the minutes to was composed. They are: Mr. Harold Don Allen, Mr. Ken Prophet for distribution to all C.N.A. Directors and groups, Canadian Coin News, Mr. Robert Aaron, Mr. Cale Jarvis, Krause Publications, Coin World, Mr. Edward Rochette of the A.N.A., the Royal Canadian Mint, C.A.N.D., and the O. N. A.

Mr. Veffler then proposed that an account be opened in the name of Coin Week Canada: Toronto Committee, with Mr. Johnson and Mr. Jewett having signing authority and Mr. Veffler acting as the alternate.

At 10:30 P.M. Mr. Bliman left, but not before making a personal donation to the budget and asking that C.C.N., C.P.M.S., O.N.A., and C.A.N.D., and other organizations support this worthwhile group. Mr. Veffler was heard to say that in this drive we are all winners or all losers. He then went on to inquire if Mr. Bliman would approach Mr. Bill Cross, Canadian Coin News, and Mr. Banks for support.

Mr. Jewett then maintained that clubs should organize their own C.W.C. Committees which, he said, should be a year-round endeavour. Mr. Veffler noted that local clubs would be performing all the work this year, but hoped this could be changed in the future.

Shortly after 11:00 P.M. the meeting slowly dispersed to the point where adjournment was called.

Witnessed
Jack Veffler,
Moderator.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel T. Bowyer,
Recording Secretary.

NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD AT NORTH YORK COMMUNITY HALL, 5090 YONGE STREET, WILLOWDALE, ON
MARCH 15, 8 P. M. ALL INTERESTED PARTIES WELCOME.

Show Schedule

March 9, 10 & 11: Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers' Spring Convention at the Sheraton - Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal. Information: A. Bliman, P. O. Box 3145, Station D, Willowdale, Ont., M2N 5P0

April 15 - 21: Coin Week Canada, sponsored by the Canadian Numismatic Association

April 22: Kent Coin Club annual show, Wheels Motor Inn, Chatham, Ont., Information: Kent Coin Club, P. O. Box 95, Chatham, Ont., N7M 5K1

April 26 - 29: Spring Torex '79, Sheraton Centre, 123 Queen Street West, Toronto. Admission \$1.00. Information: Peter Findlay, P. O. Box 28, King City, Ont., or A. Bliman, P. O. Box 3145, Station D, Willowdale, Ont., N2M 5P0

June 1 - 3: 17th Annual Ontario Numismatic Association Convention, Royal Connaught Hotel, King St. E., Hamilton, Ont. Information: Tom Henderson, 1862 Main St. E., Hamilton, Ont., L8H 1G2

July 16 - 21: Canadian Numismatic Association annual convention, Chateau Lacombe, Edmonton, Alta. Information: Box 4111, Edmonton, Alta.

July 29 - August 3: American Numismatic Association annual convention, Stouffers Riverfront Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri

CONVENTION HI-LITES

by Terry MacHugh

The O. N. A. will be holding its annual convention in Hamilton, Ont., on June 1, 2 & 3, 1979 at the Royal Connaught Hotel. In conjunction the Hamilton Coin Club is planning the following programmes, of which I am chairman.

On Friday the First of June, we will be having a tour of the Royal Botanical Gardens at 1:00 P. M. The Rose Garden, Rock Gardens and Nature Centre will be the main features of the tour. Alternately, there will be a tour of the City of Hamilton, if the weather will not allow the tour of the Royal Botanical Gardens. The tour price has not been set yet.

We are hoping to hold the first of two auction sessions on Friday night at 6:00 P. M., conducted by Mr. Charles D. Moore of Toronto.

There will be a wine and cheese party on Friday night at 9:00 P. M. The price has not been set as of yet.

On Saturday the Second of June, there will be a General Membership Meeting of the Ontario Numismatic Association at 10:00 A. M. in the Connaught Square Room.

There will be a separate area for the Court of Honour Displays and the Competitive Displays. Anyone wishing to enter a display in either category please contact Mr. John Lawson, Display Chairman, at 301 Frances St., Suite 703, Stoney Creek, Ont. The judging of competitive displays will start between 1:00 P. M. and 2:00 P. M., Saturday afternoon.

We will be having a tour of Andres Wine of Winona, Ont., on Saturday afternoon, from 2:00 to 4:00 P. M. This will be followed by a wine and cheese party at Andres Wine. The busing charge has not been confirmed yet.

Mr. James E. Charlton, President of the Canadian Numismatic Association, will be conducting a Grading Seminar on Canadian coins, starting at 2:00 P. M. on Saturday afternoon. The seminar will be restricted to a maximum of fifty people. All you need to bring is a pocket magnifier. There will be a \$2 fee to help defray the cost. We will try to have a Grading Seminar for paper money, but we do not have a firm commitment as of yet.

We are hoping to hold the second part of the auction conducted by Mr. Charles D. Moore of Toronto on Saturday afternoon at 2:00 P. M.

There will be a Banquet Dinner in the Connaught Square Room on Saturday night at 7:00 P. M., and a cash bar one hour before dinner. At this time, we have not had a firm commitment from the Guest Speaker. The price of the Banquet Dinner is not yet set.

On Saturday the Third of June, there will be an O. N. A. Club Delegates Breakfast in the Connaught Square Room at 9:00 A. M., to be chaired by Mr. Thomas Masters, the First Vice-President of the O. N. A. We have not had a firm commitment yet from the Guest Speaker. The price of the Breakfast has not yet been set.

We will be showing slides and movies for the three days of the convention, free of charge, to the general public

The admission prices are as follows:

General Admission - 50¢ per person

Senior Citizens - free
 Children under 12 years of age if accompanied by a parent - free,
 otherwise general admission will apply.

For the music lover or neglected wives or husbands, the one and only Liberace will be appearing at Hamilton Place on June 1, 2 & 3, 1979. The price for the tickets will range from about \$2.50 to \$13.50 per person for the show. The times for the shows will be at 8:00 P. M. Friday, Saturday and Sunday night, with a matinee Sunday afternoon at 2:00 P. M.

If anyone would like information or tickets for the Liberace show or other points of interest in Hamilton or the surrounding area, please let me know. I am at your disposal and will try to arrange to get the information for you. Write to: M. T. MacHugh, 66 Erie Ave. S., Hamilton, Ont., L8N 2W6.

COIN CLUB NEWS

The highlight of the BRANTFORD NUMISMATIC SOCIETY'S January meeting was the election of officers for 1979. They are: President - Ed Anstett, Vice-president - Frank Baka, Secretary - John Barchino, Treasurer - John Stewart, Past President - Peter Ferracioli, Directors - Lenny Trakalo, Arnold Conrad, Dave Turton, and Fred Chapman. Appointments are: Assistant to the Secretary - Ernie Baker, Social - Ernie Turvey, Sargent of Arms - Mac Cromwell, Editor - John Barchino. Advisory Board (Ex-officio): Walter Griggs, Oscar Sutor, Gord Durnford, George Wagner. Following the election, the club's Founding President, Walter Griggs, gave an interesting talk with show pieces of the Bank of Brantford. Walter had uncovered further data on this bank over the years.

The CANADIAN LARGE CENTS CLUB has set itself several goals for Coin Week Canada: Education, Recruitment of 15 new members for the Canadian Numismatic Association, planning and carrying out of projects by members. The February issue of "Party Line", the club's newsletter, includes a grading guide for Canadian large cents.

The CITY OF OTTAWA COIN CLUB reports that 30 members and guests turned out for its January 22 meeting. The President made an appeal to all members for the donation of historical items concerning the club, and in particular for a picture of Guy Potter and any memorabilia of Jack Roberts. Mr. Frank Fesco gave an interesting talk on "Ancient Coins of China", covering the history of Chinese mediums of exchange from about 1200 B. C. to the establishment of the Chinese Republic. A short question and answer period followed his remarks, and a display of the various items referred to in his talk was available for viewing after the meeting.

The January 10 meeting of the HURONTA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION saw a large turnout of members and guests. Lorraine Acker has been selected as the club's delegate for the Bowl For Millions and members have pledged money for this worthy cause. The club has also donated an additional ten dollars.

INGERSOLL COIN CLUB reports that its Editor, Barbara Macnab is in the hospital, an unable to write her editorial for February. It is hoped that Barbara will be up and around again very soon.

At the January 15 meeting, a letter from member Elliot Jephson was read suggesting that the club start a pictorial album of members past and present, of events the club had participated in, and that an appeal be made to members to donate pictures or newspaper write-ups and that they be placed in a suitable album. Elliot also included a \$10 cheque to start the project. Mrs. Stella Hodge offered to donate the album. President Thomas Masters noted that the C.N.A. would be having a draw for a trip for two. Tickets

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would be \$1 each, in books of 12, with \$2 going to the seller. He stated that he had ordered 100 books and asked all members to help with the selling. The speaker for the evening was Thomas Masters, who talked on the theme, "The Year of the Child", outlining the programme for the first half of the season, special programme to enroll new members, a junior membership drive. He asked all juniors be invited and bring along their friends who are interested in the hobby, to the club meetings. At the end of 1979 a prize would be given to the senior and junior who had contributed the most to this programme

The KENT COIN CLUB met at the Chatham Public Library in January, with 21 members and 1 guest present. Due to personal matters, Ted Oulds was unable to accept the post of Treasurer, and Bill Martin agreed to take this on for 1979. President Lou Wagenaer reported on the sudden illness of member Bob Brooks, who is in hospital. He also reported on the progress of the club's show and that raffle tickets are now available. A slide programme was shown by Walt Stanski and narrated by Lou Wagenaer, to the enjoyment of everyone present.

On December 19, the NORTH YORK COIN CLUB joined with other area clubs for a joint Christmas party as the guests of the RICHMOND HILL COIN CLUB. As this was a social event, no club business was discussed. The programme consisted of a bingo game conducted by Richmond Hill Coin Club President John Munro-Cape and his staff, in which many numismatic prizes were awarded. There was also an interesting auction, two lucky draws, and a gift exchange. Coffee and soft drinks were available throughout the evening, in addition to the delicious Kentucky fried chicken dinner topped off with a special cake. Five members of the Markham Coin & Stamp Club were present. The Markham club is a junior coin club and relatively unknown.

Guest speaker at the January 23 meeting of the NORTH YORK COIN CLUB was to be Mr. Thomas Masters, First Vice-president of the Ontario Numismatic Association, and President of the Ingersoll Coin Club. His topic was to be "Benjamin Franklin and the U. S. Half Dollar".

The holidays and bad weather combined to diminish the turnout at the January meeting of the ORILLIA CHAMPLAIN COIN CLUB. A discussion was held on the club's Spring or Summer coin shows, and was held over to the February meeting.

60 members and guests turned out for the January 21 meeting of the ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB. Past President Gary Oblinsky gave an illustrated talk on the club itself. He showed slides of the club's first meetings, which took place at Radio Station C.K.T.B. and Davis Lumber. At Davis Lumber there was a totem pole outside the building where some of the first meetings were held. As a result, the club adopted the totem pole as its insignia. Included in the slides were many of the club's more recent members, as well as O. N. A. conventions hosted by the club.

At the February 12 meeting of the ST. THOMAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, an O. N. A. slide presentation on "The Canadian Silver Dollar" was to be shown. The meeting also was to feature an auction with an interesting assortment of material from three different sources.

44 members and guests turned out for the February 12 meeting of the STRATFORD COIN CLUB. The featured programme was a 16 mm film on the cougar. Some interesting facts were brought out about this animal which was honoured on the reverse of the 1967 25 cent piece. Following a brief break, a Laurel & Hardy film gave laughs to all. Ken Wilmot showed two varieties of the 1978 P.L. set and explained the difference. Explaining that he believed that the club's first order contained some with the scarce 50 cent piece, he asked everyone who had received sets from this order to check them.

At the TORONTO COIN CLUB'S January 15 meeting, President Dan Bowyer presented the

Immediate Past President John Regitko with a special button reading "COLLECTORS NEVER DIE - THEY JUST TRADE AWAY". Attached to the top of the button was an off-centre Canadian 10 cent piece in recognition of John's major collecting interests. The back was specially engraved, "PRESENTED TO JOHN REGITKO BY THE TORONTO COIN CLUB IN RECOGNITION OF PAST SERVICES - MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 1979." The President then made the following appointments: Editor - John Regitko, Acting Secretary - Dr. Marvin Kay, Librarian - Dan Bowyer, Receptionist - Louise Graham, 1979 Annual Show Chairman - John Regitko. Also appointed was a committee of Dan Bowyer, Harvey Farrow, Jim Cartwright, John Regitko, Mirko Kosic, and Axel Nielsen to select the most outstanding article in the club's 1978 bulletins. Further appointments, of the Pro-tem delegation to the 1981 C. N. A. Convention, to be hosted by the Toronto Coin Club, were made. These consisted of John Regitko, Jack Veffer, Anne Wood, and Dan Bowyer. Their responsibility will be to handle those arrangements for the Convention which must be made immediately and to make recommendation to the C.N.A. and the club as to the choice of Chairman for this major undertaking.

Mrs. Maureen Kitts, Director of Public Relations for the Royal York Hotel, presented the club with a plaque marking 25 years of continuous meetings at the hotel. Guest Bob Faulkner, Assistant Editor of Canadian Coin News was introduced and accepted on behalf of former Editor Richard Todd a special club medal to recognize Mr. Todd's contribution in promoting the club to the hobby. A tape was played that was recorded twenty years prior at the meeting of the Glasgow & West Numismatic Society of Scotland. Jack Veffer mentioned that the Cuna Indians of the north coast of Panama accepted special tokens in lieu of money for allowing their pictures to be taken. Ted Banning spoke on his trip to Egypt, noting that the different denominations of Egyptian paper money changed in size and the only place you can get crisp uncirculated Egyptian notes is at the Nile Hilton Hotel in Cairo. Dan Bowyer showed a series of medals that traced the traditions of architecture on ancient coins.

The January meeting of the WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY saw the Great Gerard entertain the 26 or so members and guests who were in attendance. From all reports a most enjoyable evening was had by all.

Stratford Coin Club reports that they have been advised by the Stratford Police of a break and entry which occurred in late January, in which a quantity of coins were stolen. These include: 2 1912 Canadian ten dollar gold, 1 U. S. local five dollar gold piece, 3 Canadian \$100 bills, a Canadian \$50 bills, 39 Canadian silver dollars, 39 Canadian 50 cent pieces, and 11 Canadian coin sets from 1967 to 1978. Anyone being offered coins which could be part of the above loot were advised to contact Sgt. Large of the Stratford Police at (519) 271-4141.

R.C.M. APPOINTS NEW MASTER ENGRAVER

It was recently announced that Walter Ott has been appointed by Yvon Gariepy, Master of the Royal Canadian Mint, to the post of Master Engraver of the Mint. Mr. Ott was born and educated in Austria, and served a five year apprenticeship as an engraver. He later returned to the Academy of Art in Graz, Austria and completed a five year programme. He received the master qualification as an engraver and started his own engraving firm. He came to Canada in 1952 and worked with various firms as an industrial engraver, joining the Royal Canadian Mint in 1965, where he worked as assistant to the Chief Engraver, Patrick Brindley.

The Ontario Numismatic Association, its members and executive would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Mr. Ott on his appointment.

OBITUARY

We wish to extend our deepest sympathies to Mr. J. Douglas Ferguson on the passing of Mrs. Ferguson on Sunday, January 14. She will be sadly missed by the Fergusons' many friends in the Ontario Numismatic Association.

NEW PERIODICALS RECEIVED

Recently, the latest editions of three periodical publications have been received by the Editor. Since it is felt that they may be of some interest to O. N. A. members, a brief review is printed below.

The ANCIENT COIN SOCIETY of CANADA has just released its latest News Supplement. This eight-page quarterly newsletter contains three articles of interest to ancient numismatists. "External Methods of Dating Coin Hoards", by L. A. Pavlish outlines two major ways by which coin hoards can be dated other than by the coin types themselves. These methods are: 1) a new radiocarbon dating technique which relies on the counting of the actual Carbon-14 atoms rather than their decay (this technique was pioneered by scientists at the University of Toronto and the University of Rochester); 2) thermoluminescence dating which depends on the light energy stored in the minerals in ceramic containers which frequently hold the coins. The article briefly discusses the two techniques and their application to coin hoard dating.

E. B. Banning has also authored an article in the same publication, on "Numismatic Finds From Tell El-Maskhuta." Mr. Banning was personally involved in the excavations at Tell El-Maskhuta in Egypt for two months last summer. From mid-May to mid-July, the University of Toronto was involved in the excavations, near Ismailia, under the direction of Professor J. S. Holladay, Jr. The author outlines the excavations themselves and then goes on to describe the coins found at the site during the season.

Bruce Brace's continuing article, "Notes On Roman Coins" concludes this issue of the Supplement with a commentary on "Diocletian et al: A Graphical Chronology."

The ATLANTIC PROVINCES NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION has sent out the February edition of its newsletter. Editor J. C. Levesque is to be congratulated on the high technical quality of the publication. The current edition includes details of the upcoming A.P.N.A. Spring Rally to be held in Moncton, N. B., as well as the official minutes of the Association's general meeting on Sept. 16, 1978. Club news is also given ample space. The ten-page newsletter was a real pleasure to read.

The COLLECTOR'S JOURNAL OF ANCIENT ART, Vol. 1, No. 1, has been published by Joel L. Malter & Company, ancient coins and artifacts dealers of Encino, California. While the publication contains a fixed price list of choice ancient numismatic and historical material, it also combines the qualities of an educational journal. This issue contains an article by Roy David Kotansky, entitled "The Roman Lead Tesserae: A Survey Of The Research." The "Journal" will be published four times a year by the firm. It is intended as a successor to the Journal Of Numismatic Fine Arts.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to O. N. A. member Edward A. Gordon of Fort McMurray, Alta. who, along with five others, has been appointed to a committee to advise Coin Week Canada Chairman Harold Don Allen in regards to this year's coin week. Mark Mogen, Calgary, Alta.; Gabriel A. Grams, Edmonton, Alta.; Gary Littrell, Amarillo, Texas; Walter A. Ostromecki, Jr., Panorama City, California; and Leslie A. Winners, Pineville, La. complete the committee.



E. B. Banning (see above)

ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S PICTURE QUIZ:

- 1- Nuremburg gold Ducat, 1777; 2 - Great Britain, George II gold Five Guineas;
- 3 - Great Britain, George III gold Spade Guinea; 4 - ancient Roman brass Sestertius of emperor Hadrian; 5 - Colombia 2 Escudos. 1833; 6 - Adolph Frederick, King of Sweden

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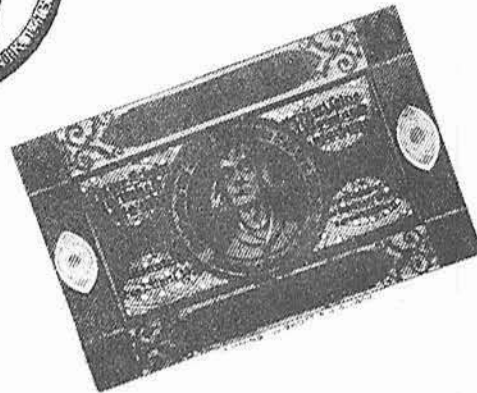
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COPERNICUS AND HIS WORLD

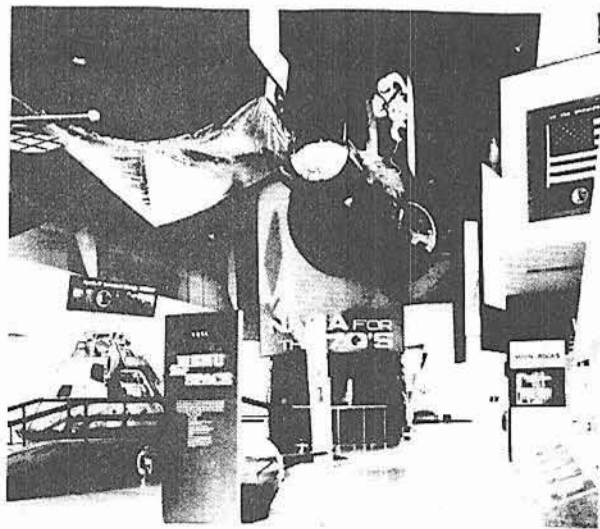
Mikolaj Kopernik, best known by his Latinized name Nicolaus Copernicus, lived at a time when the mediaeval world was beginning to disintegrate and when across Europe could be felt the first breeze of the new currents and ideas of the Renaissance. The son of a merchant, he was born in the city of Torun in Poland in 1473. At the University of Cracow, then famous for its mathematics and astronomy, he discovered several contradictions in the system then used for calculating the movements of celestial bodies. Continuing his studies at the University of Bologna in Italy, he advanced the theory that the moon was a satellite of the earth. He studied law and medicine at Padua and took a doctorate in Canon or Church Law at Ferrara, also in Italy. As an official of the Cathedral of Frombork (Frauenburg) in Northern Poland, he led a busy administrative life which included the organization of armed resistance against provocations by neighbouring Teutonic knights. At the same time he continued his astronomical studies and arrived at the conclusion that the earth was in orbit around the sun, a somewhat frightening idea because it ran counter to the prejudice of the age which held that the earth was the centre of the universe. After countless observations, he proved a theory in a paper which he circulated only among friends.

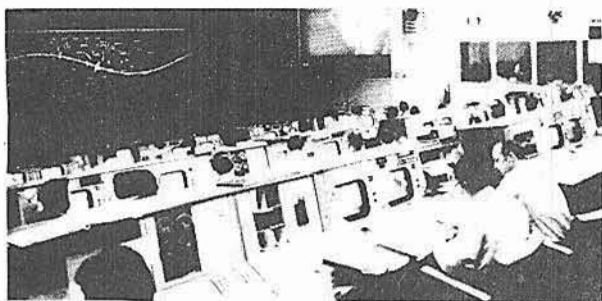


MAN'S CONQUEST OF SPACE

The heliocentric celestial system established by the founder of modern astronomy, Nicolaus Copernicus, led man to the answers of some fundamental questions concerning space, stars and interstellar matter. In the next centuries, astronomers and scientists in different countries developed these basic facts into a complex space science and devised a series of instruments to probe the secrets of space.

This evolution of space technology was culminated by the United States' Apollo project, which fulfilled man's long dream to conquer space, and landed the first man on the moon on Sunday, July 20, 1969 at 4:18 P.M., Cape Kennedy time. On Monday, August 21, 1972, the heaviest and most complex U. S. unmanned space orbiting astronomical observatory was launched from the Kennedy Space Center. After orbit was achieved, the observatory was named "Copernicus" in honour of the 500th Anniversary of his birth. The orbiting astronomical observatory, one of the oldest N.A.S.A. programs, was begun in 1959. The first O.A.O. was launched April 8, 1966. The second O.A.O. was launched December 7, 1968 and has operated continuously since then, far beyond its expected lifetime. The third observatory was launched November 30, 1970 and was





designed to conduct astronomical and astrophysical research of Ultraviolet Emissions. The fourth and final in the series was named by N.A.S.A. - Copernicus, in honour of the Polish astronomer who is recognized as the "Father of Modern Astronomy". In its orbit 460 miles above earth, the huge 4,900 pound automated space craft will view the heavens with a precision and clarity never before possible. It is capable of pointing its

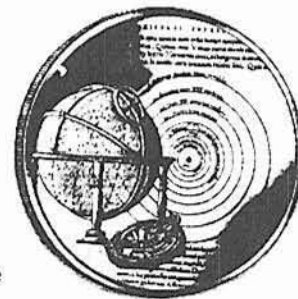
sensitive ultraviolet telescope at an object about the size of a volleyball seen from a distance of 400 miles for periods of up to one hour. Its primary objectives will be to study the interstellar absorption of hydrogen, oxygen, carbon, silicon and other common elements in the interstellar gas, and to investigate ultraviolet radiation emitted from so-called young hot stars in wavelength regions between 930 and 3,000 angstroms. Its principal viewing device is a 32 inch diameter reflecting telescope housed in the central tube of the 10-foot long cylinder-shaped spacecraft. It will provide, via radio signal, data in the form of ultraviolet spectral readings. This region of the electromagnetic spectrum is invisible to ground-based observatories because of the obscuring effect of the earth's atmosphere. The second instrument carried by "Copernicus" was provided by England's University College, London. It consists of three small telescopes and a collimated proportional counter to study X-ray sources in space at various wavelengths up to 70 angstroms.

Further observation and experiment revealed to Copernicus that the mechanism of celestial motions was even more complicated than he had first thought. He discovered, for example, that the orbit of the earth around the sun had a variable eccentricity.

THE COPERNICUS TRAIL

In 1515, he began writing his great work, De Revolutionibus Orbium Coelestium. He did not dare to publish his findings immediately, being, as he wrote, "afraid of contempt brought about by the novelty and inconceivableness" of his theory. But eventually he did publish the book, dedicating it to Pope Paul III. He died on May 24, 1543, a few hours after the arrival of the first printed copy of De Revolutionibus at his home in Frombork.

