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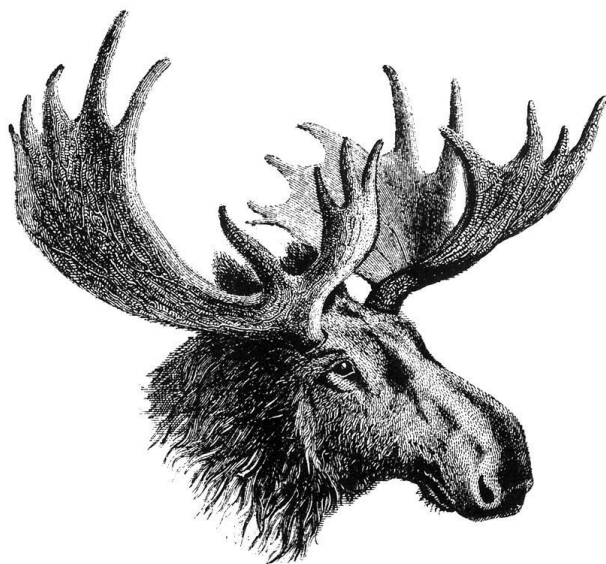
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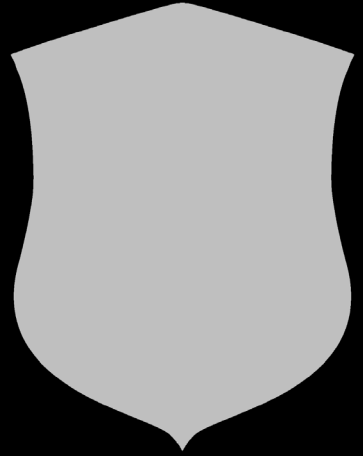
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THE DENNINGER COLLECTION

It is indeed an honour to have been selected as auctioneers for this outstanding property. Over a lifetime, 'Denninger' was able to assemble one of the most comprehensive collections of British North America ever formed. It was built with patience and enthusiasm, in a dedicated quest to acquire not only each basic stamp, but also the listed varieties, shades, errors and bisect usages on cover. As a further challenge he collected every stamp both mint and used, truly a mammoth undertaking. The Unitrade catalogue became his want list and a record of his acquisitions, and there are thousands of check-marks in it. The presence of virtually every Canada, British Columbia, Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland stamp, from classic issues to modern errors, is truly breathtaking.



Over several decades, his eagerness to search for needed items never diminished, as the scope of the collection was wide enough to maintain his interest and intellectual curiosity. The collection excels in many areas. For example, Canadian semi-official airmails, unique modern errors and the spectacular array of bisected stamps come to mind. Many of the great rarities originate from other important collections of the past and are frequently in the very best condition attainable.

The collection will be showcased in a four-part series:

Sale 1 – British North America

Sale 2 – Canada Part One

Sale 3 – Airmails of Canada & Newfoundland (February 22)

Sale 4 – Canada Part Two (June 2025)

As specialists in British North America, we have been extremely pleased to be able to study many rarities that eluded us over the years. We are certain that as collectors embark on the hunt to acquire items for their own collections, they will experience the same energy, commitment and feeling of accomplishment that 'Denninger' demonstrated in his lifetime pursuit.

The Eastern Auctions Team

Denninger Sale 3 – Airmails of Newfoundland & Canada – A Summary

Exactly one hundred years ago (on January 19th, 1925), the venerable auction house H.R. Harmer on Bond Street in London held the first ever auction dedicated solely to airmails. Since this “day-one” event, aerophilately has intrigued serious collectors worldwide. A mark of any great collection was the presence of one or more Newfoundland rarities, such as the Hawker, Martynside, De Pinedo and Columbia stamps and flight covers. Over the following decades, the collecting of airmails caught the attention of new generations of dedicated philatelists. Many wrote detailed handbooks and catalogues on the subject and built specialized collections, not only on Newfoundland but also on airmail stamps and postal history from many other countries, regions and special “niche” areas.

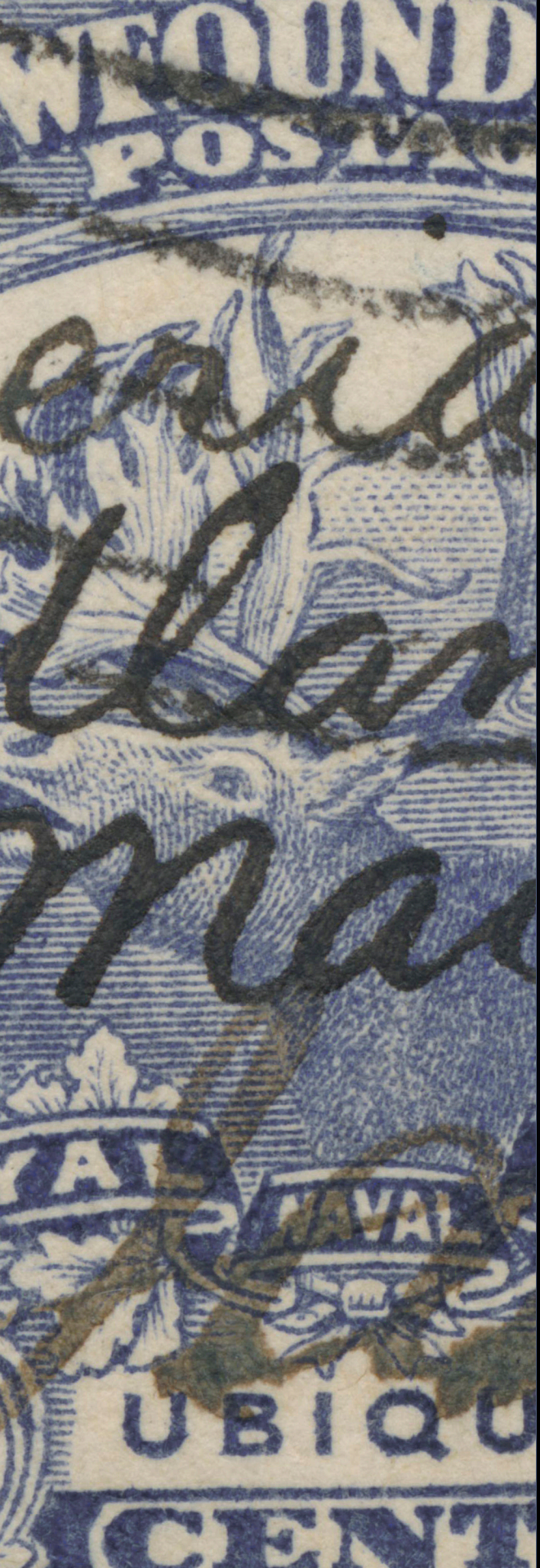
The third installment of the Denninger Collection contains most of the major rarities pertaining to Newfoundland airmails, including the including the above-mentioned items. Also present are invert errors on the 1921 Halifax overprint and the 1930 Dornier DO-X surcharge. The 1931 Pictorial issue imperforate and part-perforate varieties will surely impress even the most seasoned collector. Suffice it to say, we are extremely proud to present this impressive assembly dedicated to the aerophilately of Newfoundland.

The Canada portion of the auction is no less noteworthy, showcasing pioneer flight and semi-official airmail stamps issued by private commercial airlines between 1918 and the mid-1930s. Many of these serviced remote and isolated areas of our vast land in the north. Among the pioneer flight stamps, one will be impressed by mint examples of two very rare stamps - the 1920 Grand Army of Canada and the 1927 London to London. Very few collectors of the past were able to secure both of these stamps for their collections.

Since the exemplary collection of John Cornelius was sold in two parts 1971 & 1972, semi-official airmails have been gaining in popularity. This remarkable collection holds many great rarities that have very seldom appeared, if at all, on the market in this generation. A golden opportunity awaits anyone wanting to acquire these fascinating items, that form an integral part of Canadian postal history.

THE DENNINGER COLLECTION
Sale 3 - Airmails of
Newfoundland & Canada

Lot 501 - 674





The Denninger Collection
Sale 3 – Airmails of Newfoundland & Canada
Lot 501-674

Saturday February 22, 2025 begins at 1:30pm Atlantic Time (AST)

NEWFOUNDLAND

THE HAWKER SPECIAL FLIGHT STAMP
A WORLD-CLASS AIRMAIL RARITY



501



502

- 501 ★ C1, 1919 (April 12) 3c Hawker Flight Five-Line Overprint** An exceptionally fresh mint single of this much sought-after airmail rarity, bright fresh colour and impression on pristine fresh paper, remarkably full original gum showing the faintest hinging imaginable and hardly discernible - would pass as NH for many, normal fine centering for the issue. Customary "J.A.R." manuscript ink initials on reverse applied for validation by Dr J. Alex. Robinson, Postmaster General, along with three different guarantee backstamps. A beautifully fresh mint example of this famous world-class airmail rarity, Fine VLH **20,000.00+**

Expertization: 1981 Georg Buhler certificate as mint NH

Of the 200 stamps overprinted, 95 were used for franking the mail for the ill-fated flight. Furthermore, 18 defective examples were destroyed, reducing the total to a possible 87 mint examples. After 11 copies were given to officials, the Postmaster General sold the remaining 76 mint examples for \$25 each (at that time!) to raise money for the Newfoundland Marine Disasters Fund, which supported sailors' widows and orphans. It is likely that fewer remain today, more than 100 years after its issue.

- 502 ☉ C1, 1919 (April 12) 3c Brown, Hawker Flight Five-Line Overprint** The rare pioneer airmail stamp, used with wavy-line cancellation as do the vast majority of known examples, a little soiled from usage and pressed vertical crease but superbly centered which is virtually unheard of for this tremendously difficult stamp; original initials "J.A.R." on reverse partially washed from being signed over the gum and its immersion in seawater after the flight ill-fated crash; subsequently inscribed in ink on reverse: "Post stamp of King George letter taken from plain [sic] in mid Ocean". An XF appearing example of this famous transatlantic air post stamp; pencil signed by expert Holcombe on reverse. (Unitrade C1; cat. \$25,000) **Est. 5,000.00+**

Expertization: 1990 Peter Holcombe certificate

**THE FAMOUS HAWKER FLIGHT
ATTEMPTED TRANSATLANTIC MAIL TO ENGLAND
FROM THE NAVIGATOR OF THE FLIGHT TO HIS MOTHER**



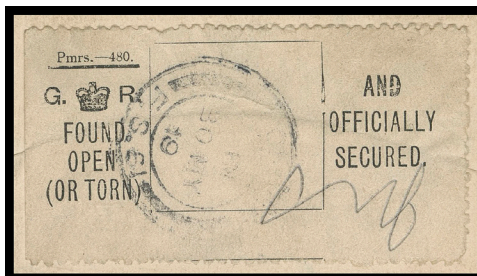
- 503** ☒ 1919 (April 12) Hawker Trans-Atlantic Pioneer Flight cover endorsed "K. Mackenzie Grieve" from Lieutenant Commander Kenneth, navigator to pilot Harry Hawker, addressed to his mother Mrs Mackenzie Grieve at Fir Hill, Droxford, Hants, England and carried on the attempted flight from St. John's to London; bearing a remarkably well centered example of the sought-after 3c reddish brown with special five-line flight overprint in black, lightly cancelled by the flight postmark St. John's APR 12 2PM 1919 wavy-line machine cancel. The stamp floated off and was re-positioned in place (as most known examples) by a British postal clerk following the crash into sea and subsequent recovery of the mailbag; British Officially Sealed label affixed on back and backstamped 30 MY 19; pencil signed by Enzo Diena. An unusually choice example of this famous First Trans-Atlantic flight cover, VF with an XF airmail stamp (Unitrade C1) **Est. 15,000.00+**

Expertization: 2024 Greene Foundation certificate

Provenance: Dale-Lichtenstein, Sale 5 – B.N.A., Part Two, H.R. Harmer, Inc., May 1969; Lot 117

The "Labrador" Collection of Newfoundland Airmails, Harmers, February 2003; Lot 3004

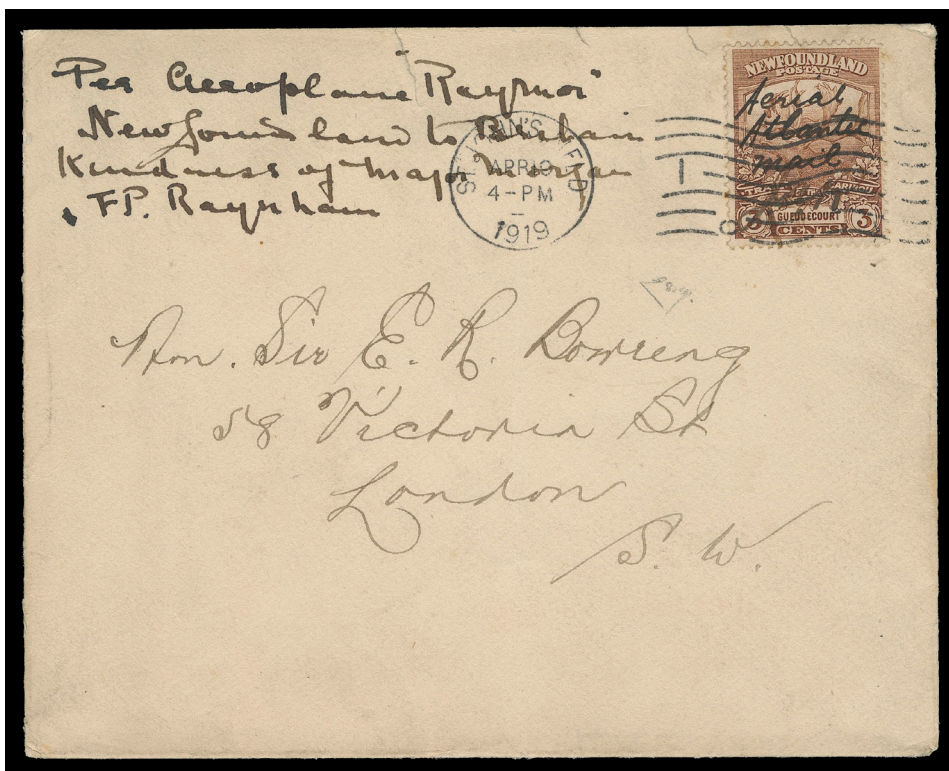
A WONDERFUL PIONEER FLIGHT COVER. TO DATE ONLY ABOUT HALF OF THOSE CARRIED HAVE BEEN ACCOUNTED FOR, AMONG FEWER THAN 80 THAT WERE FLOWN ON THIS FAMOUS ATTEMPTED TRANS-ATLANTIC CROSSING.



Officially Sealed label affixed to salvaged mail from the crash



THE "MARTINSYDE"
MANUSCRIPT AIRMAIL ON FLOWN COVER



- 504 ☒ 1919 (April 19) "Martinsyde" Attempted Flight cover endorsed by sender "Per Aeroplane 'Raymor' Newfoundland to Britain Kindness of Major Morgan and F.P. Raynham" and bearing a quite well centered 3c brown Caribou with manuscript "Aerial Atlantic Mail" in dark black ink, countersigned "JAR" initials by Postmaster General J. Alex. Robinson; light central cover fold and part of backflap missing, a few small sealed tears at top of cover only. The stamp in the characteristic bright shade is completely sound and neatly tied to the cover by St. John's APR 19 4PM 1919 machine cancellation, addressed to Sir. E.R. Bowring, London, England; reverse shows a clear London F.S. 66 7 JA 20 receiver datestamp as do all "Martinsyde" covers; a Fine cover pencil signed by expert Enzo Diena, bearing a VF example of this great airmail rarity. (Unitrade C1a) **Est. 25,000.00+**

Expertization: 1985 Enzo Diena certificate

Provenance: C.W. Mackie B.N.A. Provinces, H.R. Harmer, Inc., April 1962; Lot 402

Dr. Matejka Collection of Newfoundland Aero-Philately, Part Two, Harmers of London,
 March 1980; Lot 3

According to recently published articles and handbooks, the quantity of stamps bearing this manuscript is still unknown. It has been reported that W.D. Campbell, Secretary to the Post Office, once announced "some 50 stamps were so inscribed." After more than a century only eighteen covers have been reported by Jean-Claude Vasseur in his census published in his "Newfoundland Air Mails 1919 / 1939 Part II : Notes" handbook.

