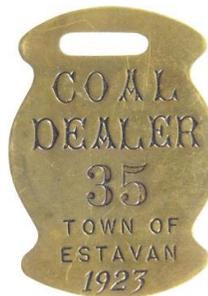


MINING & OTHER TAGS

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Introduction

Note Regarding Material:

Many of the pieces in this listing have fairly easy to identify metals such as non-magnetic copper (C), bronze (BZ), brass (B), silver (S) and aluminum (A), and magnetic such as iron (I).steel (I) and nickel (N). The other metals are not as easy to correctly identify. Like many others I always overused the term ‘white-metal’, which should only refer to pewter and other tin based metals such.

To simplify the listing for many non-magnetic metals I generally use nickel silver (NS). This category would include cupro nickel (CN), German silver (GS) and stainless steel (SS). Many of the badges have a shiny plating over a base metal. Not knowing what the base metal is, often copper, bronze or brass, or what the coating is, chrome, etc., I just go by colour which in most cases I use the term Sp for silver plated.

CANADIAN MINING - MINER'S TAGS / CHECKS / TOKENS / ETC...

'A' - NATIONAL CURRENCY COLLECTION – BANK OF CANADA

March, 2011 (from their website)

(www.bankofcanadamuseum.ca/explore/collections/search-collection/)

Alf Fox Coal Mine – Carbon, Alberta



1954-1965
(Brass – 35 mm)



1954-1965
(Brass – 35 mm)



1954-1965
(Brass – 35 mm)



1954-1965
(Brass – 35 mm)



1954-1965
(Brass – 35.5 mm)

Beaver Advance Mines – Alberta



(Iron - 29 mm)

[This tag is likely from Kentucky, USA.]

Brazeau Collieries Limited - Alberta



(Aluminum - 35x58.5 mm)

Canadian American Coal Mine – Frank, Alberta



[Not sure how this tag relates to Frank, Alberta.]

(Brass - 35.5 mm)

Coleman Collieries Vicary Mine – Blairmore, Alberta



1951-1979

(Aluminum – 45x45 mm)

Cominco – Trail, British Columbia



1909-1925
(Brass - 26.5 mm)

Corbin Mine – Corbin, British Columbia



(Brass – 35 mm)

Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co. Ltd – Fernie, British Columbia



(Aluminum - 40.5x48.5 mm)



(Aluminum 41x48.5 mm)

Dankoe Mines Ltd. – Keremeos, British Columbia



(Aluminum - 38.5 mm)

Dominion Coal Co. Ltd. – Nova Scotia



1912
(Brass – 44.5x30 mm)

East Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company – Burmis, Alberta



1907-1909
(Galvanized Steel 51.5x51.5 mm)



1907-1909
(Iron – 32.5x44 mm)

Hillcrest Coal & Coke Co. – Hillcrest, Alberta



1905-1939
(Brass – 27.5x39 mm)



1905-1939
(Brass – 35 mm)



1905-1939
(Brass – 32 mm)

International Coal & Coke Co. – Coleman, Alberta



1906-1952
(Brass – 35x35 mm)

Kaiser Resources Limited – Blairmore, Alberta



September 1980
(Brass – 25.5 mm)

McGillivray Creek Coal Co. – Alberta



1950-1959
(Brass – 35 mm)



1950-1959
(Copper – 35.5 mm)

West Canadian Collieries - Alberta



1904-1957
(Brass – 32 mm)



1904-1957
(Aluminum – 38 mm)
[May also be from Fernie, BC.]

West Canadian Collieries – Bellevue, Alberta



(Brass – 38x38 mm)



1904-1957
(Brass – 38.5 mm)



1904-1957
(Brass – 40 mm)



1904-1957
(Brass – 35 mm)



1904-1957
(Brass – 39 mm)

West Canadian Collieries – Blairmore, Alberta...



1907-April 30, 1957
(Brass – 38.5x38.5 mm)

...West Canadian Collieries – Blairmore, Alberta...



1907-April 30, 1957
(Brass – 38.5 mm)



1907-April 30, 1957
(Brass – 38.5 mm)



1907-April 30, 1957
(Brass – 38.5 mm)



1907-April 30, 1957
(Brass – 38.5 mm)



1907-April 30, 1957
(Brass – 38.5 mm)

...West Canadian Collieries – Blairmore, Alberta...



1907-April 30, 1957
(Brass – 39 mm)



1907-April 30, 1957
(Brass – 38.5 mm)



1907-April 30, 1957
(Brass – 38.5 mm)



1913-1961
(Brass – 38.5 mm)



1907 – April 30, 1957
(Brass – 39 mm)



1913-1961
(Brass – 39x39 mm)



1913-1961
(Brass – 38.5 mm)

...West Canadian Collieries – Blairmore, Alberta



1907-April 30, 1957
(Brass – 39 mm)



1907-April 30, 1957
(Brass – 39.5 mm)



1907 – April 30, 1957
(Brass – 39 mm)



1907 – April 30, 1957
(Brass – 39 mm)



1907 – April 30, 1957
(Brass – 35 mm)



1907-April 30, 1957
(Brass – 38 mm)



1907-April 30, 1957
(Brass – 37 mm)

West Canadian Collieries – Lille, Alberta



1916-1919
(Brass – 39.5 mm)



1916-1919
(Brass – 39 mm)



1916-1919
(Brass – 38 mm)



1916-1919
(Iron – 30.5x28 mm)



1916-1919
(Iron – 50x29 mm)

... End Of National Currency Collection Of Canada Listing...

CANADIAN MINING - MINER'S TAGS / CHECKS / BADGES / ETC...

B'-Mining Tags From Various Canadian Collections

American Smelting and Refining Company - Buchans, Newfoundland



(Brass – 38.5 mm)

Antigonish Coal Co. - Nova Scotia



(Brass)

Atlas Coal Co. – East Coulee (Drumheller Valley), Alberta



©

Original Tags Used – Brass 35 mm



Reproduction Tags – Brass 51 mm
[Sold in Historic Site Admissions Office]

Brazeau Collieries Limited – Brazeau, Alberta...



(Brass – 36x56 mm)



(Brass – 37x56 mm)



(Brass – 36x58 mm)



(Aluminum - 35x58 mm)



(Aluminum - 33x59 mm)

...Brazeau Collieries Limited – Brazeau, Alberta...



(Aluminum - 33x59 mm)



(Aluminum - 35x58 mm)



(Aluminum - 35x58 mm)



(Aluminum - 34x58 mm)



(Aluminum - 33x59 mm)



(Aluminum - 36x58 mm)



...Brazeau Collieries Limited – Brazeau, Alberta...



(Aluminum - 36x58 mm)



(Aluminum - 36x59 mm)



(Aluminum - 36x59 mm)



(Aluminum - 36x58 mm)



(Aluminum - 35x59 mm)



(Aluminum - 35x58 mm)



...Brazeau Collieries Limited – Brazeau, Alberta



(Aluminum - 35x59 mm)



(Aluminum - 35x59 mm)



(Aluminum - 39x59 mm)



(Aluminum - 35x57 mm)



(Aluminum - 39x59 mm)



(Aluminum - 38x58 mm)

Britannia Mining & Smelting Co. Ltd. – Britannia Beach, British Columbia



(Brass – 38 mm)

Canmore Mines – Canmore, Alberta

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Amanda Sittrop, Collections Manager of the Canmore Museum & Geoscience Centre, was kind enough to track down and provide me with a picture of one of the actual miner’s tags used at some point in time in the operation of one of the local Canmore mines (No. 182 shown above ©).

Following is an excerpt taken from “Survival In Paradise: A Century Of Coal Mining In The Bow Valley” by Walter J. Riva – Canmore Museum & Geoscience Centre (ISBN 978-0-9810275-0-0).

This is a wonderful publication about coal mining in the Bow Valley. It should be in the library of anyone that is interested in coal mining or western Canadian history. Most of the page numbers in this book are labelled with specially made reproduction miner’s tags (112 shown – last number used 139). A very effective way to show another element of the mining industry.

©



Miner’s Tag

Used as page numbers throughout the book, miners’ tags were used as a system to keep track of who was working underground. At the start of his shift, a Canmore coal miner would hang his numbered tag—specific to him—on a board indicating where he was working. At the end of a shift, each miner would move his tag to the off-duty board. This system allowed mine staff to know who was where in the event of an accident or explosion. The tags were also used to identify who filled coal cars as they were brought to the surface. Each miner would attach a tag to their full car before it was hauled to the surface to provide a record of how much coal they mined in a shift.

Central Zeballos Gold Mines Ltd. – Zeballos, British Columbia



(Brass – 50 mm)

Cominco – British Columbia



(Brass – 26 mm)



(Brass – 25.5 mm)

Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co. Ltd – Fernie, British Columbia...



(Brass 37.5x55 mm)



(Brass – 35 mm)



(Brass – 35 mm)



(Brass 35.5 mm)

...Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co. Ltd – Fernie, British Columbia



(Aluminum – 42x49 mm)



(Aluminum - 38 mm)

[Also reported as used at Blairmore, AB.]

Devco – Cape Breton, Nova Scotia



(Brass - 38x38 mm)

Dominion Coal Company #4 – Caledonia, Nova Scotia



(Brass - 34x33.5 mm)

Dominion Coal Company #11 – Glace Bay, Nova Scotia



(Brass - 50.5x50 mm)

Dominion Coal Company #18 – New Victoria, Nova Scotia



(Brass - 30x40 mm)

Dominion Iron & Steel Co. Ltd. – Wabana, Newfoundland (Bell Island)



(Brass - 40 mm)



(Brass - 40 mm)



(Brass - 40 mm)

Dominion Wabana Ore Limited – Wabana, Newfoundland (Bell Island)



(Brass - 42 mm)



(Brass - 42 mm)



(Brass - 42 mm)



(Brass - 42 mm)



(Brass - 42 mm)



(Brass - 42 mm)

DOSCO Dominion Wabana Ore Division – Wabana, Newfoundland (Bell Island)



(Brass - 41.5 mm)



(Brass - 42 mm)

DOSCO Wabana Mines – Wabana, Newfoundland (Bell Island)



(Brass - 41.5 mm)



(Brass - 41 mm)

Falconbridge Nickel Mines – Sudbury, Ontario



(Brass – 38 mm)

Harewood Mine – Nanaimo, British Columbia



(Zinc? - 34x41 mm)

Hosmer Coal Mine – Hosmer, British Columbia



(Brass – 29 mm)

Hudson Bay Mining & Smelting – Flin Flon, Manitoba



(Brass – 55.5x38 mm)



(Brass – 55.5x38 mm)

International Coal & Coke Co. – Coleman, Alberta



(Brass – 35x35 mm)



(Brass – 35x35 mm)



(Aluminum – 25 mm)

McGillivray Creek Coal Co. – Coleman, Alberta...



