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## ORIGINAL EDICTS RELATING TO JOHN LAW & LA COMPAGNIE DES INDES WITH ESPECIAL REFERENCE TO CURRENCY

Reference is made to Wroth, Acts of French royal administration concerning Canada, Guiana, the West Indies and Louisiana, prior to 1791. New York Public Library, 1930. 151 pp.

- 1. ARREST DU CONSEIL D'ESTAT DU ROY, qui ordonne la confiscation des especes trouvees sous les scellez apposez sur les effets de la succession du Sr. de la Berquerie, cy-devant Ayde-Major de Givet. 28 Mars 1720. 3 pp. Translation: "This ordains the confiscation of the specie found in the sealed effects of the estate of Sr. de la Berquerie, formerly asssitant-major of Givet. Also, A.L.s. by LAW and referring to the edict which he encloses with this letter, 13 April, 1720. 1 p. Wroth locates 1 copy in N.Y.P.L. \$750.00
- 2. ARREST DU CONSEIL D'ESTAT DU ROY, qui ordonne que les anciennes especes d'or & d'argent sasses sur le nomme Boucher laboureur demeurant au village de Lumigny, demeureront confisques. Et que conformement a l'arret du 25 Juillet dernier, les profits & benefices sur la fabrication des monnoyes appartiendront a la Compagnie des Indes; et en consequence que lesdites anciennes especes demeureront acquises a son profit. 24 Oct. 1719. 3 pp. \$250.00 Translation: This ordains that the old gold and silver coins seized from the labourer named Boucher of the village of Lumigny, will remain confiscated. And that in conformity with the edict of last July 25th, the profits and benefits from the issuance of money to belong to the Compagnie des Indes; and in consequence that the said of specie be retained for the company's profit. Wroth 725 locates only one copy in th British Museum.
- 3. BANK OF OTTAWA. Account book of Edmond Pelletier, Hull, Que. for 1915, 1916, 1917. leather cover, 37 pp. complete. \$35.00

## NUMISMATIC BOOKS

CANADA: Banking, coins, tokens, medals, sales catalogues, directories, etc.

- 4. A.L.s. Interesting letter from Alex Robertson, 28th June, 1837, to Gideon Lee Esq., New York, relating to banking and currency, "resigned my office in the Bank of Montreal on the 30th March". Toronto. 4 pp. "For your private information, the evidence not yet being ordered to be printed, I give you the following details: 3 chartered banks 3 private do. £476.978 Amount paid up capital 15 June '37. 90,323 Do. circulation 15 June '37. 423,401 71,135 Do. circulation 15 June '37. 319,244 55,045 204,571 Do. deposits 15 June '37. 10,730 Do. specie in vau!ts 15 May 107,334 11,039 20,000 Do, brought in since from abroad 78,884 Do. in vaults 15 June 12.094 895.039 Do. loans & discounts 15 June 125,483
- 5. Alexander, James. A few hints on decimalizing the currency, respectfully submitted for the consideration of the honourable the members of the provincial legislature and the mercantile classes of the province generally. Toronto, 1856. 17 pp. self wraps. very rare. T.P.L. 5695. \$150.00 "The author, a wine merchant from Edinburgh, was interested in the question of decimal currency. On his arrival in Canada, he found that it was a matter of public interest here due to American influence. A notice of motion was reported in the proceedings of the Legislative Assembly that, after January 31st, 1857, public accounts would be kept upon the decimal system". An interesting pamphlet proposing a decimalization system based on British coinage.

- A.N.A. convention sale catalog. N.Y., 1952. 158 pp. 4880 lots. 48 plates. Lots 811-920 constitute the Gibbs collection of Canadian coins, tokens. Practically every lot a rarity. Can. section hand-priced. \$25.00
- 7. The Canadian Numismatic Coin Topics ... Vol. I, no. 1, Aug. 1938. 12 pp. ill. wraps. \$7.50
- Dennison, Merrill. Canada's first bank, a history of the Bank of Montreal. N.Y., 1966. 2 vols., 471, 453 pp. ill.
- Dunn, R.G. & Co. The mercantile agency and reference book ... throughout the Dominion of Canada, Newfoundland, Magdalen Islands, St. Pierre et Miquelon. July, 1922. 1494 pp. \$25.00
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- Eastern Townships Bank. Charter and annual reports 1859-1912. 511 pp. 36 photographic ill. of buildings and bank personnel. Spine somewhat brittle and needs repair. \$100.00
- Gingras, Larry. Medals and tokens of the HBC. art. in Beaver Mag., Summer, 1968. pp. 36-43. ill.
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- Lees, W.A.D. The Ships, Colonies & Commerce tokens of Canada. A revision of ... Lee's classifications. London, 1961. 16 pp. ill.wraps. \$3.00
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   Interesting and scarce pamphlet important for its listing of several tokens yet unlisted elsewhere.
- 18. Leroux, Jos. Collector's Vade Mecum. Montreal, 1885. 94 pp. & 12 pp. charts. \$25.00 The first 78 pp. are devoted to monetary denominations of the world, the denominations being listed alphabetically. "A few inscriptions", "A few mint marks", "Numbers in different languages", and the 12 pp. chart which is alphabets of the world, are the other subtitles.
- McColl, W.R. List of Canadian, British, United States and foreign coins and pattern pieces, paper money, etc. offered at private sale by ... Owen Sound, n.d. (1903). 1st ed. olive colour wraps. 45 pp. Rare. \$75.00
- New Netherlands Coin Co. 60th Public Auction Sale. N.Y., Dec. 3, 4, 1968. 115 pp. 758 lots. 16 plates. Lots 1-184 are Canadian and include many rarities. p.r. \$6.00