A PARTICULARLY ATTRACTIVE "MARTINSYDE" AIRMAIL ON A NEATLY POSTMARKED COVER. ONE OF THE MAJOR RARITIES OF NEWFOUNDLAND AIRMAILS.

By Aerial Post

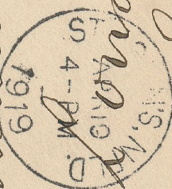
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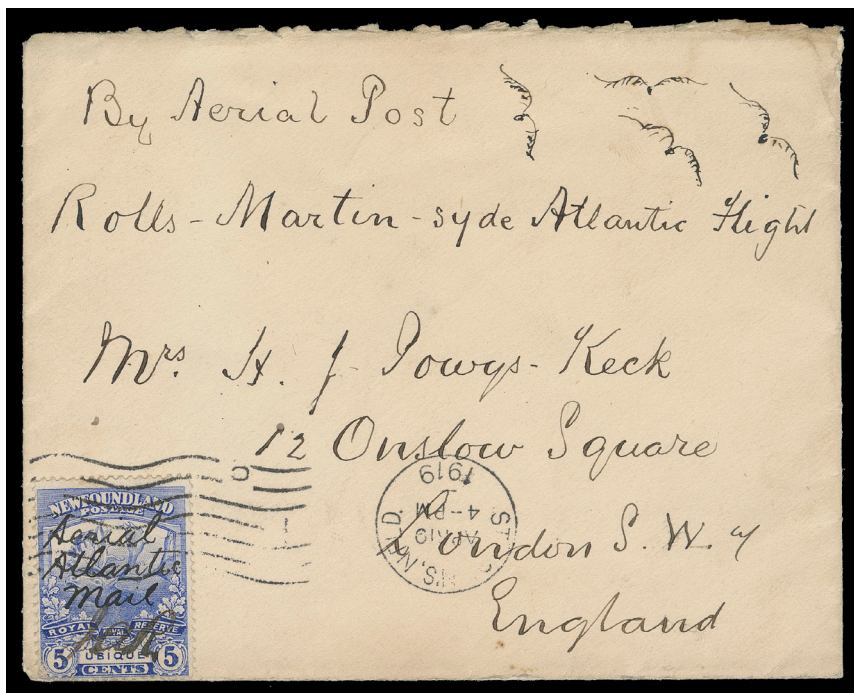
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**THE UNIQUE FIVE CENT "MARTINSYDE" COVER
RANKING AMONG THE MOST HIGHLY PRIZED AIRMAIL COVERS**



- 505** ☒ 1919 (April 19) The "Martinsyde" Attempted Flight - the well documented and unique cover franked with a single 5c ultramarine Caribou, manuscript "Aerial Atlantic Mail" in dark black ink and countersigned "JAR" below by Postmaster General J. Alex. Robinson, tied by St. John's APR 19 4PM 1919 machine cancellation, negligible surface scuff at lower left. The cover is endorsed by sender "By Aerial Post Rolls - Martin - Syde Atlantic Flight" and addressed to Mrs. H.J. Powys-Keck, London, England with characteristic London F.S. 66 7 JA 20 receiver, VF (Unitrade C1a variety; SG 142a footnote) **Est. 75,000.00+**

Expertization: clear 2002 BPA certificate

Provenance: Cyril H.C. Harmer Newfoundland Airmail Collection, Harmers of London, February 2002; Lot 2014

Literature: Illustrated and discussed in Dalwick & Harmer "Newfoundland Air Mails" 1984 edition on pages 36-37.

The revised edition of "Newfoundland Air Mails" by Dalwick & Harmer states: "Since 1953 at least four Martinsyde covers have come to light and two of these are exceptional". They are referring to one cover franked with two 2c Caribous [sold in our Highlands Part II sale, February 2019; Lot 209] and this cover, observed as: "The other envelope, equally exciting and doubtless also unique was sent to a lady in London... must rank amongst the most highly prized airmail covers, although on two attempts they flew only a few hundred yards."

Although the Martinsyde "Raymor" got off the ground before the successful Alcock-Brown Vickers flight, it soon failed, as it did on two other attempts May 18 and July 17, resulting in the airplane being wrecked shortly after takeoff, but without casualties. Shortly after the first attempt, Major Morgan returned to England for medical reasons. After the third attempt, Major Raynham personally hand carried the mailbag upon his return to England by ship; only to be delivered months later to the British postal authorities on January 7 where all known Martinsyde covers were backstamped with the London F.S. 66 7 JA 20 double ring datestamp.

A FAMOUS AND HIGHLY PRIZED PIONEER AIRMAIL COVER OF UNIQUE STATUS. VASSEUR'S HANDBOOK NEWFOUNDLAND AIR MAILS PART II : NOTES - SHOWS CENSUS OF EIGHTEEN COVERS FRANKED WITH A 3 CENT CARIBOU. THIS IS THE SOLE EXAMPLE OF THE RARE MARTINSYDE MANUSCRIPT ON THE 5-CENT STAMP.



506



510

- 506 ★ C2, C2a, C2b, C2ii, 1919 (June 9) \$1 on 15c Alcock and Brown Flight A well centered mint block displaying four different surcharge types including without comma after "POST" and no period after "1919" (Pos. 14), comma after "POST" (Pos. 15), without comma after "POST" (Pos. 19) and small comma after "POST" (Pos. 20), lower pair is NH. A scarce positional block, VF H **2,950.00**



- 507 ☒ **Handley-Page "Atlantic" Flight 1919 (June 9) Cover endorsed "By Aeroplane" and signed at lower left by navigator "KM Grieve" with original handwritten letter enclosure signed by him, franked with a well centered \$1 on 15c airmail with comma after "POST" and period after "1919", postmarked on First Day of Issue with clear St. John's JUN 9 5PM 1919 cancel, forwarded to Harbour Grace for the planned departure where it received a light but clearly legible Harbour Grace JU 14 19 departure CDS; intended for an attempt at the prize for the first transatlantic flight. After technical difficulties the plane took off on July 4th but suffered a forced landing at Pairsboro, Nova Scotia in the early morning of July 5th. The mail was then forwarded to England; no backstamp, slight aging but overall in superior condition for this flight, VF (Unitrade C2) **Est. 1,000.00+****

A VERY SCARCE ST. JOHN'S MAIL JUNE 9 POSTMARKED "HANDLEY-PAGE" FLIGHT COVER - ONE OF ONLY ABOUT 115 PIECES CARRIED FROM THE ST. JOHN'S MAIL. ONLY A THIRD HAVE BEEN REPORTED AND ACCOUNTED FOR.



- 508
- ★
- C3/C3j, 1921 35c Halifax Airmail A beautiful, intact mint pane of twenty-five showing six different overprint types, bright fresh colour as the day it was printed, overall quite well centered and with eighteen stamps NH mostly in the three centre rows; a very attractive intact pane, F-VF (Unitrade cat. \$8,710)

Est. 2,500.00+



- 509
- ★
- C3/C3j, 1921 35c Halifax Airmail A mint pane of twenty-five displaying all six overprint types, a little more than half of the stamps with pristine NH gum, others mainly LH, position 22 with toning on gum side. A desirable intact sheet, F-VF (Unitrade cat. \$8,420)

Est. 2,000.00+
- 510
- ★
- C3, C3b, C3h, 1921 35c Halifax Airmail A fresh mint block (Positions 6-7/11-12 in the setting of 25 stamps), three overprint types including narrow spacing between AIR MAIL and period after "1921" on top left stamp, wide spacing and no period after "1921" on lower left stamp and wide spacing and period after "1921" on right pair; top pair VLH, lower pair NH, VF

Illustrated on page 12 1,500.00



Lot 511 (175% actual size)

THE HALIFAX AIRMAIL INVERTED OVERPRINT
A FABULOUS BLOCK OF THE UTMOST RARITY



511 ★ C3a, C3c, C3e, C3k, 1921 35c Halifax Airmail An extraordinary mint block with the INVERTED OVERPRINT ERROR remarkably displaying four different types of the overprint (Positions 4/10 in the pane) now overprinted inverted on Positions 16/22, extremely well centered with intact perforations all around and full clean original gum, small hinging at top to light hinge on lower pair, overall superior condition to what is normally seen on these. A magnificent airmail rarity block capturing two of the rarest airmail overprint types of Newfoundland (Scott C3e & C3k) and in an excellent state of preservation, stunning in all respects; pencil signed by expert Peter Holcombe on reverse, XF **67,500.00**

Originates from the third invert sheet as described in the Dalwick & Harmer handbook (first edition; page 64) as follows: (3) Overprint very low with horizontal perforations cutting through "1921". Vertical perforations cut "t" of "to".

Four types are shown on this block, bottom pair shows the extremely rare invert wide & narrow spacings between "AIR" and "MAIL" each showing "1" of "1921" below "f" of "Halifax" (Positions 21-22 in the inverted pane; Positions 4-5 in the upright overprinted pane).

Expertization: 1990 Peter Holcombe certificate

Literature: This block is pictured in Dalwick & Harmer, Newfoundland Air Mails 1919-1939 handbook on page 64.

ONLY FOUR SHEETS OF TWENTY-FIVE STAMPS RECEIVED THE INVERTED OVERPRINTS. THIS BLOCK DISPLAYS TWO INVERTS OF WHICH FOUR EXAMPLES OF EACH CAN EXIST. A WONDERFUL RARITY FOR THE CONNOISSEUR.



**HALIFAX AIRMAIL INVERTED OVERPRINT
THREE DIFFERENT TYPES**



- 512 ★ C3a, 1921 35c Halifax Airmail** A nicely centered and visually striking mint single with INVERTED OVERPRINT ERROR, misplaced and showing wide spacing between "AIR" and "MAIL" and without period after "1921", lovely fresh colour on bright white paper, full original gum, lightly hinged; pencil signed by expert Peter Holcombe on reverse, VF LH **7,500.00**

Dalwick and Harmer reported four panes received the inverted overprint in error. This example is allocated to the fourth pane; overprint is low with horizontal perforations above "1921" and the "t" of "to" clear of vertical perforations.

Expertization: 1990 Holcombe certificate

AN ATTRACTIVE SELECTED MINT INVERT HALIFAX AIRMAIL. ONLY TEN POSITIONS IN EACH PANE SHOWS THIS TYPE OF OVERPRINT.



- 513 ★ C3g, 1921 35c Halifax Airmail** A beautiful mint single with INVERTED OVERPRINT ERROR, displaying the rare narrow spacing (1½mm) between "AIR" and "MAIL" and no period after "1921", nicely centered within large margins, bright fresh colour and unusually full original gum, showing only faint hinging; a rare invert showing the best centering of the overprint, VF VLH **16,000.00**

Dalwick and Harmer reported four panes received the inverted overprint in error. This example is allocated to the first pane, which received a well centered overprint vertically and horizontally.

Expertization: 2024 Greene Foundation certificate

A VERY RARE INVERTED OVERPRINT WHICH CAN ONLY BE FOUND TWICE IN EACH PANE (POSITIONS 15 AND 25). ONLY EIGHT EXAMPLES CAN POSSIBLY EXIST.



- 514 ★ C3i, 1921 35c Halifax Airmail A spectacular mint example with the INVERTED OVERPRINT ERROR displaying the narrow spacing (1½mm) between "AIR" and "MAIL" and period after "1921", overprint and stamp attractively well centered with brilliant fresh colour; backstamped by two of the greatest airmail experts of the past - Kessler and Sanabria. A rare invert, VF H **14,000.00**

Dalwick and Harmer reported four panes received the inverted overprint in error. This example is allocated to the first pane (see page 64 in the first edition handbook) characterized by having the overprint well centered vertically and horizontally - the best centered overprint.

Expertization: 2004 BPA certificate

A MOST DESIRABLE AND SCARCER TYPE INVERTED OVERPRINT. A TOTAL ONLY OF SIXTEEN CAN EXIST, THIS BEING ONE OF FOUR FROM THE BEST CENTERED SHEET.

THE ONLY KNOWN HALIFAX INVERT ON AIRMAIL COVER



- 515 ☒ 1921 (November 26) An extremely rare usage of an inverted airmail overprint with wide spacing between "AIR" and "MAIL" and period after "1921" (misplaced, from Dalwick & Harmer fourth invert pane), well centered within remarkably large margins and tied by St. John's NOV 26 1921 machine cancel, FEB 4 1922 receiver backstamp as customary; some cover wear at lower left and slight overall ageing not mentioned in accompanying certificates, the rare invert overprinted stamp is XF; pencil signed by expert Herbert Bloch. To the best of our knowledge, this is the only known flown cover bearing an inverted Halifax airmail overprint stamp. A great item for an advanced collection. (Unitrade C3c) **Est. 5,000.00+**

Expertization: 1979 Friedl (signed by Herbert Bloch) and 1996 APS certificates

Provenance: Marquess of Bute Airmails, Robson Lowe Ltd., March 1959; Lot 107



Lot 516 (250% actual size)

**DE PINEDO FLIGHT OVERPRINTED STAMP
AN EXCEPTIONAL MINT EXAMPLE OF THIS AIRMAIL RARITY**



- 516 ★ C4, 1927 (May 18) 60c Black, De Pinedo Flight Overprint in Red** A premium mint example of this keenly sought-after world airmail rarity, showing the special flight three-line "Air Mail / DE PINEDO / 1927" overprint in red, superb fresh colour and beautifully centered within large margins, full intact perforations all around, small clean hinge with large part original gum; pencil signed by Sergio Sismondo and backstamped by airmail expert Sanabria. A rare airmail in exceptional condition, XF **70,000.00**

Expertization: 2003 Sergio Sismondo and 2012 BPA certificates

An impressive and unusually choice mint example, corresponding to Position 34 in the pane of fifty subjects. One of the very few mint De Pinedo stamps we have had the pleasure to offer at auction.

JUST 300 STAMPS WERE OVERPRINTED (SIX PANES OF 50) OF WHICH 225 WERE USED ON THE SPECIAL FLIGHT COVERS TO ITALY. ONE OF THE GREAT AIRMAIL RARITIES OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY TO FIND IN MINT CONDITION.



DE PINEDO FLIGHT OVERPRINT
SHORT '7' IN '1927' VARIETY
ONE OF A POSSIBLE SIX EXAMPLES



- 517 ⦿ **C4a, 1927 (May 18) 60c De Pinedo Flight Overprint in Red** A select example of this airmail rarity, nicely centered and showing the exceedingly rare SHORT "7" IN "1927" variety, found only at Position 20 in the overprinted pane of 50 subjects, tied to piece by St. John's MAY 20 10 AM 1927 machine cancellation. A fabulous used example showing the documented plate variety, only the second we have had the pleasure to offer, VF **27,000.00**

Expertization: 2024 Greene Foundation certificate


The special airmail stamp was overprinted in red in half sheets of 50, with a total printing of just 300 stamps (six panes). Position 20, the tenth stamp in the second row, displays the only listed plate variety - the short "7" in "1927" - with the base of the numeral visibly truncated and quite distinctive. A maximum of 6 examples can exist on and off cover.



detail of variety

THE RARE DE PINEDO PIONEER FLIGHT COVER TO ROME



- 518**  1927 (May 20) De Pinedo Flight to Rome, Italy - Robinson & Company Ltd. Printers and Publishers, St. John's corner imprint on bluish green cover bearing an example of the very scarce special provisional "Air Mail / DE PINEDO / 1927" three-line flight overprint in red on 60c black; envelope with sealed tear at top and on backflap, light vertical fold away from stamp which is in sound condition with intact perforations, neatly tied by St. John's MAY 20 10AM 1927 machine cancellation, characteristic Trepassey MY 21 27 split ring flight departure datestamp at right, well-struck and complete Roma 22 VI 1927 slogan postmark struck on back on arrival, then forwarded to addressee in London; a much sought-after pioneer flight cover, Fine (Unitrade C4) **Est. 7,500.00+**

Expertization: 1971 Georg Buhler certificate along with his guarantee handstamp on the cover.