(Brass – 32.5x32.5 mm)



(Brass – 32.5x32.5 mm)

...McGillivray Creek Coal Co. – Coleman, Alberta



(Brass – 35 mm)



(Brass – 35 mm)



(Brass – 35 mm)



(Brass – 35 mm)

Morrisey - British Columbia



(Brass – 35.5 mm)

Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co. Ltd.



Phantom Lake - Creighton, Saskatchewan



(Brass – 57.5x40.5 mm)



(Brass – 32 mm)

Sherritt Gordon Mines Ltd. - Lynn Lake, Manitoba



(NS – 47x47 mm)

Steep Rock Iron Mines Ltd. – Atikokan, Ontario



(SpNS – 38 mm)

West Canadian Collieries – Alberta...



(Brass – 32 mm)



(Brass – 32 mm)



(Brass – 32 mm)

...West Canadian Collieries – Alberta



(Brass – 32 mm)



(Brass – 38.5 mm)
[not sure of exact location]

West Canadian Collieries – Bellevue, Alberta



(Brass – 34.5 mm)

West Canadian Collieries – Blairmore, Alberta...



(Brass – 39 mm)



(Brass – 39 mm)

...West Canadian Collieries – Blairmore, Alberta...



(Brass – 39 mm)



(Brass – 39 mm)



(Brass – 39 mm)



(Brass – 39 mm)



(Brass – 38 mm)



(Brass – 38 mm)



(Brass – 38.5 mm)

...West Canadian Collieries – Blairmore, Alberta...



(Brass – 38.5 mm)



(Brass – 38.5 mm)



(Brass – 38.5 mm)



(Brass 38 mm)



(Brass 38.5 mm)



(Brass – 39.5 mm)



(Brass – 39 mm)

...West Canadian Collieries – Blairmore, Alberta



(Brass - 38.5 mm)



(Brass - 38.5 mm)



(Brass - 38.5 mm)



(Brass - 38.5x38.5 mm)



West Canadian Collieries – Lille, Alberta



(Brass - 35 mm)

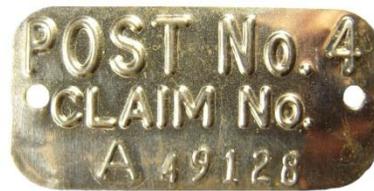


(Brass - 38.5 mm)



(Brass - 34.5 mm)

Mineral Mining Claim Tags - General



(Aluminum - 51x26 mm)

Placer Mining Claim Tags - General



(Copper - 51x51 mm)

Galt Museum
Lethbridge
November 2011

Alberta Railway & Coal Co. Colliery – Lethbridge, Alberta



A.R. & C. Co. Colliery
(Alberta Railway & Coal Co.)



Numbered Tag



Numbered Washer

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'C' - Variations Of The Canadian Mining Tags Listed

Alberta Railway & Coal Co. Colliery – Lethbridge, Alberta

- A.R. & C. CO. / COLLIERY / (#)

American Smelting and Refining Company – Buchans, Newfoundland

- ASARCO / (#)

Antigonish Coal Co. – Antigonish, Nova Scotia

- A. C. CO. / NO. 7 / No.

Atlas Coal Mine – East Coulee [Drumheller Valley], Alberta

- 28 (original - 35 mm)
- 21 (reproduction - 51 mm)

Beaver Advance Mines - Alberta

- B???? / (#)

Brazeau Collieries Limited – Brazeau, Alberta

- BRAZEAU / COLLIERIES / LIMITED / TIME AND LAMP CHECK

Britannia Mining & Smelting Co. Ltd. – Britannia Beach, British Columbia

- BRITANNIA MINING & SMELTING CO LTD / JAPANESE / 23

Canadian American Coal Mine - Frank, Alberta

- NORSE / FEDATO (Not sure how this one relates to Frank, Alberta)

Central Zeballos Gold Mines Ltd. - Zeballos, British Columbia

- CENTRAL / ZEBALLOS / GOLD MINES / LTD.

Cominco – Trail, British Columbia

- TOOL CHECK / R / (#) / C.M. & S. CO.
- TOOL CHECK / R(#) / C.M. & S. CO.

Cominco – Kimberley, British Columbia

- TOOL CHECK / (#) / COMINCO KIMBERLEY

Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co. Ltd. – Fernie, British Columbia

- THE CROW'S NEST PASS COAL CO. LTD. / (#) / TIME / CHECK / C.C.
- THE CROW'S NEST PASS COAL CO. LTD. / C.C. / (#) / TRAIN / AND LAMP / CHECK
- C. N. P. C. Co. LTD / #

Devco – Cape Breton, Nova Scotia

- (#) / DEVCO

Dominion Coal Co. Ltd. – Cape Breton, Nova Scotia

- # / # / D.C.CO
- DOMINION / COAL CO. LTD. // (#) / (#)
[the first # indicates the mine location]

Dominion Iron & Steel Co. – Wabana, Newfoundland

- DOM. IRON & STEEL Co. LTD. / (#) / WABANA NFD.
- DOM. WABANA ORE LIMITED / (#) / WABANA, NFLD.
- DOSCO / WABANA MINES / (#) / WABANA NFLD.
- DOM. WABANA ORE DIVISION / DOSCO / (#) / WABANA NFLD.

Falconbridge Nickel Mines - Ontario

- FALCONBRIDGE / NICKEL MINES / (#) / LIMITED

Harewood Mine – Nanaimo, British Columbia

- S-S CO. / (#) / TIME CHECK / HAREWOOD MINE

Hillcrest Coal & Coke Co. – Hillcrest, Alberta

- AM. RY.S. CO. NY. / HILLCREST / COAL & COKE CO. / (#)

Hudson Bay Mining & Smelting – Flin Flon, Manitoba

- H.B. M&S / (#)
- H.B. M&S / DUP. / (#)

International Coal & Coke Co. – Coleman, Alberta

- I.C. & C. Co. / (#) / COLEMAN, / ALTA.

McGillivray Creek Coal Co. – Coleman, Alberta

- MCG. C. C. & C. CO'Y LTD / (#)
- McG / (#)

Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co. Ltd. – Nova Scotia

- NOVA SCOTIA / STEEL & COAL CO. / LTD. / (#)

Phantom Lake – Creighton, Saskatchewan

- PHANTOM LAKE / (#) [badge and tag]

Steep Rock Iron Mines Ltd. - Atikokan, Ontario

- STEEP ROCK / (#) / IRON MINES / LTD. [badge]

Sherritt Gordon Mines Ltd. - Lynn Lake, Manitoba

- SHERRITT GORDON MINES LTD. / (#) / LYNN LAKE, MAN. [badge]

West Canadian Collieries - Alberta

- WEST CANADIAN COLLIERIES LTD. / METER / NO. / (#)
- C O / N / E / S / W / SUB / 1 2 3 4 [possibly from Blairmore, AB or Fernie, BC]

West Canadian Collieries – Bellevue, Alberta

- W.C.C. / (#) / BELLEVUE
- W.C.C. LTD. / BELLEVUE / (#)
- W.C.C. LTD. / BELLEVIEW / (#)
- W.C.C. CO. LTD. / BELLEVUE / (#)
- W.C.C. / BELLEVUE MINE / GOOD FOR / 1 / LOAD COAL // (blank and #)

West Canadian Collieries – Blairmore, Alberta

- W.C.C.
- W.C.C. / (#)
- W.C.C. / (#) / BLAIRMORE // (blank and #)

- W.C.C. / (#) / BLAIRMORE MINE
- W.C.C. / (#) / GREENHILL
- W.C.C. / (#) / GREENHILL // 2.SP / 640V.C / 6.L
- W.C.C. / (#) / GREENHILL // 65 / 7 LEVEL
- W.C.C. / (#) / GREENHILL // MR / 2 FAN
- W.C.C. / (#) / GREENHILL MINE
- W.C.C. / (#) / GREENHILL / MINE
- W.C.C. LTD. / (#) / GREENHILL . MINE
- W.C.C. LTD. / (#) / GREENHILL . MINE // 2 SP.R / 2 F
- W.C.C. LTD. / GREEN'L MINE / GOOD FOR / ONE LOAD / STEAM COAL
- W.C.C. LTD. / GREEN HILL . MINE / GOOD FOR 1 LOAD / M.R. / COAL
// (Blank and #)

West Canadian Collieries – Lille, Alberta

- W.C.C. / (#) / LILLE
- W.C.C.CO.LTD / LILLE / #

Mineral Mining Claim Tags - General

- POST No. 1 / CLAIM No. / (#)
- POST No. 2 / CLAIM No. / (#)
- POST No. 3 / CLAIM No. / (#)
- POST No. 4 / CLAIM No. / (#)

Placer Mining Claim Tags - General

- (#) / INITIAL / POST
- (#) / FINAL / POST

D' - Various Other Tags / Tokens / Etc.

AARCS [Alberta Animal Rescue Crew Support] - Calgary, Alberta



(Brass – 26 mm)

Alberta Chain & Rigging - Edmonton, Alberta



(Aluminum – 41½ mm)

Alberta Cycle & Motor Co. (1978) Ltd. - Edmonton, Alberta



(Aluminum – 52x26 mm)

Alberta Hotel- B.M Stitt - Innisfail, Alberta



(Aluminum – 55x35.5 mm)

AGTL [Alberta Gas Trunk Line] - Calgary, Alberta



(NS- 35x20 mm)

A. Allaway, Cooper - Whitevale, Ontario



(NS- 32 x 23 mm)

A. E. Co. - Dawson, Yukon



(Aluminum)

Geo. W. Alley, Violin - Castleton, Ontario



(NS - 34 x 22 mm)

ATCO - Calgary, Alberta



(Cpnm - 53x20.5 mm)

B.R.C.A. [Bridgeland Riverside Community Association] - Calgary, Alberta



(Brass – 35x35 mm)

D. Ballantyne, Carpenter - Winnipeg, Manitoba?



(Copper – 26 mm) [Engraved on the reverse of a Canadian Queen Victoria large cent.]