- Nova Scotia Directory of trade and industry. Halifax, 1947. 280 pp. adverts. wraps.
- Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of Montreal, 1862. Act of incorporation, constitution and by-laws. Montreal, 1891. 12 pp. wraps. \$35.00
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- Sandham, Alfred. McGill College and its medals. Montreal, 1872. 40 pp., 5 photographic plates of Notman photos. pages printed on one side only. Presentation copy from Sandham to (Sir) J.M. LeMoine. 6 pp. bear library perforations. \$75.00 Only 200 copies were printed.
- Sandham, Alfred. Coins, tokens and medals of the Dominion of Canada. 1st ed. Montreal, 1869. 72 pp. ill. in the text & 8 plates, bound with xerox copy of the Supplement to ... and xerox copy of Montreal trade tokens. (Mtl., 1872; N.Y., 1873).
- 27. Woodley, E.C. La famille Joseph et les annales de Quebec un siecle et demi d'histoire. Que., 1946. 79 pp. ill. \$6.00 Abraham Joseph was one of the founders and president of the Stadacona Bank. 4 \$5.00 note, dated 1874, is illustrated.
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- 136. White, Andrew Dickson. Fiat money inflation in France ... N.Y., 1933. 68 pp. & 8 pp. wraps. \$6.00 Excellent text covering the French revolutionary period and assignat issue.
- 137. Woodside, W.W. Communion tokens a bibliography. 26 pp. wraps.\$4.50 BRETON LISTED COINS & TOKENS
- 138. French colonies. Mousquetairre of 30 Den. 1710. D (Lyon). v.g. scarcer than the 1710 AA. \$90.00
- 139. Sim. ½ mousquetairre of 15 deniers. 1712 AA. (Metz) fine, but struck 15 % off-centre, large die break below right obv. fleur-de-lis. scarce mint and date. \$125.00
- Sou Marque. Br. 508. 1742 A. a contemporary counterfeit in copper. good. \$20.00
- 141. Franco-American jeton, Br. 512. Wilson obv. L., plain edge. Blanchet & Diedonne claim no originals exist of this variety, but Wilson considered the variety with this obverse to be an original. Unlisted in Frossard. \$175.00
- 142. City Bank penny, 1837. Br. 521. v.f. \$3.00
- 143. Bank of Montreal penny, 1842. Br. 526. f-v.f. \$2.50
- 144. Molson's ½ penny, Br. 562. thin flan. e.f. \$90.00
- 145. J. Shaw & Co. ½ penny, Br. 565, a.u. \$35.00
- 146. Gagnon's card, var. without comma after "St. Roch". Br. 571. unc. \$5.00