He drew up, together with his Cracovian friend, Wapowski, one of the first maps of Poland. When sea voyages became more frequent after the discovery of America, mariners needed more precise astronomical data and more accurate information than that contained in the old, defective Julian calendar. On the invitation of the Lateran Council, extended to astronomers in 1513, Copernicus drew up new astronomical tables based on his heliocentric concept and submitted them before 1516. They were used to a considerable extent for the new Gregorian calendar (of Pope Gregory XIII), which was introduced toward the end of the 16th century and which still regulates our life today.



Copernicus also made an important contribution to Economics and our knowledge of monetary laws. As an administrator of the extensive capitular province of Warmia, he had to deal with the economic affairs of the country. Owing to war and destruction, a disastrous inflation took place in Pomerania. The Prussian towns had the right to mint money and, when in financial difficulties, or sometimes for purposes of speculation, they minted coins with less and less silver, debasing the money and

introducing chaos into the market, which undermined the economy of the country. Copernicus considered this problem of debased currency and noted that when bad money is in circulation with good money, the bad regulates the overall value and drives out the good. This is the Law of Bad Money which Copernicus formulated with clarity thirty-two years before it was devised by Gresham and became known as Gresham's Law. Yet it is so up-to-date that the opening paragraph might as effectively be dealing with social and economic troubles of the mid-twentieth century as with those of the early sixteenth century.

INFLATION

Though Copernicus did not use the word "inflation", he realized its meaning and described the consequences. The monetary situation was a key problem for the Polish State. Copernicus often served as advisor to the Polish court on economic and fiscal problems, as well as on matters of the home market and foreign trade. Taking part in regional assemblies of the Warmian chapter at the request of the ruling bishop, he worked out a plan of reforms for the currency of Warmia and the neighbouring provinces. He wrote, among other works, a Treatise "on money" (Monetae Cudendas Ratio), in which he advanced the principle of uniform currency for the entire Polish commonwealth. In this he saw a means for improving the welfare of the people, which was his constant concern. This was the idea of centralization of state power and closer economic union with Poland. In the Diet of Piotrkow (1526-1528) uniform coinage for all Poland and Lithuania was introduced in conformity with the proposal of Copernicus.



Suggested by Copernicus and adopted by King Sigismund I of Poland was this gold ducat, 21.2 millimeters, 3.5 grams.

Copernicus was not only one of the greatest astronomers of all time, but also a man of highly original mind. A scientist, by God's gift; a churchman, by the wish of his guardian uncle; a physician by training by the predilection; an economist, statesman and soldier, by necessity; and besides, he was a man skilled in the technical sciences, mechanics, surveying, etc.

The significance of his economic works puts Copernicus among the ranks of the prominent socio-political thinkers of the European Renaissance.

NEW MEMBERS

The applications published in the January issue of the Ontario Numismatist have been accepted.

CORRECTION: The membership number assigned to the Canadian Large Cents Club in the January issue should read C-85, not C-82.

The following applications for membership have been received and if no written objections are received, acceptance will be acknowledged in the May issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

J-1105-Rick Roylance, 64 Yonge St. S., Aurora, Ont., L4G 1M2

1106 -W. Roy Johnston, 1395 Metz Cres., Ottawa, Ont., K1K 3Z7

J-1107-Richie Zabiuk, 24 Long Hill Dr., Richmond Hill, Ont., L4C 4X7

CLUB NEWS

- ** The February meeting of the BRANTFORD NUMISMATIC SOCIETY drew 39 members and guests, with three guests signing up for membership. The highlight of the evening was an O.N.A. slide set on Large One Cent Pieces, along with Walter Griggs' Canadiana Quiz. Both presentations were enjoyed by everyone present.

The Brantford Numismatic Society will again take part in the Canada Week - Brantford holiday celebration, June 25 - July 1, with other groups in the City of Brantford. Ted Donald is the Chairman representing the City. The club will hold a coin show on June 24 at the Brantford and District Civic Centre, South Market St. Bourse tables will cost \$20.00 each (tables measure 2'6" x 8'), the same as the club's last show in 1977. Dealers should book their tables early, with payment. For further details interested parties should write the club Secretary, John Barchino, P.O. Box 953, Brantford, Ont., N3T 5S1

- ** The 131st meeting of the CITY OF OTTAWA COIN CLUB was held in the War Museum on February 26, with 32 members and 8 guests in attendance. The President advised that the City of Ottawa had inquired about acquiring 100 uniface Colonel By medallions. Len Fletcher reported on the stock of medallions still held by the club and speculated on the use of them by the city. He advised that the original dies had been rendered useless for further production in accordance with an agreement with the C.N.A. As the club still had an adequate supply of medallions on hand, Len undertook to look into the matter and report at the next meeting on the possibilities of filling the city's request.

The President advised that Johnny Johnston had volunteered to act as Chairman for the O.N.A. Coin Show and Convention in 1980. Ruth McQuade reported on the theme and objectives of Coin Week Canada. Ruth was asked by the President to act as the Club's C.N.A. representative, which office she graciously accepted.

After a short break, Wayne Houghton, Treasurer of the club and an accountant by profession, presented a very informative talk on "Your Coin Collection and the Taxman" which dealt with the effects of 1971 changes in the Tax Act on the professional and amateur numismatist.

- ** The February 15 meeting of the HURONIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION saw a large turnout of members and guests. Lorraine Acker, the club's Bowl For Millions nominee raised \$95.00 for this worthy cause. The club's February Mini-show was reported a success. The competitive display winners were: Junior - 1st Gary McKnight of Newmarket, 2nd Michael Roberts of Barrie, 3rd Judy Horan of Barrie; Canadian - 1st Rick Roylance of Aurora; World Coins - 1st Alma Gage of Guthrie; World Paper - 1st Lorraine Acker of Barrie; Tokens & Medals - 1st Alma Gage of Guthrie; Topical - 1st Norm Howcroft of Barrie, 2nd Ken Prophet of Barrie; Miscellaneous - 1st Noreen Howcroft of Barrie, 2nd Tom Ivison of Angus; Best of Show - Junior Category - Gary McKnight; Best of Show - Senior - Noreen Howcroft.

Plans are now under way for the club's Annual Show in September.

- ** INGERSOLL COIN CLUB met on February 19 in the Lions Hall. Glen Zavitz was appointed the club's delegate to the O.N.A. Convention, while Grant Monck volunteered to represent the club at the C.N.A. Convention in Edmonton in July. The club's Vice-president, Mrs. Stella Hodge, was the speaker for the meeting. Her topic, "The Saga of the U.S. Dollar", brought out many interesting facts about this coin which was first minted in 1794 with 1,758 coins being struck; in 1795, 203,033 pieces rolled off the coin presses.



Club News, cont'd

Club Editor Barbara Macnab, who has been in the hospital, is now back at home. Best Wishes for a speedy recovery, Barbara. It's people like you, who give selflessly of your free time, who are the backbone of this hobby.

**At the February meeting of the KENT COIN CLUB at the Chatham Public Library, the club voted to nominate Paul Johnson for the office of Second Vice-president of the Canadian Numismatic Association. President Lou Wagenaer reported that the club will have a booth again this year at Chatham Place Mall, to promote the upcoming club show and sell raffle tickets, on April 5, 6 & 7.

**The February meeting of the NORTH YORK COIN CLUB heard a report from President Fred Jewett on the first meeting of the Coin Week Canada Toronto Committee held February 22, at the home of Jack Veffer. The club voted to donate \$25.00 to help defray the expenses of the committee. The speaker for the evening was Mr. Paul Johnson, who gave an excellent talk on Icelandic Currency, illustrated with slides. He was highly commended by the President and his talk was enjoyed by all. The club voted to nominate Paul for the Second Vice-presidency of the C.N.A. The club was happy to welcome Mr. Brian Chinn, President of the Pointe Claire Coin Club as a guest. Mr. Chinn has recently moved to the Toronto area.



The club's Annual Coin Show and White Elephant Sale was reported to be very successful. In the exhibits, Terry Campbell took First place with a display of 1953 New Zealand proof sets. George Fraser won Second place with a Canadian paper money exhibit. Mrs. May Bunnett won Third for her display of British Commonwealth Jubilee coins of 1977. The Peoples Choice Award went to George Fraser's paper money exhibit.

**The February meeting of the ORILLIA CHAMPLAIN COIN CLUB heard a very interesting guest speaker, Mr. Stewart Cobbe, the very likeable and pleasant manager of the Municipal Savings in Orillia, who gave a talk on "Irish History Through Coinage". He brought with him a fair-sized collection of Irish coins and sets, both new and old.

**The RICHMOND HILL COIN CLUB taped a "mini-series" of four shows for local cable television during March. All four shows were hosted by C.F.G.M. Radio personality Ron Knight. Paul Johnson and Aubrey Leslie were featured on one show, Richie Zabiuk (the club's Junior Director) and Norm Belsten on another, Tom Bailey, George Fraser, Myer Price and Ted Merner on the third, while Bob Porter and Stan Clute appeared on the last program in the series, along with some footage of the club's meeting. This is part of the club's Coin Week Canada effort. Thanks were extended to Treasurer Frank Gallant for arranging the taping.

Guest speaker at the club's March meeting was Paul Johnson, who delivered a very enjoyable and informative presentation on "Collecting Numismatic Literature".

**The February 18 meeting of the ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB saw an attendance of sixty people. Past President Vic Snell introduced the guest speaker for the meeting, another Past President, Pat Lambert, who gave an interesting talk on "Specimen Paper Money".

At the March meeting of the club, Vice-president Doug Andrews gave an interesting commentary on the Ontario Numismatic Association slides entitled "Provincial Coins of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island".

(Club News, cont'd)

- ** The March 12 meeting of the STRATFORD COIN CLUB was to see an O.N.A. slide set on grading coins. To augment the program, Frank Smith was expected to bring a number of coins shown on the slides, to give everyone a chance to grade the coins and then discuss the results.
- ** On Tuesday, March 13, the THISTLETOWN COIN & STAMP CLUB celebrated its fifteenth anniversary. A specially ordered birthday cake was on hand for the occasion. The club bulletin reports that three new members have been accepted into the club.
- ** The February meeting of the TORONTO COIN CLUB saw the awarding, by the club, of a certificate and specially engraved medal to Major Sheldon S. Carroll for his article "The Man Who Stole Portugal" in the club's bulletin for 1978. Brian Chinn, President of the Lakeshore Coin Club of Pointe Claire, Quebec, and who has recently moved to Toronto, was introduced. The presentation for the evening was a presentation by May and Ken Bunnett on the works of the famous husband-and-wife team of Emanuel Hahn and Elizabeth Wyn Wood. Their presentation covered background on the pair, slides of their sculptures at various locations around Canada and in museums, slides of the coins and medals designed by them and photographs of some of their works, and slides of Emanuel Hahn's stamp designs. Others in the audience joined in with anecdotes of their remembrances of the pair. Also shown was a twenty-five minute film, "The Story of a Sculptor", which featured Emanuel Hahn and his work, as well as a glimpse of Elizabeth Wyn Wood and her works.



- ** The thirty members and guests in attendance at the February 20th meeting of the WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY were treated to a very informative and interesting presentation on counterfeiting by Jim Metcalfe of the Waterloo Regional Police. The talk was supported by a large number of items which enabled people to see what a counterfeit bill looks like and how it can be identified. The presentation was followed by a lively question period.
- ** The March 6 LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY meeting heard a lively discussion on the \$50 gold bullion coin which the Canadian government plans to introduce as a trade coin to compete with the South African krugerrand on the world gold market. The speaker for the meeting, Graham Esler, spoke on the "Historical Concepts of Roman Coinage". As background for the talk, he outlined the three periods of Roman history as First Period, 753-510 B.C. (the Monarchy); Second Period, 510-31 B.C. (the Republic); Third Period, 31 B.C.-453 A.D. (the Empire). He had chosen a period of some 200 years during which the Roman Republic issued coins. The talk was illustrated by a number of superb slides from the American Numismatic Society series on Roman coins. Graham concluded his talk with a discussion of a number of coins from the period of his talk.

OBITUARY

We are very sorry to have learned of the passing of Mrs. Don Robb of Waterloo. Mrs. Robb will be greatly missed by all her many friends in the numismatic fraternity. The Ontario Numismatic Association extends heartfelt sympathies to Don and the family.

Editor's Notebook



As you read this edition of the Ontario Numismatist, you may notice that it is written with a different type-face than that which has been used for all the previous issues (with the providential exception of the February issue) since I took over the editorship in October. The reason for this is simple and easily explained. About a month ago, my old Smith-Corona portable succumbed to the strain of typing each issue of the Ontario Numismatist and, as the master copy for the March issue was trundled off to the printer, the poor, overworked machine uttered a loud groan, then rolled over and died. The funeral service was brief but sad, as we laid to rest in my basement a dutiful old workhorse which had faithfully tapped out over a hundred columns for Canadian Coin News, dozens of original articles and, of course, the Ontario Numismatist, not to mention copious volumes of personal correspondence. Many were the evenings it unstintingly worked well past midnight, helping me bash out the necessary pages, night after night... Ah, well, Requiescat In Pace.

I would like to take this opportunity to express thanks to Mr. Tom Kostaluk of London, Ontario, for sending in this month's lead article. It is to be hoped that Tom's example will encourage other O.N.A. members to submit papers for publication.

CONVENTION

The 17th Annual Convention of the Ontario Numismatic Association will be held on June 1, 2 & 3 at the Royal Connaught Hotel, in Hamilton. The show will be hosted by the Hamilton Coin Club. The Convention Committee is as follows:

Chairman.....	Lou Henderson
Bourse Chairman.....	Lou Henderson
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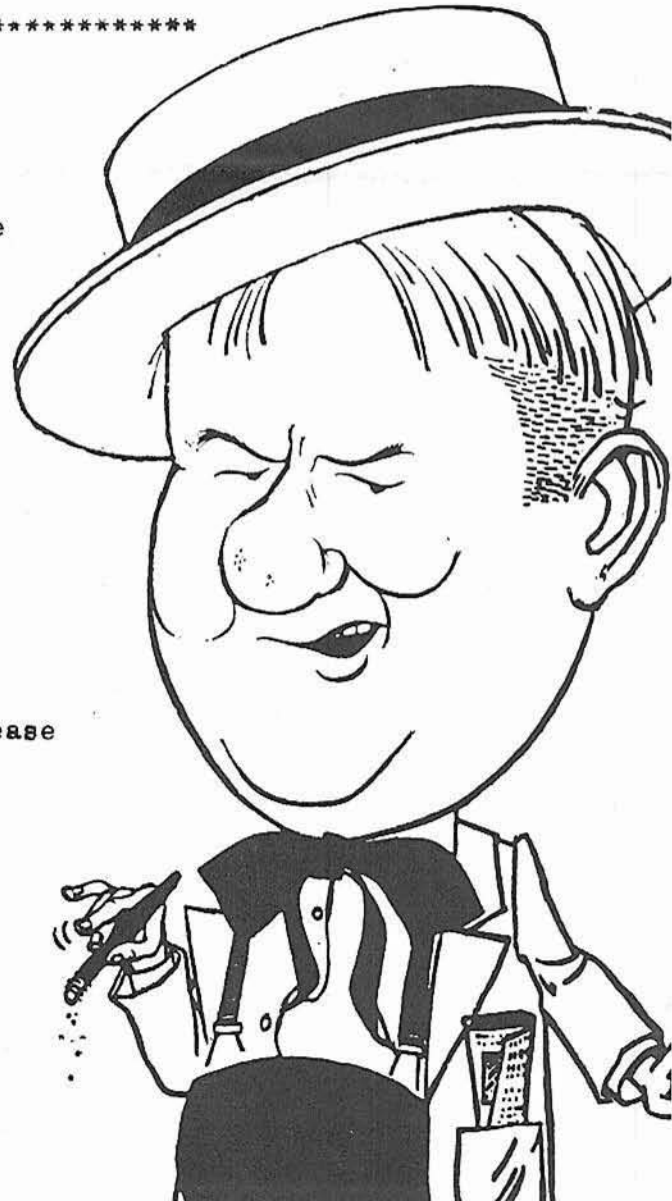
For information in regards to the show, please write to:-

Lou Henderson,
1861 Main St. E.,
Hamilton, Ontario,
L8H 1G2

or phone (416) 549-8065

People wishing to register DISPLAYS or who wish information on displays, please write to:-

John Lawson,
301 Frances St.,
Suite 703,
Stoney Creek, Ontario,
L6R 2W6





Or phone (416) 662-1323.

A wine and cheese party will take place on Friday, June 1 from 9:00 to 11:00 P.M. The price will be \$5.50 per person, which will include 3 free tickets. This is a splendid way in which to start a convention, as it gives collectors and dealers a chance to gather and renew friendships.

On Saturday, June 2 there will be a tour through Andres Wines of Winona, Ontario. Price: \$3.00 per person. The tour will be followed by a wine and cheese party at the winery.

Another feature of the convention is a grading seminar by J. E. Charlton, President of the Canadian Numismatic Association. There will be a free admission to this seminar.

A tour of the Royal Botanical Gardens will take place at 1:00 P.M. on the Friday. The main features of this tour will be the Rose Garden, Rock Gardens, and the Nature Centre. Cost: \$3.00 per person. An alternative trip will be a tour of the City of Hamilton.

The price of the banquet dinner will be \$12.50 per person. The dinner will be a hot and cold buffet. So far no guest speaker has been announced. The banquet is always one of the high points of an O.N.A. Convention and this should be, also, Bourse dealers interested in using security will be interested to know that security starts at 7:30 P.M. on Thursday, May 31. Exhibitors are also welcome to use the security service.

Mr. Stephen R. Taylor of Dover, Delaware, U.S.A., will conduct a Display Seminar on the 2nd of June at 11:00 A.M.

The price of the Club Delegates Breakfast will be \$4.50 per person.

Here is an update on the appearance of Liberace at Hamilton Place. There will be a show on Thursday, May 31 at 8:00 P.M. On Saturday, June 2, there will be two shows instead of one, at 6:00 P.M. and at 10:30 P.M. NO 8:00 P.M. SHOW. There is also a price change for the Sunday matinee. Tickets will cost \$7.50 instead of \$8.50. Tickets are going fast. If interested, contact Mr. Terry MacHugh, Programme Chairman, at 66 Erie Ave. South, Hamilton, Ontario, L8N 2W6.

Tentative plans are also underway for a Seminar on Ancient Coins by Stanley Clute, a grading seminar on Paper Money, and a meeting of the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors, so hopefully, there should be something for everyone at the convention.

Anyone interested in the seminars should contact Mr. MacHugh at the address given above. All seminars will be restricted to a maximum of fifty persons.



Show Schedule

April 15 - 21: Coin Week Canada, sponsored by the Canadian Numismatic Association. This is the hobby's one real yearly outward thrust to reach the non-collecting public across Canada. Are you doing your part???

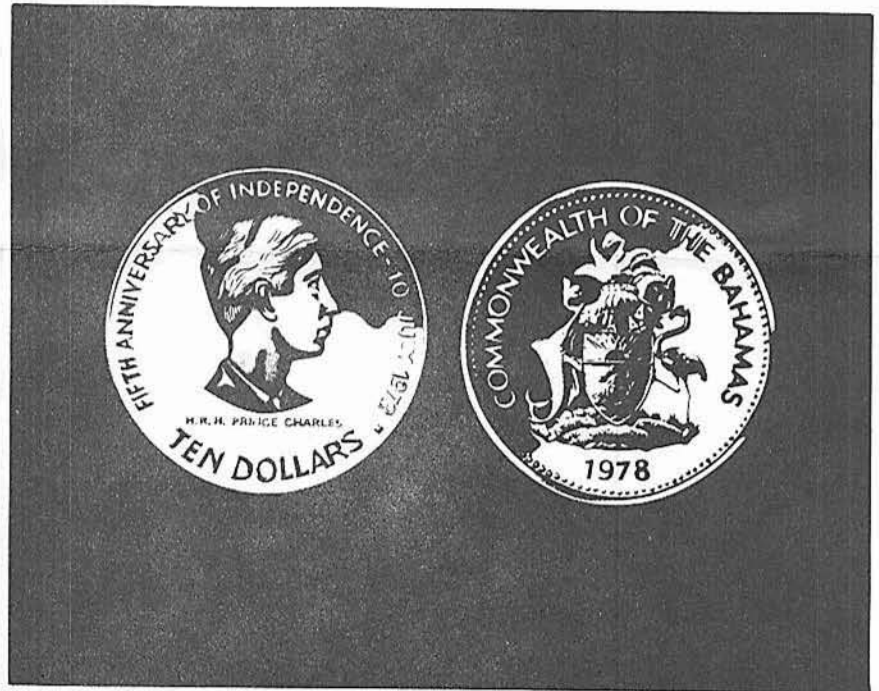
April 22: Kent Coin Club's annual coin show, Wheels Motor Inn, Chatham, Ont. Information from Kent Coin Club, P. O. Box 95, Chatham, Ont., N7M 5K1. This is one of the best local club shows in Ontario, sure to be enjoyed by all.

April 26 -29: Spring Torex '79, Sheraton Centre, 123 Queen Street West, Toronto, Ontario. Admission \$1.00. Information: Peter Findlay, P.O. Box 28, King City, Ont., or Al Bliman. P. O. Box 3145, Station D, Willowdale.

- June 1 - 3: 17th Annual Ontario Numismatic Association Convention, Royal Connaught Hotel, King Street E., Hamilton, Ont. Information: Lou Henderson, 1861 Main St. E., Hamilton, Ont., L8H 1G2; Display Information: John Lawson, 301 Frances St., Suite 703, Stoney Creek, Ontario, L8E 3W6.
- June 24: Brantford Numismatic Society's "Canada Week - Brantford" Coin Show, at Brantford Civic Centre Auditorium, Market Street South, 9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. **Displays - Dealers - Draws** Information: Brantford Numismatic Society, P. O. Box 953, Brantford, Ontario. Free Admission.
- July 16 - 21: Canadian Numismatic Association's Annual Convention, Chateau Lacombe, Edmonton, Alta., Information: Box 4111, Edmonton, Alta.

Silver Coin Commemorating Bahamas Fifth Anniversary

The Central Bank of the Bahamas has announced that it has commissioned the Royal Mint of London, England to strike the 1978 Bahamas \$10 "Prince Charles" coin. This silver coin commemorates the fifth anniversary of Bahamian independence. Coins of the same design & denomination have also been struck at Valcambi, S.A. of Switzerland, but the Royal Mint version will be distinguishable by the famous Tower mintmark on the obverse. The minting of this coin marks the first time that a coin bearing the likeness of Prince Charles has been struck by the Royal Mint of London.



The obverse design features a portrait of His Royal Highness Prince Charles. The coin was designed in 1978 for the Bahamas' fifth anniversary of independence. It is the first coin ever to show any hair apparent to the British throne prior to his becoming monarch.

The \$10 silver coin featuring the Prince measures 50 mm in diameter, weighs 700 grains and is composed of .500 fine silver. The coin's obverse bears the legend, "Fifth Anniversary of Independence 10 July 1978", and the denomination. The reverse features the Bahamian coat of arms and the date.

The coin is available in proof condition for \$39, plus \$2 postage & handling. It may also be purchased as part of a special two-coin proof set, which also contains the coin's counterpart struck in Switzerland (see above) for \$75 plus \$2 postage & handling. Collectors are limited to two individual coins or two proof sets. Inquiries (and orders) should be directed to Paramount Numismatics Ltd., 1723 St. Laurent Blvd., Ottawa, Ont., K1G 3V4.



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J. Douglas Ferguson ♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦ A Tribute

J. Douglas Ferguson was born in Bracebridge, Ontario on October 26, 1901. He attended Humber College in Toronto, and then went on to study at the University of Toronto. In 1928, he married Bessie Helena Hubbell; they had one son, John. Mrs. Ferguson passed away on January 14, 1979, only a few months after their fiftieth wedding anniversary, which they had celebrated last September.

To young Doug Ferguson an interest in Canadian history came early. As a boy he spent many hours listening to his maternal grandfather, Samuel Pearson, recalling the events surrounding the family's departure from England with William Penn to come to America, and how, as a result of having sided with the Crown in the American Revolution, they found it desirable to accept land granted by the Crown near to the site where Toronto now stands.

On his fifth birthday, Doug's grandfather gave him one of the early colonial notes of the Colony of Pennsylvania. In this way was born the start of the fabulous collection that Doug Ferguson developed. His parents and brothers encouraged his interests in history and numismatics.

Doug Ferguson started his business career in Toronto but, after one year's experience, his employer, the Bell Telephone Company, transferred him to the Province of Quebec in 1924. He remained with this company for ten years in various management and supervisory positions. In 1933 he became the general manager of the parent firm, Spencer Supports (Canada) Limited, a step which entailed the Fergusons moving to Stanstead, Quebec. During his years of service with Spencer, he rose to the positions of President and Chairman of the Board.

During his early years in Stanstead, Doug Ferguson devoted much time to local affairs, serving as President of the International Chamber of Commerce, as the first President of the Rotary Club of the Boundary, and President of the International Water Company, as well as actively promoting sports for the young. The growth of the Spencer firm took him across Canada and he thus became widely known to business interests throughout the country. He was the Chairman of the Sherbrooke District of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, and during the war served as Chairman for the Province of Quebec for the same organization. Later, he became President of the Association for all of Canada.