Banff Springs Golf Club - Banff, Alberta



(Aluminum - 36 mm)

Peter Barber - North Onslow, Quebec



(Brass – 37.5x45.5 mm)

The Barn - Edmonton, Alberta



(Brass – 32x32 mm)

Wm. Beckes, Lumber Merchant - Ingersoll, Ontario



(NS – 33 x 19 mm)

Town Of Blairmore - Blairmore, Alberta [National Currency Collection©]



(Aluminum – 38.5 mm)

Blakeburn - British Columbia



(Brass – 32 mm)

British American Hotel - Kingston, Ontario



(Brass – 43 x 33 mm)

The British American Hotel - Windsor, Ontario



(NS – 45 x 36 mm)

Brown & Root - Alberta



(Brass - 32 mm)



(Tin - 44 mm)

C.W. & C. Co. [Canada Wire & Cable Co.] - Vancouver, British Columbia



(Aluminum – 76x22.5 mm)

C.P.R. Chateau Lake Louise - Banff National Park, Alberta



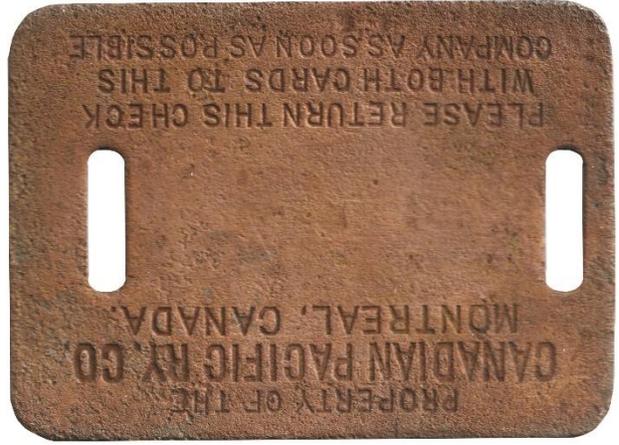
(Vulcanite? – 51 mm)

Camp Oliver - Toronto, Ontario



(Brass – 40 mm)

(Bronze – 80 x 56 mm)



Canadian Pacific Railway - Montreal, Quebec

(Brass – 51 mm)



[Original tag issued to an employee.]

(Brass – 51 mm)



[Replacement tag for one that was lost.]

[The first number was for the trade (8 = Operating Engineers) and second a unique employee identifier.]

The Canadian Kellogg Co. Ltd. - From A Project In Medicine Hat, Alberta

(Bronze – 40 mm)



Canadian Ingersoll Rand Co. Limited

Canadian National Railway



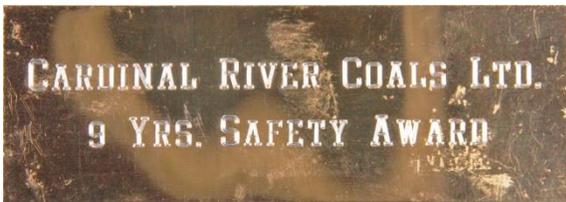
(Brass – 29 mm)

Canadian Show Pelt 1939 - Alberta



(Aluminum – 39 mm)

Cardinal River Coals Ltd. Safety Awards - Hinton, Alberta



(Aluminum – 27x76 mm)



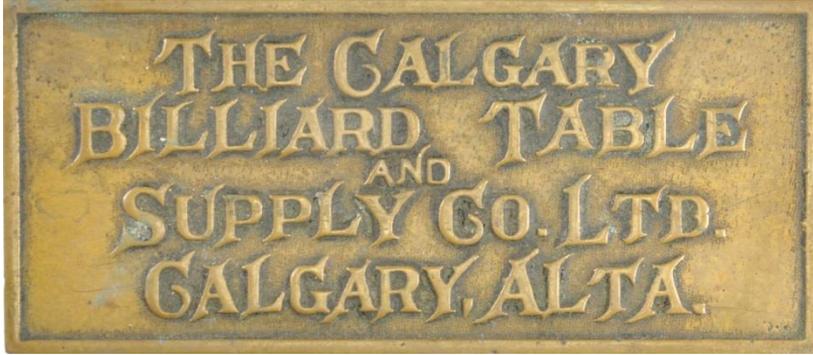
(Aluminum – 24x77 mm)

Cave & Basin [Swimming Pool Locker] - Banff, Alberta



(Aluminum – 34x45 mm)

The Calgary Billiard Table & Supply Co. Ltd. - Calgary, Alberta



(Brass – 108x47 mm)

City Of Calgary LRT Station Plaque - Calgary, Alberta



(Brass - 216x108 mm - Shown At 75% Actual Size)

City of Saskatoon Time Check - Saskatoon, Saskatchewan



(Brass – 45 mm)

City Clerk - Winnipeg, Manitoba



(Brass – 28 mm)

Cominco Tool Check - Kimberly, British Columbia



(Brass - 26 mm)

Daniel Construction Company – Calgary, Alberta



(Brass – 32 mm)

John Davidson - Guelph, Ontario



(NS– 54 x 35 mm)

Drumheller Bus & Taxi Co. - Drumheller, Alberta



(Brass – 35.5 mm)



(Brass – 35.5 mm)



(Brass – 35.5 mm)

Eamors Saddlery - Nanton, Alberta



(Brass – 58 mm)

Empire Hotel - Estevan, Saskatchewan



(NS – 54 x 35 mm)

Fernbridge Lumbering Co. - British Columbia [National Currency Collection©]



1908-1914
(Brass – 27.5 mm)



1908-1914
(Brass – 27.5 mm)



1908-1914
(Brass – 31 mm)



1908-1914
(Brass – 27.5 mm)

Fernbridge Lumbering Co. - British Columbia [Private Collection]



1908-1914
(Brass – 31 mm)



1908-1914
(Brass – 27.5 mm)



1908-1914
(Brass – 27.5 mm)

Fernie Golf & Country Club - Fernie, British Columbia



(Aluminum - 38.5 mm)

The Fish & Game League Director- Regina, Saskatchewan



(Brass - 26.5x38 mm)

Frank Slide Interpretive Centre – Frank, Alberta



(Brass – 32x32 mm)

[These tags were issued for use during the Frank Slide Interpretive Centre’s opening ceremonies.]

O.M. Franklin Serum Co. – USA



(Brass – 56.5x59.5 mm)

[The O.M. Franklin Serum Co. developed a cattle blackleg vaccine in Texas in 1916. They moved to Wichita in 1916 and built a plant and then in 1917 moved to Amarillo, Texas. In 1927 they became the O.M. Franklin Blackleg Serum Co. but dropped the Blackleg in 1937. They were sold in 1963 to American Home Produce and became Franklin Laboratories. Their serum was used extensively in Western Canada. This copy was purchased in Nanton, AB in 2011.]

Gemutlichkeit S.B.A. - Regina, Saskatchewan



(Brass – 38x42 mm)

J. Gimby, Mt. Vernon, Ontario



(NS - 25 mm)

Grand Central Hotel - Milverton, Ontario



(NS – 54 x 36 mm)

Grand Trunk Railway System



(Brass – 57x76 mm)



(Brass – 51x64 mm)

Grand Trunk Railway - Montreal, QC



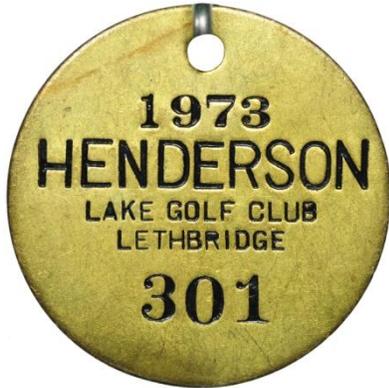
(Brass – 70 x 51 mm)

Grand Union - Toronto, Ontario



(Brass – 55 x 35 mm)

Henderson Lake Golf Club – Lethbridge, Alberta



(Brass - 52 mm)

Henderson Service – Penhold, Alberta



(NS – 37x32 mm)

Hillcrest Mine Disaster 100 Years – Hillcrest, Alberta



(Brass – 38.5 mm)

Hudson Bay Mining & Smelting – Flin Flon, Manitoba



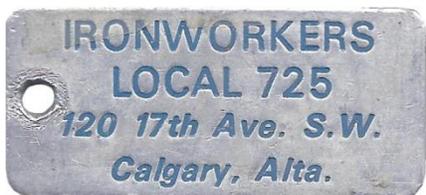
(Copper – 39.5 mm)

I. O. L. [Imperial Oil Limited] - Calgary, Alberta



(Brass - 50 mm)

Ironworkers Local 725 - Calgary, Alberta



(Aluminum – 56x26 mm)

Kaiser Resources Limited - Sparwood, British Columbia



[Car Wash Token – BC #S6740a]

(Aluminum – 24 mm)

Kaslo Hotel - Kaslo, British Columbia



(Brass – 89.2 x 26.3 mm)

Keno City Mining Museum - Keno City, Yukon



(NS – 38x43.5 mm)

A. J. King Cadillac - Cadillac, Saskatchewan



(Brass – 80x45 mm)

King Edward Hotel - Halifax, Nova Scotia



(Brass – 31 mm)

King's Hotel - Toronto, Ontario



(Brass – 35 mm)

L.W.M.C. Co. [Lake Of The Woods Milling Company] – Medicine Hat, Alberta



(Brass – 39x22 mm)

Lacombe Golf & Country Club 1937 - Lacombe, Alberta



(Aluminum – 25x25 mm)

LeRoi Express – Richmond, B.C.



(Brass – 39x35 mm)

W. H. Leslie - Listowel, Ontario



(NS – 27 mm)

S.C. Lundy, W Of W, Alberta Hotel - Innisfail, Alberta



(NS – 30x26 mm)

M.R.M. CO. 101 D - Bankhead, Alberta ?