147.	Montreal Witness. Trial piece of rev. of Br. 609. copper. According Coll, only 5 struck. e.f.	s35.00
148.	Bouquet sou, Br. 674. C. 63, var. in copper with wide milling. v.f.	\$10.00
149.	Sim. C. 64. var. in copper with close milling. v.f., little corrosion.	\$3.50
150.	up than preceding.	y struck \$15.00
	Sim. C. 66. var. in copper struck without collar. thin flan. f-v.f.	\$7.50
152.	Sim. C. 67. brass var. of C. 63. f-v.f.	\$15.00
153.	Sim. C. 70. var. in brass struck without collar. f-v.f.	\$15.00
154.	Rebellion sou. Br. 716. small thick flan. e.f.	\$20.00
155.	Another, on medium size plan. a.u.	\$30.00
156.	Another, on large size flan. unc.	\$60.00
157.	Province of Upper Canada 1/2 penny, 1832. Br. 732. fine, lt. scr. on ob	v. \$6.50
158.	Sim. F.J. Grenny. Br. 836. copper. e.f.	\$20.00
159.	Another, but in brass. e.f.	\$35.00
160.	Another, but in g.s. e.f.	\$35.00
161.	Toronto Evening News card, Br. 840. al. unc.	\$15.00
162.	Nova Scotia ½ penny, 1823. Br. 867. C. 251. v.fe.f.	\$7.50
163.	Nova Scotia ½ penny, 1824. Br. 869. C. 258. fine, lt. rev. scratch.	\$5.00
164.	Nova Scotia ½ penny, 1824. Br. 869. C. 259. v.f.	\$6.50
165.	Another, but fine.	\$4.00
166.	Nova Scotia penny, 1832. Br. 870. f-v.f.	\$4.50
167.	Nova Scotia penny counterfeit, 1832. Br. 870. C. 289. f-v.f.	\$7.50
168.	Nova Scotia ½ penny, 1832. Br. 871. v.f.	\$4.00
169.	Nova Scotia penny, 1840. Br. 873. C. 311. v.fe.f.	\$7.50
170.	Halifax ½ penny, 1815. Br. 889. C. 351. 2 vars. with both straight rev. not mentioned by Courteau. It appears that the upset revers an earlier state. v.f. ex-Langstroth.  I recently had a specimen from the same collection with a plain edge.	
171.	Sim. C. 352. e.f. ex-Langstroth.	\$12.50
172.	Trade & Navigation ½ penny, 1820. Br. 894. Batty 1907. Badly ru die, particularly in date area & lower border. fine.	sted rev. \$12.50
173.	New Brunswick penny, 1843. Br. 909. v.f.	\$6.50
174.	Rutherford's card, 1846. Br. 953. C. 7. v.fe.f.	\$12.50
	Bust & Commerce (Tiffin) penny, Br. 957. C. 39. v.f.	\$10.00
	Sim. C. 40, v.gfine.	\$4.00
	Sim. Br. 958, C. 34. abt. v.f.	\$7.50
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178.	Another, v.fe.f. had been cleaned at one time, but darkening back. \$10.00
179.	Another, a.u. \$35.00
180.	Sim. dated 1813. C. 37. fine, but several obv. edge nicks. \$15.00
181.	Another, 1813. C. 38. f-v.f. \$25.00
182.	Sim. Br. 959. C. 28. Struck over Wellington penny, Br. 970. v.f., but several edge nicks. rare. \$125.00
183.	Sim. C. 31. e.f. \$25.00
184.	Sim. C. 32. v.gfine. \$5.00
185.	Sim. C. 33. fine. \$6.50
	All "Tiffin" pennies listed from ex-Langstroth Coll.
	Trade & Navigation penny, 1813. Br. 962. C. 8. e.f. \$15.00
187.	Sim. C. 10. v.f., little discolouring. R. 6. \$17.50
188.	Sim. C. 11. a.u. \$25.00
189.	Sim., but dated 1814. C. 12. interesting overdate var. with second "1" struck over "0" (1814/04). v.fe.f., but several obv. & rev. old scratches. R-7. \$35.00
190.	Sim. C. 13. unc. \$35.00
191.	Wellington penny, Br. 970(a) var. with wreath on obv. only. Much rarer than Br. 970. v.fe.f. \$125.00
192.	Wellington ½ penny, Br. 971. v.f. \$5.00
193.	Sim. Br. 972. C. 27. var. with wand, as rev. of Br. 982. a.u. ex-Lang-stroth. \$35.00
194.	Wellington/harp ½ penny, 1816. Br. 981. C. 41. appears to be brass. v.f., little damage on shoulder. \$20.00
195.	Peninsular victories ½ pennies. Br. 986. 7 vars., C. 13-19. all fine & v.f. C. 14 has few punch marks. ex-Langstroth collection.
196.	Irishman ½ penny. Br. 1009, a.u. \$35.00
197.	Another, v.f. \$8.50
	NON-BRETON TRADE TOKENS & ADVERTISING CARDS
198.	(Montreal, Que.) Star. 1 Doz. Rev. 1 Doz. Ler. 1071p. brass. 25 mm. pierced as issued. incused. very crude. fine. \$15.00
199.	(Montreal, Que.) One Quarter Dozen Stars. ¼. Ler. 1071m? biface. al. 28 mm. v.f. \$7.50
200.	Brantford, Ont. Thos. Elliott. 5 ¢ on a ton of coal. Ler. 1069r. al. 25 mm. e.f. \$5.00
201.	Ottawa, Ont. Jarvis Studio, for best photos. 50 ¢. Ler. 1071i. al. 28 mm. e.f. \$4.00
202.	Ottawa, Ont. The Queens. J. Pearce, propr.Rev. 35. Pritchard & Andrews Ottawa. Ler. 996k. al. 37 mm. rev. numerals incused. fine. \$12.50

203.	Another, but no numerals on rev. v.f.	512.50
204.	(Ottawa, Ont.?) Royal Arms Hotel. 5 ¢. Ler. 1072o. al. 24 mm. v.f.	\$5.00
205.	(Ottawa, Ont.?) W.H. Sullivan. 1 Quart. Ler. 1073d. al. 28 mm. v.f. bend.	, little \$4.00
206.	Otterville, Ont. Smiley, Hemstreet Co. Newsstore. July 1st, 1895 Cash only etc. Ler. 997. al. 28 mm. e.f.	. Rev. \$7.50
207.	Pembroke, Ont. Harry Irwin, watches, clocks & jewellery. Ler. 99 28 mm. e.f.	6a. al. \$5.00
208.	Pembroke, Ont. A. St. James, butcher. Ler. 996v. al. 28 mm. e.f.	\$5.00
209.	Owen Sound, Ont. Grocer's picnic, June 17th, 1903. brass. 30 mm. ed and has loop and chain susp. v.f.	pierc- 12.50
210.	(Templeton, Ont.) E. Scharf. Quart. Templeton. Dairy. brass. 27 v.f.	7 mm. \$7.50
211.	Toronto, Ont. 25th Ann. Toronto Fuels. al. 31 mm. biface. fine edge damage.	, little \$2.50
212.	Blairmore, (Alta.) Crystal Dairy. ½ Pint. al. sq. 25 mm. e.f.	\$7.50
213.	Rossland, B.C. Hotel Allan. 6 1/4 at the bar. al. 21 mm. v.f.	\$7.50
214.	Yukon Terr. Commerce Saloon, Dawson. 25 ¢. bi-metallic token, al. & copper insert. v.fe.f.	frame 50.00
215.	Advertising piece, Tape measure in metallic frame, HUGH J. JONES of DRY GOODS/MERCHANTS/BRANTFORD, printed advert, 37 mm Listed in 1882 Ont. Dir.	
216.	British evasion ½ pennies. Atkins 9, 10 (?), 24, 32, 40, 49, 51, 61, 92, 98, 115, 117, 134 (?), 140, 156, 159, 171 (?), 202, 235, 237, 276, 289, 300, 306, 333, 393, 394, 399, 406, 410, 411, 414, 426, 438. mostly fine or better. 38 pcs.	7, 252,
217.	Colonial buttons. Collection of 17th, 18th and early 19th century buttons. These are described and illustrated by Woodward on p. "Indian Trade Goods" as having been used in the Indian trade. E the buttons are plain, the nine others have similar curious designs Woodward illustrations. A correspondent tells me that six similar came with an Indian beaded leather jacket acquired by his great father from the Indians in the 1880's. 17 pcs.	24 of ight of to the outtons
218.	Communion token. Stock token, Bowman 270, w.m. e.f.	\$4.00
219.	Counterfeit Can. 5 $\phi$ . silver. 1874 H in german silver. A rather crude counterfeit, and possibly issued by the makers of the 1858 20 $\phi$ c feits mentioned by Breton, very rare. fine.	struck ounter- \$75.00
220.	Cmkd. coin. "Ed Arpin" on 1882H? Can. 25 \( \xi \). (obv.) fine.	\$25.00
221.	Another, on Bank of Montreal ½ penny, 1837. Br. 522. v.g.	\$12.50
222.	Sim. "1 1 18" cpnd. on 1823 N.S. ½ penny; (obv.) Br. 867. fine.	\$3.50
223.	Sim. "A Little" twice on 1832 N.S. ½ penny, Br. 872. fine.	\$10.00