J. Douglas Ferguson also served as President of the Canadian Corset Manufacturers' Association and the Canadian Manufacturers' Association representative on the board of directors of the International Chamber of Commerce of Canada. He was also a representative of Canadian industry at many conferences in the United States, Britain, and Asia, and was appointed to the Canadian Business and Industry Advisory Committee to OECD and NATO as one of two vice-chairmen. He later became Chairman of this body and was the first Canadian to be appointed to the international executive in Paris, where his voice succeeded in having Canada made one of the three countries to be permanently a member of this executive.

Being considered most conversant with economic and business matters in Canada and abroad, Doug Ferguson was often invited by prime ministers and leading cabinet ministers to Ottawa for economic consultation, during the terms of office of Prime Ministers Mackenzie King, St. Laurent, Diefenbaker, and Pearson.

Referred to as the 'Dean of Canadian Numismatics', Doug Ferguson served as President of the American Numismatic Association from 1941 to 1943, was the first recipient of the Association's Order of Merit, and also received the prestigious Farran Zerbe Award. He was the first Canadian to be elected a member of the Royal Numismatic Society (1945), and is a Fellow or an Honorary Member of many leading numismatic societies throughout the world. He is the Honorary President

of the Canadian Numismatic Association, a title which was bestowed upon him soon after the Association was Formed, and he has been the Honorary President of the Canadian Paper Money Society since it was founded. In 1969, he established an award within the Canadian Numismatic Association: the J. Douglas Ferguson Award is the highest award in Canadian Numismatics. He has also lent his name to the C.N.A.'s J. Douglas Ferguson Foundation, which was formed to assist in the publication of new works dealing with Canadian Numismatics.

Doug Ferguson's extensive collection of coins, tokens, medals and banknotes formed the basis for the National Currency Collection of Canada, which is housed at the Bank of Canada, in Ottawa. His outstanding collection of Canadian medals is now in Calgary with the Riveredge Foundation.

The J. Douglas Ferguson Collection, before it was distributed, was the largest numismatic collection which has ever been assembled in Canada. It contained about 40,000 varieties of paper money, most of which went to the National Currency Collection. This included a collection of Card Money and paper money of the French Regime in Canada, which included all but two varieties of those which have been preserved, and about fifty percent in total of the specimens still in existence. The balance was an outstanding collection of paper money of the world, including the first or very early issues of many countries, as well as many more recent issues.



The collection of American Colonial and Continental currency contained approximately 1200 varieties and was considered to be the third or fourth most complete collection in this series. It was placed in the Riveredge Foundation. One very interesting piece, now in the National Currency Collection, is a seal-skin note from Alaska, issued by the Russians during their control of Alaska.

The Canadian and Newfoundland decimal coin collection was complete and all but four pieces were in Uncirculated or Proof condition. Many Canadian patterns were included in the collection.

Only two pieces were lacking from the collection of Canadian historic tokens.

There was also a general collection representing the development of coinage through the ages. It began with the earliest coinage of the Greek and Chinese worlds. There were about 2000 varieties of ancient coins in the collection. All ages were represented therein. These coins are now in the National Currency Collection.

The outstanding collection of American Colonial coinage included one of the four complete sets of Somer Island (Bermuda) coinage, as well as approximately thirty-five varieties of Massachusetts Willow, Oak and Pine Tree Coinage. Vermont, Connecticut, New York, etc. were specialized by varieties. Most of these have been distributed to the largest American collections, and to museums. The remaining tens of thousands of varieties of this general collection were divided between the National Currency Collection and the Riveredge Foundation.

The collection of Canadian medals was particularly large and outstanding. It included about 114 Indian Chief Medals, all the Governors General, most of the known Lieutenant Governors issues, most historic medals (including almost all those listed in Leroux), and many hundreds of others, including Canadian military medals. Doug Ferguson collected Canadian military medals up to and including the South African War, by regiments. This collection included the only

officer's gold medal with a bar for Chrysler's Farm, and one of the two known gold medals for Chateaugay. It also included the gold medal given to General Townsend for the capture of Quebec (which would have gone to General Wolfe, had he not died of wounds received in the battle). These are all in the Riveredge Foundation.

Doug Ferguson served from 1950-52 as Chairman of the Board of Stanstead College, and from 1952 has been Honorary Chairman of the College. He is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, and a Governor of Sherbrooke Hospital. He has also served as President of the Stanstead Historical Society.

NEW MEMBERS

The applications published in the April issue of the Ontario Numismatist have now been accepted. The following applications for membership have been received and if no written objections are received, acceptance will be acknowledged in the June issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

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The following regular members have been transferred to Life Members.

- LM 50 Gary Oblinsky, St. Catharines, Ont.
 LM 51 Henry J. Burke, Oshawa, Ont.

From the Library

Since I became Librarian two years ago, the O. N. A. has continued to expand this service, through the purchase of new books and member donations. The appeal I made to members at the 1978 Convention did not fall on deaf ears. The response to the appeal added almost fifty books to our library. This appeal is still open today for members who might have duplications or volumes that do not complement their particular theme of collecting.

Our aim is to supply the greatest possible range of numismatic material to our members, but on limited funds we cannot begin to keep pace with the new books being published today. Through your help, the library can be a strong and viable service. Your continued use of this service proves that it is needed.

Below is a list of new books that have been added for your service. Please add these to your library list. A complete new list will soon be available.

- Gould's Gold & Silver Guide to CoinsMaurice M. Gould
 Israel's Money & Medals.....A. H. Kagin
 Money Tells the Story.....O. H. Dodson
 Foreign Coins Struck at the U. S. Mints.....Altz & Barton
 Hawaiian Coins, Tokens & Paper Money.....Maurice M. Gould

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Patriotic Civil War Tokens.....	G & M Fuld
The Money of Puerto Rico.....	M. Gould & L. W. Higgle
U. S. Territorial Coinage for the Philippine Islands.....	Neil Shafer
Alaska's Coinage Through the Years.....	Gould & Bressett
The Colonial Coinage of the U. S. Virgin Islands.....	Lincoln W. Heggie
A Guide to Civil War Store Card Tokens.....	G & M Fuld
Coins and Collections.....	David Bowers
The Coinage of Jamaica.....	Ray Byrne & Jerome H. Remick
A Glimpse at Historic Modern Israel Through Numismatics....	American Israel Numismatic Assoc.
Israel Numismatics and its Bright Future.....	Maurice M. Gould
The Story of Israel in Coins.....	Jean & Maurice Gould
Deep Roots of Israel.....	American Israel Numismatic Assoc.
United States Fractional Currency.....	Matt Rotherth
C.N.A. Index - 1950 to 1966.....	F. Bowman & R. C. Willey
Grading Guide to Canadian Decimal Coins.....	J. E. Charlton & R. C. Willey
Coin Guide-1970.....	J. E. Charlton
Coin Guide-1965.....	J. E. Charlton

Our thanks to Rudy Brill, Sarnia, Fred Jewett, Willowdale, and Arthur Leff, London, for these generous donations to our library.

T. Masters, Librarian

Editor's Notebook



I hope that all O. N. A. members will take the time to read the biography of Mr. J. Douglas Ferguson, which is featured as the lead article for this month. The Ontario Numismatic Association is honoured and proud to have a speaker of Mr. Ferguson's stature address the banquet at our 17th annual convention.

The May issue of the Ontario Numismatist is respectfully dedicated to J. Douglas Ferguson, an outstanding Canadian and an inspiration to all.

It is appropriate that the first issue of the Ontario Numismatist in our new double-sided format should be a tribute to Doug Ferguson who, throughout his long period of involvement in numismatics, has always been pre-eminent, and who is considered to be "The Dean of Canadian Numismatics".

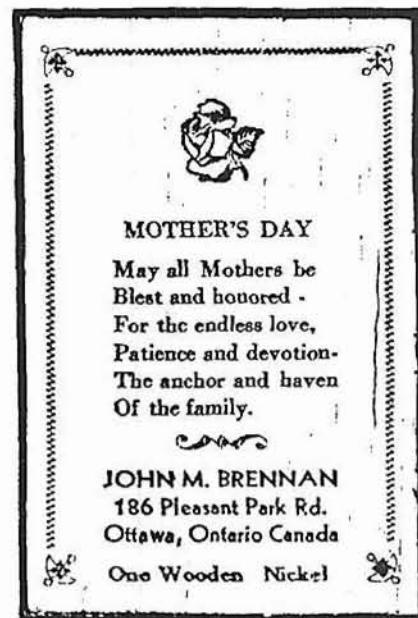
The main reason for the change of format is very basic: ECONOMY. Recently, the cost of paper has risen, and it has come to your Editor's attention that it was costing \$5.50 to print and mail the bulletin to one member for one year (ie. 11 issues). Therefore, I began looking for a way to cut the cost without having to sacrifice quality. Since we are already at the most basic postage rate for Printed Matter, the savings, if any, would have to be made in the area of printing. The result is in your hands. While this format requires the use of a heavier bond paper, it is still cheaper than the previous format, yet still gives members a full ten pages of Ontario Numismatist. The decreased weight will also

enable additional inserts to be sent out with the Ontario Numismatist whenever it may be necessary. Nor will it interfere with binding, for those members who like to have their copies of the bulletin bound into book form: in fact, when bound, it should appear even more book-like than previous issues. We hope you like it.

Stanley Clute,
Editor

A very timely new wooden flat has just been issued by wooden money collector John M. Brennan of Ottawa. This issue celebrates Mother's Day on May 13, 1979. Printing on this flat is in black, green, red and yellow, making a very attractive piece. Wooden flats, as wooden money collectors know, are named for their shape: they are flat, and normally very thin. While most are rectangular, a few are round in shape. Flats are printed individually by hand, usually on thin veneer or balsa wood.

While on the subject, it seems an opportune time to point out that wooden money collector Ted Oulds, of Chatham, plans to bring out a limited edition of 100 pieces by June. Ted's flats will honour the Ontario Numismatic Association Convention being held in Hamilton on June 1, 2 and 3, 1979.



Illustrated here is a copper duit (pronounced "dowt", according to my informant) of Zeelandia, dated 1796. Zeeland is a province in the South West Netherlands and, at the time this coin was struck was autonomous. The province's coat of arms depicted on the obverse is a crowned shield showing a lion emerging from the waves. Zeeland, which consists mainly of islands, is an area which has been reclaimed from the sea. Around the edge is the legend LUCTOR ET EMERGO. The reverse carries the province's name in three lines, with three stars above and the date below. In the Netherlands scheme of currency, the duit held a position roughly equivalent to our cent.



THIS FORTUNE COOKIE APPROPRIATE: Recently, the Editor found a very appropriate comment (for a numismatist) in a Chinese fortune cookie. It read, "The other side of the coin exists whether we turn it over or not."

QUIPS

A counterfeiter is someone who gets into trouble by following a good example.
(Thanks to Stratford Coin Club)

"They say the noise of coins jingling is a welcome sound to everyone but a numismatist. How true! (Our thanks to Orillia Champlain Coin Club for this one)

EXEC RAISES CASH

On Saturday, April 7, 1979, the President and Vice-president of the Ingersoll Coin Club raised over \$400 for crippled children. Club President Thomas Masters and Vice-president Stella Hodge walked a distance of approximately ten miles, from Ingersoll to Woodstock, carrying crutches. They had originally planned to push each other in a wheel chair, but learned that the police frowned on the idea as a possible traffic hazard. In addition to the crutches they carried, the pair also wore placards stating the reason for their walk. Pledge sheets were distributed to all club members.

The walk was a memorial to the late Allan Macnab. Mrs. Hodge pointed out that last year the club raised \$240 for crippled children through its annual auction, but this year they wanted to try a different method. "In a sense we are carrying on Allan's tradition because it was one of his pet projects," she explained.

The walk was reported to be very successful, with over \$435 collected and some pledges still to be fulfilled.

Annual Convention

Here are a few more details about the O.N.A. Annual Convention, to be held at the Royal Connaught Hotel in Hamilton on June 1, 2 & 3.

The grading seminar on Canadian coins will be conducted by Mr. James E. Charlton, famous author of the Standard Catalogue of Canadian Coins, at 1:00 P.M., on Saturday, June 2.

An introductory seminar on Ancient Coins will be conducted by Mr. Stanley Clute, "Ancient Coins" columnist of Canadian Coin News, on Saturday, June 2, at 3:30 P.M.

A paper money seminar will be held the same day at 4:15 P. M. All the above seminars are provided free of charge. A maximum of fifty people can be accommodated in the meeting room.



Show Schedule

May 26, 1979: Newmarket Numismatic Society annual show, Upper Canada Mall, Highway 11 & Davis Dr., Newmarket. Information: Newmarket Numismatic Society, P. O. Box 142, Newmarket, Ont., L3Y 4W3.

June 1 - 3: 17th Annual Ontario Numismatic Association Convention, Royal Connaught Hotel, King St. E., Hamilton, Ont. Information: Lou Henderson,

1861 Main St. E., Hamilton, Ont., L8H 1G2; Display information: John Lawson, 301 Frances St., Stoney Creek, Ontario, L8E 3W6.

June 24: Brantford Numismatic Society's "Canada Week - Brantford" Coin Show, at Brantford Civic Centre Auditorium, Market South, 9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.
Displays - Dealers - Draws For information: Brantford Numismatic

Society, P. O. Box 953, Brantford, Ont. Free Admission.

July 16 - 21: Canadian Numismatic Association's Annual Convention, Chateau Lacombe, Edmonton, Alberta. Information: Box 4111, Edmonton, Alta.

July 29 - August 3: American Numismatic Association Annual Convention, Stouffers Riverfront Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri.

September: Labour Day Weekend: City of Ottawa Coin Club annual show, in the Commonwealth Room, Holiday Inn, Kent St., Ottawa.

September 15 - 16: Toronto Coin Club annual Fall Show, Royal York Hotel, 100 Front Street West, Toronto. Information: Toronto Coin Club, P. O. Box 865, Adelaide St. Post Office, Toronto, Ont., M5C 2K1

September 29: Pemex '79 in the Highview School Auditorium, Pembroke, Ont., opening at 10 A.M., and with the theme of "Stamps, Coins & Tourism"

CLUB NEWS

**The March meeting of the Brantford Numismatic Society saw a turnout of 33 members and 5 guests. President Ed Anstett gave an interesting paper on Canadian coins. Ex Officio Gord Durnford also delivered a paper on 1936 coinage of Canada, outlining the reason for the "dot" coins.

**The Canadian Large Cents Club has issued a new piece of wooden money to commemorate Coin Week Canada. The obverse depicts two maple leaves on a single stem, the dates April 15 - 21 centred in a curved ribbon; the year 1979 appears below and to the left of the leaves. The whole is contained in the legend HISTORY IN YOUR HANDS and COIN WEEK CANADA. The reverse depicts the club name, date, and the club editor's initials.

**The March 26 meeting of the City of Ottawa Coin Club heard a most interesting talk on Counterfeit Coins by Dr. Stanley Shiff. His presentation was preceded by a display of photographs and coins which the members were invited to examine and to answer the questions posed relative to each item. In his talk Dr. Shiff divided his remarks into three sections dealing with Misrepresentations, Copies and Counterfeits. He delivered general remarks on the first two sections. He then dealt in more detail with the subject of counterfeits, from the history of early counterfeiters and their works, to the various methods of counterfeiting employed then and now, ie. casting, electroplating, centrifugal casting, impact dies, electric discharge machines; he concluded with remarks on altered and whizzed coins. The talk was followed by a short question-and-answer period.

**At the March 15 meeting of the Huronia Numismatic Association in Barrie, members were asked to write numismatically related questions on cards for answering during the meeting. It was noted by President Ken Prophet that the dealers tables at the club's mall show will be enlarged in size but there will be no increase in the number of dealers at the show.

**Ingersoll Coin Club met on March 19. The evening's programme featured member participation. Mrs. Stella Hodge spoke on the work of the London Crippled Children's Centre, outlining such items as funding, what the Centre is, who it serves, what it does, parents groups, medical policies, educational services, occupational therapy, social work, speech pathology, and volunteers. President Thomas masters spoke on the teacher Anne Macy and the pupil Helen Keller. Grant Monck spoke on the do's and don'ts of putting together a competitive coin display - a subject on which he is well qualified, having won numerous

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display awards. Tommy Koslonen told members how the game of Monopoly originated in the 1930's, and that all the properties therein are named after streets in Atlantic City. Its popularity remains high even today, despite the increased competition from numerous new games on the market. Lorne Mercer displayed his hobby of collecting watches and clocks. He brought with him about two dozen watches for examination by the members.

**The Kent Coin Club met in March at the Chatham Public Library. The meeting saw 24 members and 1 guest present. A report was presented, regarding a special meeting of the club's show committee, held on March 18. Preparations for the show on April 22 were coming along well. New member Celia Claridge was accepted into the club.

**President Bill Clarke welcomed 20 members and guests to the April 3rd meeting of the London Numismatic Society. Ted Leitch displayed a case of Western Fair tokens and medals. The main feature of the meeting was an audio-visual presentation of the American Numismatic Association entitled Mediaeval European Coinage. The accompanying commentary was read by Graham Esler, who added significantly to the presentation from his own knowledge of the subject.

**The guest speaker at the March meeting of the North York Coin Club was Mr. Norman Wells of Peterborough, who spoke about "The Fun & Frustrations of Research". Mr. Wells' talk was based mainly on his experiences in researching his book, Medals & Tokens of the Industrial Exhibition of Toronto. He passed around pictures of some of the early exhibition medals, while he gave a short history of some of the spectacular firsts of what is now the Canadian National Exhibition. There was the first street lighting with both gas and electricity competing; the first wireless demonstrations; etc. Mr. Wells' talk was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.



**The March meeting of the Orillia Champlain Coin Club saw a good turn out of members and visitors. Gordon Horne brought in two old newspapers for members to read and view - a May 1962 issue of Canadian Coin and Stamp World, and a June 3, 1963 issue of Canada Coin News; vol. 1, no. 1. The evening was finished off with a delicious lunch followed by a short auction.

**The programme for the April meeting of the Oshawa & District Coin Club featured coin dealers, draws, donation and regular auctions, as well as displays by members for Coin Week Canada.

**The April 17 meeting of the Richmond Hill Coin Club was slightly shorter than usual, so that members could get home in time to listen to the Ron Knight Show on radio station CFGM. In addition to club members Bob Porter, Stan Clute, Tom Bailey, John Munro-Cape, and Ted Merner, CNA President Jim Charlton and CAND Executive Secretary Al Bliman were also featured on the programme, answering phone inquiries from listeners and promoting numismatics. The club's Coin Week Canada effort included a library display on Saturday, April 21, and a series of four TV programmes on numismatics.

**The March meeting of the St. Thomas Numismatic Association heard a club member and local historian, Don Cosens give an illustrated talk on Port Stanley and the Stork Club. The presentation was reported to be very interesting.

**The April meeting of the Stratford Coin Club was to be a Coin Quiz conducted

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by the younger members of the club. In this issue of the bulletin, the editor takes the time to introduce the club executive to the rest of the membership, with a short note about each person on the executive.

**Speaker at the April meeting of the Thistle town Coin & Stamp Club was the club Secretary, Ken Pepper, who gave a talk on Foreign Paper Money and how to properly house and care for your notes. The club manned two library displays during Coin Week Canada: Tom Bailey organized the displays at the Albion Public Library and the York Woods Public Library

**The Toronto Coin Club's March meeting heard Mr. Bill Cross, President of Charlton International and of the C.A.N.D. deliver an illustrated presentation entitled "Tangible Investments - Profit Opportunities". The talk was complemented by charts to aid Mr. Cross' conclusion that rare coins were, are, and will continue to be, a good investment. Mr. Cross then spoke about the Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers, explaining that one of their prime objectives is education. They have been involved in sponsoring counterfeit detection seminars, as well as seminars on grading. Mr. Cross asked for other ideas which might be of benefit to the hobby, for possible implementation by C.A.N.D.



**The feature attraction for the March 20th meeting of the Waterloo Coin Society was the O. N. A. slide series entitled "Church Medallions". Despite some minor problems with the sound accompaniment for the 52 slides, but the material was generally well received. Chairman for the meeting was Enrico Glowacki.

The United States coin firm of Bowers and Ruddy Galleries, Inc. has announced a new edition of the well known "Photograde" grading guide book. In August, 1970, the first edition of the book, by James F. Ruddy, first made its appearance. In 1972, it was designated an official grading guide by the American Numismatic Association. The new edition combines the traditional Photograde features with a cross-reference to the ANA grading system.

In one volume, the book provides over 1,000 photographs of U.S. coins from 1/2¢ to \$20 gold, as well as colonial issues. It works on the theory of matching the proper photo to the coin in your possession in order to grade it. The new book will sell for \$3.50 U.S. and will be available from various coin dealers. It can also be ordered postpaid from Bowers & Ruddy Galleries, Suite 600 NR, 6922 Hollywood Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90028, U.S.A.

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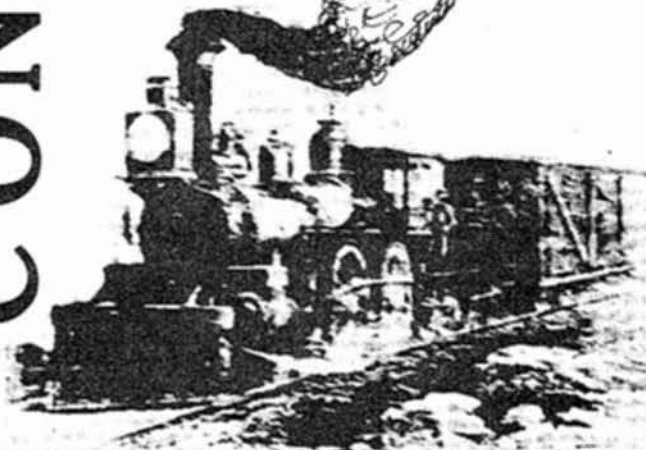
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HINTS FOR THE NUMISMATIC NEWCOMER

by E. A. Gordon

Maybe the title would have been better understood by the people concerned, if I had said hints for the beginner coin collector! Most people are unaware of the term Numismatics or Numismatists and are thrown for a curve immediately either of these two words crops up.

The dictionary defines Numismatic as: 1. of or relating to currency, 2. of or relating to Numismatics. Numismatics: the study or collection of coins, tokens and paper money, also sometimes related to objects such as medals or medallions.

Now that we know who or what we are, then let us see what is best for us: first of all, let us not rush into things blindly, buying anything and everything which takes our fancy. Let us decide what we should collect, if we are a junior, will it be pennies, nickels or dimes, etc.; will it be one of each year and, if so, where do we start.

The current Canadian coins carry the Queen's portrait on the obverse and have done so since 1953, although there was a design change in 1965: therefore a full year set of the Queen's reign would run from 1953 to date; but for someone on an extremely limited budget, a mini set from 1965 to date could be a starting point. For the person with a more liberal budget then we would have to consider whether we wish to amass a complete collection: this means from 1858 [Queen Victoria], and it would run into many thousands of dollars at today's catalogue prices.

To cut costs a little, Edward VII appeared from 1902 to 1910, George V reigned from 1911 to 1936, and finally George VI from 1937 to 1952.

Once we have decided what we will collect and from where we will start, the next thing is to know what grade of coin we want in our collection. Here again the budget will be the deciding factor. With so many grades to choose from; good (G), very good (VG), fine (F), very fine (VF), extra fine (EF), about uncirculated (AU), uncirculated (UNC), brilliant uncirculated (BU), gem uncirculated (BU GEM), and Proof, then the beginner must without any doubt obtain a good catalogue such as "Charltons" or "Coins of Canada" and learn as much as possible from it on grades and condition of coins, plus scarcity, etc., before buying.

When we stop to consider that a certain coin could vary from \$15.00 in V.G. to \$2200.00 in B.U., and note the extreme jumps in cost for each grade in between, then the cost of a catalogue is surely a very wise investment.

In addition to the coin catalogue, another book to be given consideration is the Canadian Grading Guide. Here again the cost is small compared to the savings on overgraded coins.

The next item to consider is the storing and protection of your coins. Never should loose coins be allowed to rub against each other or stored in a jar or box, as most pack-rat collectors do. The most popular method of protection is a 2" x 2" cardboard folder, with cutouts to suit the size

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of coin, covered in a plastic film. The coin is inserted in the folder and stapled on three sides: these folders can then be inserted into what are known as 20 pocket plastic pages which in turn can be mounted in a three ring binder. There are many other ways of storing our coins, also - for instance, the Whitman Coin Folder, which is relatively inexpensive but only allows one side of the coin to be seen and of course touched. The Whitman Bookshelf Album type offers good protection to our coins, plus the advantage of being able to view both sides.

The Harco type album is also a good choice: it offers excellent protection, plus the feature of mixing coins of different sizes and shapes, on the same page, or placing different pages within the same album, which is not possible with the bookshelf type.

All of this, of course, is an individual's preference and you should check out all available supplies at local dealers and, maybe more importantly, with other collectors, to see how they store and display their coins.

This now leads us into clubs and what advantages one may gain from joining a club. Well, first of all there is the camaraderie of meeting regularly with others who share a common interest. Then there is the knowledge we can share with each other, plus the knowledge available from the club's library and bulletins which, in turn, saves the expense of purchasing all the extra books necessary to really get into the research of a coin, its history or geography, etc., which is the greatest reason, possibly, for pursuing this hobby, apart from the speculative side of it - the search for greater knowledge.