A TOTAL OF 300 STAMPS WERE ISSUED. APPROXIMATELY 230 WERE USED ON FLIGHT COVERS BUT ONLY ABOUT A THIRD OF THESE HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO THIS DAY. MAILED BY THEN POSTMASTER GENERAL OF NEWFOUNDLAND ROBINSON.



THE "COLUMBIA" SPECIAL FLIGHT SURCHARGE
A SUPERIOR MINT EXAMPLE



- 519 ★ C5, 1930 50c on 36c Olive Green "Columbia" Flight A brilliant, fresh and remarkably well centered mint single (Position 2 in the setting of four), notoriously difficult to find with such superior centering, also possessing full original gum with just a faint trace of hinging, backstamped by airmail expert Sanabria. VF VLH **12,000.00**

Expertization: 2024 Greene Foundation certificate

ONLY 300 EXAMPLES WERE OVERPRINTED WITH THE SPECIAL TRANS-ATLANTIC FLIGHT SURCHARGE. ABOUT A THIRD WERE USED ON THE MAIL. A LARGE PERCENTAGE OF THE REMAINDER ARE OF INFERIOR QUALITY COMPARED TO THIS EXAMPLE.

**"COLUMBIA" PIONEER FLIGHT
ON GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL MAIL**



- 520** **"Columbia" Pioneer Flight on Government Official Mail 1930** (September 25) "Columbia" Trans-Atlantic Flight cover - City of St. John's "Arms" Office of the Mayor envelope endorsed "Per air mail "Columbia" Hr. Grace to London Eng. Sept. 1930" and mailed from St. John's, bearing a remarkably well centered example of the 50c on 36c olive green special airmail overprint (Position 2 in the surcharge setting of four), neatly tied by St. John's SEP 25 1130AM 1930 slogan datestamp and showing a superbly struck Harbour Grace AM OC 9 30 departure CDS postmark on reverse; faint central vertical fold to envelope only. An unusually choice example of this pioneer "Columbia" flight cover with an equally impressive, fresh and extremely well centered airmail stamp, VF+ (Unitrade C5)
Est. 7,500.00+

Expertization: 1991 Holcombe certificate

ACCORDING TO DALWICK & HARMER "NEWFOUNDLAND AIRMAILS" SEMINAL HANDBOOK, 332 LETTERS WERE CARRIED ON THE "COLUMBIA" FLIGHT; HOWEVER, ONLY 100 WERE FRANKED WITH THE SPECIAL AIRMAIL STAMP (C5). TO DATE ABOUT 50 HAVE BEEN RECORDED.



PICTORIAL AIRMAIL
FINISHED DIE PROOFS IN BLACK



521 P C6-C8, 1931 15c, 50c & \$1 Pictorial Airmail The set of three Trial Colour Large Die Proofs printed in black on distinctive thicker unwatermarked yellowish bond paper, full die sinkage; the final dies with reverse die numbers; a seldom seen set, VF (Minuse & Pratt C6TC1a-C8TC1a) Est. 2,500.00+

PICTORIAL AIRMAIL
A CHOICE SET OF IMPERFORATE PAIRS



522 ★ C6c-C8c, 1931 15c, 50c & \$1 Pictorial Airmail, No Watermark A lovely set of three mint imperforate pairs, each sheet marginal on one side, characteristic thick uneven original gum, a scarce set, VF LH

3,100.00



- 523 ★ C6a, 1931 15c Brown, Pictorial Airmail, No Watermark A fresh mint horizontal pair imperforate vertically between, the characteristic thick original gum is better than normally encountered, Fine+ H 1,000.00



- 524 ★ C6b, 1931 15c Brown, Pictorial Airmail, No Watermark A remarkably fresh, well centered mint vertical pair imperforate horizontally between, difficult to find, VF LH 1,800.00



- 525 ★ C7a, 1931 50c Green, Pictorial Airmail, No Watermark A superb mint horizontal pair imperforate vertically between, full original gum; seldom encountered in such selected quality, XF LH 2,000.00+



- 526 ★ C7b, 1931 50c Green, Pictorial Airmail, No Watermark Post office fresh mint vertical pair imperforate horizontally between, with full pristine original gum, rarely seen in such nice condition, F-VF NH **2,900.00**



- 527 ★ C9a, 1931 15c Brown, Pictorial Airmail, Watermarked A very scarce mint horizontal pair imperforate vertically between, well centered and fresh, VF H **1,500.00**





A RARE IMPERFORATE BETWEEN BLOCK



- 528 ★ **C9b, 1931 15c Brown, Pictorial Airmail, Watermarked** Post office fresh mint block of four imperforate horizontally between, sheet margin at left, full pristine original gum; blocks are rarely encountered, F-VF NH **4,450.00**

Provenance: Vivian Hewitt Airmails, Robson Lowe, Basel, October 1968; Lot 195

The "Labrador" Collection of Newfoundland Airmails, Harmers, February 2003; Lot 3116



- 529 ★ **C9c, 1931 15c Brown, Pictorial Airmail, Watermarked** A brilliant fresh, large margined mint imperforate pair, scarce this nice, XF H **900.00+**



- 530 ★ **C10a, 1931 50c Green, Pictorial Airmail, Watermarked A** precisely centered mint horizontal pair imperforate vertically between, brilliant fresh colour and unusually clean and full original gum showing the faintest trace of hinging, XF VLH **1,800.00+**



- 531 ★ **C10c, 1931 50c Green, Pictorial Airmail, Watermarked A** fresh horizontal mint pair imperforate vertically, VF H **1,500.00**



- 532 ★ **C11a, 1931 \$1 Blue, Pictorial Airmail, Watermarked A** well centered, bright fresh mint vertical pair imperforate horizontally between, very scarce; backstamped by airmail expert Kessler, VF H; 2007 BPA cert. **1,800.00**



Lot 533 (175% actual size)

THE DORNIER DO-X FLIGHT INVERTED SURCHARGE ERROR
A BRIGHT, FRESH MINT NEVER HINGED
AND EXCEEDINGLY RARE INTACT PANE OF FOUR



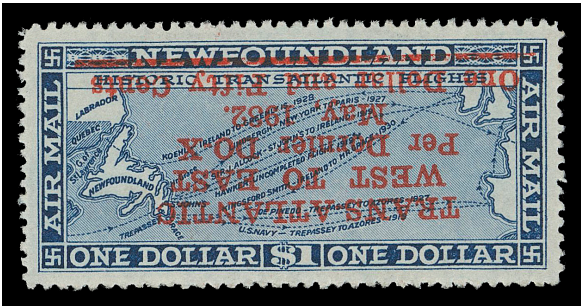
533 ★ C12a, 1932 (May 19) \$1.50 on \$1 Blue Dornier DO-X Flight Surcharge A phenomenal and very rare mint pane of four with INVERTED SURCHARGE in error, well centered with brilliant fresh colour and intact perforations all around, possessing full original gum, NEVER HINGED. One of the greatest and most valuable rarities of British North America philately and among the top items related to worldwide airmails, VF NH **240,000.00**

Expertization: 2010 APS certificate

Provenance: The "Labrador" Collection of Newfoundland Airmails, Harmers of London, February 2003; Lot 3144

A VERY FINE CHOICE MINT NEVER HINGED INTACT PANE OF FOUR WITH THE INVERTED SURCHARGE ERROR. PERHAPS TWO OR THREE PANES REMAIN INTACT.

THE RARE DORNIER DO-X INVERTED SURCHARGE
SUPERB MINT WITH LARGE MARGINS



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- C12a, 1932 (May 19) \$1.50 on \$1 Blue, Dornier DO-X Flight Surcharge A precisely centered mint single of the sought-after INVERTED SURCHARGE ERROR, with brilliant fresh colour, intact perforations all around and full original gum, lightly hinged. A rare stamp displaying superior centering unlike many examples we have seen, XF LH

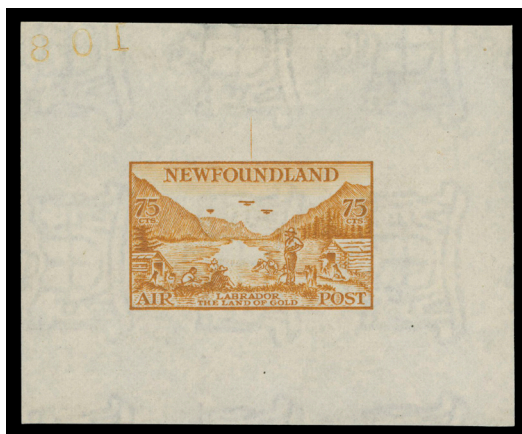
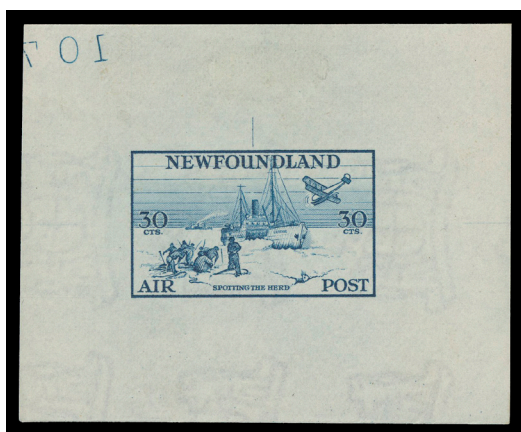
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Expertization: 2024 Greene Foundation certificate

AN ATTRACTIVE MINT EXAMPLE OF THIS DESIRABLE AIRMAIL INVERT. IT IS BELIEVED THAT ONLY FORTY STAMPS WERE PRINTED WITH THE ERROR, SOME OF WHICH ARE STILL HELD IN PANES OF FOUR.



THE "LABRADOR" SET OF FINISHED DIE PROOFS IN ISSUED COLOURS



- 535 P C13-C17, 1933 5c-75c "Labrador" Airmail The complete set of five Die Proofs printed in the issued colours on white wove watermarked paper; the final dies with engraver's guideline above design and reverse die numbers; the 60c with negligible stain at top, an attractive and very scarce set of die proofs, VF (Minuse & Pratt C13P1c-C17P1c) **Est. 3,000.00+**



- 536 **◎** **C13-C17, 1933 5c-75c "Labrador" Airmail** A selected used set, each with centrally struck St. John's JUN 9 33 First Day CDS postmark, VF **240.00+**



- 537 ★ C13a-C17a, 1933 5c-75c "Labrador" Airmail, Watermarked A beautiful set of five mint imperforate pairs, all in horizontal format, post office fresh colours, large margins and full original gum, XF H **3,300.00**



- 538 ★ C13b, 1933 5c Light Brown, Perf 14¼ A superb horizontal mint pair imperforate vertically between, lightly hinged in top margin only, the pair is XF NH and rare thus. **2,700.00+**



- 539 ★ C13c, 1933 5c Light Brown "Labrador" Airmail, Perf 14¼ A choice mint vertical mint imperforate horizontally between; very scarce, VF LH **2,000.00**



- 540 ★ C13ii, 1933 5c Light Brown, "Labrador" Airmail, Perf 14¼ A mint vertical pair imperforate vertically between stamps and sheet margin at right, light natural gum crease, faint trace of hinging on top stamp, lower stamp is NH. Ten examples exist (from a single sheet) making this pair rare indeed, VF **1,250.00**

THE "INDIAN YELLOW" SHADE



- 541 ★ C14i, 1933 10c Pale Yellow Shade The rare and distinctive error of colour known as "Indian Yellow" and closely resembling a chrome yellow shade, very well centered with bright colour. Only a very small number exists, VF OG; 1982 Greene Foundation cert. stating: "C14, variety of colour" at a time when nomenclature and listing of the shade was not yet documented in the Scott catalogue. **3,000.00**



- 542 ☉ C18, 1933 \$4.50 on 75c Balbo Surcharge, Perf 14 1/4 A fresh used example, Position 2 in the setting of four, portion of St. John's CDS postmark at foot, VF; 1995 BPA cert. **550.00**



- 543 ☒ General Balbo Flight to Rome, Italy 1933 (July 26) Airmail cover bearing a nicely centered \$4.50 on 75c bistre Balbo surcharge (Position 4 in the setting of four), perf 13.8, tied by clear St. John's 26 JUL 33 CDS, flight cachet handstamp at left; on reverse Shoal Harbour JUL 27 33 flight departure split ring datestamp and three Italian receivers, returned to Newfoundland with double ring St. John's AUG 28 postmark on arrival; a clean example of this flight cover, VF (Unitrade C18b) **Est. 600.00+**



COLLECTION BALANCES



544 ★◎ **Mint / Used Airmails Selection** displayed on two stockpages starting 1919 Alcock & Brown flight surcharges up to 1933 Balbo, noting better such as mint C2c, C6-C8 proofs in black on bond paper, C9 NH Cross watermark in a mint NH block of six, C12i DO-X slanting, plus normal mint & used singles, C13a imperf block, lower pair NH, C18 LH (Pos. 1 in the setting of four), etc. **Est. 1,000.00+**



545 ☒ **Group of Flight Covers** Fourteen covers includes Halifax Airmail set of six overprint types on individual November 1921 covers, a 1932 (May 19) DO-X flight cover, etc. **Est. 500.00+**

CANADA



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- 546 ★ C1a, b, c, 1928 5c Brown Olive Airmail A fresh mint trio of imperforate or part perforated pairs, VF NH
The vertical pair is illustrated on Website 1,575.00
- 547 ★ C3c, 1932 6c on 5c Brown Olive Airmail Surchage A well centered, eye-appealing corner margin example of the elusive triple surcharge variety, intact perforations all around, VF H **500.00+**



- 548 ★ C3d + variety, 1932 6c on 5c Brown Olive Airmail Surchage A spectacular mint positional block of six (2x3) from top right of the sheet, natural straight edge at top. Prior to surcharging the top right stamp with severed perforations folded onto the neighbouring stamp below resulting in both stamps being missing the surcharge as well as an inverted surcharge error on the gum side, VF LH
Est. 2,000.00+

Expertization: 1986 Greene Foundation certificate

Provenance: "Simrak" Canadian Airmail Collection, Firby Auctions, March 1986; Lot 268

A FANTASTIC AND CERTAINLY ONE-OF-A-KIND BLOCK DISPLAYING SE-TENANT WITH AND WITHOUT SURCHARGE ERRORS.