(Tin – 56 mm)

The Majestic Hotel - Dubuc, Saskatchewan



(NS – 54 x 35 mm)

Martin's Cold Storage – Chatham, Ontario



(Brass – 32 mm)

Philip Martin, Pork Butcher - Hamilton, Ontario



(NS– 33 x 18 mm)

May-Sharpe Construction Co. - Edmonton, Alberta



(Brass – 29 mm)

(Aluminum – 29 mm)

C. McEachern Drugs - Creemore, Ontario



(Brass– 23½ mm)

McKenzie - Stationery & Office Machine Co. - Dawson Creek, British Columbia



(Brass - 39 mm)

Geo. S. McKenzie - St. Stephens, New Brunswick



(NS- 31 x 15 mm)

W.C. McMillan - Orangeville, Ontario



(NS - 39 x 42 mm)

Metropole Hotel - Toronto, Ontario?



(Aluminum - 29 mm)

Michel Coal Mine - Michel, British Columbia



(Aluminum – 17.5 mm)



(Brass – 17.5 mm)



(Brass – 17.5 mm)

[These tokens are believed to have been used in the company store at Michel, B.C.]

Wm. Mitchell, G.T.R. West Conductor - Toronto, Ontario



(Copper-Nickel – 19 mm) [engraved on a 1859 U.S. Indian Head cent]

Miner Rubber Co. Ltd. – Granby, Quebec



(Brass – 25.5 mm)

Mundy's Barber Shop - Winnipeg, Manitoba



(Steel – 42.8x21.9 mm)

Nalder's Cigar Store, Barber Shop - Winnipeg, Manitoba



(Aluminum – 42.6x20.6 mm)

Nanton Auto & Good Roads Club 1917 - Nanton, Alberta



(Brass – 124x58 mm)

N.B. M.B. & B.B Calgary - Calgary, Alberta

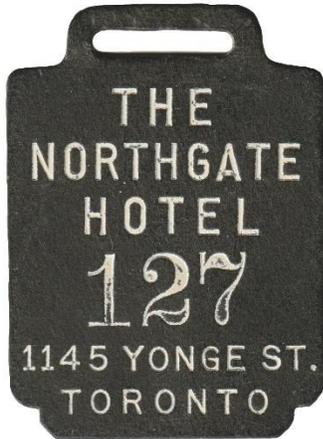


(1916 - Brass – 44.5x35.5 mm)



(1917 - Brass – 38x38 mm)

The Northgate Hotel - Toronto, Ontario



(Vulcanite – 58 x 42 mm)

Thos. Ogden - Unionville, ON



(Brass – 40 x 34 mm)

Overshoe Bessborough Hotel - Saskatoon, Saskatchewan



(Aluminum – 45x23 mm)

Made By Pakaway For T. Eaton`s Co.



(Brass – 58x14.5 mm)



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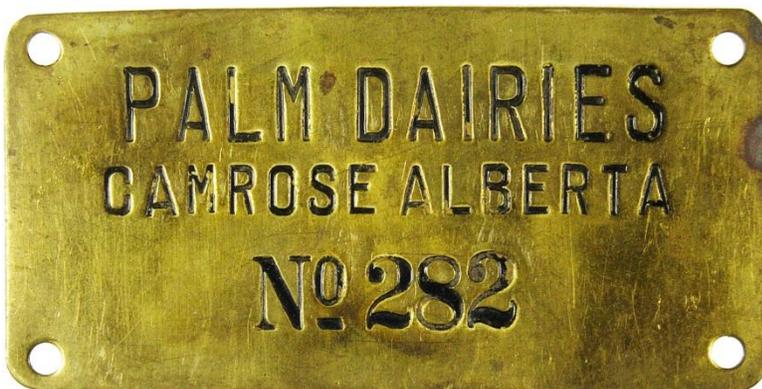


Palace Theatre - Calgary, Alberta



(Brass – 35 mm)

Palm Dairies - Camrose, Alberta



(Brass – 102x51.5 mm)

[Perhaps an example of an early credit type system.]

Pass Community Pool - Crow's Nest Pass, Alberta [National Currency Collection©]



(Brass – 35 mm)

Pedlar's - Sheet Metal Products (1861-1982) - Oshawa, Ontario



(Tin – 32x44.5 mm)



(Tin – 32x44.5 mm)



(Tin – 32x44.5 mm)

Queens Hotel - Sutton, Ontario



(Brass – 34 mm)

Town Of Quesnel Parking Permit - Quesnel, British Columbia



(Brass – 51½ mm)

Rankin House - Chatham, Ontario



(Brass – 24 mm)

Registry Office One Search - Hamilton, Ontario



(Aluminum - 32 mm)

J.L. Richardson, Constable - Millbrook, Ontario



(NS– 24 mm)

J.L. Richardson, Constable - Millbrook, Ontario



(NS- 24 mm)

Rosedale Coal. Jas. W. Hopkins – Innisfail, Alberta



(NS - 42x26 mm)

A.B. Rothwell - Strathroy, Ontario



(NS – 24 mm)

S.S. [Sterling Shipyards] - Vancouver, British Columbia



(Aluminum – 30.5 mm)

St Lawrence Hall - Brockville, Ontario



(Brass – 36 mm)



(Brass - 42 x 34 mm)



(Brass – 35 mm)



(Brass – 35.5 mm)



(Brass – 35.5 mm)



(Brass – 30 mm)



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(Brass – 35.5 mm)

...SAIT [Southern Alberta Institute Of Technology] – Calgary, Alberta



(Brass - 30 mm)



(Brass - 35 mm)

[These SAIT tags were likely used as tool checks or possibly in their surveying courses.]

Saltcoats Agricultural Society 1935 – Saltcoats, Saskatchewan



(CN (Silveroid) – 40.2x45.2 mm)

Saskatchewan



(Bronze- 20x39 mm)

SAS Genuine Handsewn Shoes – Calgary & Edmonton, Alberta



(Brass - 41x19.5 mm)

Schneider's Works / Dog Tax - Medicine Hat / Irvine, Alberta



(Brass - 38.5x26 mm) [Unusual advertising piece also used as a dog tag.]

T.J. Seaton, Watchmaker- Ottawa, Ontario



(Brass - 23 mm)

C.W. Segerstrom - Ponoka, Alberta



(Brass - 65.5x15.5 mm)

Seymour House - Winnipeg, Manitoba



(Brass - 35 x 32 mm)

Shell [Exploration Tag] – Alberta



(Aluminum - 79x89 mm)

Smith, Davidson & Wright Ltd. - Vancouver, British Columbia



(NS- 84x32.5 mm)

C.C. Snowdon - Alberta, British Columbia & Saskatchewan



(NS - 32x25.5 mm)

Sam Soloway, Watch Dealer - Toronto, Ontario



(NS – 27 mm)

P. Stewart - Victoria, Prince Edward Island



(NS – 23 mm)

T. Eaton Co. Limited Parcel Check - Calgary, Alberta...



(Aluminum – 38 mm)



(Aluminum – 38.5 mm)



(Aluminum – 38.5 mm)



(Aluminum – 46x54 mm)



(Aluminum – 46x53 mm)



(Aluminum – 47x47.5 mm)

T. Eaton Co. Limited Parcel Check - Regina, Saskatchewan



(Aluminum – 38.5 mm)

T. Eaton Co. Limited Parcel Check - Saskatoon, Saskatchewan...



(Aluminum – 39.5 mm)



(Aluminum – 39.5 mm)



(Aluminum – 39.5 mm)



(Aluminum – 36.5x54.5 mm)

T. Eaton Co. Limited Parcel Check - Winnipeg, Manitoba...



(Aluminum – 38.5 mm)

...T. Eaton Co. Limited Parcel Check - Winnipeg, Manitoba



(Aluminum – 41.5x42 mm)



(Aluminum – 42x42 mm)



(Aluminum – 42.5x45.5 mm)



(Aluminum – 47x47 mm)

T.V. Pool - Possibly Turner Valley, Alberta



(Brass 30.5 mm)

Taber Lakeside Golf Club 1965 - Taber, Alberta



(Brass –29 mm)

Mr. John Tait – Briercrest, Saskatchewan



(Brass – 86x32 mm)

Trenville Elks Barbecue - Elnora, Alberta



(Aluminum – 36 mm)

Upper Hot Springs [Swimming Pool Locker] - Banff, Alberta



(Aluminum – 38x58 mm)



(Aluminum – 35x58 mm)

UBC [University Of British Columbia] - Vancouver, British Columbia



(Brass – 30 mm)

Valley Bus Lines - Drumheller, Alberta



(Brass – 38x38 mm)

City Of Vancouver No. 1 Dept. - Vancouver, British Columbia



(Brass – 72.5x41.5 mm)

Victoria Park Golf Club - Camrose, Alberta



(Aluminum – 50x88 mm)

Victoria Theatre - Victoria, British Columbia



(Brass - 39.5 mm)

W.H.A. [William Henry Amero], Ships Carpenter - Digbey, Nova Scotia



(Silver – 26 mm) [Engraved on a Spanish 1796 2 reales.]

C. M. Webb - Granton, Ontario



(NS – 37 x 45 mm)

L.M. Wellington, Confectioner - Brighton, Ontario



(NS – 33 x 24 mm)

West Coast Crematorium - Burnaby, British Columbia



(Brass - 31.5 mm)

Willson Polar Pantry - Ridgetown, Ontario



(Brass - 39 mm)

The Windsor - Ottawa, Ontario



(Brass – 37 x 36 mm)

Windsor House - Alliston, Ontario



(NS – 54 x 34 mm)

Yale Hotel Best Half Arab 1953 - Calgary, Alberta



(Brass – 38x44 mm)

Year Of The Coal Miner - Mining Week 2003



(NS – 35 mm)

Haileybury School Of Mining 75th Anniversary, Temiskaming Shores, Ontario



(S – 37 mm)

'E' An Assortment Of Badges

Alberta Sheriff's Bailiff - Alberta



(SpNS – 42x44 mm)

Alberta TQAM 1942 & 1943 - Alberta



(SpNS - 38.5 mm)



(Fibre - 32 mm)



B.C. Electric Ry. Co. - Victoria, British Columbia



(SpNS – 51.5x36 mm)

Beverage Waiter L.C.C. 1975 - Manitoba



(SpNS – 45.5x29.5 mm)

Beverage Waiter L.C.C. 1976 - Manitoba



(SpNS – 45.5x29.5 mm)

Burrard Drydock - North Vancouver, British Columbia



(Brass – 43 mm)

Calgary Exhibition And Stampede - Calgary, Alberta



(SpNS – 39x54 mm)

Canadian Chemical Company Limited - Edmonton, Alberta



(Aluminum – 39 mm)

Canadian Comstock Co. Ltd.