Also, the local club is an excellent source of supply to the beginner collector by means of the trading, buying and selling which goes on among the collectors and maybe even dealers present. Quite often there is also a club auction, which also allows for purchases or sales of duplicate coins.

Finally, I think we should touch on security. All too often we hear of a dealer's or collector's store or home being broken into and their collections taken. What can we do about this? Well, apart from the obvious, of making our doors and windows secure, there are three things which should be considered seriously. The three things are as follows:

- A. Insurance is a must, once our collection gets to a point where substantial losses would occur if stolen. This must be investigated at length to obtain the best coverage possible, as not all home insurance companies will cover coin collections.
- B. Safety deposit box at your local bank for storing your collections must also be considered; use of this facility could also reduce slightly the premium on the insurance. Yes, you still must have insurance on your collection, even if stored in a vault, because the banks do not insure the contents of your box, primarily because they have no knowledge of its contents.

- C. A mail box at the local post office is also to be considered, this for receipt of all mail offers and correspondence from dealers and clubs, etc., reducing the risk of unwanted mail to your personal address.

These hints for the newcomer have been offered for your consideration and have resulted from personal experience over the last ten years of organized collecting.

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Editor's Notebook

The June issue of the Ontario Numismatist is being mailed a couple of weeks early, in the hope that most members will receive it prior to the Ontario Numismatic Association's annual convention being held the first weekend in June. This issue is a special convention edition and contains additional information which may be of help to convention-going members: for example the floor-plan and the meeting schedule, among other items. This issue is also being aimed at the novice or casual visitor to the convention. The editor anticipates an overrun which will be given out to interested non-members at the convention.

Stanley Clute, Editor.

NEW MEMBERS

The applications published in the May issue of the Ontario Numismatist have now been accepted.

IMPORTANCE OF A LIBRARY

An important aspect of coin collecting, at all levels, is the availability of adequate reference material. It is well worth the time, effort and money of every serious collector to acquire a selection of books, catalogues and clippings related to his field(s) of interest. If one has both the money and the inclination to do so, a personal numismatic library can be expanded to include additional fields of numismatics, as well as varied background information. A library is important to a collector's interest in and satisfaction with this hobby continuing and growing through the years - for only by knowing about the coins, medals, banknotes or tokens that you collect can you fully appreciate them. Your personal numismatic reference library need not be large. It may consist of only a small handful of books pertaining to your field of interest. Or it can be just as large as you want to make it. While more detailed reference works can be found through coin club and association libraries, university and public libraries, etc., a personal selection of numismatic books provides a quick and handy reference, especially for those tidbits of information which slip from your mind just when you want them.

Editor.

O. N. A. CONVENTION PROGRAMME

Friday, June 1st:

- 8:30 A.M. Display and Bourse - Set Up.
 10:00 A.M. Bourse and Display Rooms Open to General Public
 11:00 A.M. Official Opening, by Hamilton Mayor John A. MacDonald:
 Ballroom.
 1:00 P.M. Tour of Royal Botanical Gardens - meet in Main Lobby:
 12:15 P.M. - Tour from 1:00 to 2:30 P.M.
 9:00 P.M. - 11:00 P.M. - Wine & Cheese Party: Connaught Square.

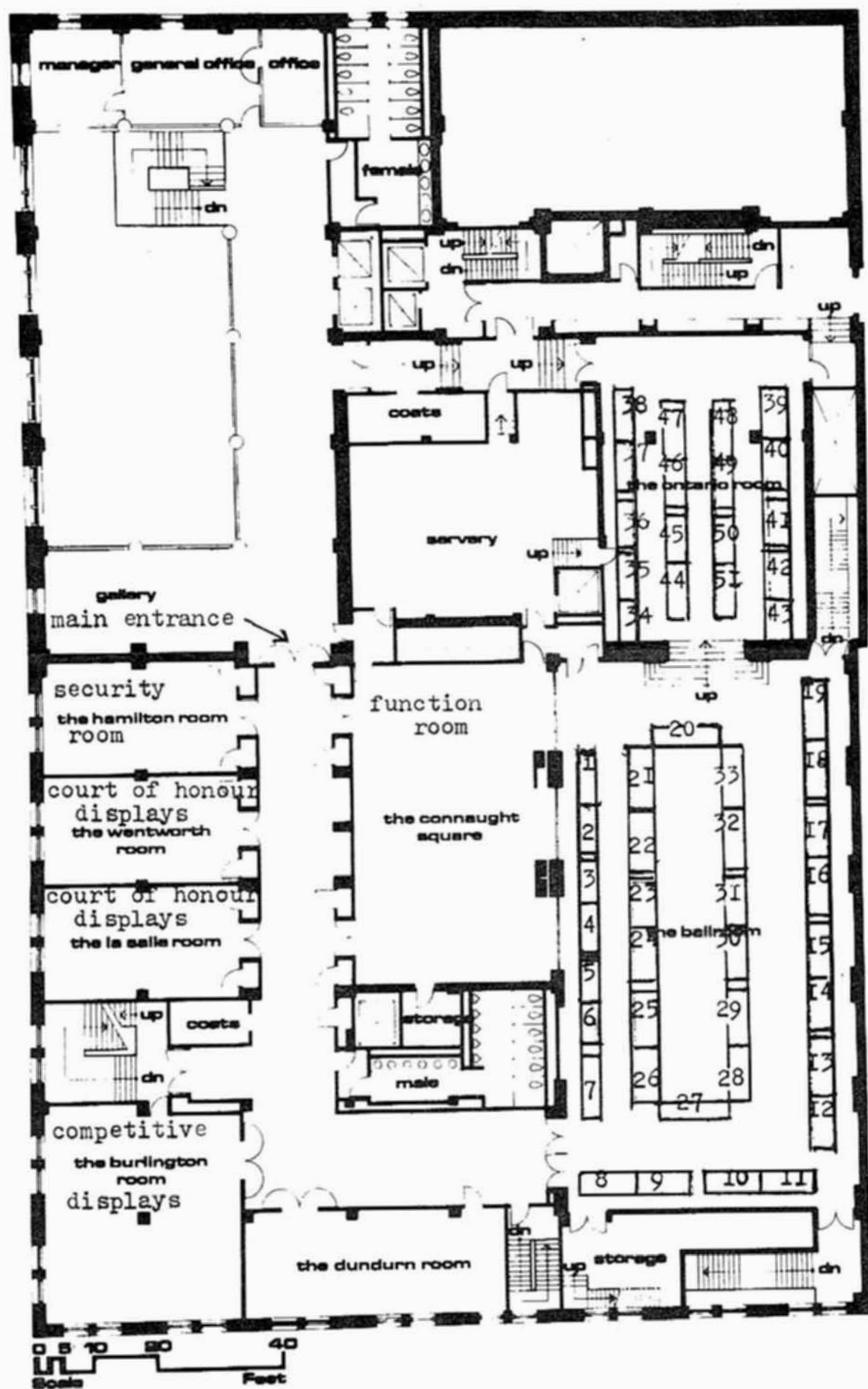
Saturday, June 2nd:

- 9:00 A.M. Bourse Room Open to Dealers Only.
 10:00 A.M. Bourse and Display Rooms Open to General Public
 10:00 A.M. O.N.A. General Membership Meeting: Connaught Square.
 10:00 A.M. Auction Material On View in the Security Room
 11:00 A.M. Seminar on Displaying, by Mr. Stephen R. Taylor:
 in the Dundurn Room
 1:00 P.M. Coin Auction: Connaught Square Room, One Session,
 Conducted by Charlton Auctions
 1:00 P.M. Seminar on Coin Grading, by Mr. James E. Charlton:
 in the Dundurn Room
 2:00 P.M. Tour of Andres Wine - meet in Main Lobby: 12:30 P.M.
 - Tour from 2:00 - 4:00 P.M.
 2:15 P.M. Seminar on Grading Paper Money, by Mr. Myer Price,
 President, and Mr. Al Bliman, Vice President, of
 the Canadian Paper Money Society.
 3:30 P.M. Seminar on the "Hows" and "Whys" of Collecting
 Ancient Greek and Roman Coins, by Mr. Stanley Clute,
 'Ancient Coins' Columnist of Canadian Coin News, in
 the Dundurn Room.
 4:00 P.M. Meeting of the Canadian Association of Wooden Money
 Collectors: Connaught Square Room.
 5:00 P.M. Registration Desk Will Be Closed
 6:00 P.M. Cocktails - Cash Bar - Connaught Square Room
 7:00 P.M. Banquet Dinner - Connaught Square Room - Hot & Cold
 Buffet: Guest Speaker, Mr. J. Douglas Ferguson,
 F.R.N.S., F.C.N.R.S.
 Exhibit and Other Awards.
 10:00 P.M. Bourse and Display Rooms Closed

Sunday, June 3rd:

- 9:00 A.M. Bourse Room Open to Dealers Only.
 9:00 A.M. Club Delegates Breakfast: Connaught Square Room
 - Guest Speaker, Mr. John G. Humphris, Teacher,
 Writer, Lecturer.
 10:00 A.M. Bourse and Display Rooms Open to General Public.
 5:00 P.M. Convention Closes.

CONVENTION FLOOR PLAN



CONVENTION DEALERS

The following is a list of the dealers who have booked bourse space at the Convention, as of the time this issue went to press:

<u>Table</u>	<u>Dealer</u>
1 & 2 -	Del Curtis, Hepworth, Ontario
3 & 4 -	Leslie M. Allen, Wiarton, Ontario
5 -	L. Macikunas, Hamilton, Ontario
6 -	Chas. Springborn, St. Clair, Michigan
7 -	J. & J. Coins, Marysville, Michigan
8 -	Sears Coins & Stamps, Hamilton, Ontario
9 -	Lloyd Rankin, Hepworth, Ontario
10 -	J. Lloyd Carney, Toronto, Ontario
11 -	John S. Queen, West Milton, Ohio
12 & 13 -	Dick Lockwood, Streetsville, Ontario
14 -	Wes Ham, Huntsville, Ontario
15 -	George Beach, Owosso, Michigan
16 -	Trafalgar Coins, Oakville, Ontario
17 -	George Shave, Wainfleet, Ontario
18 & 19 -	Beaver Coins & Stamps, Hamilton, Ontario
20 -	Bob Traynor, Hamilton, Ontario
21 & 22 -	Bob Armstrong, Owen Sound, Ontario
23 -	William J. Grant, Kitchener, Ontario
24 -	J. R. Kelly, Ottawa, Ontario
25 -	John Abbott Rare Coins, Detroit, Michigan
26 -	Frank Rose, Deerfield Beach, Florida
27 -	Karol Kamler, Hamilton, Ontario
28 -	Roger Coin & Stamp, Guelph, Ontario
29 -	Leslie's Coins & Stamps, Aurora, Ontario
30 -	Bob Rogers Coins, Holliston, Massachusetts
31 & 32 -	Provincial Coins, Hamilton, Ontario
33 -	Ian A. Marshall, Thornhill, Ontario
34 -	Paris Coin & Stamp, Paris, Ontario
42 -	John Humphris, Sidney, Ohio
43 -	Jack Dietrich, Markham, Ontario

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

As President of the Ontario Numismatic Association, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Executive and Convention Committee of the Hamilton Coin Club for their hard work in organizing this year's ONA Convention. I would also like to thank the participating bourse dealers, and exhibitors, as well as those people who have selflessly given of their time to conduct educational seminars at the Convention, for their contributions towards the success of the Convention.

I would also like to wish everyone an enjoyable time at the Ontario Numismatic Association's 1979 Convention. See you at the Royal Connaught.

Bruce R. Watt,
President.

O. N. A. CONVENTION MEDALS

TENTATIVELY, the Convention medals for this year will be as follows:

- Bronze (60 minted) - \$12.50 each to pre-registrants
- \$15.00 each to all other persons
- Anodized (silver coated) - \$25.00 to pre-registrants
- \$35.00 to all other persons

Also, orders may be taken for sterling silver medals at a price of \$60.00 each, plus tax: this will be proceeded with only if a minimum of ten medals are ordered.

These prices have NOT been confirmed at the time of publication of this issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

NOTICE OF AUCTION TENDER

A numismatic auction will be held in conjunction with the Association's 18th Annual Convention at Ottawa, Ontario, from May 23rd to 25th, 1980. Tenders for the auction, which are to include the terms of listing percentages, mail and floor bid rules, etc., will be accepted from interested auctioneers on or before October 1, 1979. The sealed tenders will be opened at the O.N.A. October executive meeting. Tenders will only be accepted if they are in sealed envelopes, the outside of which is clearly marked ["AUCTION TENDER"].

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Mail one copy of the tender only to: The Secretary, Ontario Numismatic Association, P.O. Box 33, Waterloo, Ontario, N2J 3Z6.

Show Schedule



June 16: Victoria-Simcoe Numismatic Association, annual Coin Show in the Community Centre, Cannington; Banquet in the Legion Hall. Information: E. Workman, RR 2, Cannington.

June 24: Canada Week Coin Show, Civic Centre Auditorium, Market Street South, Brantford. Free Admission, plus free hourly draws. Information: Brantford Numismatic Society, P.O. Box 953, Brantford, Ont., N3T 5S1.

July 16 - 21: Canadian Numismatic Association's Annual Convention, Chateau Lacombe, Edmonton, Alta. Information: Box 4111, Edmonton, Alta.

July 29 - Aug. 3: American Numismatic Association Annual Convention, Stouffers Riverfront Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri.

Sept., Labour Day Weekend: City of Ottawa Coin Club annual show, in the Commonwealth Room, Holiday Inn, Kent St., Ottawa.

Sept. 15 & 16: Toronto Coin Club annual Fall show, Royal York Hotel, 100 Front St. W., Toronto. Information: Toronto Coin Club, P.O. Box 865, Adelaide St. P.O., Toronto, Ont., M5C 2K1

Sept. 29: Pemex '79, Highview School Auditorium, Pembroke, Ont., opening at 10:00 A.M.

- Oct. 7: Bluewater International Coin Show, sponsored by Sarnia Coin Club, at the Canterbury Inn, 1485 London Rd., Sarnia, from 10 A.M.- 6 P.M.
- Oct. 13: Richmond Hill Coin Club annual show, Hillcrest Mall, Yonge St. & Carrville Rd., Richmond Hill, Ont. Information: Richmond Hill Coin Club, P. O. Box 386, Richmond Hill, Ont., L4C 4Y6.

**An interesting mix-up interfered with the regular monthly meeting of the Champlain Coin Club in Orillia, in April. Someone in the church where the club meets got their dates mixed up: when members arrived, it was to find their usual meeting place in the hall and kitchen area freshly painted and still wet. Everyone crowded into the children's room, which was warm and bright. However, over 30 people plus tables and chairs crowded into a room that was much too small, plus the overwhelming odour of fresh paint, turned out to be just too much for most members, so the meeting was shorter than usual.

**On April 22, the Kent Coin Club held its a annual coin show at the Wheels Motor Inn, in Chatham. The show was, once again, a complete success, with 21 top dealers at their tables, along with a large number of excellent displays. Display winners were: Category "A" [Canadian Decimal Coins]: 1st Bill Payne, London; 2nd Bill Martin, Chatham; 3rd Al Caron, Chatham; "B" [Canadian Currency]: 1st Ray Gregory, Cookstown; 2nd Lou Wagenaer, Chatham; "C" [U. S. Decimal & Gold Coins]: 1st Tom Kostaluk, London; 2nd Lou Wagenaer; 3rd Brian Johnston; "D" [Medals & Tokens]: 1st Arthur Leff, London; 2nd Tom Kostaluk; 3rd Mrs. Ellen Smith, Chatham; "E" [Foreign]: 1st Bill Payne; 2nd Tom Kostaluk; 3rd Stan Clute, North York; "F" [Odd & Curious]: 1st Lou Wagenaer; 2nd Ted Oulds, Chatham; "H" [Ancient & Mediaeval]: 1st Bill Martin; "G" [Junior]: 1st Cindy Williamson, Sarnia; 2nd Cindy Williamson; 3rd Danny Petrosich, Chatham; Best of Show, Cindy Williamson; Best Club Member Display, Bill Martin.



Kent Coin Club president Lou Wagenaer gives 1st Place Junior Award to Cindy Williamson of Sarnia. Cindy also won the Best of Show Trophy at the show.

- **Guest speaker at the April meeting of the North York Coin Club was O.N.A. Editor Stanley Clute, who spoke about the O.N.A., its upcoming convention, and his experiences as Editor. C.N.A. Ontario Director Paul Johnson gave a report on the club's Coin Week Canada activities and their success.
- **Stratford Coin Club's annual Dinner Meeting will be held on June 11, at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Stratford. The speaker will be Mr. William K. Cross, President of Charlton Numismatics, who will speak on coins as an investment. The cost of the dinner will be \$4.00 per person for the country style roast beef dinner. Tickets are available from Ken Wilmot, c/o the club at P. O. Box 262, Stratford, Ont.
- **The April 9th meeting of the St. Thomas Numismatic Association heard club member George Connoy talk about the area's earliest residents, the "Neutral Indians".

**Guest speaker at the May 8 meeting of the Thistletown Coin & Stamp Club; Rexdale, Ont., was O.N.A. Editor and Canadian Coin News columnist Stanley Clute, who delivered a slide presentation entitled "The Evolution of coinage - 2700 Years of Development". The presentation was well received and Stan was presented with an honorary membership in the club in appreciation. The club also voted to join the Canadian Numismatic Association.

**The April 16 meeting of the Toronto Coin Club heard C.N.A. president Jim Charlton deliver a report on the Coin Week Canada activities that were planned by clubs in the Toronto area. The guest speaker for the evening was Stan Clute, who gave a slide presentation on the collecting of wooden money, and exhibited hundreds of pieces of wooden money for members to view. Norm Wells, author of the book "Canadian Wooden Money, Tokens and Souvenirs", also contributed immensely to the evening's exchange of information. John Regitko, Dr. Marvin Kay, and club president Dan Bowyer also contributed to the evening's topic.

**The April 17th meeting of the Waterloo Coin Society heard president Don Robb deliver an excellent presentation entitled "The Tokens, Medals and Souvenirs of Expo '67". Special thanks were expressed by Don to Bill English, Agnes Whetham and Bill Gordon for joining him in placing displays in Scotia Bank in Waterloo Square for Coin Week Canada.

CHATHAM RELEASES FIFTH TRADE COIN:

The 1979 Chatham, Ontario, souvenir coin depicts the "Gray-Dort Model 20-M Sports Roadster" that was manufactured in Chatham in 1923. The automobile had a 115 inch wheel base and was powered by a 23.44 horsepower, six cylinder engine. The Model 20-M sold for \$1,495 and a total of 936 were built. The Gray-Dort proved highly popular in the prairie provinces, as over 5,000 were sold there between the years 1915 and 1925.



The 1979 edition of the Chatham trade coin concludes the five year series highlighting modes of transportation manufactured in Chatham during the past 100 years. The first coin, issued in 1975, shows the "Milner Carriage" built in Chatham approximately 100 years ago. The 1976 coin illustrates the "Chatham Wagon" built around 1890 and known as "the horses' friend". The 1977 coin portrays the "Chatham Automobile" built between 1906 and 1909. The 1978 trade dollar depicts the "International Harvester Canada Model 'S' Speed Truck" built in 1922.

All coins are still available, as well as a handsome gift box which holds all five pieces. Inquiries are welcome. Simply contact the Chatham & District Chamber of Commerce, 275 King Street West, Chatham, Ontario, N7M 1E9, or telephone 1-519-352-7540. Prices are as follows: 1975 - \$2.50; 1976 - \$1.75; 1977 - \$1.50; 1978 - \$1.25; 1979 - \$1.00; coin case + tax - \$3.75. Complete set (case + 5 trade coins) - \$11.75.



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EXPLORERS AND THE FUR TRADE

by

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[I started this story as a few comments on a slide set I am working on, but it didn't take long to see I had too much material for slides; so I thought I would write up a two or three page pamphlet. Before I could get stopped, I had ended up with a little history lesson. If I had known I was going to write about the early fur trade and the early explorers, I would have done it a little differently; but, as this is my first attempt ever at writing any kind of article, I hope you will find some interest in it. (the Author)]

What better way to study "history in your hands" than to reach into your pocket or purse and look at that five cent piece with the beaver on the reverse. He has been on the reverse of our five cent piece since 1937, with the exception of 1943, 1944, 1945, part of 1951, and 1967, so our beaver is forty-two years old and still going strong.

Why is that rodent, the beaver, on the back of our nickel? What has he to do with the opening up of our country? Why did the coureurs-de-bois

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and voyageurs go to bed at eleven P.M. and be on the water again by three A.M.? Did you know that a voyageur who could sing was paid more than one who couldn't sing, because they could paddle their canoes much faster in time with the singing? Each bale of fur weighed between ninety and one hundred pounds, and the coureurs-de-bois would run back and forth at every portage carrying these bales and would wager on who could carry the most bales over the portage. They used small canoes in the rivers and very large ones on the lakes: the large ones could carry up to three tons.

Henry the Fourth, of France, sent Samuel de Champlain on an expedition up the St. Lawrence River in 1603. Champlain returned to France with furs and stories of vast lakes in the upper St. Lawrence. He built a trading post at Quebec in 1608, when he grasped the real potential of the fur trade. He made friends with the Algonquins and Huron Indians and joined them in raids against the Iroquois.

In 1610, Champlain sent Etienne Brule to live with the Hurons in their village, between Georgian Bay and Lake Simcoe. Brule travelled the rocky North shore of Georgian Bay to St. Marys River, where he turned upstream to the rapids. He portaged the rapids and discovered Lake Superior.

In 1634 Jean Nicolet was sent to find the waterway to china. He probably followed the route of Brule to the Sault and then went South and West through the Straits of Mackinac to Green Bay, where he did not find the civilized Chinese but, rather, naked savages. After Nicolet's expedition, there was a lull in the French exploration.

Champlain died the following year, and the ferocious Iroquois swarmed across Lake Ontario to attack the Hurons. The Iroquois moved quickly to the North and blocked access to the West by the Ottawa River. Not until 1653 was a truce signed with the Iroquois and the St. Lawrence settlements again opened to the fur traders.

Father Marquette had founded a mission for the Chippewa at Sault Ste. Marie in 1668. The next year he was sent to take charge of a mission among the Huron and Ottawa tribes on Lake Superior. He was a Jesuit and had been teaching in a Jesuit school in France when, in 1666, he was sent to Canada as a missionary. He was then twenty-nine years old, well educated, and eager to devote his life to Christianizing the Indians. He studied the languages of the natives and became fluent in many of them.

At the new mission, Indians from many tribes traded furs to the French and told them of a great river that flowed South: Marquette thought the great river might empty into the Gulf of California. The Indians called this great river "Mississippi". The Governor was eager to have this river explored and thus obtained the services of Louis Jolliet, a native of Canada and the son of an employee of the fur trading company.

It was customary in Canada to send a missionary with every expedition to minister to the religious needs of the party and to preach to the Indians encountered along the way. Father Marquette was commissioned to accompany Jolliet on an exploration of the Mississippi. On May 17,

1673, Jolliet, Marquette, and five voyageurs left St. Ignace in two canoes. They followed the Northern and Western shore of Lake Michigan into Green Bay to the mouth of the Menominee River. The Indians there told them not to go any further, as they would be going into dangerous country. They said the people along the route were savage, the heat would be terrific, and the river was inhabited by monsters which would devour both canoes and occupants; but the travellers continued on to the mouth of the Fox River. On the Fox River, Jolliet and Marquette stopped at a large village of the Mascouten, and at a meeting with the council of the tribe's leaders - where they distributed presents to the Indians - they asked for guides to help them find the Mississippi. Two were provided; these guides showed them the portage of a mile and a half to the Wisconsin River.

They crossed the divide which sent waters East and on to the Great Lakes and West to the Mississippi. The guides left the travellers as they launched their canoes and floated down the Mississippi. It was June 17th when they entered the great river. As they floated along, they passed great herds of buffalo along the river's banks, and it was easy for the voyageurs to kill one whenever fresh meat was wanted. On June 25th they followed footprints on the river bank, and came upon a large village of Peorias, who received them and invited them to smoke the "calumet" - the ceremonial pipe lighted at all important councils.

When the travellers insisted on going on with their journey, the chief gave them the calumet to show to other tribes as a passport. Six hundred Peorias bade them farewell.

Farther down the river, on a high cliff, they came across two painted figures - monsters in red, black and green, with horns, blazing eyes and beards; their bodies were covered with scales and they had long tails - probably the demons the Mascouten had told them of. The frightened Frenchmen stopped drifting with the current and paddled furiously down river.

When the canoes reached the mouth of the Arkansas River, the travellers saw a village of Indians and decided to visit them. As they approached, warriors rushed out brandishing weapons in a hostile demonstration. Jolliet held aloft the calumet which the Peorias had given him, and the chiefs ordered their men to desist. The Indians entertained them with feasts.

They turned Northward on July 17th. The journey up the mighty river was toilsome; heat and humidity taxed their strength and Marquette became seriously ill. They were warmly welcomed at the village of the Kaskaskias who wanted the travellers to stay with them; Marquette said that he was too ill, but promised he would return to visit with them again.