- 549 ★ C5b, 1935 6c Red Brown Mint imperforate block with sheet margin at left and very large margins on other sides, minute gum wrinkle in margin only, bright fresh colour, VF NH 2,400.00



- 550 ★ C5i, 1935 6c Yellow Brown Lower margin mint Plate 1 block of six in the distinctive, scarcer shade; rarely seen as a plate multiple, VF NH; 2018 Greene Foundation cert. 3,000.00



- 551 ★ C6a, 1938 6c Blue Monoplane over Mackenzie River A fresh, large margined mint imperforate pair with sheet margin at left; backstamped by airmail expert Kessler, VF+ LH 800.00



- 552 ★ C6a, 1938 6c Blue, Monoplane over Mackenzie River A choice mint imperforate pair, VF+ LH 800.00



- 553 ★ C7a, 1942 6c Deep Blue War Effort Airmail A superb margined imperforate pair with sheet margin at left, post office fresh, XF NH 1,200.00+



- 554 ★ C8a, 1943 7c Deep Blue War Effort Airmail A choice mint imperforate pair with sheet margin at left, VF+ NH 1,200.00



- 555 ★ C8i, 1943 7c Deep Blue War Effort Airmail Mint horizontal pair imperforate vertically between stamp and sheet margin at right; brilliant fresh colour, well centered with full original gum; tiny owner's handstamp on each stamp. Very rare - only ten examples exist, two of which are in the unique plate block; VF NH; ex. "Montclair" Collection (May 2014; Lot 415) 1,500.00+



A SPECTACULAR PRE-PERFORATION PAPER FOLD
DISPLAYING STRIKING PART-IMPERFORATE EXAMPLES



556 ★ C9 variety, 1946 7c Canada Geese Airmail Upper Right Plate 1 inscription block of 24 displaying an outstanding large "fold-over" occurring after printing but before perforating and resulted in a striking error, quasi-imperforate vertically units including an intact mint single imperforate between stamp and right margin. An extraordinary airmail showpiece related to the KGVI Peace ISSUE, VF NH
Est. 2,500.00+

Provenance: Terry Averbeck Gold-medal Canadian Errors collection, private treaty sale (circa. 2019)



557 ★ CE1a, 1942 16c Bright Ultramarine Air Mail Special Delivery A superb mint imperforate pair with large margins and full immaculate original gum, XF NH 1,200.00+



558 ★ CE2a, 1943 17c Bright Ultramarine Air Service Special Delivery Brilliant fresh mint imperforate pair with full original gum, VF+ NH 1,200.00



AIR CLUB AND PIONEER FLIGHTS

THE VERY SCARCE SOUND MINT EXAMPLE AERO CLUB OF CANADA WITHOUT VALUES IN LOWER CORNERS



- 559 ★ CLP1, 1918 (August 24) (25c) Red and Black Aero Club of Canada without values in lower corners, an unusually select, well centered mint single in a very intense shade of black, intact perforations all around and sound, very scarce as such, original gum with small hinging at top. A superior mint example of Canada's first airmail stamp, about 27 mint examples could exist but likely fewer survive today, VF
- 3,500.00**

A SUPERB REGISTERED AERO CLUB OF CANADA FLIGHT COVER



- 560 ☒ 1918 (August 26) Second Experimental Toronto - Ottawa Flight; Registered rate flight cover in clean and fresh condition, bearing 3c a brown Admiral for letter rate plus a 5c blue paying the registration fee, showing registry numbers and handstamp, both stamps tied by Toronto roller cancel, clear Toronto AU 26 18 departure CDS at left and superb rectangular AERIAL MAIL AUG 26 1918 TORONTO, CANADA cachet in violet. A well centered (25c) Aero Club of Canada special airmail stamp ideally placed on front and tied "BY AEROPLANE AUG 26 1918 Ottawa, Canada" Shield-like handstamp in bluish green, same-day Ottawa AU 26 arrival CDS on back. Of only 26 registered letters carried on this special flight, 22 have been reported. A wonderful airmail cover, ideal for a serious collection, VF+ (Unitrade CLP1; AAMC PF-9c) **5,000.00**

Provenance: The R. Stokes Mason Estate, Sissons Sale 266, November 1967; Lot 949

Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby Auctions, October 1998; Lot 386



- 561 ★ CLP2, 1918 (August 28) 25c Red and Black on Smooth White Wove Paper Aero Club of Canada with numeral value in lower corners; a superb and exceptionally fresh tête-bêche pane of two, unusually well centered, very lightly hinged on left stamp, right stamp with full pristine NH gum. Much nicer than normally encountered, XF **1,750.00+**

**AERO CLUB FLIGHT OF CANADA
FLOWN COVER WITH "CLP2" STAMP**



- 562 ✉ 1918 (September 4) Third Experimental Ottawa - Toronto Flight; Envelope endorsed "By Aerial Mail" bearing 3c yellow brown Admiral tied by three-ring Ottawa SP 2 18 CDS; uncanceled 25c red and black Aero Club of Canada with numerals in lower corners affixed on reverse, "By Aeroplane / SEP 4 1918 / Ottawa, Canada" Shield cachet in bluish green on front and a boldly struck Toronto 20 SP 4 18 arrival CDS on reverse. According to AAMC: "it is estimated that there are fewer than 20 covers in total were franked with CLP2", VF and rare; 1999 Greene Foundation cert. (Unitrade CLP2; AAMC PF-10c, eight are known for this flight) **5,500.00**

Provenance: Murray Heifetz Airmails, Firby Auctions, February 1999; Lot 774



- 563 ★ CLP3, 1919 (August 25) \$1 Red and Blue Aero Club of Canada A well centered mint single with deep rich colours and full original gum; seldom seen so nice, VF NH **875.00**



**THE REMARKABLE GRAND ARMY OF CANADA
ONE OF THE RAREST AIRMAIL STAMPS OF CANADA**



- 564 ★ CLP4, 1920 (May) (\$1) Grand Army of Canada, Aerial Mail Toronto - Hamilton** The keenly sought-after airmail rarity of which very few examples survive, a very well centered mint example with characteristic large margins, immaterial tiny gum wrinkle and spot of glazed gum; nevertheless a particularly nice mint single among the mere 6 to 10 surviving examples (according to the latest edition of the Air Mails of Canada and Newfoundland handbook published by the American Air Mail Society). A wonderful item often on want-lists of even advanced collectors, VF OG **25,000.00**

Provenance: Dr. L. Seale Holmes Airmail Collection, Sissons Sale 287, October 1969; Lot 903 – described at the time: “*very fine and extremely rare, only unused copy I know of.*”

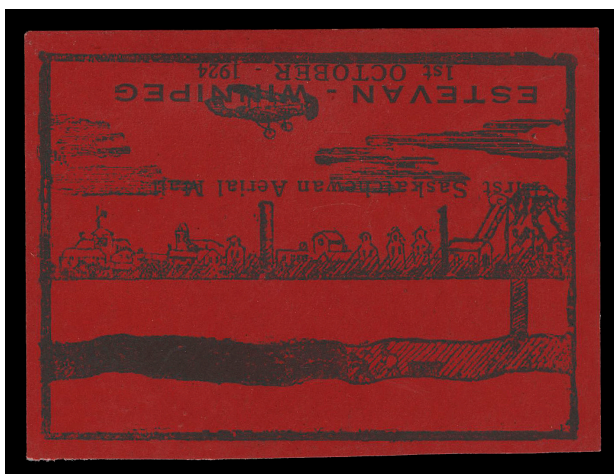
John C. Cornelius Canada Airmails, Sissons Sale 304, October 1971; Lot 108 – pictured on the front cover of this important sale.

Simrak Canadian Airmail Collection, Firby Auctions, March 1986; Lot 56

Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby Auctions, October 1998; Lot 207



VERY RARE INVERTED INSCRIPTIONS ON THE PROMOTIONAL FLIGHT STAMP



- 565 ★ CLP5a, 1924 (October 1) (\$1) Black on Red Paper, Estevan - Winnipeg Flight** A striking mint single with the INVERTED INSCRIPTIONS in error, normal spacing between "ew" in "Saskatchewan", devoid of the usual flaws so prevalent on this fragile stamp; signed Theodore Champion on back, VF H **3,000.00**

Provenance: Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 211

A rare airmail invert with only 12 examples known, many of which are faulty, and two of which exist as a pair on cover.

**ESTEVAN – WINNING PROMOTIONAL FLIGHT STAMP
WITH MISSING INSCRIPTIONS**



- 566 ★ CLP5b, 1924 (October 1) (\$1) Black on Red Paper, Estevan - Winnipeg Flight** A very rare example of the striking MISSING INSCRIPTIONS error - one of only four examples known (one of which is on cover); closed tear at top left and horizontal crease at foot. Interestingly enough it shows a full reverse offset of another stamp without inscriptions on the gum side; signed Theodore Champion on back. A desirable VF appearing example of this great Canadian airmail rarity, which is scarcer than the famous London to London stamp. (Unitrade cat. \$7,000) **Est. 2,000.00+**

Expertization: 2019 Greene Foundation certificate

Provenance: Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 212

Dr. Paul Cere, Siegel, November 2017; Lot 3510

D'Arcy Mosher, Eastern Auctions, November 2021; Lot 305



Lot 567 (250% actual size)

**THE LONDON, ONTARIO TO LONDON, ENGLAND FLIGHT
THE MOST ICONIC AIRMAIL STAMP OF CANADA
ONE OF THE VERY FEW MINT NEVER HINGED EXAMPLES**



- 567 ★ CLP6, 1927 (August 29) 25c Green and Yellow, London to London Flight** An outstanding mint example of this major airmail rarity - the key of Canadian semi-official airmails, well centered with bright fresh colours, couple minute stains on left portrait and light pressed crease of no importance, of great appearance and remarkably possessing full NEVER HINGED original gum and very rare thus, if not unique. The total printing was 100 stamps (printed in 25 panes of four). One of the greatest airmail rarities of the world, VF NH (Unitrade cat. \$100,000) **Est. 40,000.00+**

Expertization: clear 1987 Dr. Enzo Diena certificate, stating "... is genuine, it has intact original gum and it is in perfect condition: I signed it 'E. Diena'."

2021 Greene Foundation certificate stating "CLP6, mint, OG, NH, perforated 12.5 x 12.5, genuine, light vertical crease, tiny dark spots on left forehead."

Provenance: D'Arcy Mosher Semi-Official Airmails, Eastern Auctions, November 2021; Lot 306

ONE OF ONLY 13 KNOWN MINT EXAMPLES OF THE LONDON (ONTARIO) TO LONDON (ENGLAND) FLIGHT. ONE COVER IS ALSO REPORTED. THE ATTEMPTED TRANS-ATLANTIC FLIGHT CRASHED SHORTLY AFTER TAKE-OFF FROM HARBOUR GRACE, NEWFOUNDLAND ON SEPTEMBER 7, 1927. THE PILOT AND NAVIGATOR LOST THEIR LIVES AND WERE NEVER SEEN AGAIN.



- 568 ★ CLP7, 1928 (August 17) (\$1) Red on White Wove Paper, Moose Jaw Flying Club A choice mint single, Pos. 3 in the pane of five, well centered with full original gum. A high percentage of this stamp was used on flight covers, very few mint examples exist, VF LH **3,500.00**

THE MOOSE JAW FLYING CLUB FLIGHT

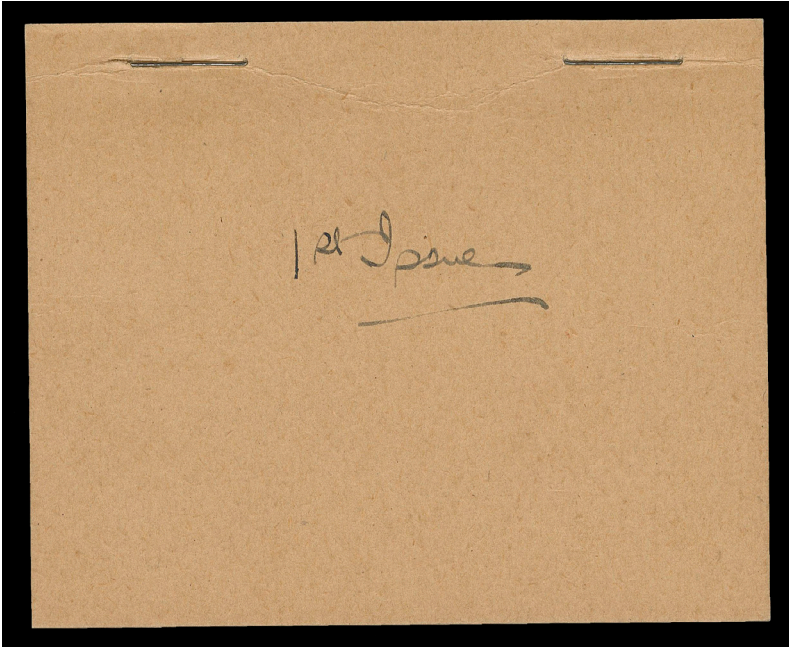


- 569 ☒ 1928 (August 17) Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan to Winnipeg, Manitoba Flight; a pristine cover bearing 2c green Admiral tied by clear Moose Jaw 10:30 AM AUG 17 1928 departure cancel; on reverse the (\$1) red on white Moose Jaw stamp (Position 5 in the pane of five) in sound condition and affixed at foot of the cover escaping the Winnipeg 8:30 PM AUG 17 1928 arrival postmark as usual. A choice example of this scarce flight cover, XF (Unitrade CLP7; AAMC PF-32i) **3,500.00**

Provenance: Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 394

**SEMI-OFFICIAL AIRMAILS
PRIVATE COMMERCIAL AIRLINES**

**LAURENTIDE AIR SERVICE
AN EXTREMELY RARE INTACT BOOKLET
CONTAINING PRISTINE NEVER HINGED PANES**



- 570 ★ CL1a, 1924 (August 30) (25c) Light Green Laurentide Air Service, Rouletted at Left** An exceedingly rare First Issue complete booklet containing four well centered panes of two stamps in the bright shade characteristic of the sought-after first printing; each pane in pristine condition and possessing full immaculate original gum, NEVER HINGED (without the disturbance commonly seen on the issue); plain manila covers with creasing between staples, manuscript "1st Issue" on front and back covers as they were originally produced, covers with sharp corners and in otherwise choice condition. A major semi-official airmail rarity - one of only two known complete booklets, VF NH **32,000.00**

Census: We are only aware of one other booklet, sold in our June 2015 public auction (Lot 222) with back cover detached but still present.

LONGWORTH-DAMES HANDBOOK "THE PIONEER AND SEMI-OFFICIAL AIR MAILS OF CANADA 1918-1934" MENTIONS ONLY EIGHTEEN BOOKLETS WERE PREPARED (144 STAMPS) AND SOLD AT THE MONTREAL POST OFFICE; THE REMAINING (56 STAMPS FROM THE TOTAL 200 PRINTED) WERE SOLD SEPARATELY AT HAILEYBURY.