- 224. Sim. "PD" in crenellated circular cartouche on obv. (twice) and on rev. of bust & harp ½ penny. Br. 1012. In each cmk. only one letter, first or last, is struck up. fine. \$25.00
- 225. Sim. ST. LOUIS/4. Rev. CONF/4. on what appears to be a very worn bouquet-sou. A single punch seems to have been used. fine. \$25.00
- Sim. "J. Trottier" on Ships, Colonies & Commerce ½ penny. small neat cmk, beneath "Commerce". v.f. \$10.00
- 227. Die & token. LIEUT. COL. L B. J.F. PERREAULT EC. Centre has some indefinite lettering resembling "H L". Lead striking and the die which is made from a Louis XVI sol coin, rev. side. Appear to be modern fantasies. pair \$20.00
- 228. Elongated cent. Montreal, Home Sweet home etc. (horseshoe) on 1909 Can. \(\xi\). v.f. \$25.00
- 229. Enamelled coin. Bank of Upper Canada penny, Br. 719. Obv. enamelled blue in field area, inscription, St. George & dragon not enamelled but St. George & dragon hand engraved. Rev. has clasp removed. enamelling rather heavily damaged. interesting. \$17.50
- 230. Engraved coin. "WHA" monogram on Bank of Montreal penny, rev. side. v.g. pin detached. A very early love token, rather rare on Canadian provincial coins. \$25.00
- 231. Numismatic card. A.E. Way, Bethel, Ont. g.s. 35 mm. unc. \$12.50
- 232. Sim. Collector of coins medals tokens Indian curios, ar. 30 mm. unc. \$75,00 This normally comes in g.s., and is only one of two or three known.
- 233. Parking token. (Montreal, Que.) Tilden Park Garage, 1200 Stanley. Three hours for sixty cents, 1958, al. 37 mm, pierced as issued, v.f. \$12.50
- Political token. John Smith, Hamilton Mountain. Obv. Ontario etc. (parliament buildings, Tor.) al. 39 mm. v.f.
- 235. Theatrical token. Empress Theatre, Edmonton, Alta. Obv. Rudolph Valentino, "The Eagle". copper, some traces of having been gilt. 32 mm. f-v.f. \$20.00
- 236. Watch fob. Frederick Taylor, Royal Bank, Lipton, Sask. Can. g.s. crest shaped. approx. 35 x 32 mm, v.f. \$25.00
- Wooden Dollar. 4th Annual souvenir of Canadian labour congress. Issued by order International Woodworkers of America. 71 mm. v.f. rare. \$35.00

## MEDALS

- French-Indian medal. Betts 76. Ler. 300e. ac. original with rounded plain edge. e.f. \$450.00
- 239. Hudson's Bay Co. Indian Chief medal. Br. 181. Jam. Fig. 20. ae, in metal case of issue, proof. \$1,250.00
  The specimen in the Reford Sale, 30th Oct. 1968, Lot 115, sold for \$1,600.00
- 240. Indian Chief medal. George III, 1814 medal in ae, Jam. 24, Br. 19. Much rarer than the ar. issued medal. There was one in the W.W.C. Wilson Sale. a.u. \$1,000.00

- 241. Halifax, N.S. C.N.A. medal for 1970 with susp. and ribbon & box of issue. ae. presentation piece? \$20.00
- 242. Halifax Coin Club. Silver and copper medals commemorating the decimal coinage centennial, 38 mm. in plastic holder. 2 pcs. \$30.00
- 243. Montreal, Que. P.S. Murphy's prize for "politesse et bienseance". Ler. 1103c. ar. hallmarked. unc. \$30.00