The Kaskaskia guides took them by way of the Illinois River, the Des Moines, a portage and the Chicago River, to Lake Michigan. The explorers continued into Green Bay and the mouth of the Fox River, where they landed at the mission of St. Francis Xavier. They had completed a voyage of more than 2,500 miles. Marquette's health was so poor that he stayed there for a year. Jolliet went to Sault Ste. Marie, where he had a trading post. He stayed there over the winter of 1673-74 and in the Spring - during an attempt to run the rapids of the St. Lawrence

River - his canoe capsized and the voyageurs were drowned. Jolliet survived, but the journals and maps of the trip were lost. He tried to draw new maps from memory.

At the mission of St. Francis Xavier, Marquette was recuperating from his illness. In October, 1674, he was given permission to go and visit the Kaskaskias, as he had promised. It was late in the season, but Marquette was determined to go. They skirted the Western shore of Lake Michigan and entered the Chicago River. Marquette became ill again and was unable to proceed farther. His men constructed a rude cabin and passed an uncomfortable winter. He set out again on March 31, 1675 and finally reached the Kaskaskias, who begged him to stay with them. However, his health failed him again and, on Easter, he set out to go to St. Ignace, hoping to recuperate there.

His faithful voyageurs paddled the canoe to Lake Michigan, following the Eastern shore, but Marquette became so feeble and weak that he asked his men to go ashore and build him a shelter. He died there, peacefully and happy in the knowledge that he had kept his promise to visit the Kaskaskias. He was thirty-eight years old. The voyageurs buried his body where he died.

In the Winter of 1676-77, some Ottawa Indians from the mission disinterred his remains, cleaned the bones - as was their custom - and carried them to St. Ignace, where Father Nouvel buried them with solemn rites under the floor of the chapel.

In 1705, the mission of St. Ignace was closed and burned to the ground. To prevent desecration, the site of the chapel was forgotten. In 1877, a local man discovered the remains of Marquette, and the bones were sent to the Marquette University in Milwaukee, where they were preserved as holy relics and a monument was erected on the site of St. Ignace in 1882. Marquette's devotion to duty, his death while yet a young man, his trip with Jolliet and the discovery of the Mississippi make him a notable figure in history.

(To Be Continued)

1979 O.N.A. CONVENTION MEDAL



HINTS FOR THE NUMISMATIC NEWCOMER: PART 2- COLLECTING CANADIAN DOLLARS

by E. A. GORDON

Coin collecting - a worthwhile, leisure-oriented hobby - attracts individuals from all walks of life, the young and old alike. The question most often asked by newcomers is "Where do I start?".

In my view, the answer would be a Canadian dollar collection from 1935 to the present. This has a fair investment potential, even in the highly inflated values of today.

Although there was a trial strike of a silver dollar in 1911, these coins were never issued and only two are known to be in existence today.** One is in the Royal Mint Museum in London, England and the other is in the hands of a well-known American dealer in Seattle, Washington. The latter has an approximate sale figure of \$200,000 and, should you have the asking price, you would have the king of all Canadian coins.



The first silver dollars were issued in the period from 1935 to 1939. Minting was halted during the war years 1940 to 1944 and was resumed in 1945, continuing until 1966 with the .800 fine silver coins. In 1967 the coins were only .500 fine silver, and in 1968 all circulating dollar coins were henceforth made of pure nickel. In 1971, the Royal Canadian Mint bowed to collectors' requests and began production of a .500 fine silver collectors coin in Proof condition in a presentation case.

The diameter and weight of the coin has also changed. From 1935 until the 1953 wire edge coin, the diameter was 36 mm. From the redesigned 1953 flat edge coin until 1967, the diameter was increased to 36.07 mm. With the advent of the 1968 nickel dollars, the diameter was reduced to 32.13 mm, and remained so until the 1971 silver Proof dollar, when the diameter returned to that of the 1953 to 1967 types. From 1935 through 1967, the weight remained at 23.327 grams but was reduced to 15.61 grams in the 1968 nickel dollars. The weight reverted back to 23.327 grams with the 1971 silver Proof dollar.

Now that we have a brief history of the Canadian dollars, the next step is to decide where to begin your collection. There are, I believe, three choices.

The first choice is a commemorative collection, which makes an ideal starter set for the junior or the collector on a limited budget. This would consist of a total of 17 coins to date, which are: 1935 (Silver Jubilee of King George V), 1939 (Royal Visit), 1949 (Entry of

(**Also, late in 1977 it was announced that a unique pattern of the 1911 dollar, struck in lead, rather than silver as with the other two pieces mentioned here, had been found in a government vault in Ottawa. It now reposes in the National Currency Collection.[Editor])

Newfoundland into Confederation), 1958 (100th Anniversary of B.C. as a Crown Colony), 1964 (Charlottetown, 100th Anniversary of Confederation Conference), 1967 (Centennial of Canadian Confederation). In smaller nickel dollars there are the following: 1970 (Manitoba Centennial), 1971 (B.C. Centennial), 1973 (Prince Edward Island Centennial), 1974 (Winnipeg Centennial). Finally, in the Proof silver dollar series there are: 1971 (B. C. Centennial), 1973 (R.C.M.P. Centennial), 1974 (Winnipeg Centennial), 1975 (Calgary Centennial), 1976 (Parliamentary Library Centennial), 1977 (Queen Elizabeth II Silver Jubilee), 1978 (XI Commonwealth Games).

Current price trends for this commemorative set in Very Fine to Proof condition would be around \$100, while the same set in B. UNC to Proof would just about double the first figure.

The second choice for a collection would be a year set, but excluding all listed varieties. This collection would consist of one coin of each date from 1935 to 1939 and 1945 to 1967 in silver, one of each coin from 1968 to 1979 in nickel, and one of each coin from 1971 to 1979 in silver Proof. It would be wise, however, to obtain a 1948 at a very early stage in the collection.



When India became an independent republic in 1947, it became necessary to redesign the coin obverse, omitting from the legend "ET IND. IMP." Due to late delivery of the modified dies, only 18,780 coins bearing the 1948 date were minted, thus creating a shortage which is reflected in today's prices of \$475 in VF to \$800 in B. UNC.

The prices for this collection today vary from approximately \$1000 in VF to Proof, with the subsequent doubling of this sum in B. UNC to Proof. Because of its scarcity, the 1948 coin takes up almost half the cost in either condition.

The third choice is a year set including all listed varieties. In addition to the coins listed as a second choice collection, the following coins comprise the third choice.

Starting with 1947, there are three varieties - the blunt 7, the pointed 7, and the maple leaf. The latter variety had a maple leaf added after the date to show it was minted in the early part of 1948. Assuming you had the blunt 7 in the above collection, you would have to add the pointed 7 and the maple leaf.



Blunt 7



Pointed 7



Maple Leaf

In 1955 at Arnprior, Ontario, a coin with only one and one half water lines in front of the canoe on the reverse, instead of the normal three water lines, was found and so became the Arnprior variety. This same type is also noted in 1950 and 1951. The 1951 coin has a "no water lines" variety.

For 1953 there are two varieties, each carrying two titles. The early issues are known as "wire edge" or "no shoulder strap" and, as mentioned earlier, are 36 mm in diameter. Due to a design change in the die, the subsequent issue is known as the "flat edge" or "shoulder strap" variety and is 36.07 mm in diameter.

There is a "one water line" variety in 1957, and in 1965 there are no less than five varieties due to a combination of three obverse and two reverse designs, resulting in the following: "small beads, pointed five"; "small beads, blunt five"; "medium beads, pointed five"; "large beads, pointed five"; and "large beads, blunt five".

In 1966 there is a small bead variety which, due to an extremely low known mintage of around 580 coins, commands a price tag of \$1,200 to \$1,300. Price alone puts this variety beyond the reach of most collectors who are just starting out.

The new nickel dollar of 1968 produced three varieties known as "island", "vanishing island", and "no island". This refers to the island on the coin reverse which normally extends in front of and below the bow of the canoe. Due to possible die deterioration, this small portion is faint on the "vanishing island" and, of course, missing on the "no island".

For the 1977 nickel dollar, three main varieties are listed: "jewel on queen's crown is attached, and short water line in front of canoe"; "jewel detached, long water lines"; and "jewel detached, short water lines".

The additional cost of these varieties to your collection, but excluding the 1966 "small beads" listed separately, would be approximately \$500 in VF and \$1,300 in B. UNC.

It is hoped that this brief insight into Canadian dollar coins will whet your appetite into starting one of these collections. Do not be deterred by the prices quoted, as these are only a guideline to the current trends. By continuously searching out sources of supply from relatives, friends, fellow collectors, club meetings, dealers and regular auctions, you should be able to build a collection at a reasonable cost.

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The following applications for membership have been received and if no written objections are received, acceptance will be acknowledged in the September issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

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Editor's Notebook



"What is the use of publishing a special convention issue of the Ontario Numismatist, when we don't receive it until after the convention?"

The foregoing quotation sums up most of the feedback received, so far, from the O.N.A. general membership, concerning the June issue. My reply is threefold:

- (1). Since it was intended to mail the issue two weeks early, it was necessary to prepare it earlier than usual. In waiting until the last possible minute, in order to include news from as many member clubs as possible, I encountered both the Victoria Day weekend, and an unforeseen printing delay of a few days. As a result, it was only possible to mail the Ontario Numismatist one week prior to the convention. As Editor, I accept full responsibility up to this point. Once the bulletin has been mailed, however, its delivery is in the hands of the Post Office and if the bulletin is delayed exceptionally long in the mail (one member related receiving the bulletin 10 days after the convention), it must take its share of the blame.
- (2). Another reason for the special edition was to have extras, containing relevant material, available for distribution at the convention. This part of the plan seems to have worked out fairly well.
- (3). Even long after this year's convention, members will still have their copies of the Ontario Numismatist as a souvenir.

In another vein, I have a question to ask of the O.N.A. general membership: DO YOU CARE WHAT HAPPENS TO THE O.N.A.?

As a member of the Association, you have a right to have a voice at the Annual General Meeting of the O.N.A. Yet at this year's General Meeting, at the convention - in a remarkable display of member apathy - only two members, other than the executive, bothered to attend!!! This in an association with nearly 300 members. Last Autumn, I reprinted an article from the Kent Coin Club of Dover, Delaware, on lack of member participation: we have here a fine example.



Show Schedule

July 19 - 21: Canadian Numismatic Association, Annual Convention, Chateau Lacombe, Edmonton, Alta. Information: CNA '79, P. O. Box 4111, Edmonton, Alta.

- July 29 - Aug. 3: American Numismatic Association, Annual Convention, Stouffers Riverfront Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri.
- August 4: Orillia Champlain Coin Club's Coin & Stamp Show, in the "Green Room", Orillia Opera House, Orillia, Ontario.
- August 18: Collingwood Coin & Stamp Club, fifth annual Coin & Stamp Show, Lions Den, Hurontario Street, Collingwood, from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. Information: Maria A. Ford, Show Chairman, P. O. Box 565, Collingwood, Ont., L9Y 4B2.
- Aug. 31 - Sept. 2: Ottex '79, at the Holiday Inn - Ottawa Centre, Ottawa, Ont. Information: City of Ottawa Coin Club, P. O. Box 6094, Stn. "J", Ottawa, Ont., K2A 1T2.
- Sept. 8: Huronia Numismatic Association's Annual Show, Bayfield Mall, Barrie, Ont. Information: P. O. Box 243, Barrie, Ont., L4M 4T2
- Sept. 15 & 16: Toronto Coin Club's Annual Fall Show, Royal York Hotel, 100 Front St. W., Toronto (right across the road from Union Station - also accessible from the Subway). Information: Toronto Coin Club, P. O. Box 865, Adelaide St. P. O., Toronto, Ont., M5C 2K1
- Sept. 29: Pemex '79, Highview School Auditorium, Pembroke, Ont., opening at 10 A.M.
- October 7: Sarnia Numismatic Society Annual Show. More information when available.
- October 13: Richmond Hill Coin Club's Annual Show, Hillcrest Mall, Hwy 11 (Yonge St.) at Carrville Rd., Richmond Hill, Ont. General Information: P. O. Box 386, Richmond Hill, Ont., L4C 4Y6. Display Information: Stan Clute, P. O. Box 672, Station B, Willowdale, Ont., M2K 2P9
- October 20: Thistletown Coin & Stamp Club's Coin & Stamp Show, Etobicoke Public Library, Albion Rd., just West of Kipling Ave., Etobicoke. Information: P. O. Box 1143, Station B, Weston, Ont., M9L 2R8.
- October 21: Tillsonburg Coin Club Annual Coin Show, at the Tillsonburg Community Centre in the Lions Auditorium. Information: Doug Mitchener, 1 Myrtle St., Tillsonburg, Ont.
- October 27: St. Catharines Coin Club, Annual Show & Banquet, Westminster Church Hall, Queenston St., St. Catharines, 11 A.M. to 6 P.M. Free admission & parking.
- October 28: Stratford Coin & Stamp Show, Royal Canadian Legion, St. Patrick & Church Streets, Stratford, 10 A.M. to 6 P.M. Free admission & free door prizes.

CONVENTION AFFAIRS

DISPLAY WINNERS:

<u>Canadian Decimal Coins</u>	--	1st...Terry MacHugh, Hamilton
		2nd...Tom Kostaluk, London
<u>Paper Money</u>	-----	1st...Tom Minnes, Hamilton
		2nd...Fred Barley, St. Catharines
		3rd...F. C. Jewett, Willowdale
<u>Foreign Coins</u>	-----	1st...Jan Nielsen, St. Catharines
		3rd...Vern O'Connor, Lindsay
<u>Tokens & Medals</u>	-----	1st...Stan Clute, Willowdale
		2nd...Arthur Leff, London
<u>Miscellaneous</u>	-----	1st...E. Victor Snell, St. Catharines
<u>Wooden Money</u>	-----	1st...Norman E. Wells, Peterborough
		2nd...Ted Oulds, Chatham
<u>Ancient & Mediaeval Coins</u>	-----	1st...Bruce Brace, Ancaster
		2nd...Ian Dickson, Dundas
<u>Junior</u>	-----	1st...Grant Monck, London
<u>Clubs</u>	-----	1st...Ingersoll Coin Club, Ingersoll
		2nd...Woodstock Coin Club, Woodstock
		3rd...St Catharines Coin Club, St. Catharines
<u>JUNIOR BEST OF SHOW</u>	-----	Grant Monck
<u>SENIOR BEST OF SHOW</u>	-----	Bruce Brace

In addition, two excellent NON-COMPETITIVE DISPLAYS were exhibited at the Convention by visiting U. S. collectors Stephen R. Taylor and Douglas A. Moore of Dover, Delaware. Taylor is past president and founder of the Kent Coin Club of Dover, and a candidate for seat # 6 on the American Numismatic Association's Board of Governors. He was also the banquet speaker at last year's O.N.A. Convention and, for the past two years, has conducted exhibit seminars at the Convention. Last year he won the coveted Best of Show award at the A.N.A. Convention in Houston Texas. Moore is the current President of the Kent Coin Club in Dover. Both he and Taylor displayed at last year's C.N.A. Convention in London, Ont.

AWARD OF MERIT: Two O.N.A. Award of Merit presentations were made this year. In addition to the 1979 Award winner, the Award for 1978, which had been deferred from last year, was presented. The recipients of the awards are:

1978.....Thomas Masters, London, Ont.

1979.....Norman E. Wells, Peterborough, Ont.

ADDITIONAL AWARD: In addition to the O.N.A. Awards presented at the banquet, Stella Hodge, O.N.A. Area Co-Director for Area # 1, received the Laister Keeper Trophy from the Ingersoll Coin Club, in appreciation of her contributions to the club.

ELECTION RESULTS: As a result of the election, Bruce Watt was re-elected

as President of the O.N.A. for the 1979-81 term. Here are the results, as reported to the election committee by the three persons charged with an independent audit of the ballots:

Ballots returned:	78
minus - Spoiled ballots:	<u>1</u>
Votes counted:	77

B. Watt: 44 votes
T. Masters: 33 votes

CONVENTION DRAW RESULTS: 1st prize (Bahamas trip for two for 1 week):
Mrs. B. McDonald, Scarborough.
2nd prize (\$100 unity gold coin): K. Kamler,
Hamilton.
3rd prize (\$50 cash): Duncan Perkis, London.
4th prize (1979 P.L. set): Neil Reibin, Ajax.
5th prize (1979 P.L. set): Jack Taylor, Bowman-
ville.
6th prize (1979 P.L. set): Ann Corke, Stratford.

The draw was a very successful venture. Thanks is deserved by all who helped in the sale of tickets, and a special thank you goes out to everyone who supported our draw by purchasing tickets.

K. Wilmot,
Draw Chairman.

CLUB NEWS

The BRANTFORD NUMISMATIC SOCIETY reports that its members enjoyed an O.N.A. slide set on Canadian Large Five Cent Pieces, at the April meeting. At the May meeting, the guest speaker was Robert Aaron, who presented a slide series on the Winnipeg Mint. In addition, John Regitko - incoming First Vice-president of the C.N.A. - spoke briefly on that organization.

The CANADIAN LARGE CENTS CLUB, headquartered in Pineville, LA, U.S.A., reports that its Coin Week Canada campaign for this year was a great success. At the same time, the current newsletter editor has put forth a call for a new editor to step forward.

The ORILLIA CHAMPLAIN COIN CLUB celebrated its 17th birthday at its June meeting. On hand for the occasion was a birthday cake (yes, with candles). The very interesting guest speaker for the evening was Lloyd Graham, Admin. Manager, Bank of Montreal, Orillia. He delivered a talk on counterfeit coins and banknotes, followed by a film on the same subject, titled "Battle of Wits". After the film, he had on hand a display of counterfeit notes - large and small denominations, Canadian and U.S.A. All the members and guests present found the talk fascinating.

At the May meeting of the CITY OF OTTAWA COIN CLUB, Mr. Gordon C. Leslie, of the British American Banknote Corporation, presented a talk on the manufacturing of paper money. He prefaced his talk by noting that the

Company is a private company operating out of a plant located in the west end of Ottawa. Its major competitor is the Canadian Bank Note Company. In addition to the manufacture of paper money, the company produces bond and stock certificates, cheques of all descriptions, travellers cheques, bank drafts and personal money orders, and postage stamps. Mr Leslie outlined the types of printing processes used such as offset, letterpress, engraved intaglio, and gravure, and explained the principles involved in each process. In the main part of his talk, he explained in detail the production of banknotes, from plate making through the paper and ink used, the printing processes involved, the numbering of the notes, to the finishing process (which includes an examination of the face and back of each sheet of 40 notes). He concluded his presentation with some brief remarks on the printing of postage stamps and the scope of the security arrangements at the plant. Mr. Leslie's talk was supplemented by an excellent series of slides.



INGERSOLL COIN CLUB'S May meeting took the form of a joint meeting with the WOODSTOCK COIN CLUB at Old St. Paul's Church in Woodstock. Charles Laister acted as chairman for the evening. Ingersoll President Thomas Masters stated that he hoped the two clubs had started a trend and that a combined meeting would be held at least once a year henceforth. The speaker for the evening was O.N.A. Area Director Ken Wilmot, who divided the club members into four teams and proceeded to conduct a quiz on Canadian coins. Team # 1 won the point total, and junior Tommy Koslonen accepted the prize for the team. Ken was presented with a 1979 membership in the Woodstock Coin Club and a club medal.

At the June 5 meeting of the LONDON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, the membership was informed of the death of long-time member George Warcup, who passed away on May 22. Grant Monck gave a brief report on the recent O.N.A. Convention, noting that there were some 60 cases of exhibits, with some members of the club winning in several of the categories. Guest speaker for the evening was Paul Johnson, of Toronto, who is the Second Vice-president of the Canadian Numismatic Association. He spoke on the topic "Collecting Numismatic Literature". He outlined various ways by which a numismatic library could be built; namely collecting by subject, country, or period of history. He compared the research as printed in some of the older standard reference works to that which is available in the newer publications. In this way it is possible to follow the advances being made through research. Paul also outlined the advantages of the small booklets or pamphlets which, in most cases, give a detailed study of a limited subject. For the collector of numismatic books, condition, as with coins, is most important. Some books are good investments and can be sold at a profit.

This May's meeting of the NORTH YORK COIN CLUB, featured short talks by several of the club's members. Carl Anderson was the first speaker: he delivered a talk on collecting Canadian decimal coins which was an inspiration to both the novice and the veteran collector. George Fraser spoke on Canadian Paper Money collecting and displayed some Dominion of Canada notes, emphasizing his collection of regular prefixes, asterisk

notes and radar notes. Ken Bunnett, the next scheduled speaker suggested that members forego his part of the talk in order to enjoy the coffee break, but he drew attention to his excellent display of Canadian pre-confederation tokens. Norman Belsten spoke on collecting wooden money, after which he donated a set of Richmond Hill wooden nickels to the draw. After the coffee break, John Regitko spoke on his specialty of die varieties, weird and unusual money. He showed a selection of emergency money. He also talked briefly about his second hobby of photography. Harvey Farrow spoke about his display of various medals. A get well card was passed around for members to sign, to be sent to the club's convenor, Miss Jean Orr. Plans for the annual garden party had to be cancelled and replaced by a regular meeting for the month of June. A 16 mm colour film on "Coins For Canada and the World", by Crawley Films, was loaned to the club by C.A.N.D. through its Executive Secretary Al Bliman, and was shown at the meeting. This excellent film was enjoyed by all present.

At the June meeting of the RICHMOND HILL COIN CLUB, members celebrated the club's sixteenth birthday. A huge birthday cake was on hand for all present to partake of. The club honoured three of its members for their help in making the club's Coin Week Canada promotion a success: outgoing C.N.A. President Jim Charlton, C.A.N.D. Executive Secretary Al Bliman, and C.F.G.M. radio personality Ron Knight (the meeting night also happened to be Ron's own birthday). In addition, Mrs. Corinne Gallant was presented with a bouquet of roses for her unstinting work for the club. Speaker for the evening was Myer Price, President of the Canadian Paper Money Society, who delivered a superb talk on the History of the Bank of Montreal.

Guest speaker at the May meeting of the ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB was Bruce Watt, O.N.A. President, who gave a very interesting talk on wooden collectibles. Bruce stated that post cards and Xmas cards come in this form. They have been recognized in the U.S.A. for about 15 to 20 years. Wooden money comes in various shapes, such as round, oblong, square and rectangular. It has been recognized in Canada for about 5 years. The guest speaker at the June meeting was O.N.A. Editor and Canadian Coin News columnist Stan Clute. Stan delivered an interesting presentation on ancient Roman coins, which was augmented by numerous colour slides.

The May 14 meeting of the ST. THOMAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION heard the club's Vice-president, Ray Else, give a talk on "Collecting Coins", which emphasized tips on buying and selling coins, on the care of a collection, among other things.

The June meeting of the THISTLETOWN COIN & STAMP CLUB was an O.N.A. night, at which time Stan Clute, the club's delegate to the O.N.A. Convention, gave his report on the convention. Henry Burke, O.N.A. Area Director for Area 8, spoke briefly about the O.N.A., then showed an O.N.A. slide series.

The annual coin show and banquet of the VICTORIA - SIMCOE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, held on June 16, was a very successful event. It was held for the first time, this year, in Cannington rather than the traditional Woodville location. 19 dealers and 9 displays were present in the auditorium of the Community Centre. Best of Show went to Keith Severs of Cannington for his Canadian Coins display. First Place in Currency went to Vern O'Connor of Lindsay, followed closely by F. C. Jewett of Toronto. Vern O'Connor took

First in British Coins. In the Tokens category, First Place went to Stan Clute of Toronto, Second Place to Bill Gage of Shanty Bay, and Third Place to his wife, Alma Gage. Norman Wells took First Place in Miscellaneous with a display of wooden money. Second went to Ross Irwin of Guelph with an exhibit of military badges. A hot turkey supper, with all the trimmings, wound up the day. Catering was by the Ladies of the Cannington Legion branch 286.

The May 15th meeting of the WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY heard member Ken McTavish deliver a presentation entitled "Old Sheet Music". Because of his experience in the music business, Ken was able to take members back many years through a history of sheet music, showing the sheet music, and talking about some of the well known Canadian musicians, many of whom he has known.

OBITUARY

We are very sorry to learn of the passing of Mr. Ronald J. Dickinson, owner of North American Numismatic Exchange, of Toronto. Ron passed away in Toronto's Grace Hospital at 5:30 P.M., Wednesday, July 11, 1979, after a very long illness. Ron was O.N.A. Life Member-# 34 and a long-time supporter of the Association. We extend sympathies to his wife, Diane, and son, Stephen.

O. N. A. CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS



Banquet Speaker J. Douglas Ferguson addresses banqueters.



Award of Merit Winners: Norman Wells (1979) left, Thomas Masters (1978) right, with F. C. Jewett who presented the awards.