- 571 ★ **CL1, 1924 (August 30) (25c) Light Green, First Issue, Rouletted at Left** A superb mint booklet pane of two with tab margin at left, well centered within characteristic large margins, printed in the bright shade associated with the elusive first printing, small faint gum wrinkle on lower stamp, full original gum, never hinged. A rare intact booklet pane - very few exist, VF+ NH; only 200 stamps were printed, few examples survive mint let alone in a booklet pane. **8,000.00**

Provenance: Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 215



- 572 ☒ **Rare Usage of Laurentide First Issue on Flight Cover** 1924 (September 21) Rouyn - Haileybury flight; envelope bearing 3c carmine, Die I Admiral tied by Rouyn Lake SP 21 24 split ring datestamp, two additional strikes at left, the elusive (25c) light green Laurentide Air Service rouletted at left and at top postmarked Rouyn Lake SP 21 24, well centered with characteristic large margins, small spot at foot of cover. A very scarce usage, VF (Unitrade CL1; AAMC LA2704-CL1a) **3,700.00**

Provenance: John C. Cornelius Canada Airmails Collection, Sissons Sale 304, October 1971; Lot 118



- 573 ☒ **Very Scarce September 1924 Flight Cover** 1924 (September 21) Rouyn - Haileybury Flight; cover franked with 1c yellow orange, Die I and 2c dark green wet printing Admirals tied by Rouyn Lake SP 21 24 split rings; on reverse (25c) green Laurentide Air Service Ltd. rouletted at top, Rouyn departure and Haileybury arrival split rings both cancelling airmail stamp; a very scarce flight cover, VF (Unitrade CL2; AAMC LA2407-CL2) **2,500.00**



- 574 ★ **CL2a, 1924 (September 5) (25c) Green, Second Issue, Rouletted at Top** Laurentide Air Service Limited intact booklet with green imprint on front, no inscriptions on back, contains glassine interleaves and all four panes of two in a distinctly lighter shade of green, VF NH **2,000.00**



- 575 ★ CL2b, 1924 (September 8) (25c) Green, Second Issue, Rouletted at Top Laurentide Air Service Limited intact booklet of the second printing with green imprint on front and Dodd-Simpson Press Ltd. Montreal imprint on back, contains all four panes in the green shade, plus the glassine interleaves, crease along staple line ending in a tear to front cover only, otherwise Fine with VF NH panes

2,000.00



- 576 ★ CL2d, 1924 (September 9) (25c) Dark Blue Green, Third Issue, Rouletted at Top Laurentide Air Service Limited, exploded booklet with dark green imprint on front and Dodd-Simpson Press Ltd. Montreal imprint on back, the four panes of two in the distinct dark shade, with glassine interleaves present, VF NH (Cat. as four panes)

1,600.00



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- 577 ★ CL5a, 1925 (June 27) 25c Blue Northern Air Service Tête-bêche pair, quite well centered and with one stamp NH, F-VF LH **850.00**
- 578 ★ CL6a, 1926 (25c) Red on Yellow Background of Zig-zag Lines Mint imperforate pair with wide margins, VF LH **600.00**



- 579 ☒ Scarce Multiple Usage Flown on Patricia Airways 1926 (June 25) Red Lake - Sioux Lookout Flight, cover flown by Patricia Airways, bearing 4c olive bistre Admiral and on reverse (25c) Jack V. Elliot Air Service with zig-zag lines block of four with sheet margin on three sides, postmarked Red Lake with straightlines Patricia Airways Exploration Limited and Red Lake split ring dispatch datestamps along with boxed JUN 27 1926 Sioux Lookout cancel on arrival; an unusual later date flown cover and seldom seen with a multiple, VF (Unitrade CL6; AAMC PE2621-CL6) ex. Murray Heifetz Airmails (February 1999; Lot 809) **Est. 500.00+**



- 580 ★ CL7a, b, 1926 (March 25) (25c) Jack V. Elliot Air Service, Red on Yellow Background An attractive, fresh mint imperforate block displaying inverted "AIR SERVICE" at upper left; LH in top margin well away from stamps which are NH, very scarce, VF **1,725.00**



- 581 ★ CL7b, 1926 (March 25) (25c) Jack V. Elliot Air Service, Red on Yellow Background Mint imperforate pair showing the Inverted "AIR SERVICE" inscription on left stamp, VF LH and striking **750.00**
- 582 ★ CL7c, 1926 (March 25) (25c) Jack V. Elliot Air Service, Red on Yellow Background Intact sheet of sixteen in an excellent state of preservation, displaying four tête-bêche gutter margin pairs, quite well centered with full pristine original gum. Very few intact sheets exist, VF NH
Illustrated on Page 61 **7,000.00**
- 583 ★ CL8, 1926 (March 21) (25c) Elliot-Fairchild Air Service A well centered, fresh mint pane of eight with constant tall "r" variety at Positions 2 & 4, VF NH
Illustrated on Website **675.00**
- 584 ★ CL8b, 1926 (March 21) (25c) Elliot-Fairchild Air Service Complete sheet consisting of two panes of eight showing four tête-bêche gutter pairs, constant tall "r" variety twice in both panes. Nicely centered and in well-above average condition for this seldom seen intact sheet, VF NH; ex. Robert H. Cunliffe (June 2009; Lot 1063)
Illustrated on Page 61 **3,000.00**



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- 585 ★ CL9a + variety, 1926 (April) (25c) Blue and Yello Elliot-Fairchilds Air Service A rare imperforate mint pair showing the constant filled-in wing variety on top stamp (Position 1), lightly disturbed OG. Very seldom seen and surely worth a premium over the basic imperforate pair, VF H **1,750.00+**

Provenance: Jack Myers Semi-Official Airmails, Sissons Sale 450, January 1986; Lot 604

Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 245



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- 586 ★ CL10, 1926 (August 11) (25c) Red Elliot-Fairchild Air Transport Ltd. A choice, fresh and well centered mint pane of five showing constant white dot over "O" of ELLIOT variety on Pos. 4, VF NH **600.00**

THE VERY ELUSIVE PANE DISPLAYING EVERY STAMP
TÊTE-BÊCHE WITH EACH OTHER

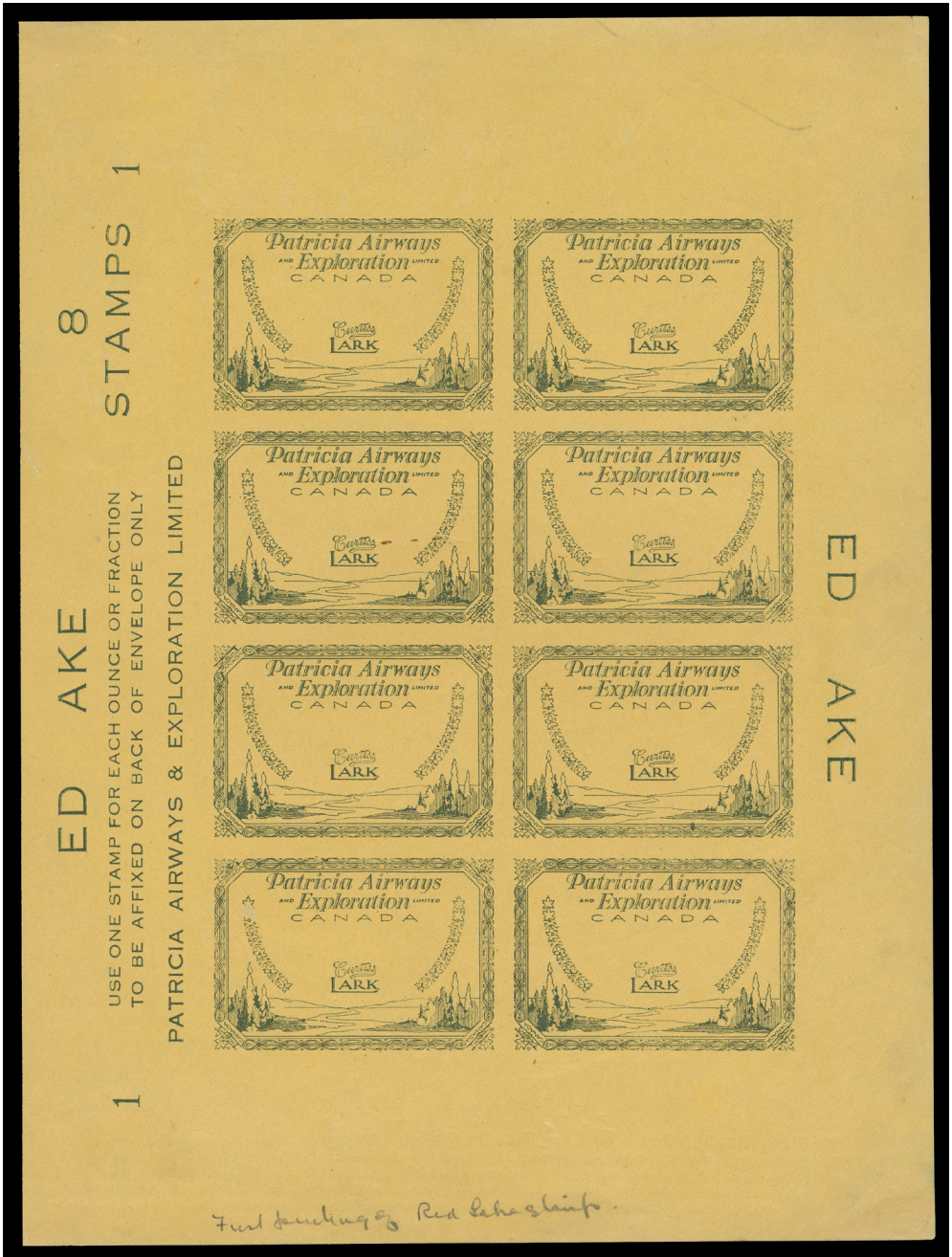


- 587 ★ CL12e, 1926 (October 20) (25c) Ultramarine Fairchild Air Transport Ltd. A very rare intact pane with each stamp tête-bêche relative to each other, horizontally as well as vertically, unused with some reinforced perf separation in places; we do not recall offering such a pane before. Very few were produced and a much smaller number survive regardless of condition; a major rarity, VF (Unitrade cat. \$3,000) Est. 1,500.00+

Provenance: Murray Heifetz Airmails, Firby Auctions, February 1999; Lot 729



PATRICIA AIRWAYS & EXPLORATION



- 588 P CL13Pi, 1926 (25c) Patricia Airways, Style One Imperforate proof pane of eight with Series "1" imprints, printed in green on yellow wove paper similar to issued Style One, ungummed. Shows frame and side margin inscription only; no airplane or other marginal / route inscriptions, minute surface scuff on lower right proof. An extremely rare sheet with great eye-appeal, VF (Unitrade cat. \$5,000)
Est. 2,000.00+

Provenance: Jack Boonshaft Collection of Airmails (Part II), Harmers of London, Feb. 1994; Lot 65
Murray Heifetz Airmails, Firby Auctions, February 1999; Lot 743



- 589 P CL13Pii, 1926 (June) (25c) Patricia Airways, Style One A choice plate proof single with green frame only on ungummed white wove paper, perf 12, VF and scarce **Est. 550.00**



- 590 ★ CL13i variety, 1926 (July 1) (25c) Patricia Airways, Style One Mint single with green inscriptions and strikingly displaying the "RED LAKE" marginal inscription INVERTED in error and additionally shifted horizontally (16mm), lightly redistributed gum. A rarity of the Patricia Airways series, F-VF OG (Unitrade cat. \$4,000) **Est. 1,000.00+**



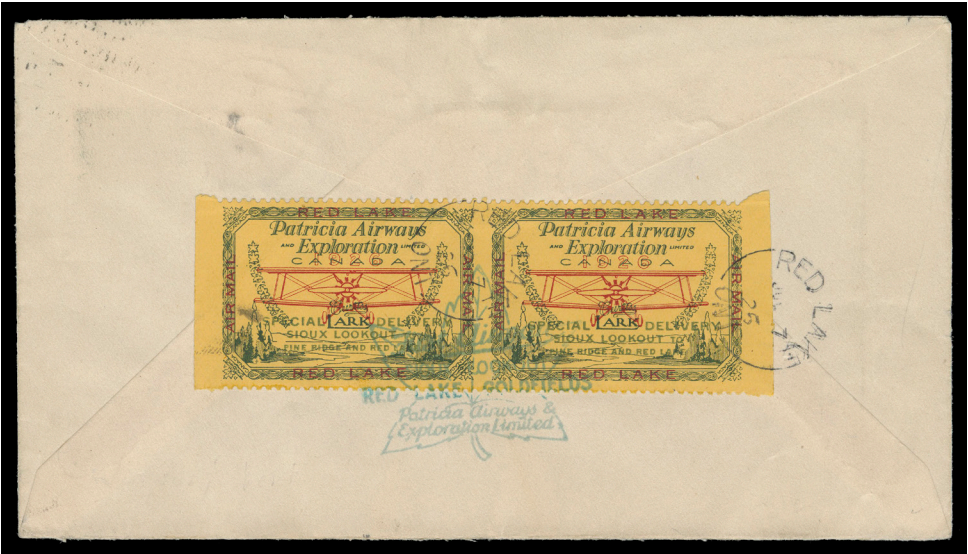
- 591 ★ CL13m, 1926 (July 1) (25c) Patricia Airways, Style One A fantastic mint single displaying the visually striking MISSING ROUTE INSCRIPTION error, lightly blemished original gum; a very rare airmail stamp, F-VF **Est. 1,500.00+**

Provenance: Ed Richardson Canada Airmails, Sissons Sale 396, November 1979; Lot 92

“Simrak” Canadian Airmails Collection, Firby Auctions, March 1996; Lot 113

Literature: This error is listed in the informative C.A. Longworth-Dames "The Pioneer and Semi-Official Air Mails of Canada 1918-1934" handbook as SO13e. To our surprise, it is currently not listed in the Unitrade Specialized catalogue. However, it does have its own suffix in the Scott Classic catalogue as CL13m, a major error that certainly warrants attention from the specialist.

We sold a mint LH single of this error (ex. Ernest Wall, June 2015; Lot 243) for \$2,600 hammer and a pair (ex. D'Arcy Mosher, November 2021; Lot 331) for \$3,750 hammer. Interestingly enough a similar error is found on the Style Two (Unitrade CL18g and CL19i, cataloguing \$2,000 and \$5,500 respectively for mint singles.



- 592 **Rare Usage of Patricia Airways Imperforate Vertically Pair on Cover 1926 (July 7) Sioux Lookout - Red Lake flight; cachet cover franked with 2c green and 4c olive bistre Admirals tied by Sioux Lookout duplex; on reverse with impressive (25c) Patricia Airways, Style One horizontal pair imperforate vertically, tied by Red Lake JUL 7 26 split rings on arrival and further tied by flight cachet. Very rare with only about half dozen covers known with this error, VF (Unitrade CL13a; AAMC PE2623-CL13 - basic flight cover) 1,250.00**

Provenance: Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 434



- 593 **Manuscript "FED" Monogram on Official Mail 1926 (December 18) Toronto - Red Lake promotional flight; Patricia Airways & Exploration Limited envelope with illustrated route map on reverse, franked with 2c green Admiral, uncanceled with Red Lake DE 20 26 split ring applied nearby along with flight cachet showing documented date error "1929" instead of 1926, reverse bearing the rare (25c) Patricia Airways, Style One official stamp with manuscript monogram "FED" inscription in red and tied by Red Lake DE 20 26 split ring on arrival. A desirable and very scarce cover, VF (Unitrade CL13e; AAMC PE2687-CL13a) 1,850.00**

Provenance: Jack Boonshaft Collection of Airmails (Part II), Harmers of London, Feb. 1994; Lot 72

David Sessions Canadian Airmails, Firby Auctions, March 2006; Lot 453



- 594 ★ CL14c, 1927 (May 20) (25c) Patricia Airways, Style One A fabulous lower left Series "2" corner margin single with inverted 10c overprint (Type A) in dark red, noticeably shifted similar to all we have seen, VF VLH **500.00+**



- 595 ★ CL14d, 1926 (May 20) (25c) Patricia Airways, Style One An impressive Series "1" corner margin single with the dramatic doubled 10c overprint (Type A) in dark red with one impression INVERTED (as do all known examples), full original gum, VF NH and rarely seen. **1,500.00+**

Provenance: Ed Richardson Airmails, Sissons Sale 396, November 1979; Lot 97

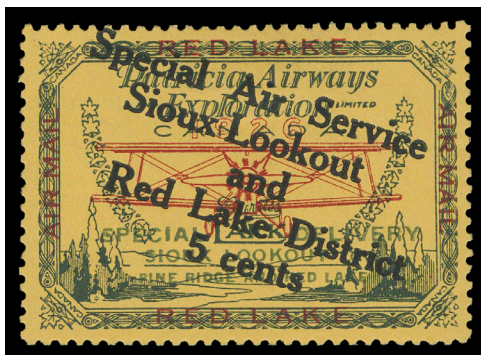
Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 282



- 596 ★ CL14f, 1927 (May 2) (25c) Patricia Airways, Style One Mint single with 10c overprint (Type A) in red, shows the distinctive broken "N" in "ROUYN" variety, F-VF NH, not often seen. **270.00+**



DESCENDING TYPE B OVERPRINTS IN BLACK AND IN RED



- 597 ★ CL15a, 1927 (September 1) (25c) Patricia Airways, Style One A selected, well centered mint example of this airmail rarity with descending 5c overprint (Type B) in black. Only one sheet of eight was printed; fewer survive in mint condition, VF H 2,500.00+

Provenance: Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 283

Two examples are known on cover leaving a mere 6 possible mint stamps available to collectors. Even though catalogue value for this stamp has increased in recent years, we believe it is still undercatalogued.