(Brass – 35x35 mm)

City Of Edmonton Electric Light & Power Dept. – Edmonton, Alberta



(NS – 53.5 mm)

Department of Veteran Affairs – Canada



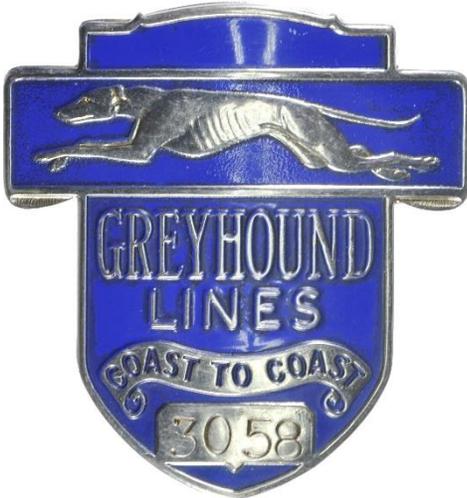
(NS – 32x38 mm)

Edmonton Transportation System – Edmonton, Alberta

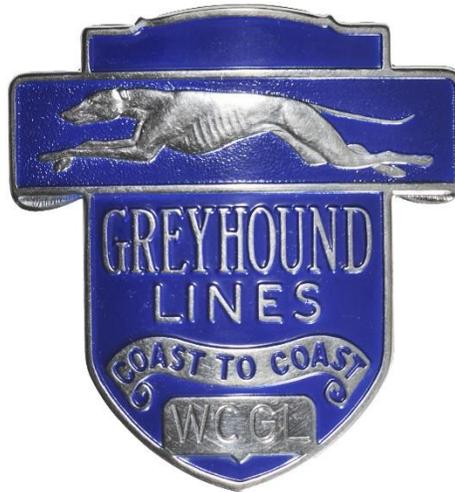


(Brass – 35x35 mm)

Greyhound Lines Coast To Coast - Calgary, Alberta



(Spnm – 62x66 mm)



(SpI - 62x66 mm)

The Greyhound Lines Coast To Coast - Calgary Alberta



(Spnm – 62x68 mm)

King Edward Hotel Waiter - Calgary, Alberta



(NS – 37x45 mm)

Manitoba Beverage Waiter 1967 - Manitoba



(SpNS – 49x37 mm)

Milo Freight Lines - Milo, Alberta



(NS - 86.5x44 mm)

MILO Oil Co. - Colorado, USA?



(SpNS – 53x64 mm)

Newfoundland Base Contractors - Newfoundland



(Brass – 38 mm)

Newsboy Calgary 1945 - Calgary, Alberta



(SpNS – 30x36 mm)

N.B. M.B. & B.B Calgary 1917 - Calgary, Alberta



(Brass – 38x38 mm)

Okotoks Badge - Okotoks, Alberta



(NS – 39x43 mm)

Olds Stampede - Olds, Alberta



(Brass – 28.5x29 mm)

Regina Building Department Inspector – Regina, Saskatchewan



(NS – 49.5 x 55 mm)

Regional Police – Hamilton-Wentworth, Ontario



(NS – 55.5 x 59 mm)

Saint John Dry Dock - Saint John, New Brunswick



(Brass - 35 mm)

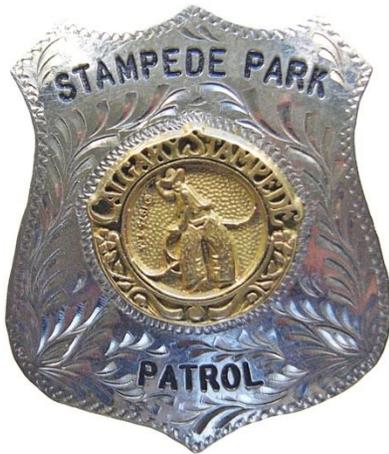
S.P.C.A. Shepard Inspector



[reverse stamped "F.C. Nelson"]

(NS – 35.8 x 43 mm)

Stampede Park Patrol – Calgary, Alberta



(NS/Brass – 51.5x60 mm)

Stettler Gas Company Ltd. – Stettler, Alberta



(SpNS – 42x45 mm)

'F' - An Assortment Of Licenses

B.T.P. (Building Trade Permit) - Vancouver, British Columbia



(Aluminum – 29x40.5 mm)

Licensed Dray 1949 - Brandon, Manitoba



(Brass – 55x62 mm)

C.L.P. 1941 - Winnipeg, Manitoba



(Brass – 30x47 mm)

C.T.P. Brandon 1954 - Brandon, Manitoba



(Brass – 26.5x41.5 mm)



[purpose unknown]

Calgary 1 Horse License 1929 - Calgary, Alberta



(Aluminum – 37½ mm)

Calgary 2 Horse License 1937 - Calgary, Alberta



(Brass – 57 mm)

Calgary Journeyman Electrician 1928 - Calgary, Alberta



(Brass – 47½x42½ mm)

Calgary Milk Vendor's Rig 1935 - Calgary, Alberta



(Brass – 75x71 mm)

Calgary Milk Vendor's Rig 1939 - Calgary, Alberta



(Aluminum – 45x45 mm)

Carbon Taxi License 1921 - Carbon, Alberta



(Iron – 83.5x60 mm)

City of Calgary Auto Livery License 1915 - Calgary, Alberta



(Brass 59x59 mm)

City Of Calgary Bicycle License 1921 - Calgary, Alberta



(Aluminum – 129.5x56.5 mm)

City Of Calgary Bicycle License 1929 - Calgary, Alberta



(Aluminum – 141.5x33.5 mm)

City Of Calgary Bicycle License 1930 - Calgary, Alberta



(Aluminum – 141.5x35.5 mm)

City Of Calgary Bicycle License 1932 - Calgary, Alberta



(Aluminum – 150x47 mm)

City Of Calgary Bicycle License 1938 - Calgary, Alberta



(Aluminum – 139x52.5 mm)

City Of Calgary Bicycle License 1939 - Calgary, Alberta



(Brass – 155x52 mm)

D'Heller Bicycle 1983 - Drumheller, Alberta



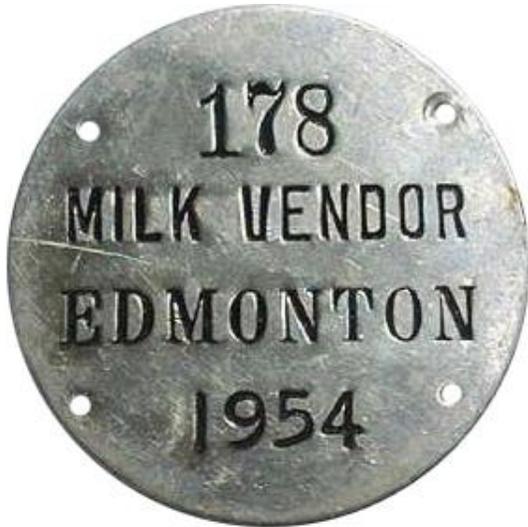
(Aluminum – 51.0x51.7 mm)

Edmonton Milk Vendor 1925 - Edmonton, Alberta



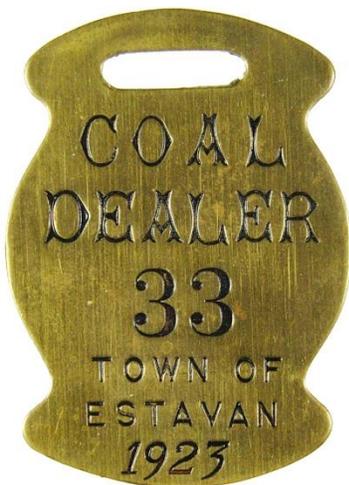
(Brass – 88x68 mm)

Edmonton Milk Vendor 1954 - Edmonton, Alberta

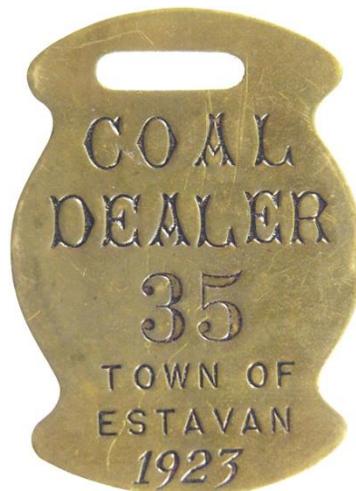


(Aluminum – 70 mm)

Estevan Coal Dealer 1923 - Estevan, Saskatchewan



(Brass – 47x66 mm)



(Brass – 47x66 mm)

Estevan Dray License 1917 - Estevan, Saskatchewan



(Aluminum – 48x48 mm)

Estevan Dray License 1922 - Estevan, Saskatchewan



(Brass – 48.5x40.5 mm)

Government Of The Province Of Alberta - Mobile Equipment License



(Brass - 77x77 mm)

Grande Prairie Dray Tag – Grand Prairie, Alberta



(Brass – 77x51.5 mm)

High River Dray License 1959 - High River, Alberta



(Aluminum -52x52 mm)

High River Dray License 1963 - High River, Alberta



(Aluminum -66x75 mm)

High River Dray Tag 1966 - High River, Alberta



(Aluminum -38 mm)

Lethbridge Licensed Dray 1926 - Lethbridge, Alberta



(Bronze – 49x47.5 mm)

Medicine Hat Bicycle License 1931 - Medicine Hat, Alberta



(Aluminum – 152x46 mm)

Medicine Hat Bicycle License 1938 - Medicine Hat, Alberta



(Brass – 152x54 mm)



(Brass – 152x54 mm)

Medicine Hat Bicycle License - Medicine Hat, Alberta



(Fibre – 51 mm)

Medicine Hat Public Or Freight Vehicle License 1938 - Medicine Hat, Alberta



(Brass - 42x33 mm)

Metropolitan Toronto Cab Owner – Toronto, Ontario



(NS – 44x34.5 mm)

Millet Livery License 1930 - Millet, Alberta



(Aluminum - 58.5x70 mm)

Regina Licensed Pedlar 1947 - Regina, Saskatchewan



(NS - 39x33 mm)

Saskatoon Bicycle License – Saskatoon, Saskatchewan



(Aluminum – 63.4x38.9 mm)

Three Hills Dray License 1945 - Three Hills, Alberta



(Aluminum – 65x46 mm - Kneehill Museum Collection)

Three Hills Dray License 1947 - Three Hills, Alberta...