  This is the first that I have seen in silver; they usually appear in w.m.
- 244. (Montreal, Que.) Young Men's Christian Ass. medal. Br. 165. ae. v.f. \$25.00
- 245. Another, but in w.m. v.f. \$20.00
- 246. Quebec Y.M.C.A. Basketball championships, 1904. In centre, player holding basketball. Rev. plain. 2 pcs., ae. and ar., the rev. of the one marked "sterling". 25 mm. both e.f. pair \$45.00
- 247. St. Lambert, Que. Centennial, 1957. Rev. (arms). 25 mm. w.m. loop. v.f. \$3.00
- 248. Ottawa city schools. Presented to the pupils of ... Obv. Queen Victoria, to left. 1837-1897. Ler. 1875p. w.m. 35 mm. pierced at top. e.f. \$8.50
- 249. New Hamburg, Ont. Welcome Home medal. SHEET METAL STAM PING WORKS/NEW HAMBURG, ONT. In centre, maple leaf between inscription WELCOME/ HOME. Rev. plain. al. incused. 34 mm. rather crude. fine. \$15.00
- 250. Toronto Public School Board. Ler. 1331a, 1331b. 2 pcs., one for four years good conduct (ae.), the other for eight years good conduct (ar.) The copper medal is named to "Edith (June) Cottrell Age 11 Years 1932." both unc. pair
- 251. Same as preceding ae. medal, but an earlier issue by McHendry (signed) and in his card box. unc. \$15.00
- Toronto, Ont. Semi-centennial, 1884. Ler. 1822. gilt. pierced and plugged, as issued? v.f.
   \$5.00
- Regina, N.W.T. Go to ... 29th July to Aug. 7th 1895, Rev. (Can. arms).
   Ler. 996n. al. 28 mm. unc. not pierced.
- 254. Regina, Sask. H.R.H. The Duke of Connaught. (bust to left) Rev. In commemoration of the first visit of ..., 1912. al. 39 mm. pierced at top. f-v.f.
  \$20.00
- Regina, Sask. Commemorating the first world's grain exhibition and conference, 1933. ae. 34 mm. e.f.
- 256. (Northwest Passage) ROALD AMUNDSEN/ NORWEGIAN EXPLORER/ REACHED/ THE SOUTH POLE,/ DECEMBER 14,/ 1911. Rev. THE FIRST SAILOR/ TO/ TAKE A SHIP/ THROUGH THE/ NORTHWEST PASSAGE./ THE FIRST MEDAL TO HIM,/ MARCH 12,/ 1912./ E. gilt. 30 mm. unc. \$45.00
- Hudson's Bay Co. S.S. Beaver souvenir. Ler. 1581c, ae. edge serial numbered 3467. e.f.

- 258. Lifesaving medal. Royal Canadian Humane Ass. Rev. engraved, AWARDED/TO/ HAROLD WORTH/ FOR/ COURAGE/ IN THE RESCUE OF/ FOUR MEN/ FROM DROWNING AT/ SCARBORO BEACH/ JUNE 1911. ae. 48 mm. ornate swivel susp. with blue ribbon and bar inscribed "Bravery". e.f. \$100.00
- 259. Engraved shooting medals. (1) (kneeling rifleman). Rev. PRESENTED BY/LIEUT INGE/WON BY/A.R. DEWDNEY. 4 small round balls symmetrically placed around circumference of medal; crossed rifles at top joining loop susp. with ribbon and ornate bar inscribed, "1889". ar. 35 mm. by Ellis. e.f. (2) (kneeling rifleman and target) Rev. 2nd PRIZE/PRESd BY/LIEUT INGE/WON BY/A.R. DAWDNEY. ar. quad. very ornate. double loop susp. with bar inscribed, "1888". 48 mm. pair \$90.00
- 260. Shooting medal. Harold Lathrop Gordon. (bust, to left) Rev. DOMINION RIFLE ASSOCIATION/ CANADA/ (incused) A FATHER'S TRIBUTE TO/ HAROLD LATHROP BORDEN/ LIEUTENANT/ ROYAL CANADIAN DRAGOONS/ KILLED AT WITPOORT/ SOUTH AFRICA/ 16 JULY 1900. (relief) PRIZE FOR RIFLE SHOOTING. ae. 46 mm. e.f. \$60.00
- 261. Temperance medal. Church of England Temperance Society. cf. Ler. 1791b. 42 x 23 mm. e.f. \$35.00 This var. is considerably smaller than the type catalogued in Leroux, and the lettering on the extensions is in Gothic style.
- 262. Tug-of-war medal. Obv. (Tug-of-war teams) Rev. engraved, DOMINION/ 1914/ ED (Script monogram) gilt. double loop susp. with black ribbon. 30 x 45 mm. v.f. \$10.00
- 263. Canada. King George V Queen Mary. (accoladed busts, to left) Rev. To Commemorate the diamond jubilee of confederation 1867 1927. Struck by the Rowntree Co. Ltd. brass. 33 mm. square loop susp. e.f. \$6.00

## THE COPPER COMPANY OF UPPER CANADA HALFPENNY - A STUDY

## By J.E. Everingham

#### Continued

Before pursuing the question of the origin of the Copper Company of Upper Canada halfpenny one further important addition to the bibliography must be considered. It was brought to my attention subsequent to the publication of the first part of this article which fortunately prevented a serious error on my part and caused me to take a completely different view of one aspect of the issuance of this token.