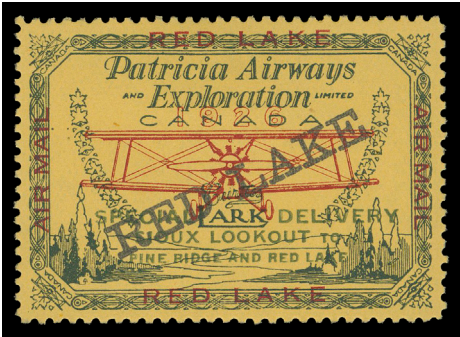


- 598 ★ CL15c, 1927 (September 1) (25c) Patricia Airways, Style One A fresh, seldom seen mint single with Series "1" imprint in top left margin and descending 5c overprint (Type B) in deep red, scarce this nice, VF NH 1,125.00

Provenance: Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 284

- 599 ☒ **Scarce Usage of Patricia Airways, Style One with Descending Type B Overprint in Red** 1928 (March 15) Jackson Manion - Sioux Lookout flight; envelope franked with two single 1c Macdonald and a Patricia Airways, Style One with descending 5c overprint Type B in red, rounded corner at top right, all tied by Jackson Manion MR 15 28 split ring datestamps, carried by Patricia Airways Ltd. non-first flight to Sioux Lookout with next-day MR 16 CDS receiver on back; very scarce stamp on cover, VF (Unitrade CL15c) ex. David Sessions (March 2006; Lot 457), Robert H. Jamieson (October 1998; Lot 441) 650.00

Illustrated on Page 70



- 600 ★ CL16, 1927 (25c) Patricia Airways, Style One A precisely centered, fresh mint single with ascending (5c) RED LAKE handstamp in black (Type D), VF LH **1,500.00**

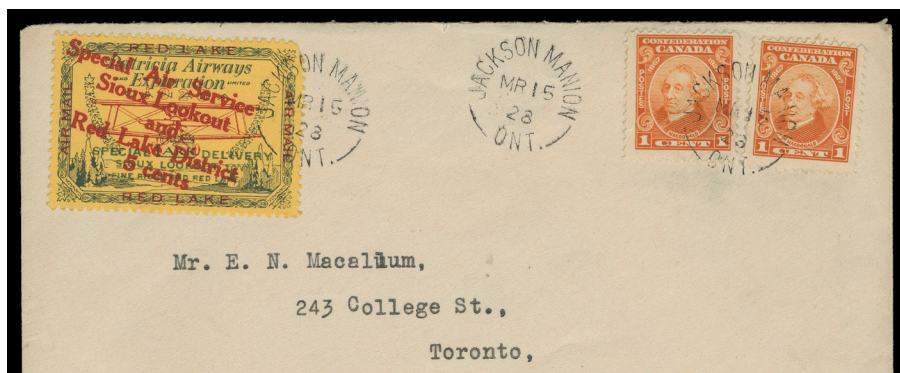


- 601 ★ CL17a, 1927 (September 1) (25c) Patricia Airways, Style One A superbly centered, fresh mint single with ascending 10c overprint (Type A) in red and descending (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) handstamp in black, XF VLH **1,500.00+**

Provenance: Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 290



- 602 ★ CL17c + variety, 1927 (September 1) (25c) Patricia Airways, Style One A choice, extremely well centered mint single displaying a very scarce combination of handstamps - ascending 10c overprint (Type A) in red and (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) in purple descending and inverted, VF OG; Type A overprint has the first “Y” of HAILEYBURY partly missing. **3,000.00+**



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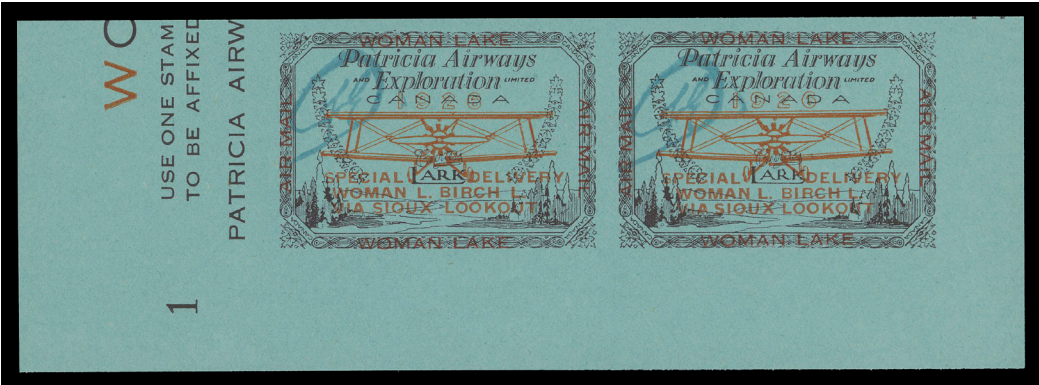
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- 603 ☒ **Very Scarce Combination of Handstamps on Patricia Airways, Style One on Flight Cover 1928** (February 3) Sioux Lookout - Red Lake flight, a choice cover bearing 2c green Admiral neatly tied by Sioux Lookout duplex; on reverse the very scarce (25c) Patricia Airways, Style One with ascending 10c (Type A) in red and descending (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) handstamp in black tied by same-day Red Lake split ring on arrival. A key PA&E usage on cover, VF (Unitrade CL17a; AAMC PZ2801-CL17) **1,750.00**



- 604 **P** **CL18Pi, 1926 (June) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two** A large margined plate proof with purple frame, orange aircraft and route inscription on white wove paper, imperforate and ungummed, VF **550.00**

AN EXTRAORDINARY IMPERFORATE PAIR
WITH THE “FED” MONOGRAM
ONE OF TWO KNOWN TO EXIST



- 605 ★ CL18a + e, 1926 (July 1) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two An exceptional mint imperforate pair from foot of the pane showing Series "1" imprint, both stamps with official Monogram FED handstamp of Chairman F.E. Davison in green ink; left stamp with inconsequential fingerprint on gum. A phenomenal semi-official airmail rarity of the highest order - only one other exists, VF NH (Unitrade CL18a + e; cat. as two normal Monogram handstamped singles) **7,500.00+**

A UNIQUE PART IMPERFORATE PAIR
WITH THE “FED” MONOGRAM



- 606 ★ CL18b, e, 1926 (July 7) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two An extraordinary mint horizontal pair IMPERFORATE VERTICALLY and showing official Monogram FED handstamp of Chairman F.E. Davison in green ink on both stamps, very well centered, brilliant and fresh with full unblemished original gum. Without question on the short-list of the very best items related to the Patricia Airways and Exploration Limited series, XF NH **7,500.00+**

Catalogue value merely reflects two normal Monogram handstamp singles.

To the best of our knowledge - THE ONLY KNOWN IMPERFORATE VERTICALLY PAIR SHOWING THE MONOGRAM.

Also noteworthy of mention is that the **constant small “v” in “VIA”** route inscription variety is shown on right-hand stamp (Position 2).



THE “FED” MONOGRAM



- 607 ★ CL18e, 1926 (July 7) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two A very well centered mint single overprinted "FED" (F.E. Davison) monogram in green ink; only a small number exist in mint condition as most of the small print run was used on company mail, VF LH **2,500.00**

Provenance: “Simrak” Canadian Airmail Collection, Firby Auctions, March 1986; Lot 132

Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 295

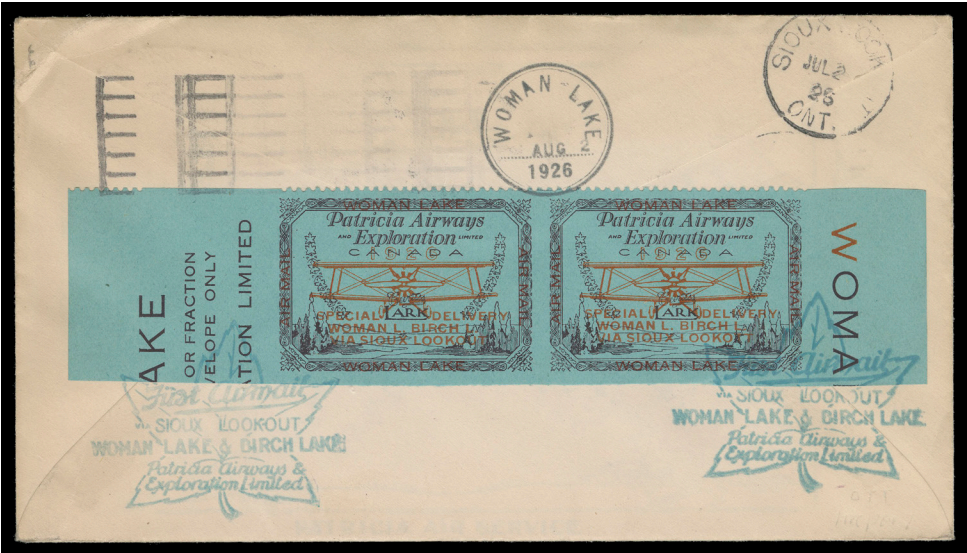
MISSING ROUTE INSCRIPTIONS



- 608 ★ CL18g, 1926 (July 7) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two A well centered and fresh mint single missing the three-line route inscriptions, large part original gum; rarely offered and striking, VF H **2,000.00**

Provenance: Murray Heifetz Airmails, Firby Auctions, February 1999; Lot 736

UNIQUE COMBINATION OF VARIETIES ON FLIGHT COVER



- 609 ☒ 1926 (August 2) Sioux Lookout - Woman Lake First Flight; cacheted cover, small corner crease to cover only, franked with pair of 1c orange, Die I Admiral tied by Toronto JUL 24 dispatch slogan cancel; on reverse (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two pair imperforate vertically and at foot, right stamp shows the "LOOKOTT" variety, Sioux Lookout JUL 26 CDS and just tied by clear double ring Woman Lake AUG 2 company CDS. An undoubtedly unique combination of varieties on a flight cover, VF (Unitrade CL18d listed but unpriced on or off cover; AAMC PE2639-CL18 + varieties) **Est. 1,000.00+**



- 610 ☒ Official Monogram "FED" Handstamp on Cover 1926 (August 2) Woman Lake - Sioux Lookout promotional flight; Patricia Airways & Exploration Limited stationery envelope showing illustrated route map on reverse, franked with single 2c green Admiral cancelled by Woman Lake AUG 2 1926 CDS, greenish flight cachet on front. On reverse the elusive (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two official stamp overprinted with monogram "FED" handstamp in green ink, well centered and choice, tied on same-day arrival Sioux Lookout AU 2 26 CDS, VF and scarce (Unitrade CL18e; AAMC PE2639-CL18d) ex. Robert H. Jamieson (October 1998; Lot 446) **2,500.00**



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- 611 ★ **CL19a, 1927 (May) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two** An impressive mint example showing ascending 10c overprint (Type A) in BLACK, fresh and very well centered, faint gum bend. Only one sheet of eight was purportedly printed; we recall offering only one example in the last decade, an undervalued stamp in our opinion, VF H **1,500.00+**

Provenance: Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 304

Its rarity is confirmed by the fact that it is not listed in Longworth-Dames "The Pioneer and Semi-Official Air Mails of Canada" handbook.

- 612 ★ **CL19b + variety, 1927 (May 20) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two** A bright fresh, well centered top sheet margin mint single with ascending 10c overprint (Type A) in deep red and the **constant small "v" in "VIA" variety** (Pos. 2), VF NH **825.00**



- 613 ☒ **Earliest Reported Usage of the Patricia Airways, Style Two with Type A Overprint 1927 (May 23)** Cover bearing well centered pair of 1c orange yellow, Die I wet printing tied by Rouyn MY 23 27 CDS postmarks; on reverse (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two with ascending 10c overprint (Type A) in dark red and tied by same Rouyn CDS postmark and addressed to Montreal, VF (Unitrade CL19b; AAMC PE2717-CL19) **900.00**

- 614 ★ **CL20, 1927 (September 1) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two** Brilliant fresh and choice mint single with ascending 5c overprint (Type B) in black, VF NH *Illustrated on Page 75* **1,875.00**



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- 615 ★ CL20a, 1927 (September 1) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two A very scarce mint example showing descending 5c overprint (Type B) in black, sheet margin at foot. A mere 24 examples were printed making it considerably scarcer than its ascending counterpart, F-VF H **2,000.00**

Provenance: Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 306

- 616 ★ CL20b, 1927 (September 1) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two A pristine fresh mint single with ascending 5c overprint (Type B) in red, VF NH **1,875.00**



- 617 ☒ Patricia Airways, Ltd. Flight with Style Two Type B Overprinted in Black 1928 (March 9) Red Lake - Sioux Lookout flight; cover franked with a 2c green Admiral tied by Red Lake split ring; on reverse (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two with ascending 5c overprint (Type B) in black, struck by same-day Sioux Lookout CDS on arrival; minor staining near foot well away from stamp. Carried by Patricia Airways, Ltd. its successor which operated during February and March of 1928, F-VF (Unitrade CL20; AAMC PZ2805-CL20) **1,000.00**



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- 618 ★ CL21a, 1927 (July 1) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two** A remarkably fresh, rarely seen mint single with ascending (5c) RED LAKE handstamp (Type D) in violet. Only 16 were printed (two sheets) and of which a smaller number survive never hinged. A great stamp, VF NH **5,250.00**

Provenance: Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 309

There is a noticeable "Kiss Print" doubling of the handstamp, visible in letters "RED" and "K" of "LAKE". There is a known double variety (CL21c) with similar doubling characteristics as the one of offered here.

- 619 ★ CL21b, 1927 (July 1) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two** A rare mint example of this sought-after airmail with descending (5c) RED LAKE handstamp (Type D) in violet. Only 16 stamps (two sheets) were printed, F-VF H **3,500.00**

Provenance: Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 310

VERY RARE STYLE TWO WITH RED LAKE OVERPRINT WITH THE CONSTANT POSITION 2 VARIETY



- 620 ★ CL21i, 1927 (July 1) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two** A fabulous corner example showing the constant small "v" in VIA variety found at Position 2, descending (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) in black, lightly hinged in selvage only, stamp with full original gum, NEVER HINGED. A very rare combination of the descending overprint in black and the variety - of the 24 stamps (three sheets) printed, only 3 examples can exist with the variety, VF **5,250.00**

Provenance: Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 308

**A VERY RARE USAGE OF RED LAKE HANDSTAMP
ON STYLE TWO AIRMAIL STAMP**



- 621 ✉ 1927 (June 8) Red Lake - Sioux Lookout flight; clean cover franked with 2c green Admiral tied by Red Lake JUN 8 27 split ring, second strike at left; on reverse the earliest reported usage of the rare (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two with ascending (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) handstamp in violet, uncanceled with same-day Sioux Lookout JUN 8 27 CDS struck at right. About 10 covers flown bearing this elusive airmail, VF (Unitrade CL21a; AAMC PE2719-CL21) **4,000.00**

Provenance: Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 452



- 622 ★ CL22a, 1927 (September 1) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two An attractive, fresh and well centered mint single with a very scarce combination of handstamps - ascending 10c (Type A) in red and descending (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) in black; only 24 printed (3 sheets), VF LH; 2021 Greene Foundation cert. **3,500.00**



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- 623 ★ CL22c, 1927 (September 1) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two An attractive mint example with a rare combination of handstamps - ascending 10c (Type A) in red and inverted descending (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) in black. Only 16 stamps (two sheets) were printed, VF LH **2,500.00**

Provenance: "Simrak" Canadian Airmail Collection, Firby Auctions, March 1986; Lot 141

Murray Heifetz Airmails, Firby Auctions, February 1999; Lot 740

- 624 ★ CL22c, 1927 (September 1) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two A very well centered, fresh mint example with handstamps - ascending 10c (Type A) in red and inverted descending (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) in black, small spot of adhesion on gum, otherwise full OG, VF LH; a rare stamp - only 16 were printed. **2,500.00**



- 625 ★ CL22d, 1927 (September 1) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Two A very rare mint single with ascending 10c overprint (Type A) in red and descending (5c) RED LAKE handstamp (Type D) in black, also shows the **broken "N" in ROUYN variety**, LH in selvage only. The first example we recall offering, F-VF NH **3,750.00+**

Provenance: Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 314

Seriously undercatalogued in the current Unitrade specialized catalogue as the normal CL22a stamp commands a higher catalogue value.