(Brass – 65 mm) [Kneehill Museum Collection]

Three Hills Milk Vendor 1946 - Three Hills, Alberta



(Brass – 52x44 mm) [Kneehill Museum Collection]

Winnipeg General Hospital



(Brass - 27 mm)

'G' - Carriage & Harness Maker & Some Other Tags

[From one individual's personal collection.]

'G1'- Carriage Tags

Ontario

The Munro & McIntosh - Carriage Company Limited - Alexandria, ON



Rex Carriages - Carriage Factories Limited - Alexandria, ON



John Phillips - Auburn, ON



W. H. Holmes - Brampton, ON



The Baynes Carriage Co. Limited - Brantford / Hamilton, ON



Brantford Carriages - Sold By Cockshutt Plow Co. Limited - Brantford, ON



Canada Carriage & Body Co. Limited - Brantford, ON



Brantford Coach & Body Limited - Brantford, ON



Brockville Carriage Co. - Brockville, ON



Canada Carriage Co. - Brockville, ON



McLaughlin Carriages - Brockville, ON



Wm. Babb & Son - Carlingford, ON



The Wm. Gray & Sons Co. Limited - Chatham, ON



The Wm. Gray - Sons - Campbell Limited - Chatham, ON



R. Martin & Son(s) - Chatham, ON



Robert Milner - Chatham, ON



Body By Motor & Coach Limited - Chatham, ON



Alex McArthur - Chatsworth, ON



F. Rumball - Clinton, ON



Leatherdales Works - Coldwater, ON



J. B. Lein – Elmira, ON



J. H. Heard – Flesherton, ON



Gananoque Carriage Co. - Gananoque, ON



J. N. O'Neill - Georgetown, ON



The J.B. Armstrong Mfg. Co. Ltd. - Guelph, ON



C. Kloepfer - Guelph, ON



S. & G. Penfold - Guelph, ON



The Baynes Carriage Co. Limited - Hamilton / Brantford, ON



Geo. Cruickshank - Heathcote, ON



Brown & Clark - Hensall, ON



E. Bell - Holland Centre, ON



A. Hamilton – Kilsyth, ON



John Campbell - London, ON



Jno. Campbell & Son - London, ON



A. B. Greer [Hearses] - London, ON



A. B. Greer & Son [Hearses] - London, ON



T. W. Roney - Mitchell, ON



E.S. Stiles - Mitchell, ON



Elfner & Heuther - Morriston, ON



Weber Bros. - New Dundee, ON



McLaughlin Carriage Co. - Oshawa, ON



J. McFarlane - Otterville, ON



Brown & Rutherford - Owen Sound, ON



T. B. Dowsley - Owen Sound, ON



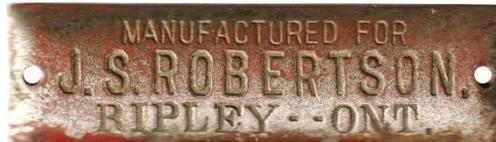
Johnstons & Buchanan Makers - Pinkerton, ON



The McKie Buggy Co. - Plattsville, ON



J. S. Robertson - Ripley, ON



A.B. Brubacher - St. Jacobs, ON



J.B. Sauder - St. Jacobs, ON



Durant-Dort Carriage Co. - Sarnia, ON



Farr & Son - Sarnia, ON



The Borland Carriage Co. - Stratford, ON



Alex Craik - Strathroy, ON



Walter Wright - Strathroy, ON



Waller & Thompson - Tilsonburg, ON



Waller Bros - Tilsonburg, ON



Clark Brothers Builders - Toronto, ON



Conboy Carriage Co. Limited - Toronto, ON



John Dixon - Toronto, ON



The Dominion Carriage Co. Ltd. - Toronto, ON



Wallacetown Wagon And Carriage Manufacturing Co. - Wallacetown, ON



J. Bambridge - Watford, ON



Flett & Armstrong - Warton, ON



William Dore - Wingham, ON





[Lead]



O. Prentiss - Woodbridge, ON



Walter T. Benest - Wyoming, ON



J.C. Connolly - Yarker, ON



Quebec

Jos. Ledoux. - Beloeil, QC



E. Martel - Beloeil, QC



Jos Messier – East Farnham, QC



J. Messier & Son Manufacturer- East Farnham, QC



Miner Carriage Man'F'G. Co. - Granby, QC



Belanger Levasseur & Co. - Montreal, QC



Eug. Julien & Cie. Ltée - Quebec, QC



O. Parent - Quebec, QC



J.A. Roy Inc- Quebec, QC



J.B. Gagnon- St. Marguerite, QC



Saskatchewan

Gray-Campbell Limited (Horse Drawn Carriages) - Moose Jaw, SK



(Brass -71x21.5 mm)

'G2' -

Harness / Saddle Maker Tags

Ontario

T. B. May - Aylmer, ON [In 1889 Directory]



Jas Tedford - Dundalk, ON



James Philp & Son - Hamilton, ON [In 1889 Directory]



Chas F. Todds - Markam, ON



L. A. Heinsperger - Mildmay, ON



Wilfred Habel - New Hamburg, ON



W. W. Schweitzer - New Hamburg, ON



M. Boyd - Orilla, ON



J. Smith - Renfrew, ON



W. A. Ogden - Strathroy, ON



J. A. Carle - Tilsonburg, ON



J.T.W. Low - Toronto, ON



John B. Moat - Toronto, ON



James M. Walsh Co. Limited - Toronto, ON



C. F. Abbott - Watford, ON



I X L Harness - Woodstock, ON



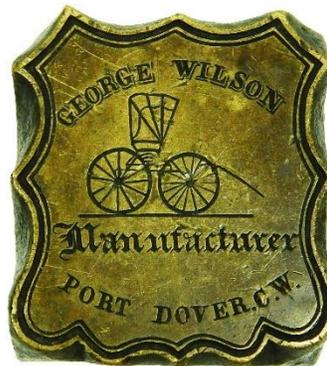
T. B. Jenkins - Woodstock, ON [In 1906 Directory]



'G3' Carriage - Harness - Farming Associated Items

Ontario

George Wilson Manufacturer- Port Dover, Canada West



(Brass printers block and mirror image – 49 x 44 x 11 mm. 450 g)

Related Trade Tokens / Advertisements

Cockshut Plow Co. - Brantford, ON & Winnipeg, MB



[Pinback]

Canada Carriage Co. - Brockville, ON



Variety 1



Variety 2



Variety 3

Gray's Fine Carriages - Chatham, ON



T.E. Bissell - Elnora, ON



J.R.C. Dobbs & Co. - Kingston, ON



Stonehouse & Chamberlin - Ottawa, ON



Frost & Wood Man'f'rs. - Smith, ON // R. J. Holmes - Carleton Place, ON



Thos. Plimley - Bicycles And Automobiles - Victoria, BC



P.T. Legare - Quebec, QC



Countermarked Coins & Tokens

Jas. O'Connor, Carriage Painter- London, ON



(Silver – 23 mm) [Countermarked on the obverse of an 1874H Canadian 25 cents.]

Robinson's Carriage Works - Kingston, ON



(Countermarked Canada 1859 Large Cent)

Possibly Quebec



(Horseshoe c/s on an 1858 Canada Large Cent)



(Horseshoe c/s on an 1806 British Half Penny)

'G4' Some Other Sundry Tags

Ontario

S. H. Mitchell - Brampton, ON



James Smart Plant - Brockville, ON



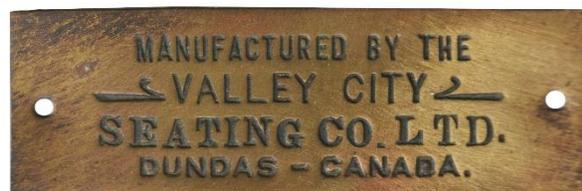
[Iron & steel casting company making a variety of: tools, pots, pans, shovels, axes, frames, etc.]

The Canadian Crow Motor Co. Ltd. - Mt. Brydges, Ontario



[Pinback]

Valley City Seating Co. Ltd. - Dundas, ON



[1898 directory - manufacturers of church and school furniture.]

International Harvester Company Of Canada Limited - Hamilton, ON



Sonny Frost - Hanover, ON



The Lakefield Canoe Co. - Lakefield, ON



E. Leonard & Sons Limited - London, ON



(Brass - 126½ x 76)

Fred Russell - Parkhill, ON



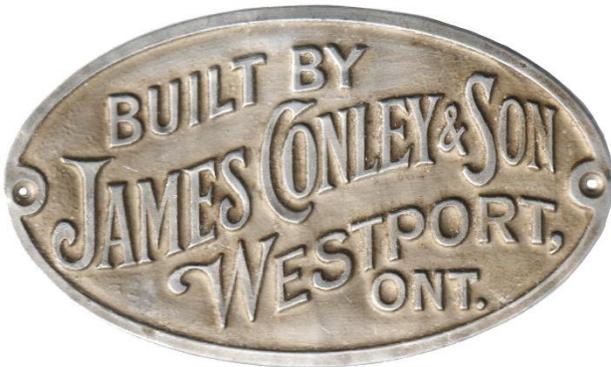
[Contractor 1921 Census]

J. B. Snider - Waterloo, ON



[Manufacturers of church and school furniture.]

James Conley & Son - Westford, ON



[Boat builder - 1927 directory.]

Quebec

The Dominion Engine Co. - Quebec, QC



Saskatchewan

The H. W. Laird Co. Ltd. - Regina, SK



(NS 86x26x1 mm 17 g)
[Circa 1905 - wholesale grocer.]

General

Body By Fisher



(Aluminum – 52x25 mm)

Canadian Arsenal Limited - Small Arms Division



General Motors Of Canada



Cecil Babcock



[Possibly fur trapper tag.]