The article referred to is "Noël-Alexandre Ponthon, Medallist and Miniaturist (1769/70–1835)" by Brian Gould, published in Seaby's *Coin and Medal Bulletin*, August and September 1972 issues. In this scholarly biography Gould traces Noël-Alexandre Ponthon's career from a young Parisian artist to an art teacher in Sunbury, England, where he died in 1835. His life was one of obscurity, poverty, and struggle as recorded by Gould, largely from letters and documents from the Boulton Papers.

Ponthon was introduced in 1791 to Matthew Boulton by Dr. F. Swediaur, Paris. The renowned French medallist Augustin Dupré recommended Ponthon as a good artist, a draughtsman, modeller and engraver, young, honest, and industrious. Bolton was anxious to retain Polthon's services as an engraver as he had

dismissed Droz in the spring and Dumarest in July of 1791.

Ponthon arrived at Birmingham in August, 1791, from Paris, as an employee of the Soho mint where he remained until the summer of 1795. The circumstances of his leaving was one of hardship as evidenced by a pleading letter to Boulton, September, 1795. He was out of work with a wife and child to support while fear of the guillotine prevented his return to France. Ponthon wrote several more letters to Boulton in 1796 asking for employment and emphasizing his circumstances of great poverty. Nor was this the only engraver of Boulton's that was left thus. Subsequent to his leaving Soho Küchler died a pauper. It seems Küchler's arrival in Birmingham in 1793 precipitated Ponthon's departure from the Soho mint. His favor with Boulton fell as Küchler's rose until Küchler was installed as engraver in 1795.

After several years as a miniature painter in London, Ponthon moved to Sunbury where he established an art school and taught in other neighborhood

schools. He was buried at Sunbury, June 21, 1835.

Gould ascribes to Ponthon seven private tokens including the Upper Canada halfpenny and the British Settlements in Kentucky token, four commercial tokens, three Monneron tokens, the Sierra Leone dollar, three medals, and a seal. He does not agree with McLachlan's assessment of Ponthon as a genius, but concedes "... the Upper Canada token is attractive". He condemns the J. Rochelle Thomas pieces as "crude imitations". Gould assumes both the Upper Canada and Kentucky as pieces "addressed to collectors", however, he indicates they could represent the expression of political aspirations.

#### THE ORIGIN

In delving into the origin of the Copper Company halfpenny it seemed that the possible connection with John Graves Simcoe, the first Lieutenant-

Governor of Upper Canada, had to be investigated. As we have seen, this was first postulated by Montgomery, reitterated by Ford, then denied by Charlton and Willey. Several sessions at the Metropolitan Toronto Library history department proved fruitful and allowed me to piece together a rather sketchy but, I

believe, accurate picture of how this token came into being.

To tell this story properly, it is necessary to review the history of Upper Canada prior to 1794. In 1780 the region that became Upper Canada was a vast forest land populated by Indians and a handful of fur traders governed from Montreal under the terms of the Quebec Act. By 1783 British Empire Loyalists began arriving from the newly liberated American colonies. In total, about 10,000 settled along the St. Lawrence north shore of Lake Ontario and in the Niagara peninsula during 1783-4.

For the most part they began their new life on the frontier ill prepared. Many were city folk who were forced to carve out an existence from the forest with only the most basic of tools and no experience. Without exchange medium they depended on barter for any necessities they could not grow or harvest from

the forest.

By 1790 villages had sprung up, considerable land had been cleared and sawmills and gristmills were located here and there. A steady influx of English speaking immigrants from Great Britain, the American States, and the maritime provinces swelled the population to about 20,000. This English speaking group was dissatisfied with living under the Quebec Act. In order to reconcile them with the French speaking population, the Constitutional Act was passed August 24, 1791, separating Canada into two provinces. Westward from the Ottawa the new settlement became Upper Canada with present day Quebec being designated as Lower Canada.

On June 3, 1790, John Graves Simcoe was appointed to the as yet non-existant office of Lieutenant-Governor of Upper Canada. He received his commission in London September 12, 1791 and was sworn to office in Kingston, U.C. July 8, 1792. Simcoe, who had commanded the York Rangers, a New York loyalist corps during the American War of Independence, was a man of great resources. He was a staunch Empire supporter to whom everything about the British form of government was exactly right. It was his ferverent desire that the new province become a miniature replica of British parliamentary rule with gentle-

men of the aristocracy firmly in control.

The account of Simcoes activities in Canada is told in a collection of his letters published in 1923 as *The Simcoe Papers* in five volumes by the Ontario Historical Society, collected and edited by Brigadier General E.A. Cruikshank. They tell of his ambitions, successes, failures and frustrations, a man who gave his all to make the new Colony a success but was inhibited by plodding, unimaginative bureaucrats in Home Office, Whitehall, London. He had as well to deal with a complete lack of support, financial and otherwise, from his superiors, Lord Dorchester, Governor of Canada and Henry Dundas, Secretary of State in the British Parliament.

A host of problems faced Simcoe as Lieutenant-Governor of this fledgeling province. A very fear of attack from the United States was always present and fortifications were inadequate and thinly distributed. Less than 20,000 soldiers and settlers were spread from Cornwall to Detroit. (Detroit was part of Upper Canada until 1796.) Inland transportation was very difficult and the settlers had

inadequate resources to cope with their difficult life.