**AN INTACT ROULETTED SHEET OF EIGHT
PREPARED BUT NEVER ISSUED, SIGNED BY ARTHUR ALGATE**



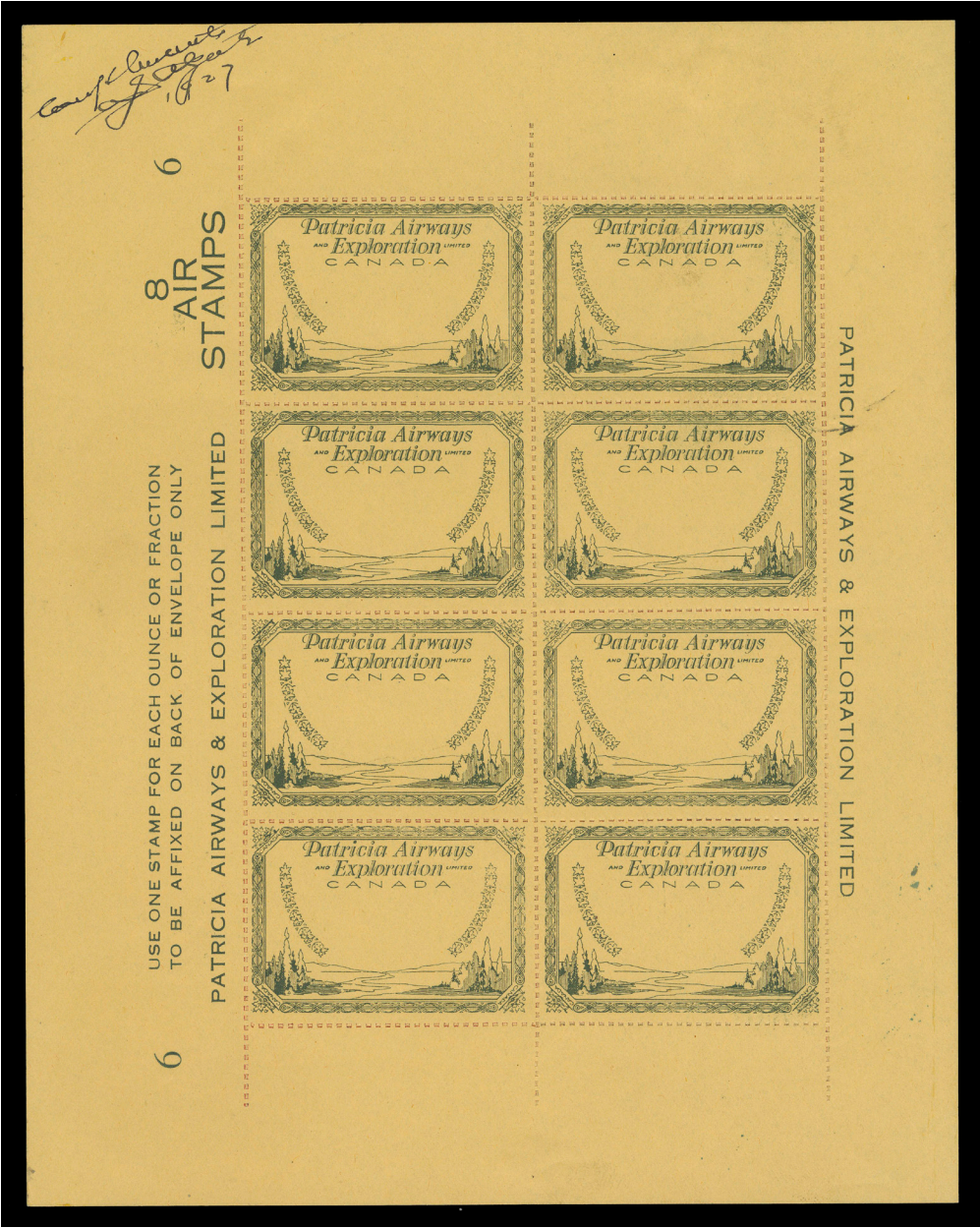
- 626 ★ **CL23, 1927 (June) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three** Prepared but not issued without overprint; an extraordinary rouletted pane of eight with Series "3" imprints, hinged in selvage only, faint corner bend at foot, otherwise all eight stamps possess full NEVER HINGED original gum. Signed "Compliments of A.J. Algate 1927" (designer of Patricia Airways stamps); an extremely rare intact sheet that appears to be the only one signed by Algate, F-VF NH (Cat. as NH singles) **10,500.00**

Provenance: Murray Heifetz Airmails, Firby Auctions, February 1999; Lot 741

Interestingly enough this rouletted sheet of unissued stamps (CL23) is listed in the current Unitrade specialized catalogue under proofs as CL23Pd and stating "only recorded pane signed by designer".



A UNIQUE PROOF SHEET WITHOUT AIRPLANE
SHOWING EXPERIMENTAL PERFORATIONS



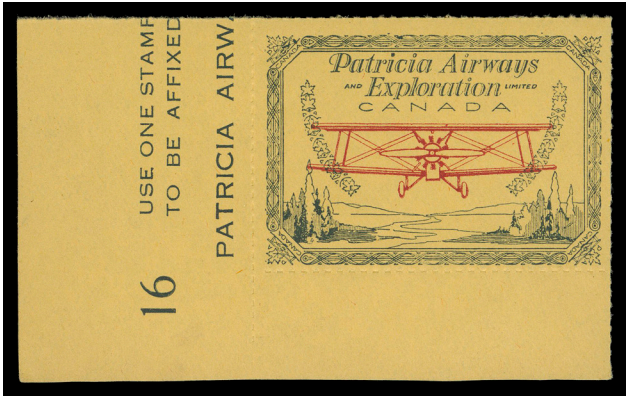
627 P CL23Pc, 1927 (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three A phenomenal proof sheet of eight with Series "6" imprints, displaying distinctive Rectangular coloured rouletted perforations, green frame only with marginal inscriptions of the same colour, no Curtiss Lark airplane, hinged in selvedge only leaving all eight stamps with full NEVER HINGED original gum. Signed "Compliments of A.J. Algate 1927" (designer of these issues) at top left. The only known such proof sheet, a key item for a serious semi-official collection, VF

13,500.00

Provenance: Murray Heifetz Airmails, Firby Auctions, February 1999; Lot 742



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- 628 P CL23Pii variety, 1927 (May) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three Plate proof single on light yellow paper showing INVERTED AIRPLANE, ascending (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) in bright green and coloured rectangular perfs in the same colour as the airplane. Gummed with strong and complete printing offset of the green frame on reverse. A dramatic semi-official airmail which deserves to be listed, VF LH **Est. 1,000.00+**

We sold a similar proof (*ex. D'Arcy Mosher collection, November 2021; Lot 358*) for \$1,600 hammer.

- 629 ★ CL23, 1927 (June) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three, Rouletted Prepared but not issued; a choice mint corner margin example with Series "16" imprint, seldom encountered in such selected quality, VF NH; *ex. Robert H. Jamieson (October 1998; Lot 316)* **1,300.00+**



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- 630 ★ CL24, 1927 (June 11) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three Rouletted Series "10" imprint pane of eight with ascending 10c overprint (Type A) in red, LH in top selvage and small gum disturbance on one, otherwise VF NH, a scarce intact pane. (*Cat. as hinged pane only*) **1,000.00**
- 631 ★ CL25, CL25f, 1927 (June 11) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three Rouletted Series "15" mint imprint pane of eight with descending 5c overprint (Type B) in black showing third "O" malformed in LOOKOUT (Pos. 7), VF NH **1,425.00**
- 632 ★ CL25d, 1927 (July 11) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three A choice, well centered and fresh mint single, descending 5c overprint (Type B) in red showing third "O" malformed - filled in LOOKOUT (Pos. 7), VF NH **Illustrated on Page 83 675.00**



A VERY RARE DUO OF SE-TENANT PAIRS ONE WITH ADDITIONAL OVERPRINT



- 633 ★ CL26b, 1927 (June 11) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three A** a fabulous mint horizontal pair with ascending 5c overprint (Type C) in black, left stamp with additional descending (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) in purple. A very rare pair, in fact no stamp was regularly issued with both Type C & Type D overprints. The first such error pair we recall offering at auction and absent from nearly all important collections of the past. Seriously undercatalogued, VF OG Est. 2,500.00+

Provenance: Ed Richardson Canada Airmails, Sissons Sale 396, November 1979; Lot 128

“Simrak” Canadian Airmail Collection, Firby Auctions, March 1986; Lot 150

Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 329



- 634 ★ CL27a, 1927 (September 1) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three A** An exceptional mint horizontal pair with ascending 10c overprint (Type A) in red, right-hand stamp additionally with descending 5c overprint (Type B) in black. A very rare with and without overprint pair - the first one we recall offering and absent from all the major Semi-Official Airmail collections we have offered over the years. Grossly undercatalogued - its current Unitrade / Scott value irrelevant as it has hardly moved in decades, VF OG Est. 2,500.00+

Provenance: John C. Cornelius Canada Airmail Collection, Sissons Sale 304, October 1971; Lot 266

Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 330



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- 635 ★ CL28b, 1927 (Sept. 1) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three Mint single with "Grounded Plane" variety, ascending 10c overprint (Type A) in red and descending 5c overprint (Type C) in black, very scarce - in fact the first example we remember offering, VF H **500.00**



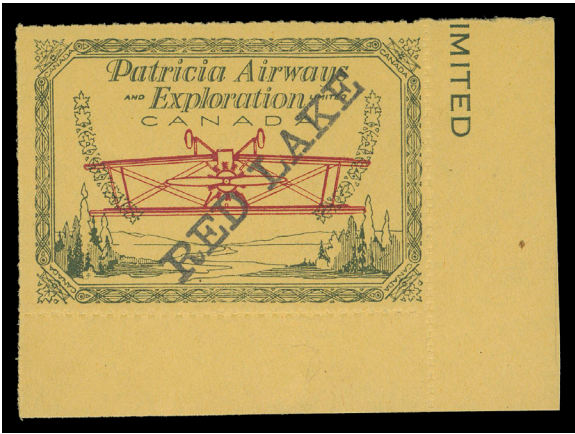
- 636 ★ CL29, CL29a, 1927 (September 17) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three Two rouletted singles with ascending 10c overprint (Type A) in red and descending (5c) RED LAKE handstamp (Type D) in black and in purple respectively, both fresh VF NH mint **750.00**



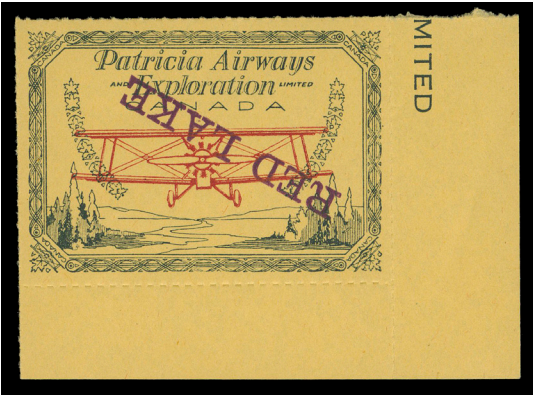
- 637 ★ CL29ai, 1927 (September 17) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three A fresh, well centered rouletted mint single with ascending 10c overprint (Type A) in red and inverted descending (5c) RED LAKE handstamp (Type D) in purple, VF NH **410.00**



THE INVERTED AIRPLANE
WITH ASCENDING RED LAKE IN BLACK



- 638 ★ CL30a, 1927 (September 17) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three A marvelous and visually striking lower right corner margin single showing the INVERTED AIRPLANE error and ascending (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) in black. Rarely seen in such selected quality, one of only eight printed making it scarcer than the other known inverted airplane stamps with purple handstamps; an impressive error for the airmail specialist, VF NH **5,250.00**



- 639 ★ CL30c, 1927 (September 17) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three The four possible orientations of (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) in deep purple; consisting of upright positions mint NH and the Series "18" imprint corner single VLH, both inverts are NH, VF **785.00**

THE INVERTED AIRPLANE
UPRIGHT AND INVERTED DESCENDING OVERPRINTS



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- 640 ★ CL30dii, 1927 (September 17) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three A select and visually striking mint single with INVERTED AIRPLANE error and descending (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) in deep purple, a very scarce combination of handstamp orientation and invert error, VF H **2,750.00**

Provenance: Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 340

- 641 ★ CL30diii, 1927 (September 17) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three A well centered and choice mint example showing the sought-after INVERTED AIRPLANE error and inverted descending (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) in deep purple; Kessler airmail expert backstamp. Only a small number exist, VF LH **2,750.00**

Provenance: Jack Myers Semi-Official Airmails, Sissons Sale 450, January 1986; Lot 625

Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 341



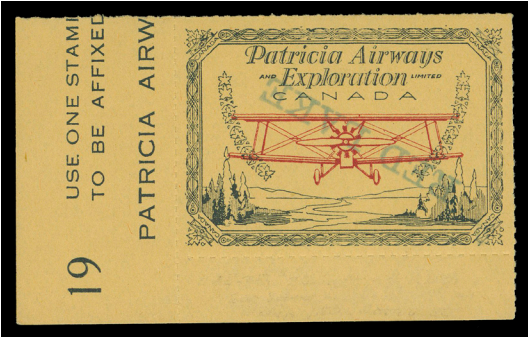
- 642 ★ CL30diii, 1927 (September 17) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three An impressive corner margin single with the INVERTED AIRPLANE error and inverted descending (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) in deep purple, light overall gum disturbance as often seen. Visually striking and rare, VF OG **2,750.00**



- 643 ★ CL30e, 1927 (September 17) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three Sheet marginal imperforate pair with inverted ascending (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) in deep purple, choice and rarely seen, VF LH; ex. Robert H. Jamieson (October 1998; Lot 343) 1,500.00



- 644 ★ CL30e, 1927 (September 17) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three Mint imperforate pair from foot of sheet showing Series "10" imprint at lower left, with descending (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) in deep purple, VF H, scarce; ex. Robert H. Jamieson (October 1998; Lot 342) 1,500.00



- 645 ★ CL30f, 1927 (September 17) (50c) Patricia Airways, Style Three The four possible orientations of (5c) RED LAKE (Type D) in light green; upright positions mint LH and NH, inverted positions both NH, one descending invert with corner margin Series "19" imprint, VF 785.00



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- 646 ★ CL40c, 1927 (May 1) (10c) Western Canada Airways Service Mint vertical strip of four with centre pair imperforate horizontally between, sheet margin at right, the key centre pair is NH, Fine+ LH; *ex. Robert H. Jamieson (October 1998; Lot 348)* **635.00**



- 647 ★ CL40e, 1927 (May 1) (10c) Western Canada Airways Service An impressive top margin block of ten (5x2), showing extra line of perforations through each column, last column with two lines of perfs, rich colour, a very scarce large multiple of this perforation variety, F-VF LH / NH **Est. 500.00+**
- 648 ★ CL41a, 1927 (July 1) (10c) Western Canada Airways Jubilee Issue A well centered mint right sheet margin pair imperforate horizontally between, scarce, VF LH; *ex. Robert H. Jamieson (October 1998; Lot 351)* **450.00**



TWO EXTREMELY RARE CONTEMPORARY DIE PROOFS PRODUCED BY CLARKE AND STUART COMPANY



- 649 P CL42 Proof, 1927 (November) 25c Yukon Airways & Exploration Co. Ltd.** A very rare original reverse die proof printed in black on stamp-size white matte, soft card (52x27mm), couple shallow thins from previous mounting. One of only four such proofs printed - the engraving is overall stronger and more well-etched, noticeably different than what is found on the more common (99 x 76mm) die proofs. A key semi-official airmail proof and the first we recall offering, VF **4,000.00**

Ten original die proofs were produced by the Clarke and Stuart Company - four on matte card measuring 53 x 27mm and six on wove paper about 164 by 103mm.