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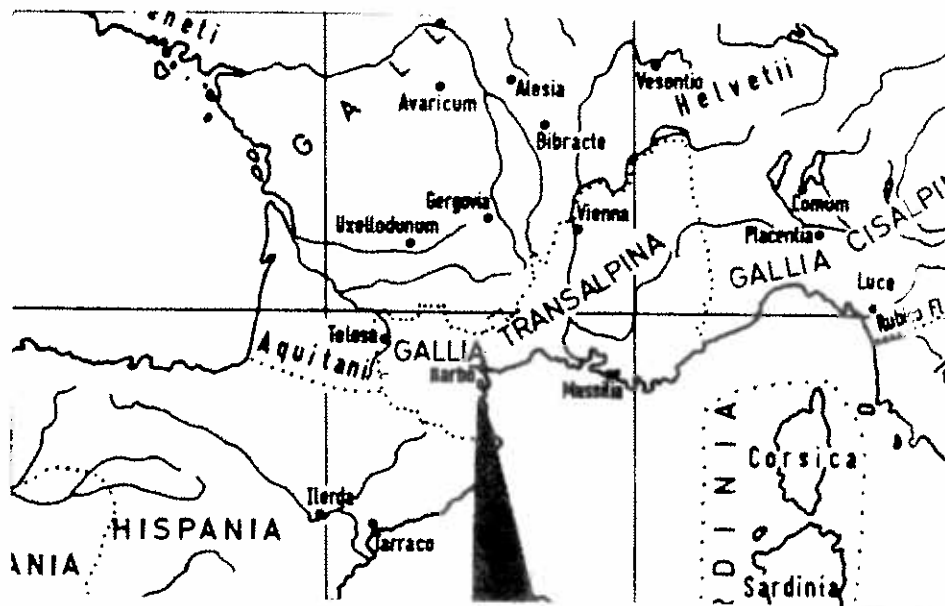
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NARBO: THE FIRST OVERSEAS COLONY OF ROME

by I. G. Dickson

Rome founded its first overseas colony in Gallia Transalpina (France across the Alps) at Narbo. Rome's interest in this area of southern Gaul was in maintaining the security of communications lines with Spain. Numerous battles occurred with the tribes of southern Gaul as Rome extended her protective hand into the area. Opposing her in her bid were the tribes of the Allobroges and the Arverni. Finally, in 121 B. C., Cn. Domitius Ahenobarbus defeated the Allobroges and shortly afterwards Q. Fabius Maximus defeated the Arverni under the leadership of King Bituitus.

In c. 118 B. C., it was proposed in the senate that a colony of Roman citizens be established in

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the city of Narbo. Five moneyers were involved in the issue of denarii, all of which were serrated (notched).¹

The five coin types of Narbo, differentiated by the moneyers' obverse inscription, all have the same basic obverse and reverse design. The obverse portrays a helmeted head of Roma encircled by the moneyers' name in contracted form. The helmet is either Phygian or Attic style.

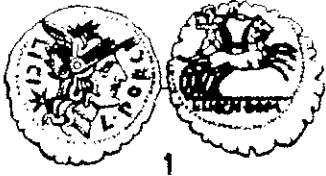
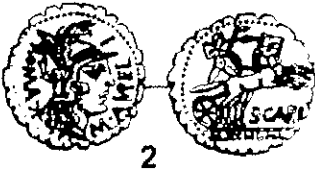


Figure 2 illustrates the two types of helmets. Coin 1 shows the Attic style and coin 2 depicts the Phygian style helmet. The difference in the two helmets is most noticeable at the top of the helmets at the 12 o'clock position. Coin 1 shows a smooth top and coin 2 shows a large overhanging portion.



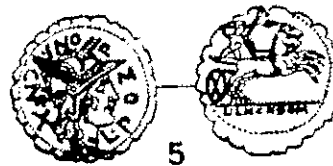
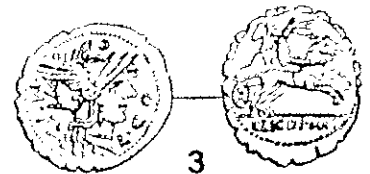
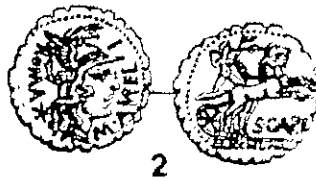
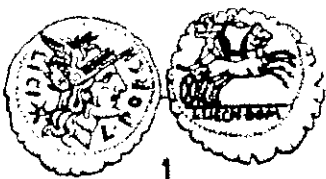
The reverse portrays a naked bearded warrior in a biga advancing right, holding a shield and reins in his left hand. These coins were unique in the Republic series in the sense that a Roman enemy was portrayed on the coin. The naked figure in the biga is definitely Gallic, as indicated by the criss-cross pattern of the shield held in the left hand. It is almost certain that the figure is that of the Gallic King Bituitus. The two commissioners' names

in contracted form appear on the reverse of the coin in the exergue. The inscription reads L. LIC. CN. DOM.

This issue of coins has been shrouded in continuous controversy. H. Mattingly and M. H. Crawford, both noted ancient coin experts, disagree on the date of the founding and the quantity of coins issued.

Footnote

1. "The Serrated Denarii of the Roman Republic" (B.R. Brace), CNJ 2-3-43



Illustrations of the coins of the 5 moneyers: 1. L. Porcius Licinius, 2. M. Aurelius Scaurus, 3. L. Cosconius M. f., 4. C. Malleolus C. f., 5. L. Pomponius Cn. f.

EXPLORERS AND THE FUR TRADE

by Edwin D. Keetch

(Cont'd from July-August issue)

The first accounts of the Michigan Indians and those of the upper Great Lakes were first recorded by the French in the early 1600s. Archaeologists have pieced together evidence of Indian life here nearly 8,000 years ago. The Indians used bows and arrows for hunting and warfare. They made pottery of good quality and tobacco pipes of soft stone. They were active traders with distant tribes, as shown by the fact that their burial grounds disclosed shells from the Atlantic Ocean and the Gulf of Mexico, copper from Lake Superior, and grizzly bear teeth from the west.

The tribes of the Great Lakes region about 1622 were the Chippewa (also called the Ojibwa), the Ottawa, the Potawatomi, the Miami, and the Menominee. All the Indians spoke an Algonquian language dialect.

The Wyandot (as they called themselves) or Hurons (as the French called them) were found by Champlain in 1615 between Georgian Bay and Lake Simcoe. Harassed by the Iroquois and having their village burned to the ground in 1649, the survivors fled to Wisconsin. There they aroused the hostility of the Sioux and moved eastward again, settling at St. Ignace, where Father Jacques Marquette founded a mission for them in 1671. The Hurons spoke an Iroquoian dialect, but their customs were similar to the Algonquians. The most striking difference was in their dwellings. Instead of wigwams, they built longhouses, sometimes more than 150 feet in length. They set two parallel rows of posts firmly between the rows at a height of about twenty feet; these were bent inward and fastened together. The top and sides were covered with bark, except for a strip in the roof to let the smoke out. Inside there was an aisle for families to enter compartments. Fires in the centre of the aisle served for cooking and heating.

Custom dictated punishment for certain crimes. For theft the usual punishment was restitution. Sometimes the victim was permitted to take any of the thief's possessions that he wanted. Murder was considered a crime against a family or tribe. Friends of the murderer tried to appease the family of the victim by giving presents. If they were not satisfied, the murderer was killed. When the victim of a murder was a member of another tribe, a delegation from the tribe of the killer appeared with numerous gifts and in solemn ceremony offered them to the family of the dead man. If they were accepted, the matter was settled but, if not, the fellow tribesmen of the criminal usually killed him and delivered his head to the aggrieved tribe to avoid retaliation.

Parents were kind to their children - even indulgent - rarely punishing them or compelling them to do what they disliked. Missionaries complained about the lack of attendance at school, but the parents replied that if the children didn't like school they didn't have to go. Indian boys received instruction from their fathers on hunting trips, practising with small bows and arrows, learning the secrets of the woodcraft and the habits of animals. The lessons learned by experience were important, for the boy's own life might depend upon his mastery of the skills required of one who lived close to nature. Girls learned household and field tasks by helping their mothers.

Indian men were ardent gamblers, who sometimes betted all their possessions on a game of baggataway (called lacrosse by the French). Usually the teams were two different tribes, the number of men on each side being equal and as large as was agreeable. The game was played on an open field with goals at either end. Each player carried a stick bent near the end where a net was woven across the crook. This was lacrosse. With it the players struck or carried a wooden ball to the designated goal. Action was violent. Frequently arms and legs were broken by the flailing crosses and sometimes a player was killed.

Straws and dice were two more gambling games. In the first, a player dropped on the ground a handful of straws - always an odd number, usually 201. His opponent, using a small, slim bone, separated some from the pile. When the two parts were counted, he who had the uneven number of straws won. The dice consisted of small, flat bones, one side of which was painted red, green, black, or blue, and the other side white. Six of them were shaken in a wooden bowl. If five or six lay with the same colour up, the man who had shaken the dice won. Sometimes villages played against each other, wagering their entire wealth on the turn of the dice.

When an Indian died, the female relatives and friends wept and wailed to express their sorrow. The body of the deceased was painted red and it was dressed in the finest clothing. In the case of a man's death, his weapons and some other of his belongings were laid beside him when he was placed in a casket made of bark. The first burial was usually temporary, in shallow graves with a small house of bark erected over them. Among some Indians, the first burial was on a scaffold raised on poles eight to ten feet above the ground. Permanent burial took place every eight to ten years. A great pit was dug and for a period of ten days feasts and ceremonial dances were held. When the day of burial arrived, the bottom of the pit was lined with beaver skins and the remains were placed on them. After gifts had also been placed in the pit, everything was covered with beaver skins and the pit was filled with earth. It was believed that, at this time the spirit of each dead person - which until then had remained near the temporary burial place - was released to depart for a pleasant country in the west.

Contact with Europeans changed almost completely the Indian way of life, because the newcomers had all sorts of useful and interesting things, and appeared to want nothing but furs. Indians then killed as many fur-bearing animals as possible, instead of following their former practice of taking only what they needed. In exchange for the pelts of the beavers and other animals, they obtained guns, ammunition, cloth, blankets, hatchets and knives, glass beads and silver ornaments. Unfortunately, they also received liquor. To buy it, some would willingly part with a Winter's catch of furs.

The Sieur de la Salle came to Canada in 1666. Educated, intelligent, ambitious, robust and courageous, he set out in 1669 with two sulpician priests, to find the Ohio River. At the western tip of Lake Ontario they encountered Adrien Jolliet and an Indian who had come from Sault Ste Marie by way of Lake Huron and Lake Erie on their way to Quebec. Theirs was the first recorded journey by this route. La Salle obtained an Indian guide and set out for the Ohio River, which he probably discovered.

In 1673, Frontenac built a fort where Kingston, Ontario is at the present time. The king of France gave the fort to La Salle. Here, at Fort

Frontenac, La Salle and Frontenac shared in the profits of the fur trade.

La Salle returned to France in 1678, but sent out advance parties to establish forward bases to receive the great quantities of furs he ordered his agents to collect. He decided to build a sailing vessel above Niagara Falls, and a party of thirty men was sent out in December to accomplish this task. Among them was Father Louis Hennepin who became the priest and historian of the expedition. Hennepin was thirty-five years old and was happy to be assigned to La Salle's expedition. He went with the advance party. Hennepin wore a grey robe of his order, and on his head was a pointed hood. About his waist was a knotted rope, from which hung a rosary and a crucifix. He carried a portable chapel on his back and a mat made of rushes under his arm.

Hennepin was so excited by the natural wonder of the Falls, which he saw from the Niagara River, that he described it as a "vast and prodigious cadence of water which falls down after a surprising and astonishing manner insomuch that the universe does not afford its parallel." Its height, he wrote, was 500 feet. Hennepin exaggerated nearly everything he wrote (the Falls is 167 feet high). Besides exaggerating, he made himself the principal actor on various occasions, and even wrote of an imaginary voyage down the Mississippi.

La Salle had selected a site for his shipbuilding above the Falls where Cayuga Creek runs into the Niagara River. Bark-covered huts were built and a similar structure was provided as a chapel, where Father Hennepin officiated. White oaks were felled. Some were whipsawed into planks while others were shaped by adze and broadaxe into timbers, keel and ribs. On January 26, 1679, La Salle drove the first pin into the keel.

The Winter was very cold, and the supply of food low. The Iroquois threatened to burn the ship, and word was sent to La Salle that a ship carrying equipment had been lost and sunk in the Great Lakes. La Salle returned to Lower Canada to rearrange his affairs. While he was gone, the ship was completed and the workers boarded her to prevent her from being set on fire by the Iroquois. The vessel carried a cargo of 45 tons, had two masts rigged with square sails and was armed with five small cannon. A griffin (an ancient mythical creature, half lion and half eagle) was carved on the prow of the ship in honour of Count de Frontenac whose coat of arms was supported by two such creatures. The ship was named the Griffon. It was the first such vessel to enter Lake Erie. Aboard were thirty-four men - passengers and crew, along with Father Hennepin and two more Recollet priests and the pilot, Luc, a great blustering hulk of a man with many years of experience sailing the Atlantic. The Griffon sailed across Lake Erie and into the lake which Father Hennepin called Sainte Claire. He described the Detroit River as bordering vast meadows with vineyards, trees bearing good fruit. The land, he said, was full of bear, deer, turkeys and swan. The hunters killed so many that the riggings of the ship was covered with carcasses.

Hennepin was so exuberant that he exclaimed, "those who shall be so happy as to inhabit that noble country cannot but remember with gratitude those who have discovered the way." The current was so strong that twelve men were sent ashore with cables to guide the ship into Lake Huron.

After the ship sailed boldly into that inland lake, a sudden squall struck terror into the crew and passengers. All aboard fell to their knees in prayer except Luc, the pilot, who refused to join them. Instead of praying, he swore and cursed La Salle for bringing him to perish in a

nasty lake. He remained at the helm, letting the ship run with the wind until the storm abated. On August 27th, the Griffon dropped anchor at Machilimackinac. From the deck La Salle could see the Huron and Ottawa villages and the Jesuit mission of St. Ignace, from which Louis Jolliet, accompanied by Father Jacques Marquette, had set out in 1673 to discover the Mississippi.

The Griffon announced her arrival by firing a salute from her cannons. Startled Indians turned out, astonished by both the man-made thunder and the sight of the big canoe. La Salle, dressed in a scarlet cloak laced with gold, paid a visit of courtesy to the Indians. The latter were friendly and La Salle, in order to satisfy their curiosity, permitted some of them to climb aboard the Griffon.

Setting sail, the Griffon travelled to Washington Island in the mouth of Green Bay. On September 18, after loading a great quantity of furs on board, the Griffon sailed on a return voyage to Niagara. On the way La Salle ordered Luc to pick up materials for a ship which he intended to build on the Illinois River - now the St. Joseph - in Michigan.

La Salle and his men paddled south, weathering storms and near starvation. They entered St. Joseph River on November 1. On November 20, 1679, La Salle was joined by Tonty and twenty men, and they built a fort which he named Miami. Eager to build a shipyard and base, La Salle and his party paddled up the St. Joseph, portaged to the Kankakee and into the Illinois. On the site of Peoria they pitched their camp and built Fort Crevecoeur; they began getting out ship timbers. La Salle was worried by the lack of news of the Griffon. He set out on foot in 1680 from Fort Miami and crossed lower Michigan in the Spring, continuing on to Fort Frontenac by canoe. By then he was convinced that the Griffon was lost.

Father Hennepin returned to France and, in 1683, he published his first book, a description of Louisiana. In 1697, after La Salle had been dead for ten years, he published "A New Discovery Of A Vast Country In America". In it he claimed not only to have explored the upper reaches of the Mississippi, but also to have preceded La Salle in descending the river to the Gulf of Mexico. His material was taken from a book which had been suppressed by the king. Rejected by his Order for his mendacity and unreligious conduct, Hennepin died in obscurity.

What had become of the Griffon? Indians claimed the ship anchored off off the northern shore of Lake Michigan. They said that they had urged the pilot to sail close to shore, but he boldly steered out into the lake, where a violent storm broke, and no more was heard of the Griffon. La Salle believed that the pilot scuttled the ship after first having removed the valuable cargo of furs. Another theory is that the Indians lured the crew ashore, murdered them, took what they wanted from the ship and set it on fire.

La Salle returned to Fort Miami in 1681 and, by canoe, reached the Mississippi and, at length, the Gulf. There, on April 9, 1682, he claimed possession of the great valley for France and named it Louisiana in honour of his king (Louis XIV). He returned to Paris in triumph in 1683.

Once again he set sail, with four ships, this time for the West Indies. One ship was captured by pirates. Sailing into the Gulf of Mexico, La Salle, unable to find the mouth of the Mississippi, finally landed on the coast of Texas. One ship returned to France, and soon the other two vessels were wrecked. Exploring parties were unable to find the great river, and over half the company died. After aimless wanderings, suffering disease, discord and frustration, La Salle was murdered on March 18, 1687 by two of

his treacherous men. Thus ended the brave dream of a prosperous colony over which he would preside.

(To be continued)

Editor's Notebook



This is my final issue as Editor of the Ontario Numismatist. As this is being written, I have moved from Metro Toronto to Calgary, Alberta, where it is my intention to live and work henceforth. Since I am now far removed from the mainstream of the Ontario numismatic scene, and therefore unable to keep pace with events there, it is only reasonable that I should relinquish the editorship in favour of someone closer to the news.

Accordingly, I submitted my resignation as Editor to Bruce Watt, the O.N.A. President, at the end of July, just prior to my move West. However, I agreed to edit the September issue, in order to give the O.N.A. Executive time to seek out a new Editor. Whoever my replacement may be, I hope that he will give this task his serious attention. I have had a lot of fun editing the Ontario Numismatist during the past year, and I have tried to beef-up the bulletin to make it a viable numismatic publication. I feel that I have succeeded to some extent in this goal, and I hope that the new Editor will continue my policy of always striving to make each issue a little bit better than the last one.

I have continually asked for feedback from the members and, except for that which I have received from the Executive, it has been slow coming in and mostly negative in one way or another. However, even that has been encouraging, as it has shown that some members are at least reading the Ontario Numismatist -- a fact which I have had occasion to doubt, sometimes.

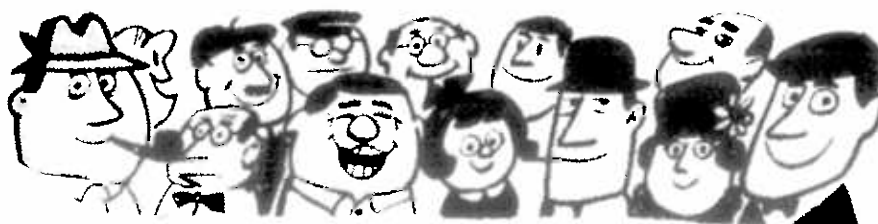
What are my plans, now? Well, at the moment, not too vast. During the recent C.N.A. Convention in Edmonton, I became the Vice-president of the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors, and plan to devote some time to doing a conscientious job in that capacity (I may even allow myself to be persuaded to take over the editorship of the Association's newsletter, since they are looking for a new Editor). I plan on continuing my two columns in Canadian Coin News. In addition, I will probably start attending meetings of the Calgary Numismatic Society, of which I have been a member for the past couple of years. Other than that, I am looking forward to having a little more free time than previously, in order to continue my numismatic research, and catch up on some articles I have been planning to write for some time.



In the meantime, this is "so-long". I will not say "good-bye" since I intend to keep in touch with my numismatic friends "down East", and will occasionally get back for short visits. Henceforth, I can be reached by mail at the following address: Stan Clute, P. O. Box 280, Station "T", Calgary, Alberta, T2H 2G8, should any of my many acquaintances in Ontario wish to get in touch with me.

Show Schedule

- Sept. 8: Huronia Numismatic Association's annual show, Bayfield Mall, Barrie, Ont. Information: P. O. Box 243, Barrie, Ont., L4M 4T2
- Sept. 15 & 16: Toronto Coin Club's annual Fall show, Royal York Hotel, 100 Front Street West, Toronto (right across the road from Union Station - also easily accessible from the Subway). Information: Toronto Coin Club, P. O. Box 865, Adelaide Street Post Office, Toronto, Ontario, M5C 2K1
- Sept. 29: Pemex '79, Highview School Auditorium, Pembroke, Ont., opening at 10:00 A. M.
- October 7: Sarnia Numismatic Society's annual show. More information when available.
- Oct. 13: Richmond Hill Coin Club's annual coin show, Hillcrest Mall, corner of Highway # 11 (Yonge Street) at Carrville Road, Richmond Hill. Information: Richmond Hill Coin Club, P. O. Box 386, Richmond Hill, Ont., L4C 4Y6
- Oct. 20: Thistletown Coin & Stamp Club's annual coin & stamp show, Etobicoke Public Library, Albion Road, just West of Kipling Avenue, Etobicoke. Information: P. O. Box 1143, Station "B", Weston, Ont., M9L 2R8
- Oct. 21: Tillsonburg Coin Club's annual coin show, at the Tillsonburg Community Centre in the Lions Auditorium. Information: Doug Mitchener, 1 Myrtle Street, Tillsonburg, Ont.
- Oct. 26 - 28: Montreal Coin & Stamp Show, Sheraton-Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal Quebec. Information: Guy Lestrade, P. O. Box 1144, Station "B", Montreal, Quebec, H3B 3K9
- Oct. 27: St. Catharines Coin Club, annual show and banquet, Westminster Church Hall, Queenston Street, St. Catharines, 11:00 A. M. to 6:00 P.M. Free admission and parking
- October 28: Stratford Coin & Stamp Show, Royal Canadian Legion, St. Patrick and Church Streets, Stratford, 10:00 A. M. to 6:00 P.M. Free admission and free door prizes.
- July 22 - 26, 1980: C.N.A. 1980 Convention, Montreal. Information: Guy Lestrade, P. O. Box 1144, Station "B", Montreal, Quebec, H3B 3K9



NEW SHOW

A new show called "The World of Jews and Judaica" now appears on Willowdowns Cable Television in the city of North York on Wednesdays at 7:00 P. M. and Thursdays at 9:30 P. M. The show deals with all aspects of the Holy Land: collectibles are covered in depth, from coins, banknotes, and stamps through maps and prints. There are also many in-depth interviews with prominent community leaders, organization representatives, and various collectors. The host of the show is no stranger to the numismatic community - Jeffrey Jacobs is a well known exhibitor of Holy Land numismatic material.

NEW MEMBERS

The applications published in the July - August issue of the Ontario Numismatist have now been accepted.

The following applications for membership have been received and, if no written objections are received, acceptance will be acknowledged in the October issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

- 1123.....Geoff Cole, P. O. Box 1058, Belleville, Ont., K8N 5E8
- 1124.....Frank J. Gallant, 452 Fernleigh Circle S., Richmond Hill, Ont.,
L4C 1E6
- J1125.....Keith Severs, 21 York Street, Cannington, Ont., LOE 1E0
- 1126.....John M. Brennan, 186 Pleasant Park Road, Ottawa, Ont., K1H 5M5
- J1127.....Mike Jaeger, 69 Rouse Avenue, Cambridge, Ont., N1R 4M7

U. S. "CARSON CITY" SILVER DOLLARS

This item may be of interest to collectors of U. S. Morgan silver dollars. Two sales of a total of 978,134 Carson City silver dollars - the last of the U. S. government's holdings of the historic coins - will be held early next year, the U. S. General Services Administration has announced.

The agency asked for an expression of interest from persons interested in purchasing the coins, requesting that they send a postcard with their name and address, including zip code, to Carson City Silver Dollars, San Francisco, Calif. 94170. Information and order forms will be sent those on the list prior to the sales.

The marketing plan follows the recommendations submitted by an advisory panel of numismatic experts to GSA Administrator Rowland G. Freeman III. The panel was convened in Washington, D.C. in April.

"This plan will insure the public a widespread opportunity to obtain these coins," Freeman said, "while assuring maximum return to the Treasury for the benefit of all the taxpayers."

GSA, the United States government's business agent, is authorized to sell the coins under legislation signed by President Carter on March 7, 1979. Freeman said public interest in the silver dollars, minted between 1879 and 1891, has been significant, with more than 60,000 inquiries received by GSA since the legislation was passed.

The first sale will offer 923,287 silver dollars to the public by mail order at fixed prices. This sale will feature three separate categories of the 90% silver coins (with the quantity available in parentheses): 1883-CC (195,745), 1884-CC (428,152), and "Mixed Years-CC" --1879-1885 and 1890-1891 (299,390). The coins, with no limit on the number that may be ordered, will be sold only for delivery to ADDRESSES WITHIN THE UNITED STATES, ITS TERRITORIES AND POSSESSIONS AND TO APO AND FPO NUMBERS. Orders will be processed at random, based on dates received, and will be filled up to 500 coins per category. To ensure equitable public distribution, GSA will fill the balance of orders for more than 500 silver dollars from any coins remaining at the end of the sale.

The second sale will offer 54,847 Carson City silver dollars in three separate mint-year categories: 1880-CC (4,284), 1881-CC (18,996), and 1885-CC (31,567). These coins will be sold at public auction by mail bid. There will be a limit of five from each category per bidder. If any coins remain from the first sale, they will be included, as lots, in this offering.

Prices will be announced prior to each sale, with either fixed prices or minimum bid prices determined by market conditions at the time. All prices will include the cost of delivery by registered mail, except for any coins offered on a lot basis in the second sale. Successful bidders will be responsible for the removal of the coins.