One of the problems he faced was the deplorable coinage situation that existed in the new province. The British mint had been essentially idle for several decades and the U.S. mint was not yet functional. Any gold or silver that found its way to the province immediately left to pay for imported goods. Insufficient copper coins were available for the most elementary of transactions in the village stores and public markets. Simcoe first proposed a copper coinage in Upper Canada in a letter of proposals to Dundas August 12, 1791, before he had left London for the colony:

"In a Conversation which I had the Honor to hold with Mr. Pitt I submitted the great Convenience that would result from the Payments in that Country being made in one Species of Money. I am aware that this object is extensive and admits of an infinite Variety of Considerations. But I beg leave to offer to your Decision whether for the Purposes of Change it might not be proper to carry out a certain Quantity of Copper Coinage to

be issued out to the Soldiery."

Upon reaching Canada in November, 1791, Simcoe saw the problem first hand. The system of barter and the difficulties of transportation made import goods fifty percent higher in Detroit than Montreal. In a letter to Dundas from

Quebec, April 28, 1792, he reiterated his request:

"In the Memoir which I did myself the Honor of presenting to you before I left England I requested for this purpose a Copper Coinage to be issued to the Soldiery; upon due investigation I wish to add a quantity of sixpences — five hundred pounds in each species, I am convinced will be of great use in Upper Canada."

Thus Simcoe had conceived plans for a coinage for Upper Canada in both copper and silver at an early date. It is significant that no reply to either request

is found in the Simcoe papers.

Among the officers of the 5th Regiment stationed in Upper Canada was one Senior Captain Charles Stevenson. He came highly recommended to Simcoe and proved to be a loyal and useful man. Simcoe on four occasions recommended that Stevenson be appointed Deputy Quartermaster General of Upper Canada yet typically the appointment was never granted. Stevenson was something of an egotist, frequently thrusting himself into situations and associating with people to bolster his own self importance. He was also a dreamer laying out elaborate and imaginative if not naive plans for Upper Canada. He did gain the confidence and trust of Simcoe, several times acting as his deputy in various transactions.

Late in 1792 Stevenson was obliged to return to Great Britain on family matters. He took with him a dispatch from Simcoe to Dundas describing Stevenson as "... perfectly capable of communicating any info you may require relat-

ive to the Govt."

Stevenson then proceeded to assume a pretentious attitude, scurrying around Great Britain having discourses with various court and government dignitaries. One of these was the Duke of Gloucester, son of King George II, who introduced him to George Grenville Nugent-Temple the first Marquis of Buckingham. He in turn introduced him to his brother Lord Grenville, describing Stevenson as "Simcoe's right hand man", saying "If you have any questions you will find him particularly well informed."

This went to Stevenson's head a bit for in a letter to Simcoe July 12, 1793

he says "I have been very much with the Marquis of Bucks to whom I was referred by the Duke of Gloucester." He proceeds to rebuke Simcoe for not excercising his authority in the Province to its fullest measure. "Tis the general complaint of His Magesties Ministers that you do not take enough of responsibility

on yourself ..."

A few days later he takes it upon himself to prepare and submit to Dundas a list of 21 Requisitions and Statements for Upper Canada in Simcoe's name. Dundas replied in October, 1793, to Simcoe on the proposals submitted by Stevenson. In February, 1794, Simcoe responds by saying "I by no means gave Charles Stevenson any letter to make use of my name as I conceive in so very improper a manner." Dundas in a reply in June, 1794, is inclined to accept Stevenson's actions as being of good intent and his suggestions of merit. In June, 1794, Stevenson in a letter to one John King tells him of a letter of disapproval he received from Simcoe.

The point to be made from the above is that Stevenson acted as though he were truly Simcoc's deputy and was attempting with all his heart to promote Simcoc's plans which had received no support in London. One of these plans

was for a copper coinage.

Stevenson writes to Simcoe on June 18, 1793:

"... and the introduction of copper coin into Upper Canada I hope to settle with the Marquis, who has told me that when I have considered on what he proposed on that subject, he would write if I desired it to Mr. Bolton<sup>2</sup> [sic] at Birmingham to form the die. It will destroy that pernicious custom of issuing paper on the merchants' account and credit which must ever hurt a rising Colony from the unavoidable accidents attending its circulation and which fall on the receiver."

On August 1, 1793, he writes again to Simcoe:

"The Marquis of Bucks has promised me draughts of the gun-boats and vessels in sliding keels, and likewise recommended the introduction of a copper coin into Upper Canada, to destroy that pernicious paper currency. When I come out I am to bring with me a specimen and give it a trial. A copper coin to be coined in the country will not be permitted by the mint."

Whether Charles Stevenson ever returned to Upper Canada I have not been able to discover, though certainly not before Simcoe left in July 1796. In fact there seems to be no communications between the two nor even references to Stevenson in Simcoe's papers after 1794, perhaps because Simcoe resented

Stevenson's indiscretion of speaking in his name.

The facts seem plain if not explicit. In the year 1793, Charles Stevenson requested a copper coin to be issued by Boulton and Watts' Soho mint specifically for use in Upper Canada, purportedly on the orders of the Lieutenant-Governor. Moreover, he was assisted and persuaded in his mission by some very influential people. Surely the Copper Company of Upper Canada Halfpenny token, dated 1794, was the results of this activity.

What therefore is the status of this coin? Most certainly it must be termed a pattern. That it did not have Lieutenant-Governor Simcoe's official sanction is unimportant for it certainly was part of his plans to prepare such a copper coin-

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<sup>1. -</sup> Marquis of Buckingham,

<sup>2. -</sup> Matthew Boulton of the firm of Boulton and Watt.

age. It is also unimportant that it did not result in an issue of currency. The attitude of the British government and a succession of timid, dull, plodding Lieutenant-Governors following Simcoe assured that further governmental ventures into coinage would not take place for many decades.