United States

Durant-Dort Carriage Co. - Flint Michigan, USA



Studebaker - New York, USA



'H' Chauffeur & Taxi Licenses

'H1' Alberta

Alberta 1925



(Bronze – 31.5x18.5 mm)

Alberta 1926



(Bronze – 28.5 mm)

Alberta 1928



(Brass – 315x38.5 mm)

Alberta 1929



(Bronze – 34.5x24 mm)

Alberta 1930



(SpBronze – 27.5 mm)



Alberta 1931



(Bronze – 36.5x43 mm)

Alberta 1932



(NS – 39.8x25.9 mm)

Alberta 1933



(Bronze – 39 mm)

Alberta 1934



(Bronze – 27.5 mm)

Alberta 1935



(Bronze – 31.5x26.5 mm)

Alberta 1936



(Brass - 34x30 mm)



(Bronze – 34x30 mm)

Alberta 1937



(Bronze – 23.5 mm)

Alberta 1938



(SpBronze – 29x28 mm)

Alberta 1939



(Bronze – 31.5x23 mm)

Alberta 1940



(SpBronze – 32x25.5 mm)



Alberta 1941



(NS– 27x29.5 mm)

Alberta 1942



(NS – 27.5x27.5 mm)

Alberta 1943



(Tin / Celluloid - 31.6 mm)

Alberta 1944



(Tin / Celluloid - 32 mm)

Alberta 1945



(Tin / Celluloid – 32 mm)

Alberta 1946



(Tin / Celluloid – 32 mm)

Alberta 1947



(Tin / Celluloid – 32 mm)

Alberta 1948



(Brass – 29.5x34.5 mm)

Alberta 1949



(Brass – 32 mm)

Alberta 1950



(Brass – 32x32 mm)

Alberta 1951



(Brass – 32x32 mm)

Alberta 1952



(Brass – 30x35 mm)

Alberta 1953



(Brass – 37.5x25.5 mm)

Alberta 1954



(Brass – 37x37 mm)

Alberta 1955



(Brass - 35 mm)

Alberta 1956



(Brass - 32x32 mm)

Calgary Licensed Taxi Driver

Calgary 1928



(NS- 47x42mm)

Calgary 1953



(NS - 39x26 mm)

Calgary 1955



(NS - 32 mm)

Calgary 1956



(NS – 25.3 x 25.5 mm)

Calgary 1958



(SpNS – 28 mm)

Calgary 1960



(sSpNS – 32 mm)

Calgary 1961



(SpNS – 43.5x29.5 mm)

Calgary 1963



(NS – 32 mm)

Calgary 1968



(SpNS – 35 mm)

Calgary 1969



(SpNS – 44x27 mm)

Calgary 1972



(SpNS – 38 mm)

Calgary 1973



(SpNS – 38 mm)

'H2' - British Columbia

BC Class C 1939



(Brass – 54.1x32.7 mm)

BC Class C 1940



(Brass – 36.6x34.9 mm)

BC Class C 1942



(Brass – 51.1x34.5 mm)

BC Class C 1945



(Brass – 52.3x34.4 mm)

BC Class C 1946



(Aluminum – 49.9.1x26.9 mm)

BC Class C 1947



(Aluminum – 50.8x32.1 mm)

BC Class C 1951



(Aluminum – 47.5x25.4 mm)

BC Class C 1954



(Aluminum – 51.9x35.3 mm)

BC Class C 1955



(Aluminum – 58.9x33.2 mm)

BC Class C 1956



(Aluminum – 54.6x26.2 mm)

BC Class C 1957



(Aluminum – 50.9x33.5 mm)

BC Class C 1959



(Aluminum – 52x35.2 mm)

BC Class C 1965



(Aluminum – 59.3x33.2 mm)

BC Class C 1967



(Aluminum – 50.9x33.3 mm)

BC Class C 1968



(Aluminum – 57.7x33 mm)

BC Class C 1970



(Aluminum – 59.6x34.4 mm)

'H3' - Manitoba

Chauffeur 1938



(SpNS – 38.1x24.9 mm)

Chauffeur 1939



(SpNS – 32.0x31.7 mm)

Chauffeur 1940



(NS – 32.4 mm)

'H4' - Saskatchewan

Chauffeur 1915



(NS - 45x50 mm)

Chauffeur 1942



(SpNS– 32.2x32.3 mm)

Chauffeur 1947-48



(SpNS – 35.4x25.6 mm)

Chauffeur 1949-50



(SpNS – 38.1x24.9 mm)

Chauffeur 1951-52



(SpNS – 31.9x32.5 mm)

Chauffeur 1952-53



(SpNS – 31.9x32.4 mm)



(SpNS – 32.0x32.4 mm)

Chauffeur 1953-54



(SpNS – 32.0x32.4 mm)

Chauffeur 1954-55



(NS – 31.9x32.1 mm)

Chauffeur 1955-56



(SpNS – 31.9x32.4 mm)

Chauffeur 1956-57



(NS – 31.7x32.0 mm)



(NS – 31.9x32.1 mm)

Chauffeur 1957-58



(NS – 31.7x31.7 mm)

Chauffeur 1958-59



(NS – 31.8x31.8 mm)

Chauffeur 1960-61



(NS – 32.0x32.4 mm)

Chauffeur 1961-62



(SpNS – 31.9x32.8 mm)

'H6' - Yukon

Chauffeur - 1957



(NS - 35x25 mm)

'H7' - National Parks of Canada Chauffeur Licenses

National Parks of Canada 1939-40



(NS – 35 mm)

National Parks of Canada 1940-41



(NS – 35.5 mm)

National Parks of Canada 1948-49



(Tin / Celluloid – 44 mm)

'I' - Miscellaneous Tags / Badges - Locations Unknown

AMAG



(Aluminum – 29.5 mm)

AMP A.M.



(Brass – 32 mm)

A.Q.8.C.



(Brass – 38.5 mm)

CAGSL



(Aluminum – 35x20 mm)

CCP



(Brass – 35 mm)

CPAL (Possibly Canadian Pacific Airlines Limited)



(Fibre – 33 mm)

C.P.C. Ltd.



(Brass – 44.5x43 mm)

C. R. LTD – Location Unknown



(Brass – 45 mm)

CW



(Brass – 38.5 mm)

CWNLH And P Co. Ltd.



(Brass – 35 mm) [Listed in the stock prices of La Presse November 1931.]

E.S.C.O.



(Brass – 35.5 mm)



(Brass – 35.5 mm)

Fairbanks



(Brass – 127.5x30 mm)

Denis Farey TFT.TOX.



(Brass – 25.5 mm)

Gun Control B.



(Bronze - 36.5x35mm)

H.H.W.R.



(Brass – 32 mm)

Hull Mine (Yuma, Arizona, USA?)



(Brass - 37.5x26 mm)

HW



(Brass – 38.5 mm)

HWR



(Brass – 38.5 mm)

J. & L. Ltd. (found in Calgary, Alberta)



(Brass - 34.5 mm)

J & S



(Brass – 35 mm)

J.D.'s Bldgs. Ltd.



(NS – 34.5x19.5 mm)

J.I. Co. Ordnance



(Brass - 33 mm)

K



(Steel - 26 mm)

Kellogg's



(Brass – 52x26.5 mm)

L. B. Co. Colmar (Possibly Colmar, Kentucky, U.S.A)



(Brass – 35.5 mm)

LCMCL



(Brass – 32x32 mm)



(Brass – 35x35 mm)

Poole Engineering (Possibly Edmonton, Alberta)



(Brass – 38 mm)

M. C. & S. Co. (Possibly from Corfu, NY, U.S.A.)



(Brass – 32 mm)

M. C. & S. Co. (Possibly from Corfu, NY, U.S.A.)



(Brass – 32 mm)

N.W. Ltd. Owner



(Brass – 35.5 mm)

PRVP



(Brass – 27 mm)

Quintana Shephards (Possibly Stockton, California, U.S.A?)



(Brass – 32 mm)



Possibly from the "Sidney Roofing & Paper Co." of Victoria, B.C. They built an asphalt processing plant in Lloydminster, Alberta in 1949 next to the Husky Refinery.

(Brass - 39 mm)



S.R.&P

(Brass - 44.5 x 35 mm)



S.G.M. Ltd (found in Calgary, AB)

T.B.M. Co.



(Brass - 44.5x32.5 mm)

T.L.P. 1916



(Brass – 25x34 mm)

T.M.S.



(Brass – 46 mm)

The Foundation Company - Probably used by a Montreal Civil Contractor (1910 - 1970's) that carried out work across Canada (found in Calgary, Alberta).



(Brass – 36 mm)



(Brass – 35 mm)

Universal Sections Ltd



(Iron - 51 mm)

WRCU No 1



(Brass – 35.5 mm)

Windsor Hotel



(Bronze– 50 x 45 mm)

Miscellaneous Numbered Tags - Location Unknown

Blank



(Brass - 39 mm)

No 1



(Brass - 39 mm)

No 2



(Brass - 39 mm)

No 7



(Brass - 23 mm) [Note flipped 'N']

No 8



No. 6-17/6

(Brass - 38 mm)

No 16



(Aluminum - 32 mm)

No 24



(Brass - 38 mm)

No 29



(Brass - 35 mm)

No 81



Brass - 33.5 mm)



(Brass - 38 mm)



(Brass - 28.5 mm)

No 88



(Brass – 29 mm)

No 117



(Brass - 27.5 mm)

No 197



(Brass – 26.5 mm)

No 499



(Brass – 38.5 mm)

No. 639



(Brass - 33 mm)

No. 679



(Brass – 35.5 mm)

No. 869



(Brass - 25.5 mm)

Other Numbered Tags



(Brass – 51 mm - incuse numbers) [Reported as being used in the Crowsnest Pass, AB & BC.]