Coins offered in the two sales represent the balance of some 2.9 million Carson City silver dollars discovered in a U. S. Treasury vault during a 1964 audit. From 1972 to 1974, GSA sold 1,959,428 of these silver dollars in five public sales, netting \$55.3 million for the United States government. The sales were discontinued in 1974.

Designed by George T. Morgan, the coins feature the head of Miss Liberty on one side and an eagle within an olive wreath on the other. The letters "CC" -- for Carson City -- appear under the wreath. The Carson City mint was closed in 1893.

Dates of the sales will be announced as soon as GSA plans are final.

COIN FIND

"Coins from the Excavations at Chateau Clute": As explained in the editorial, the Editor has recently moved "out West" to Calgary, and is renting the front flat in a divided bungalow. Recently, a friend came by for a visit - with his metal detector - and we went over the front lawn, in this old residential part of the city. Some of the finds were slightly surprising, at least. Here is a list of what we turned up:

Canadian Cents: 1928 (obverse badly pitted), 1947 (2), 1949, 1957, 1963, 1968, 1969, 1971; plus $\frac{3}{4}$ of a large cent dated 1915

1 Chinese cash coin of emperor Tao Kuang (1821-51), Board of Revenue mint, Peking

1 1968 Calgary dog tag # 33665

1 old rifle shell of indeterminate origin (looks Russian)

plus assorted nails, electrical clips, bottle caps, and aluminum foil.



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Fellow Numismatist,

The Hamilton Convention has come and gone. It was in every respect a good Convention even though the attendance was not as good as expected. I believe a much larger percentage of those who did attend were O.N.A. members. Every dealer that I talked to said he either had a good, great, or super show. The displays were in high quality this year.

On behalf of the O.N.A. Executives I would like to thank everyone that attended and participate at the three day event. Also the Convention Committee of the Hamilton Coin Club did a super job. Thank-you for every thing.

I would have wrote this letter sooner, if I could have. I have been under doctors care, and taking medical treatments in Toronto.

I am editing and mailing the October issue of the Numismatist . As yet we have not been able to obtain a Editor to replace Stan Clute who had moved to Calgaray. We all will miss Stan in Ontario. If there was a coin show any where you would be sure to see Stan in attendance. He did an outstanding job as our editor in the past year.

The 1980 Convention in Ottawa in May 1980 is shaping up very well. They have exciting plans for both the young and old. So plan to attend you will not be sorry.

I would like to thank every one for their support in the past election, their labours, their freindship which cannot be replaced.

I hope you all will have a successful Numismatic 1980 year.

I remain,

Sincerely

Bruce R. Watt
President

BANK NOTES OF

HONG KONG

During the Japanese occupation of Hong Kong, the colony was completely cut off from the outside world. Trading - her main support - ceased, and inflation brought about serious currency problems.

To overcome the shortage of 1 dollar notes, the government had overprints made on the 5 dollar Bank of China notes with the inscription HONG KONG GOVERNMENT \$1.00 in both English and Chinese. Printing was by the Chinese Press Company, Hong Kong.

As affairs became more settled, the Japanese introduced their own military notes, making a fixed exchange rate of 1.2 Yen to the Hong Kong dollar, later increased to 1.4. From June 1943, the Japanese military notes became the only legal tender. The military currency issued by the Japanese was 472,000,000 dollars up to December 1944 and a further 1,968,000,000 dollars from then until the end of the occupation.

As a possible means of obtaining goods from China and elsewhere, the Japanese arranged for some Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation notes to be issued with the 10, 50, 100 and 500 dollar values. However, the plan leaked out and the issue was declared null and void.

During the occupation some value notes were printed for 1, 5, and 10 cents with the signature of R.R. Todd, Financial Secretary, all without the Kings head. There are three varieties; serial number without a letter; those with an A; those with a B. They are listed as military currency.

ACUTE SHORTAGE

After the Japanese surrender, Admiral Harcourt became Military Governor until 1st May 1946. As there was an acute shortage of 1 dollar notes, Japanese 1000 Yen Military notes were overprinted HONG KONG GOVERNMENT 1 DOLLAR.

Orders were given to 'YE OLDE PRINTERIE LTD' to carry out the work. The 5 and 10 dollar overprints on the Central Reserve Bank of China 1944 1,000 yuan and the Central Reserve Bank of China 1945 5,000 yuan notes were carried out by the Chung Hwa Co; Printing works at Kowloon,



By September 13th; sufficient stocks were available to be declared legal tender. Sad to say, much of this labour had been in vain. Supplies of 1, 5, 10 cents and 1 dollar notes arrived from London, and the overprint notes were never officially released.

These notes have the signature of H.R. Butters with the head of George VI on the right, balanced with an oval frame on the opposite side featuring the dollar sign. From this date the notes design followed the standard pattern up to the reign of Elizabeth II with profile on the right and value on the left. After 1959, the dollar note ceased to be issued but remained in circulation for the time being, along with the more favoured 1 dollar coin. The 1 cent note with Queen Elizabeth remains available for the collectors of miniature paper currency.





A selection of Hong Kong notes should have a priority among British world notes. Particularly following the Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip's visit to Hong Kong, the first British monarch to visit this island. To celebrate the occasion, special gold commemorative 1,000 dollar coins were struck by the Royal Mint. Unfortunately due to the gold restrictions introduced in the Budget, these are not available to British collectors.

COLLECTION BASIS

Taking the more easily obtainable notes first, it is suggested that the three 1 dollar notes of George V, George VI and Queen Elizabeth form the basis, adding the occupational small note issues, 1, 5, and 10 cents (two varieties). The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation issues of 5 dollar upwards must be included. All of these show the royal coat of arms above a harbour scene with a reclining maiden on the right and an unusual watermark on the left. The reverse shows the Bank headquarters, all carried out in a pleasing brown colour and printed by Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co; New Malden, England. The more difficult notes are the overprinted notes issued during the Japanese occupation, already mentioned. This collection would not be complete without one of the illustrated notes from The Chartered Bank which proudly display the date of the granting of the original charter, 1853.

The 10 dollars of 1959 is printed by Waterlow & Sons Ltd; of London. It is not particularly Oriental, but shows an elaborate coat of arms which students of heraldry may identify. The bank's early connections as the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China are revealed in the shield blazon of a sheep to represent Australia, an elephant for India and a Chinese junk in the fourth quarter. The first quarter is the well known British Britannia.

This bank and the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation are the only two banks allowed to issue banknotes for Hong Kong Government of today.

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EXPLORERS AND THE FUR TRADE

by Edwin D. Keetch

(Cont'd from September issue)

Perhaps a little more should be said about Samuel de Champlain who founded Quebec in 1608. He sent explorers north and west in a search for a waterway through the continent to the Orient. What they found instead, was a country so fabulously rich in furs that Michigan was to become the centre of a vast fur trading industry that was to last two hundred years under French, British and American rule.

The French exchanged beads, hatchets, ribbons, silver trinkets, iron or brass kettles and guns for fur of mink, beaver, marten, otter, muskrat, raccoon, deer and bear. Furs became an important product of Canada, they often paid the expense of exploration and adventurers discovered additional territory for France.

One of the earliest traders in Michigan was Groseilliers. He returned to Quebec from Lake Superior in 1656 with canoes loaded with choice furs, then in 1658, he and his brother-in-law Pierre Radisson set out to skirt the shores of Lake Superior and traveling inland, west and north, they brought back an even richer cargo of furs than before.

Drawn by the profits and adventure, others took to the woods as trappers or traders.

The French Government tried to control the fur trade by having the Indians bring their furs to Montreal but because of the huge profits, sometimes as much as a thousand per cent, individuals took to the woods to engage in illegal traffic in furs. In an attempt to correct this, the government issued licences to persons to take one or more canoes loaded with merchandise to the Indian country. Again the lure of profits and the wild induced many to make voyages without legal permits.

The hardships which these distant journeys entailed were appalling. On the usual route from Montreal up the Ottawa River there were thirty-six portages. At each of these places the canoe had to be unloaded and the contents and the canoes had to be carried, sometimes a mile or more before the canoe could again be set afloat and reloaded. The paddlemen, called Voyageurs, hoisted packs weighing a hundred pounds each on their backs and trotted along the portage path. After reaching Lake Nipissing they proceeded down the French River into Georgian Bay, they passed between Manitoulin Island and the north shore of Lake Huron and continued into St. Mary's River until they reached Sault Ste. Marie, there it was necessary to transport their cargo overland to Lake Superior.

Canoes for the north country set out in the fall and returned in early summer. Food for the men had to be carried as part of the cargo. In order to leave as much space as possible for trade goods, flour was lean and compact, bears grease and dry grain. A bushel of grain and two pounds of bear grease per person were considered sufficient for a month, fish and

meat was added when good luck provided a supply.

During the winter the men joined the Indians in hunting and trapping, many of them married squaws and raised families.

Although the dangers of fur trading would seem to have been sufficient to deter all but the foolhardy from engaging in it, most Canadians spent at least one or two winters with the Indians. If a young man stayed at home he was considered a weakling.

The annual return to Montreal with cargoes of furs was a time of rejoicing for everyone. The men received wages and rejoined their families and friends. Hundreds of Canadians and Indians roamed the streets, making up for the long winters hardships, by wild carousals before the time to set out again in the fall. The clothing of the woodsmen, especially their gaudy sashes, tasseled toques and calico shirts coloured in the hues of the rainbow, instantly distinguished them from the town residents.

Effects of the fur trade on the Indians were tragic. Jesuit missionaries protested vigorously against the illegal distribution of brandy to the Indians. Because of their intense desire for liquor, Indians would sometimes exchange their whole winters supply of pelts for sufficient liquor to go on an extended spree.

The British that were along the Atlantic coast, pushed westward to get their share of the fur trade. The British who were friendly with the Iroquois, knowing the Iroquois were bitter enemies of the French were given access to the lower lakes and Lake Huron and the fur trade.

The Indians welcomed the British because their goods were cheaper. This period of time saw a long time of wars and raids between France and Britain.

In 1686, Sieur Duluth built a fort between Lake Erie and Lake Huron at the head of the St. Clair River, the present day Port Huron. In 1687 Canadians and Indians were assembled at the fort to attack the Iroquois on Lake Ontario. Nearly two hundred coureurs de bois and about five hundred Indians were assembled for the attack and set out for Lake Ontario in their canoes, the expedition captured a British trading party but did little damage to the Iroquois.

A new commandant was appointed to the fort but after the first winter decided it wasn't worth maintaining. He ordered it burned and on Aug. 27th 1688 he set out for Michilimackinac. For more than fifty years of war between France and Britain in the fur trading area, the British navy so disrupted the French at Montreal that they were unable to get goods to trade with the Indians. Chiefs of several Indian tribes pledged allegiance to Great Britain. Soon after this a six year war broke out between the French and the Indians which cost the French its Empire in North America.

The English moved quickly to occupy the forts in the Great Lakes region. but with occupation of the land came also dramatic changes in treatment of the Indians. For years the British had been endeavoring to gain the favour of the Indians in an effort to obtain their furs.

Liquor was available from the British when it was forbidden by the French. The Indians had been given presents and paid higher prices for their pelts by the British. All of this changed when the land became Englands.

(To Be Continued)

The Following is quoted from the October, 1979 issue
CANADIAN LARGE CENTS CLUB, Pineville, Ia; U.S.A. news
letter " Party Line ". Written by Leslie A. Winners.

CATALOG PRICE COMPARISON OF
CANADIAN LARGE CENTS

Gold and Silver are touted as the BEST investments with the greatest potential for value increase. What with the sky-rocketing prices of recent days, one is hesitant to disagree regarding the precious metals. There is much agreement, however, regarding the future health of the numismatic hobby. It looks good! More collectors are entering the hobby, hopefully many of these will remain after gold and silver prices decline. My intention in preparing this "comparison" is to show that there is MORE to numismatics than just precious metals. There are other series of coins which do increase in value (no matter how you define value).

Canadian Large Cents Have increased. This comparison is based upon price value contained in the following references:

1. 1975 Standard Catalogue of Canadian Coins & Tokens
Paper Money, 23rd; Edition, J.E. Charlton.

2. Charltons Standard Catalogue of Canadian Coins
28th; Edition, by J.E. Charlton.

CANADA - Victoria Large Cents

Date	1975 EF	1979 EF-40	Percent Change	1975 Unc.	1979 MS-60	Percent Change
1858	40.00	75.00	86 +	75.00	150.00	100 +
1859	3.00	4.00	33 +	13.00	25.00	92 +
1876H	3.00	4.00	33 +	12.00	20.00	67 +
1881H	5.00	7.00	40 +	12.00	25.00	108 +
1882H	3.00	4.50	50 +	10.00	15.00	50 +
1884	3.25	5.50	69 +	10.00	20.00	100 +
1886	6.50	8.50	31 +	17.00	35.00	106 +
1887	6.50	8.50	31 +	17.00	35.00	106 +
1888	2.50	3.75	50 +	10.00	18.00	80 +
1890H	9.00	13.50	50 +	23.00	40.00	74 +
1891 LD-LL	8.50	13.50	59 +	20.00	40.00	100 +
1891 SD-LL	70.00	80.00	14 +	160.00	200.00	25 +
1891 SD-SL	65.00	75.00	15 +	150.00	160.00	7 +
1892	6.00	8.75	46 +	14.00	25.00	76 +
1893	4.00	5.50	38 +	9.00	18.00	100 +
1894	11.00	15.00	36 +	25.00	50.00	100 +
1895	6.50	8.50	31 +	15.00	25.00	67 +
1896	3.00	5.00	67 +	10.00	15.00	50 +
1897	3.00	5.50	83 +	10.00	20.00	100 +
1898H	9.00	12.00	33 +	22.00	30.00	36 +
1899	3.00	4.00	33 +	10.00	15.00	50 +
1900	10.00	15.00	50 +	25.00	40.00	60 +
1900H	4.00	4.75	19 +	12.00	14.00	17 +
1901	2.50	3.50	40 +	8.00	12.00	50 +
Totals	287.25	390.25	36 +	689.00	1,047.00	52 +

CANADA - Edward VII Large Cents

Date	1975 EF	1979 EF-40	Percent Change	1975 Unc.	1979 MS-60	Percent Change
1902	2.75	4.00	45 +	8.00	12.00	50 +
1903	2.50	3.75	50 +	7.50	15.00	100 +
1904	3.50	5.00	43 +	9.00	15.00	67 +
1905	7.00	7.50	7 +	14.00	20.00	43 +
1906	2.50	4.25	70 +	7.00	15.00	114 +
1907	3.50	6.00	71 +	9.00	15.00	67 +
1907H	17.00	22.00	29 +	40.00	80.00	100 +
1908	3.00	5.00	67 +	9.00	15.00	67 +
1909	2.00	4.00	100 +	6.00	10.00	67 +
1910	2.00	3.50	75 +	6.00	10.00	67 +
Totals	45.75	65.00	42 +	115.50	207.00	79 +

CANADA - George V Large Cents

Date	1975 EF	1979 EF-40	Percent Change	1975 Unc.	1979 MS-60	Percent Change
1911	5.00	6.00	20 +	15.00	15.00	-0- **
1912	2.00	2.75	38 +	4.50	8.00	78 +
1913	2.00	2.75	38 +	4.50	8.00	78 +
1914	2.50	3.00	20 +	5.50	10.00	82 +
1915	2.25	2.75	22 +	4.50	7.00	56 +
1916	1.50	2.25	50 +	3.50	6.00	71 +
1917	1.50	2.25	50 +	3.50	6.00	71 +
1918	1.50	2.25	50 +	3.50	6.00	71 +
1919	1.50	2.25	50 +	3.50	6.00	71 +
1920	1.75	2.50	43 +	4.00	7.00	75 +
Totals	21.50	28.75	34 +	52.00	79.00	52 +

NOVA SCOTIA - Victoria Large Cents (including 1/2 Cents)

Date	1975 EF	1979 EF-40	Percent Change	1975 Unc.	1979 MS-60	Percent Change
1861 $\frac{1}{2}$	10.00	14.00	40 +	16.00	25.00	56 +
1864 $\frac{1}{2}$	10.00	14.00	40 +	16.00	25.00	56 +
*1861	8.00	15.00	88 +	16.00	30.00	88 +
1862	50.00	55.00	10 +	100.00	150.00	50 +
1864	9.00	10.00	11 +	18.00	25.00	39 +
Totals	87.00	118.00	36 +	166.00	255.00	54 +

* Large and Small Rosebud varieties have been combined since there were no price value differences in the 23rd Edition.

NEWFOUNDLAND - Victoria Large Cents

<u>Date</u>	<u>1975</u> <u>EF</u>	<u>1979</u> <u>EF-40</u>	<u>Percent</u> <u>Change</u>	<u>1975</u> <u>Unc.</u>	<u>1979</u> <u>MS-60</u>	<u>Percent</u> <u>Change</u>
1865	8.00	10.00	25 +	35.00	50.00	43 +
1872H	8.00	10.00	25 +	35.00	60.00	71 +
1873	8.00	10.00	25 +	40.00	60.00	50 +
1876H	8.00	10.00	25 +	35.00	60.00	71 +
1880 RO ED	8.00	10.00	25 +	40.00	60.00	50 +
1880 RO LO	10.00	12.00	20 +	45.00	65.00	44 +
1880 OvalO	135.00	150.00	11 +	200.00	350.00	75 +
1885	35.00	40.00	14 +	90.00	125.00	39 +
1888	30.00	35.00	17 +	75.00	90.00	20 +
1890	7.50	8.00	7 +	25.00	30.00	20 +
1894	7.50	8.00	7 +	25.00	30.00	20 +
1896	7.50	8.00	7 +	25.00	30.00	20 +
Totals	272.50	311.00	14 +	670.00	1,010.00	51 +

NEWFOUNDLAND - Edward VII Large Cents

<u>Date</u>	<u>1975</u> <u>EF</u>	<u>1979</u> <u>EF-40</u>	<u>Percent</u> <u>Change</u>	<u>1975</u> <u>Unc..</u>	<u>1979</u> <u>MS-60</u>	<u>Percent</u> <u>Change</u>
1904H	20.00	25.00	25 +	50.00	75.00	50 +
1907	8.00	12.00	50 +	25.00	50.00	100 +
1909	8.00	12.00	50 +	25.00	50.00	100 +
Totals	36.00	49.00	36 +	100.00	175.00	75 +

NEWFOUNDLAND - George V Large Cents

<u>Date</u>	<u>1975</u> <u>EF</u>	<u>1979</u> <u>EF-40</u>	<u>Percent</u> <u>Change</u>	<u>1975</u> <u>Unc.</u>	<u>1979</u> <u>MS-60</u>	<u>Percent</u> <u>Change</u>
1913	4.00	4.00	-0-	15.00	25.00	67 +
1917C	3.50	4.00	14 +	15.00	25.00	67 +
1919C	4.00	4.00	-0-	15.00	25.00	67 +
1920C	4.00	4.00	-0-	15.00	25.00	67 +
1929	3.50	4.00	14 +	15.00	25.00	67 +
1936	3.50	4.00	14 +	13.00	20.00	54 +
Totals	22.50	24.00	6 +	88.00	145.00	65 +

NEW BRUNSWICK - Victoria Large Cents (including 1/2 Cent)

Date	1975 EF	1979 EF-40	Percent Change	1975 Unc.	1979 MS-60	Percent Change
1861 1/2¢	60.00	75.00	25 +	125.00	175.00	40 +
1861	8.00	10.00	25 +	20.00	25.00	25 +
1864	8.00	10.00	25 +	20.00	25.00	25 +
Totals	76.00	95.00	25 +	165.00	225.00	36 +

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND - Victoria Large Cent

Date	1975 EF	1979 EF-40	Percent Change	1975 Unc.	1979 MS-60	Percent Change
1871	8.00	11.00	38 +	60.00	60.00	-0- **
Totals	8.00	11.00	38 +	60.00	60.00	-0- **

CONCLUSIONS:

The author attempts to make no conclusions from the catalogue price comparisons presented. The reader should feel free to make his/her own interpretation. A few questions regarding the UPWARD price value movement of this series will undoubtedly be asked. One such question could be simply "Are the upward 'values' a result of inflation?" Another query could be "Why the zero percent change in the P.E.I. and the George V 1911 Large Cents?" Someone who is more qualified than this author should be consulted for the answers.

It should be noted that the "Percent Change" figures have been rounded to the nearest WHOLE percentage. Therefore, some percentages are not exactly the correct percent of change from the 1975 base value. The percentages have been computed in the following manner: Base Price (1975) is subtracted from the 1979 price yielding a "value difference." The value difference is then divided by the Base Price to give the percentage change, either plus or minus.

This often neglected series of Canadian decimals has been consistently increasing in "value"; this author sincerely hopes you will consider the Large Cents of Canada as a numismatic collectable. Much ado has been made recently about "undervalued", "underpriced", and "sleeper" coins. One has to ask is the Newfoundland 1¢ of 1885 (40,000 mintage) such a coin?

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At press time I have not received the list of new applications for October issue, from the membership committee.

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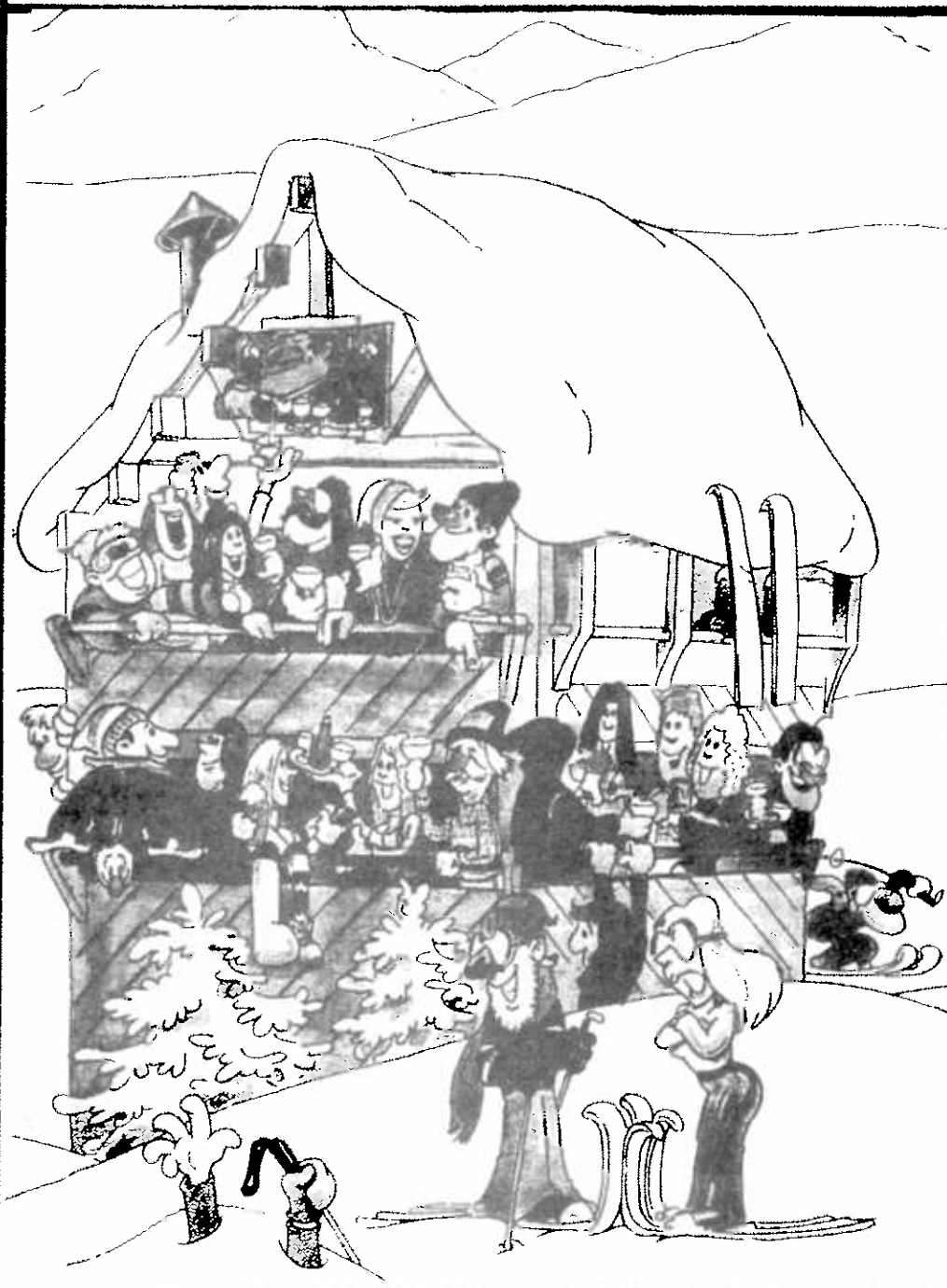
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Dear Fellow Numismatists:

As a member of the Toronto Coin Club, I have been very favourably impressed with their monthly publication edited by John Regitko, and it was gratifying to have it recognized as the outstanding club bulletin by the American Numismatic Association at the 1977 Atlanta Convention. The news and letters of the club can contribute a great deal of its success and encouragement to a collector. Keep up the good work Toronto.