## THE COMPANY

Then what of the Copper Company of Upper Canada? A rather thorough search of the history section of the Metropolitan Toronto Library yielded no mention of such a company. It did however turn up an interesting article from the Minnesota Historical Collection, vol. II, part 3 "Mineral Regions of Lake Superior as Known from their First Discovery to 1865" by Hon. H.M. Rice (1865). Rice states that in 1771 a company that hed petitioned for and obtained a charter from the British Government sent forth an expedition to Upper Canada to search for copper and other minerals. The expedition found minerals but concluded that exploitation would require an inordinately large labor force thus halting their efforts. The nine partners in the company included His Royal Highness, the Duke of Gloucester, the same man who introduced Stevenson to the Marquis of Buckingham, who in turn seems to have arranged the striking of the Copper Company token.

Was there a connection? It may never be known but it is conceivable that the Duke of Gloucester was influential in the preparation of a token commemorating or promoting a fond endeavour he had been involved with. I am reasonably certain after a thorough literature search that no active copper mining or processing facility existed in Upper Canada in 1794. The Copper Company was either a fantasy or more likely a group organized in Great Britain for the exploitation of known wealth in the new colony. The forementioned company meets the re-

quirements very nicely.

#### THE DESIGNER

Prior to seeing Gould's article I had concluded that Ponthon was the pseudonym of C.H. Küchler, the Flemish medallist who worked for Boulton 1793-1808. This idea was suggested by McLachlan and was supported by a remarkable lack of information on Ponthon. Even Fovier in his Biographical Dictionary of Medalists could not supply Ponthon's initials and the very sketchy biography is deduced from his few signed productions rather than documentary evidence. Obviously Noël-Alexandre Ponthon was a talented medallist in his own right who was in the employ of Boulton 1791-1795. Thanks to Brian Gould we have a thorough and well documented biography of Ponthon.

## THE FORGERIES

And what of the wares of J. Rochelle Thomas that created such a storm at their advent in 1894? McLachlan condemned them modern imitations; Charlton calls them restrikes and Willey was unsure but indicated they were from different dies whether produced in 1794 or not. Ford in his 1951 article, classed them as either from contemporary dies or more likely out and out frauds. Then in the 60th New Netherlands sale, under lot 56, a specimen in silver, Ford concluded they are "impressions from unused but rusted and impaired dies cut circa 1794 by a house engraver at Boulton and Watts Soho Manufactory." The proposed avenue to Thomas was via W.J. Taylor the well known medallist who restruck coins from many old Soho dies.

It is unlikely that records exist to prove what really transpired, therefore it would seem the only available sources of information are the tokens themselves. Several years ago I had the opportunity to examine a silver and a copper original and a so-called restrike in the Bank of Canada collection. Several surprising differences were notes. Firstly the difference in the shapes of the R and O on the reverse, while being fairly obvious are not the major differences. They are quoted in literature so often as the key identifying features, that it is clear few compared the originals with the copies side by side.

The major point of discrimination is the quality of engraving. The water, grass, reeds and the muscles and facial features on the river-god on the originals are exquisitely detailed. On the copies they are crude and poorly defined, truly sloppy craftsmanship. I cannot believe that Mr. Boulton would have kept in his

employ so slovenly a workman.

One unusual blunder on the copies is the doubling of the O and T in Ponthon thus PONTHON. There is a major difference in the 4. The original has only one tiny vertical serif on the horizontal bar. The copy has full serifs on both the horizontal and vertical bars. The four prong spear on the original shows an extension of the handle between the prongs; on the copy the handle terminates at the prongs. On the reverse the lettering of the originals is larger, thinner and daintier.

That there is any connection between these pieces other than that one was copied from the other by a clumsy artisan, is difficult to believe. It is impossible that the so-called restrike came from a reworked or lapped original die as metal would have to have been added, a very tricky operation. And what possible reason would there have been to prepare a second die when the original was

used for a tiny issue?

I am forced to conclude with virtual certainty that J. Rochelle Thomas' productions were outright forgeries issued to deceive the collecting fraternity from dies prepared in the 1890's. The word restrike should be removed from all references to these frauds as it implies original dies. But I expect that the catalogues and auctioneers will continue to dignify them with an undeserved prestige and collectors seek them out in blissful ignorance as something meaningful.

## THE CONCLUSIONS

The most beautiful and historic Copper Company of Upper Canada Halfpenny is, I believe, Canada's first pattern coin, struck at the request of Captain Charles Stevenson, operating under the plan if not the direct order of John Graves Simcoe, Lieutenant-Governor of Upper Canada. It was designed by a young French medallist Noël-Alexandre Ponthon while in the employ of Matthew Boulton at whose Soho mint the halfpenny was struck. The Copper Company of Upper Canada may have been a company of entrepreneurs assembled in the 1770's to exploit the minerals on the shores of Lake Superior. It is also my opinion that the issue of J.R. Thomas in 1894 was a forgery from new dies intended to bilk collectors.

I welcome all comments, corrections, additions or controversy inspired by this article. If it has shed some light on a subject shrouded in confusion and

mystery, it has been worth the effort.