- 650 P CL42 Proof, 1927 25c Yukon Airways and Exploration Co. Ltd.** The rare Large Reverse Die Proof printed in black on yellowish wove paper 164 x 101mm, slight trace of ink offset at right, couple small faint creases well away from the die. One of only six reported - the engraving noticeably is stronger overall on the distinctive wove paper unlike the more common (99 x 76mm) die proofs. We do not recall offering such a proof in recent years, VF **4,000.00**

Ten original die proofs were produced by the Clarke and Stuart Company, six of which were on wove paper.



651 ★ CL42c, 1927 (November 11) Yukon Airways & Exploration Co. Ltd. An extraordinary intact booklet containing all ten rouletted booklet panes of ten with full original gum, NH; blank manila covers, stapled together as produced with front cover folded over for display. In an excellent state of preservation - we suspect this booklet is the finest of the mere three known to exist, VF NH 7,500.00



**YUKON AIRWAYS AND EXPLORATION
IMPERFORATE AND PART IMPERFORATE MULTIPLES
TWO MAJOR RARITIES OF CANADIAN SEMI-OFFICIAL AIRMAILS**



- 652 ★ CL42d, 1927 (November 11) 25c Blue, Yukon Airways & Exploration Co. Ltd. An exceedingly rare mint imperforate pair from lower right corner of the booklet pane sheet with guidelines at lower right, trace of fingerprint on gum, otherwise full OG relatively lightly hinged. One of the greatest rarities of Canada's Semi-Official Airmails; in fact only one other pair exists; the first time we recall offering one at auction, a highlight of this important collection, VF **7,500.00+**

Provenance: David Sessions Canada Airmails, Firby Auctions, March 2006; Lot 412



- 653 ★ CL42e, 1927 (November 11) 25c Blue, Yukon Airways and Exploration Co. Ltd. An impressive mint block imperforate vertically, faint gum crease along right edge not visible from the front, brilliant fresh and in otherwise choice condition with full original gum, VF NH **10,500.00**

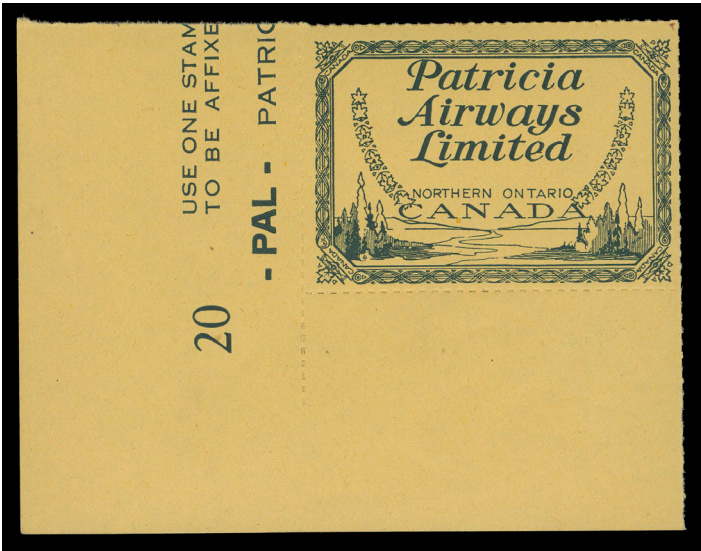
Fewer than 20 imperforate vertically pairs exist. A major rarity related to the only stamp issued by this airline.

- 654 ☒ Scarce "ArRWAYS" Variety on Flight Cover 1928 (April 13) Atlin - Whitehorse Return Flight; Yukon Airways stationery envelope bearing 2c Confederation and 25c blue airmail showing the elusive "ArRWAYS" variety, tied by light grid, Atlin, BC AP 13 28 dispatch CDS and arrival White-horse AP 16 CDS on back. Few covers with the plate variety can exist, VF (Unitrade CL42a)

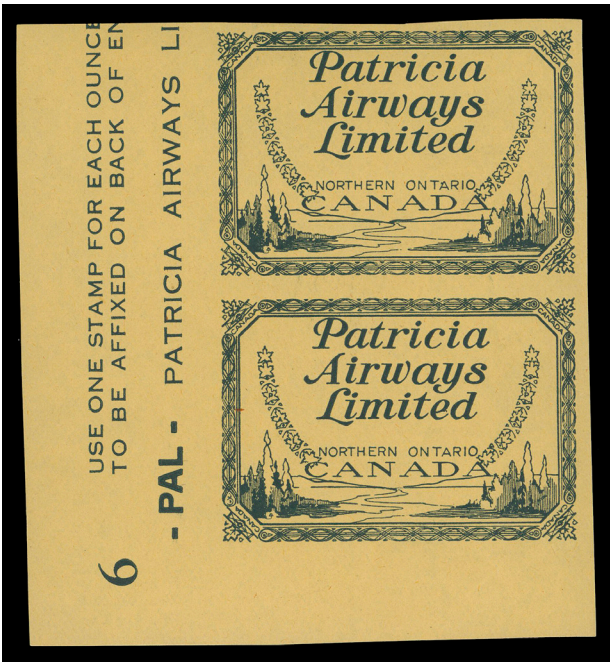
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PATRICIA AIRWAYS LIMITED

VERY SCARCE PROOFS SHOWING NO AIRPLANE



- 655 P CL43Piii, 1928 (March) (10c) Patricia Airways, Ltd. A corner margin plate proof single without airplane, Series "20" imprint, printed in dark green on yellow paper, rouletted; a remarkable item, VF NH and scarce thus 1,135.00



- 656 P CL43Piv, 1928 (March) (10c) Patricia Airways, Ltd. An attractive corner margin proof pair printed in dark green on yellow paper, no airplane and showing Series "6" imprint in margin, VF LH; visually striking 1,800.00+

Provenance: Murray Heifetz Airmails, Firby Auctions, February 1999; Lot 756



THE INVERTED AIRPLANE



- 657 ★ CL43a, 1928 (March 9) (10c) Patricia Airways, Ltd. A rouletted single, well centered and showing the INVERTED AIRPLANE error, bright fresh mint, very scarce, VF LH 2,000.00



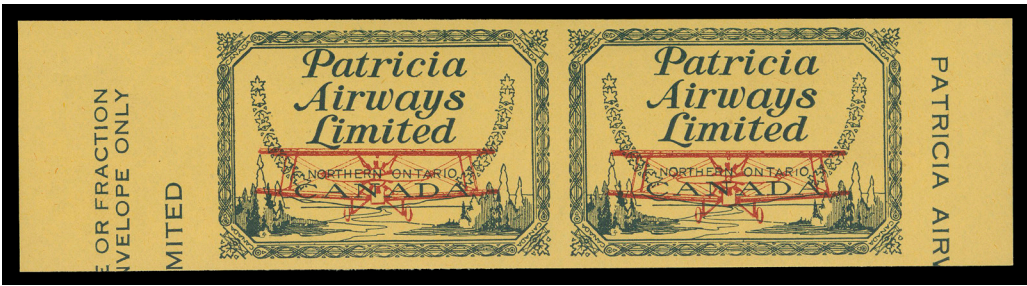
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- 658 ★ CL43b, 1928 (March 9) (10c) Patricia Airways, Ltd. Striking mint example with the "Grounded Airplane" variety, sheet margin at right; hard to find in this selected quality, VF NH 675.00

- 659 ★ CL43b, 1928 (March 9) (10c) Patricia Airways, Ltd. A selected mint example with the striking "Grounded Airplane" variety, sheet margin at right, VF H; *ex. Robert H. Jamieson (October 1998; Lot 357)* 450.00



- 660 ★ CL43b, c, 1928 (March 9) (10c) Patricia Airways, Ltd. A fresh mint imperforate pair with the "Grounded Airplane" variety; a very scarce combination and unlisted as such, VF NH (Cat. as normal imperforate pair) 975.00+



- 661 ★ CL43c, 1928 (March 9) (10c) Patricia Airways, Ltd. Mint imperforate pair with sheet margin at left, VF LH **650.00**

Provenance: John C. Cornelius Canada Airmails, Sissons Sale 304, October 1971; Lot 316

Robert H. Jamieson Collection of Semi-Official Airmails, Firby, October 1998; Lot 358

KLONDIKE AIRWAYS PILOT SIGNED COVER TO WERNECKE



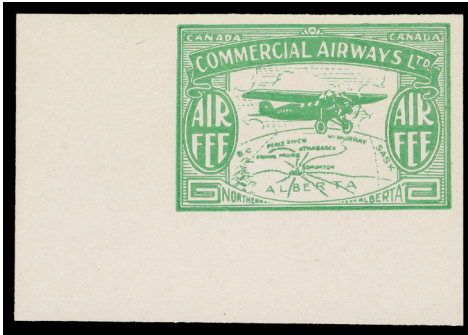
- 662 ☒ 1929 (November 21) Whitehorse - Wernecke, Yukon flight; brown airmail envelope franked with two 2c Scroll and a 25c light blue Klondike Airways tied by Whitehorse NO 21 29 CDS postmarks, the airmail also tied by Wernecke, Yukon CDS. Pilot signed "Norman Jeffries" with Mayo Landing DE 15 29 split ring CDS, returned with Whitehorse DE 24 29 receiver backstamp, a rare flight cover, VF (Unitrade CL45) **Est. 500.00+**



COMMERCIAL AIRWAYS LIMITED



663 P CL47Pi, 1929 (May) (10c) "VIA AIR" Commercial Airways Ltd. The set of six different plate proofs in horizontal pairs, each with large sheet margin at side - in black, orange, deep carmine, yellow green, violet and yellow on thick white surfaced card (0.0065" thick), imperforate and unguessed as are all known examples; each with small "Kessler" guarantee backstamp, VF 4,000.00



- 664 P CL48P, 1930 10c “AIR FEE” Commercial Airways Ltd. A lovely full set of plate proofs in matching lower left corner margin singles - all six colours present - black, orange, deep carmine, green, violet and lemon yellow on distinctive thick glazed card, imperforate and ungummed as are all known, VF 2,000.00



- 665 ★ CL48c, CL49b, CL50c, 1930 (June – Dec.) (10c) Commercial Airways Ltd. Nice mint examples of all three known imperforate pairs, in horizontal format, hinged to lightly hinged, VF 1,000.00



- 666 ✉ **Rare Usage of Imperforate Pair on Flight Cover** 1931 (February 24) Edmonton - Athabaska, Alberta, first flight cacheted cover with 1c orange and green Arch with Edmonton CDS postmarks; on reverse (10c) black "AIR FEE" Commercial Airways **imperforate pair** with large margins and sheet margin at left tied by wavy-line cancel on arrival with Athabaska FE 24 CDS; light diagonal crease from envelope seam in no way detracts; a rare usage of an imperforate pair on a flight cover, VF (Unitrade CL48c unpriced on cover) ex. *Murray Heifetz Airmails (February 1999; Lot 864)* **Est. 350.00+**



- 667 E **1931 "From Pine to Palm" Commercial Airways Ltd.** Tête-bêche plate essay pair prepared in 1931 for proposed "From Pine to Palm" flight from Aklavik, North West Territories to Florida, USA. Printed in black on orange gummed wove paper. Also same design essay in black on beige surfaced paper and one on thick unsurfaced red card 83-85 x 75-80mm; very seldom seen trio, VF **Est. 350.00+**
- 668 ★ **CL51b, 1932 (December 30) (10c) Blue & Orange Canadian Airways Ltd.** Vertical strip of four with centre pair imperforate horizontally between, slight traces of gum glazing, otherwise VF NH (Cat. as hinged) ex. *Robert H. Jamieson (October 1998; Lot 377)* *Illustrated on Page 97* **900.00**
- 669 ★ **CL52b, 1934 (July 19) "10 CENTS" Canadian Airways Ltd.** An impressive mint corner margin pair with a distinct DOUBLE SURCHARGE error on the left stamp, right stamp with normal surcharge, a few split perforations between stamps. A rare stamp that almost never comes to market, F-VF VLH; ex. *Robert H. Jamieson (October 1998; Lot 381)* *Illustrated on Page 97* **2,000.00+**
- 670 ★ **CL52c, 1934 (July 19) "10 CENTS" Canadian Airways Ltd.** A well centered mint horizontal pair, the right stamp showing an inverted surcharge error, minute natural spot on reverse, a lovely pair with fresh colours and full original gum, VF NH and rare - only ten such pairs exist. ex. *Robert H. Jamieson (October 1998; Lot 380)* *Illustrated on Page 97* **3,000.00**



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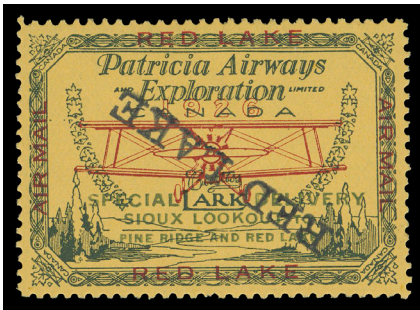
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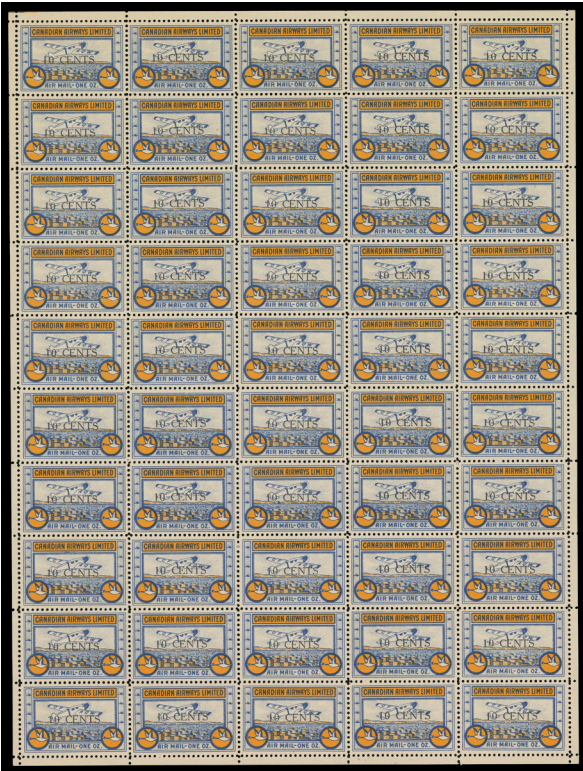
COLLECTION BALANCES



- 671 ★◎ 1928-1946 Airmails Selection on album pages noting mint and used stamps, first day & flight covers.
☒ Noted better such as First Day Covers of Scott C1, C2, mint singles of C3a, C3c, etc. Est. 250.00+



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- 673 ★ Selection of Semi-Official Mint Panes Eleven different fresh mint intact panes, mainly in nice condition and including CL9d VLH, 12 VLH, 28 disturbed OG, 40 & 41 both with OG slightly glazed and perf separation at foot, also CL43, 45, 46, 48, 50 and 52 all NH, F-VF
Illustrated on Page 99 Est. 1,500.00+
- 674 ☒ Semi-Official Flight Covers About 100 covers, mainly first flights with a high percentage being different flights, routes, cachets and franking combinations. A third are franked with Patricia Airways stamps (various), noted a few special flight pioneer airmails such as Aero Club of Canada flight to New York, Estevan promotional flights, etc. A strong group which will certainly enhance anyone's existing collection and ideal for someone wanting to get into this interesting field. Mainly F-VF
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| ★ | Mint | ⊙ | Used | E | Essay |
| ☒ | Cover | (/) | Incomplete Set | F | Forgery |
| (-) | Complete Set | R | Reprint | P | Proof |
| ◆ | Graded Stamp | CDS | Circular Date Stamp | L | Literature |

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GUM

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| NH | Never Hinged – with full original gum in Post Office state and unmounted. |
| LH | Lightly Hinged – with full original gum showing some evidence of a previous hinge. |
| OG | Original gum – showing some evidence of a previous hinge, a portion of which may still be present. |
| Part OG | Part original gum. |
| Unused | Unused without original gum, or regummed. |
| Ungummed | Without gum as issued. |

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- Minuse and Pratt, The Essays and Proofs of British North America, 1970
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