I am sorry to inform you, that we have lost a true friend in the death of W.A. Pat Lambert, who passed away during the morning of November 4th. Pat was President of the O.N.A. from 1973 to 1975.

He received the O.N.A. Award of Merit in 1971. At the time of his death he held the position of Property Chairman and Advisor to the President of the O.N.A. Pat had been very active as a speaker, judge and exhibitor. He will be greatly missed by everyone who knew him. We the members and executive of the O.N.A. extend to Trudy and his family our deepest sympathy in their time of sorrow.

I personally lost a good friend. He would come to my aid when ever I needed him, I will miss him.

On December 1st; 1979, we the Executive will be travelling to Ottawa to have a meeting with the Executive of the City of Ottawa Coin Club.

Till the December issue Of the NUMISMATIST I remain,

Sincerely

Bruce R. Watt
President

by Edwin D. Keetch

(Cont'd from October issue)

Sir Jeffery Amherst, Commander-in-chief of the King's forces in America, despised the Indians as dirty savages. Commandants obeyed his orders to withhold gifts, especially powder and lead, they received Chiefs in an insulting manner. British traders, who no longer had to compete with the French, were brutal in their dealings with the Indians.

Angered by such treatment the Indians needed only a leader. Pontiac, Chief of the Ottawa, induced other local tribes to join in a plot to take the fort at Detroit. After failing to capture it, they laid siege to it on May 9th., but Major Henry Gladwin held out and Pontiac withdrew early in November. Other tribes set off a chain reaction and Fort St. Joseph was captured.

All the Forts in Indiana and Ohio fell to the Indians and all in Pennsylvania except Fort Pitt.

But so long as Fort Detroit remained in the hands of the British the uprising was doomed. Fort Sandusky was taken May 1th, Fort St. Joseph on May 25th. Fort Miamis two days later and Fort Quiatenon on June 1st.

Indians besieged Fort Venango, Fort Pitt, Fort Le Bouef and Presqu' Isle. By the end of June only Fort Detroit, Pitt and Niagara were in the hands of the British and they were under siege. However two western posts remained unattacked, the fort at Green Bay and Fort Michilimackinac. The latter was built between 1720 and 1750 to control the fur traffic of the upper lakes.

Chippewa lived in the area and it was a rendezvous for traders, *coureurs de bois* and Indians in the fur trade.

Since 1762, Captain George Etherington had been in command of the garrison with two other officers and thirty five Royal Americans. He had confidence in his men and the high stockade with enclosed about two acres of ground. As long as there was an ample supply of food and ammunition, the captain felt safe from an Indian attack.

In May 1763, *voyageurs*, *coureurs de bois* and Indians were arriving daily from their winter camps and the stage for the massacre at Michilimackinac began to be set. One of four English traders living in the fort was Alexander Henry who had been at the post since 1761. In the fall of 1762 Henry was adopted as a brother by Wawatam, a Chippewa Chief.

The Chief left for the winter hunt, but when he returned late in May, he invited Henry to go with him to Sault Ste. Marie saying he was worried by the noise of evil birds. With further figurative language Wawatam tried to inform Henry of impending danger at the fort.

Because his canoes had not yet returned with furs, the trader declined the invitation. When another visit by the Chief on June 1st. failed to change Henry's mind, Wawatam and his wife tearfully bade farewell to their white brother.

Later in the day, Indians swarmed into the fort, visiting all the merchants and asking to see silver armbands and other ornaments, but their only purchases were tomahawks. This fact disturbed Henry after Wawatam's peculiar behaviour. He urged caution on Captain Etherington who shrugged off the possibility of danger from savages.

On June 2nd. 1763 the weather was warm and humid. The Indians were greatly excited, for a party of Sauk had challenged the local Chippewa to a game of baggataway (lacrosse) it was played by a swarm of Indians on either side, each player carried a stick about four feet long curved at the far end where a type of bag made of strips of skin in which a ball was carried, caught or thrown to a goal, a post set at either end of the field.

The Indians were great gamblers, made heavy wagers on the outcome of the game and invited the English soldiers, who were in command of Fort Michilimackinac of which Captain Etherington was in charge to wager on the game,

Etherington said he would bet on the Chippewa. He and Lieutenant Leslye were among the spectators outside the fort. Lieutenant John Jamet was on duty inside the stockade. The gates were open and blanket clad squaws entered the fort at will. The soldiers never became suspicious of the squaws.

The ball was played half way between the goals. Slashing vigorously, the braves put it in play. Several hundred near naked savages ran, shouted, brandished crossed, and tossed the ball about. Suddenly in the midst of wild confusion, the ball was hurled high in the air and fell near the entrance.

Players dashed pellme 1 through the open gates in hot pursuit. Dropping their crossed, they snatch knives and tomahawks for squaws who had concealed them under their blankets.

Outside Etherington and Leslye were taken prisoners. Inside a general massacre began. Alexander Henry was in his house writing letters. Suddenly he heard wild war whoops and screams of the victims. He ran to the window and saw the savages madly attacking every Englishman in sight. He saw John Jamet struck down by an Indian who straddled his body and scalped him.

Henry noticed that the Canadians stood apart, neither aiding the Indians or being assailed by them. Believing that one of them might help him he ran next door to the house of Charles Langlade, but Langlade asked him "What do you expect me to do?"

An Indian slave woman took pity on him and hid him in the attic. Through a crevice in the wall he witnessed the massacre of fifteen soldiers an English trader and John Jamet.

The next morning Henry was dragged from the attic by a bunch of near naked, drunken Indians, their leader, who had blackened his body was going to kill Henry with his knife but at the last mement changed his mind, with the help of Langlade, Henry was able to stay with him as a prisoner.

When the Ottawa learned of the massacre, they were furious at having missed the chance for scalps and plunder.

Chief Okinochumake led his braves to Michilimackinac and seized the fort from the Chippewa and after the surrender of much loot, returned to their village taking with them some soldiers, two English traders, Lieutenant Leslye and Captain Etherington. Langlade was left to take charge of the fort.

After being held a prisoner for the rest of 1763, Alexander Henry was released early in 1764 and permitted to return to Montreal.

Although Chief Pontiac raised the siege of Detroit near the end of October 1763, it was not until August 1764 that Colonel John Bradstreet arrived with relief. For Major Gladwin he brought a welcome order, relieving him of command and permitting him to return to England.

Chief Pontiac, with other chiefs assembled at Oswego, New York for a grand council in July 1766 with Sir William Johnson, Pontiac smoked the pipe of peace and presented wampum belts as a tangible evidence of his good faith. Johnson accepted his submission and gave gifts to the Chiefs.

In the spring of 1769, Pontiac was in Cahokia, Illinois, selling his winter catch of furs. Indians of the region were hostile to Pontiac, and some Peorias decided to kill him on April 20th, one of them, pretending friendship accompanied him into a store, and as he left, the Peoria struck him down with his own war club and stabbed him to death.

Thus died Pontiac, war chief of the Ottawa, who had inspired the greatest Indian Uprising in America.

The Pontiac car was named in honour of Chief Pontiac and a large oil painting has been placed in the lobby of the head office of General Motors of Canada in Ottawa.

The Lake of Bays in Muskoka, Ont. was first glimpsed by Etienne Brule' about 1610 when he came over with Champlain. Brule' lived with the Indians, and at first was well liked, but as the story goes he became too interested in the young Indian maidens which enraged the tribe to such an extent that they killed him and ate his body at a great feast.

After many years of the Indians fighting among themselves and with the white man, peace finally came.

There was a tribe of Indians near Dorset, Lake of Bays, Muskoka, called Yellow Heads, because of the clay they used to paint themselves with after returning from the trading posts where they traded furs for whiskey and supplies.

The trappers, who found life very hard and rough were rewarded with great quantities of furs. There were two main days for the traders to sell their furs to the Hudson Bay Co, or the North West Company, the 24th of May and the 5th of November.

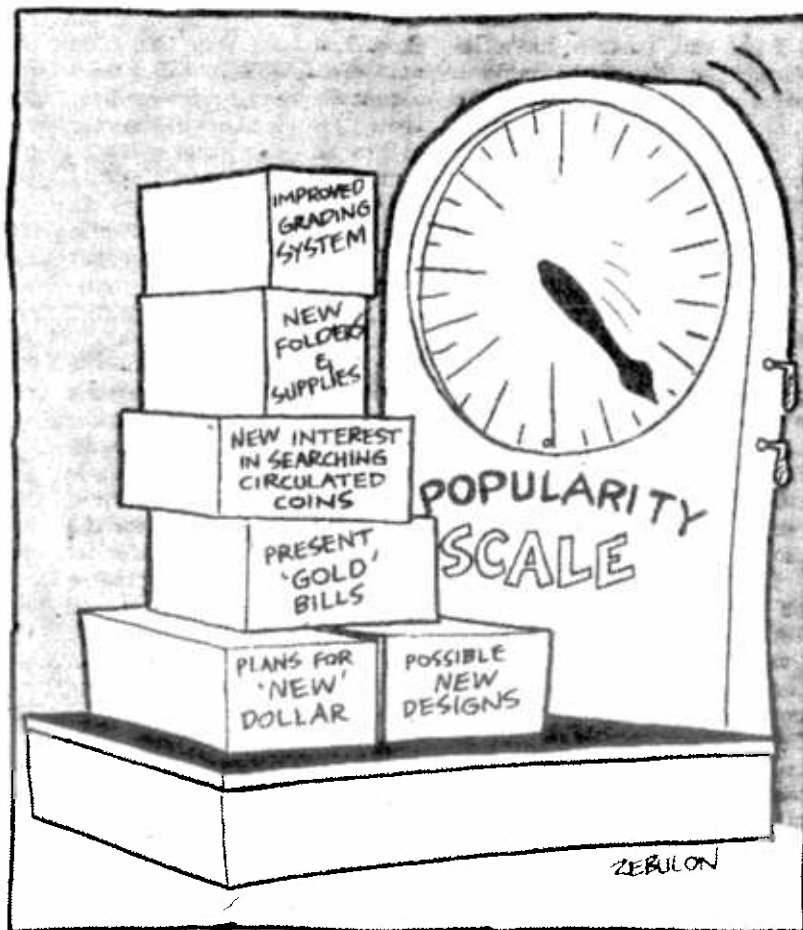
Indians and trappers would come from miles away to trade at the company on Bigwin Island. The Indians would only trade their furs to Chief Bigwin and he in turn took the furs to the Hudson Bay Co. and the North West Co. that had established a trading post across the river from each other and close to Bigwin Island.

Chief Bigwin was one of the best known Indians on the Lake of Bays. His father was for the Algonquin tribe, his mother was a Muskokian, from, which it is said, all Muskoka got its name.

Chief Bigwin died on the Rama Reservation at the age of 102 years. He was buried with a great deal of pomp and ceremony and it is said a cortege of Indians and whites over a mile long paid a final tribute to Chief Bigwin.

My Great Grandfather, William Keetch, who was an early settler and Pioneer built a log cabin on a piece of land given to him by the government, at Dwight, Ont. where he met Chief Bigwin and they became good friends. My Great Grandfather became a logger and eventually a Captain of a logging vessel, but that's another story.

Something For Everyone ...



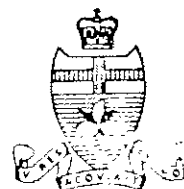
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AN EARLY RELEASE

The 18th Annual Convention of the Ontario Numismatic Association will be held in Ottawa on May 23rd, 24th and 25th, 1980.

The City of Ottawa Coin Club will be the Host Club. W. R. (Johnny) Johnston has accepted the appointment as General Chairman of the Convention Committee.

During the past two months several members of the Host Club have been busy planning and organizing for this important event. Arrangements have been made with the management of the Holiday Inn, 100 Kent Street, (in the heart of the downtown area) for suitable space in which to hold the Convention. In addition a substantial number of hotel rooms have been reserved for delegates and dealers who will be attending the Convention.

The position of Chairman of the various Committees has been filled, in nearly all cases, and these people are busy recruiting members to serve on their committees. These Committees will be working, during the fall and winter months, with a view of putting together an exciting and educational three-day show so that you can enjoy yourself when you attend the 18th Annual Convention of the Ontario Numismatic Association in Ottawa during MAY 1980.

Further information will be published as plans are finalized.

All enquiries and correspondence should be addressed to:

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APPLICANTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

The following applications for membership have been received and, no written objections are not received, acceptance will be acknowledged in the December issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

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CLUB NEWS

ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB ...C13

The St. Catharines Coin Club held their 205th; meeting on October 21st; 1979 with 72 members and guests in attendance.

Carl Szic was selling peanuts for the Kidney Foundation for Halloween. Sales were going very well, Carl is vitally interested in this project as he himself is on a kidney machine.

President Steinhoff informed the members that the St. Catharines Coin Club has received the COIN WEEK Plaque.

Past President Vic Snell introduced the guest speaker, Scott McLaren, Publisher of Canadian Coin News. His topic for the meeting was the problems and pleasures he encounters in running his newspaper.

The draw prizes were won by Scott McLean and Carl Naumann.

The auction was conducted by Lloyd Dorsey assisted by George Oblinsky and Pete Kostyk.

OSHAWA DISTRICT COIN CLUB ...C35

The Oshawa District Coin Clubs Annual 19th; Coin - A - Rama, November 3rd; 1979, at the Midtown Mall, Oshawa was a success as usual.

The Displays were in excellant quality this year. The winners are as follows :

Junior NIL

Canadian.... I. Greg Backwell, London, 2. Ernie Ruch, Whitby
 British Empire & Comm.... I. Terry Campbell, Oshawa,
 Foreign.... Jules Loeffen
 Paper.... I. George Fraser, Toronto, 2. Alex Majers, Oshawa,
 3. Bobby Larmer, Oshawa.
 Medals.... I. Ernie Ruch, Whitby, 2. Bobby Larmer, Oshawa.
 Miscellaneous.... Chris Cole,
 Tokens.... Terry Campbell, Oshawa.
 wooden Money.... I. Norman Wells, Peterborough, 2. Edwin Keetch Oshawa.
 Best Club Member Trophy.... Ernie Ruch, Whitby.
 Best of Show Greg Backwell, London.

The next meeting will be the Christmas Party, December 9th; Valley View Clubhouse on Gladstone Ave; Oshawa. Doors open at 12:00 Noon.

INGERSOLL COIN CLUB ...059

The Ingersoll Coin Club met Monday, October 15th; 1979 for their regular meeting in the upstairs meeting room at the Lions Hall on Thames St; Ingersoll, Ontario. One bourse dealer was doing a brisk business to a good representation of members present.

The container for members loose change for the crippled children was passed around and after three meetings the container, contains \$19.00. They expect to surpass last years amount before the end of the year, which was \$30.00.

The 1980 Executives are as follows:..

President... Thomas Masters, Vice President... Stella Hodge, Treasurer... Leonard Coles, Directors Lorne Mercer, Glenn Springer, Aulia Koalonen.

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Christmas Party Meeting, November 19th; 1979

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Association News:

As your president and acting editor, it has been my privilege to serve you in both capacities during the year 1979. Now that the year is coming to a close and 1980 is fast approaching, it is my wish that the hobby of Numismatics returns to the collector, and not to the speculator as it has in the past

You will notice that printing of this bulletin is much clearer. The reason is that I had to rent a Type-write till I received the O.N.A. machine. I agree some of the pages in the last bulletin were a disaster, but it will be a improvement in the future.

It gives me great pleasure to announce as of Dec. 1st; 1979, that RICHARD SNIDERMAN C.A. will be the Director for Area No: 4, which is Hamilton and surrounding district.

On behalf of the Executives and our families I would like to wish each and everyone a HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON.

Bruce R. Watt
President



St. Nicholas Precursor of Our Modern-Day Santa

Legend has it that the figure of our present day Santa Claus is rooted in the personality of St. Nicholas, fourth century bishop of Myra, Turkey.



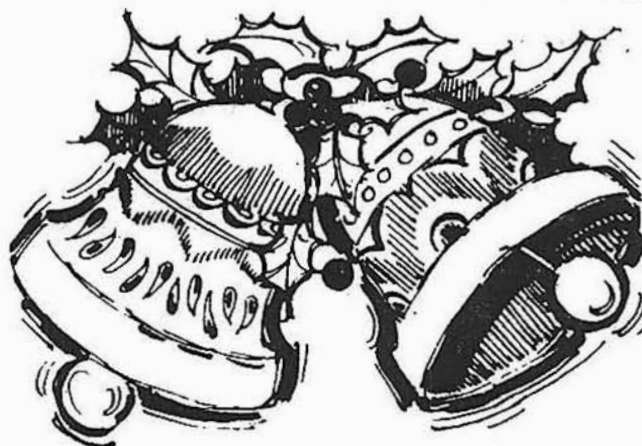
According to reports, Nicholas was just a boy when he became bishop. He loved to give the poor gifts, but hated to be thanked for for them. Many miracles are attributed to him but during his lifetime he was noted primarily for his kindness.

Often he delivered gifts to the needy at night. One story tells of how he presented a bag of gold to each of three girls as a dowry. The girls father was impoverished, and was about to give up to a life of shame. Nicholas rescued them, and his good deed later formed the

basis for the giving of gifts in secret on the Eve of St. Nicholas. The custom was eventually transferred to Christmas.

It was the Dutch colonists who brought the custom of Saint Nicholas and gift-giving to the United States. The tradition spread rapidly, but English speaking children couldn't pronounce the words " Saint Niklaas" and they corrupted the name to Santa Claus.

**"I Heard the Bells on
Christmas Day..."**



Canadian cent to be smaller, lighter

More pennies to the pound

OTTAWA.

The Royal Canadian Mint is going to shrink your money before it gets into your pocket.

Starting January 1st; 1980, the onecent piece will be made thinner and lighter, although not so light and thin as the coin the Mint had hoped to introduce at the beginning of 1978.

The new coins will be reduced to 2.8 grams from the present coins 3.24 and in thickness to 1.38 millimetres from 1.65. Yvon Gariepy, Master of the Mint, said the change will hardly be noticeable and will not affect the operation of coin machines.

The Mint had planned to introduce an even smaller 1.8 gram coin last year but backed off in response to objections from operators of vending machines and from the Toronto Transit Commission which complained that the coins would fool its subway turnstiles.

The 1.8 gram coin would have shaved up to \$6-million from the Mint's production cost, Mr Gariepy said. Not so the compromise coin. Like the current coins they will cost more than one cent apiece to produce, and the cost of a run of 600 to 700 million of them will be only about \$500,000 less.

The new coins will continue to be made of an alloy that is 98 per cent copper.

Mr Gariepy said rising cost of nickel and labor are also putting pressure on the five-cent coin, which costs between five and six cents to produce, but it will be three to four months before the Mint is ready to make specific recommendations for changes.

DON'T FORGET YOUR 1980 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL IS DUE
JANUARY 1st; 1980



NEWS FROM AROUND THE CLUBS

TORONTO COIN CLUB C79

The November 19 meeting of the Toronto Coin Club was held at the Royal York Hotel, with virtually a record attendance thanks to the class of the numismatics course from Yorkdale Secondary School.

Dan Bowyer, Club President, chaired the meeting, while Acting Secretary, Dr. Marvin Kay, read the minutes of the October meeting.

The program for the evening, a paper and slide presentation entitled "Climpses of Rembrandt" presented by Jack Veffer covered the history just prior to the days of Rembrandt, his lifehistory, his works of art and, most important, the banknotes on which his paintings appear. Veffer's unique 2-projector presentation enabled the audience to compare detail between the original painting and the scene as it appeared on the banknote issued by Holland. Jack brought with him a number of reproductions of Rembrandt's famous paintings as well as the notes.

Dr. Marvin Kay spoke on his recent trip to the British Museum during which he visited their Department of Coins and Medals. John Regitko spoke on the history of the Ashanti Tribe and their use of Gold Weights that they used in carrying out trade in the Ivory Coast (now Ghana).

A record number of door prizes were offered and everyone seemed happy to have attended another successful meeting.

John Regitko, Nominations Chairman, proposed the following slate of Officers for the calendar year 1980:

For Past-President: Dan Bowyer
 For President: Dr. Marvin Kay
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 For 2nd; Vice President: Don Bunjevac
 For Treasurer: Dan Bowyer
 For Secretary: Brain Chinn
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 Mirko Kotic
 Axel Nielsen

STRATFORD COIN CLUB C20

The Christmas Meeting party of the Stratford Coin Club will be held on December 10 1979 at St. John's United Church at 8:00 P.M. The Club provided delicious fried chicken to all. The members were asked to bring their wife, girlfriend (not both) husband etc; There was a super gift exchange, valued up to \$2.00.

INGERSOLL COIN CLUB. C59

The Christmas Meeting of the Ingersoll Coin Club was held Monday November 19th; 7:00 P.M. Lions Hall Thames St; Featuring a Pre Christmas turkey dinner with all the trimmings. A \$2.00 gift exchange followed. There was very little business conducted as this evening was to a happy social gathering. There was an O.N.A, slide presentation and attendance draw.

The officers for the year 1980 are as follows:

President:..Tom Masters

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Presidents appointments:.... Hostess ... Stella Hodge

Editorial Staff:..

Thomas Masters

Barbara Macnab

OSHAWA DISTRICT COIN CLUB. C35

The December meeting of the Oshawa District Coin Club was held Sunday December 9th; 2:00 P.M. There were 8 dealers 100 members and guests in attendance.

There was very little business conducted, followed with a coin auction and dorr draw. Christmas cake and coffee was supplied by the club.

NORTH YORK COIN CLUB. C74

The November Meeting of the North York Coin Club was held Tuesday November 27th; at the North York Community Hall 5090 Yonge St; Willowdale.

The Members draw was won by Paul Johnson, which was \$4 00.

It was announced that Mrs Louise Graham had successfully undergone an operation for cataracts on her eye, and was convalescing in the North York General Hospital. She was expected to be released by the week-end.

The 1980 Executive is as follows:...

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CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF WOODEN MONEY COLLECTORS: C83

Stan Clute the O.N.A. ex-editor has been appointed as Editor of the monthly news letter that is sent out to the C.A. O.W.M.C. members. Keep up the good work Stan.

CANADIAN LARGE CENTS CLUB : C85

Leslie Winners of Pineville, La; writes in his December News Letter that there will be no DUES for 1980. (thats beating inflation)

C.N.A. awarded the C.L.C.C. a free C.N.A. membership for 1980. This is due to their recruiting efforts during COIN WEEK CANADA.(take note Membership Committee)

C.L.C.C. is celebration its FIFTH ANNIVERSARY this month. C.L.C.C. has been a viable, active force in Canadian numismatics.Keep up the good work Les.

PERSONALITIES IN THE NEWS

STELLA HODGE

For active participation in a number of clubs - for proving that numismatics can be fun - and for showing that women have a place in the field of numismatics.

MERRY MERRY MERRY
Christmas

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FEBRUARY 16, 1980

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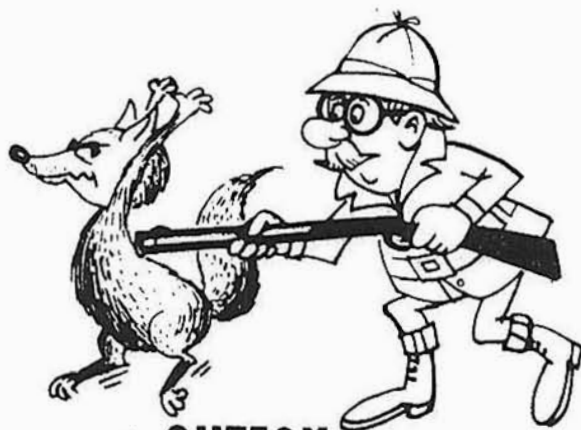
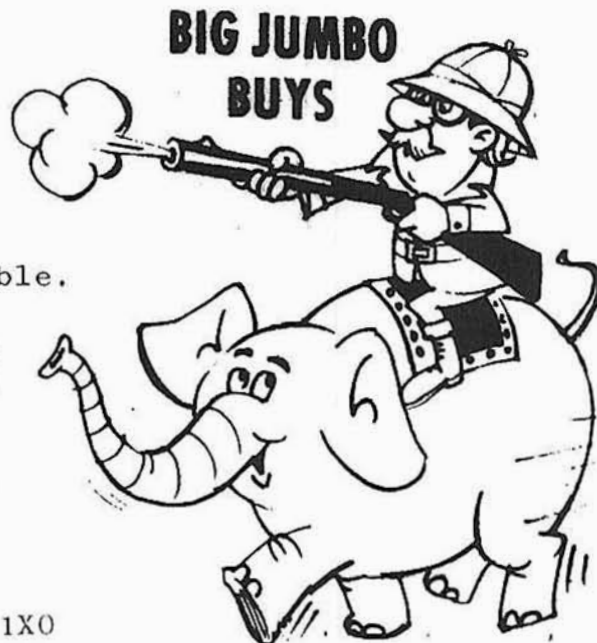
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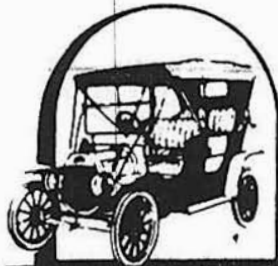
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