(Brass – 51x72 mm, 65 g)
[Possible Livestock Tag or Some Other Use]

J' – Cat & Dog Tags – A Sampling

Consort 1921 Dog Tag – Consort, Alberta



(Brass – 29½ x 38½ mm)

Dodsland 1963 Dog Tag- Dodsland, Alberta



(Aluminum – 35 x 45½ mm)

Edmonton 1956 Dog Tag - Edmonton, Alberta



(Brass 35 x 35 mm)

Fort Macleod 1912 Dog Tag - Fort Macleod, Alberta



(Brass – 25½ mm)

Fort Macleod 1998 Dog Tag - Fort Macleod, Alberta



(Aluminum – 35 x 35 mm)

Hugh-Enden 1920 Dog Tag - Hughenden, Alberta



(Brass – 19 x 34½ mm)

Three Hills Cat Tag- Three Hills, Alberta



(Aluminum - 19 mm)

Youngstown 1919 Dog Tag - Youngstown, Alberta



(Brass 33 x 33 mm)

City Of Dawson 1976 Dog Tag - Dawson, Yukon



(Brass 26 x 29½ mm)

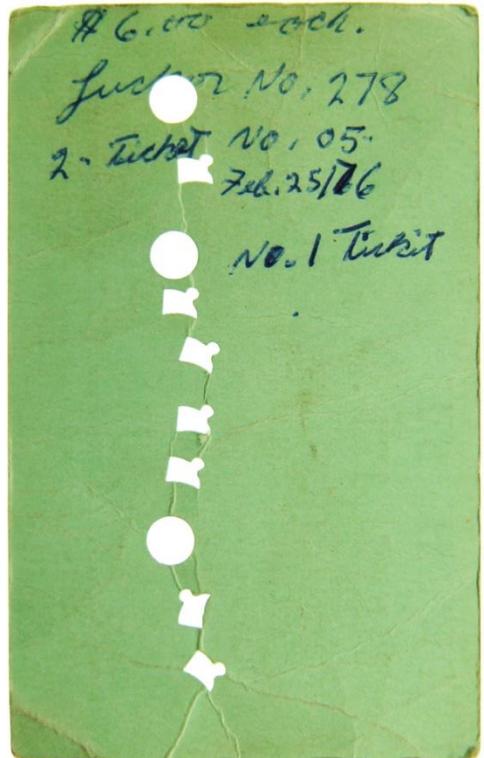
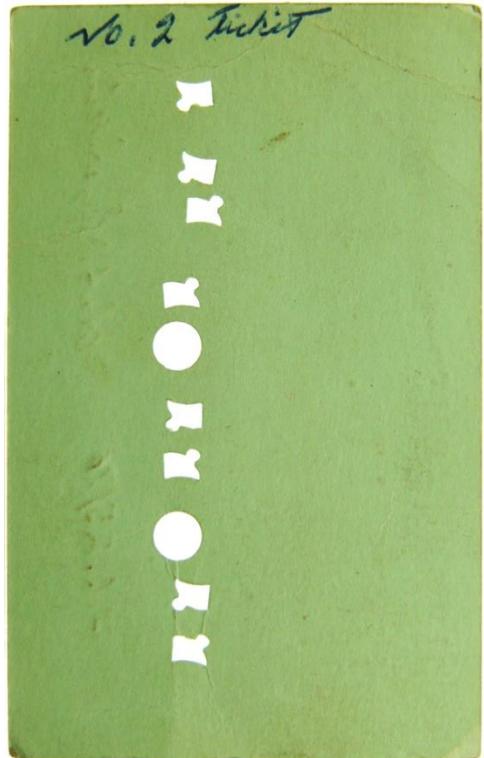
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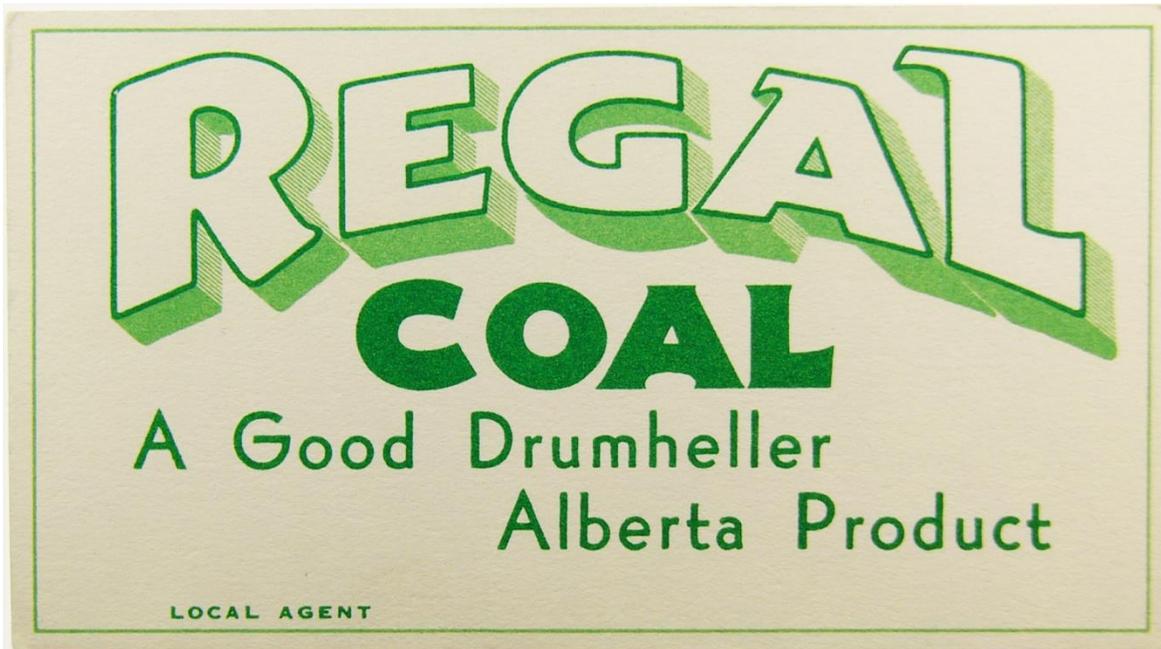


(Brass 31½ x 30 mm)

K' - Mining - Miscellaneous Paper / Cardstock Items

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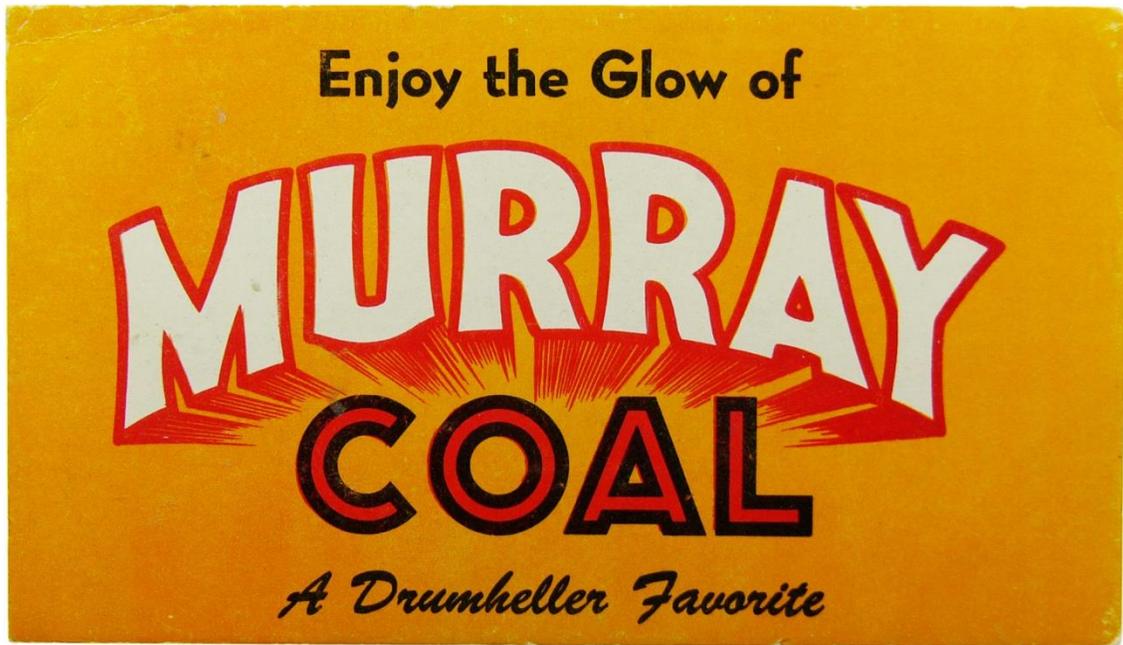




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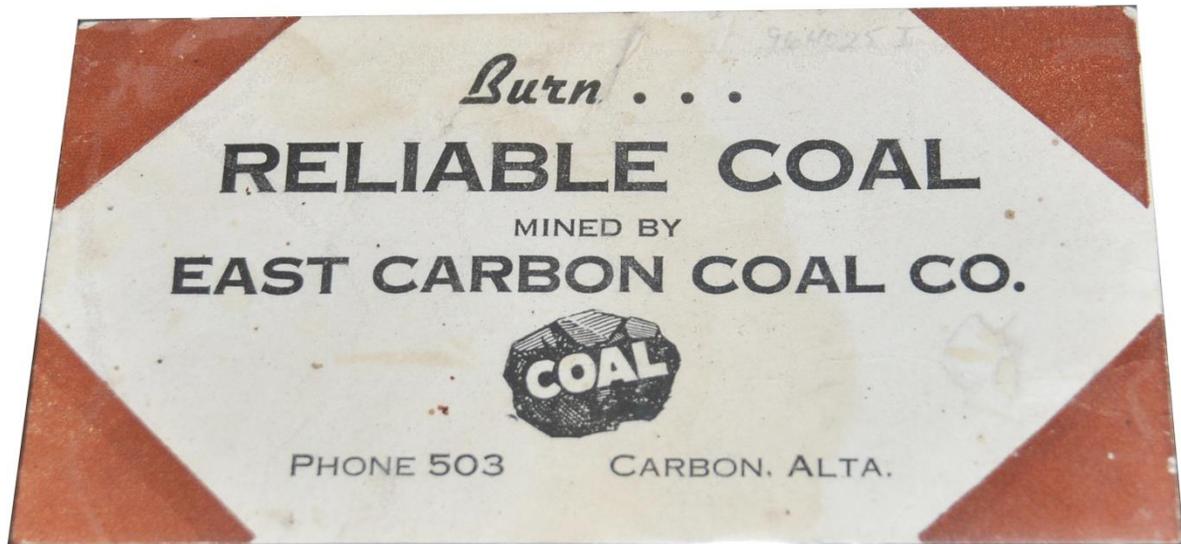
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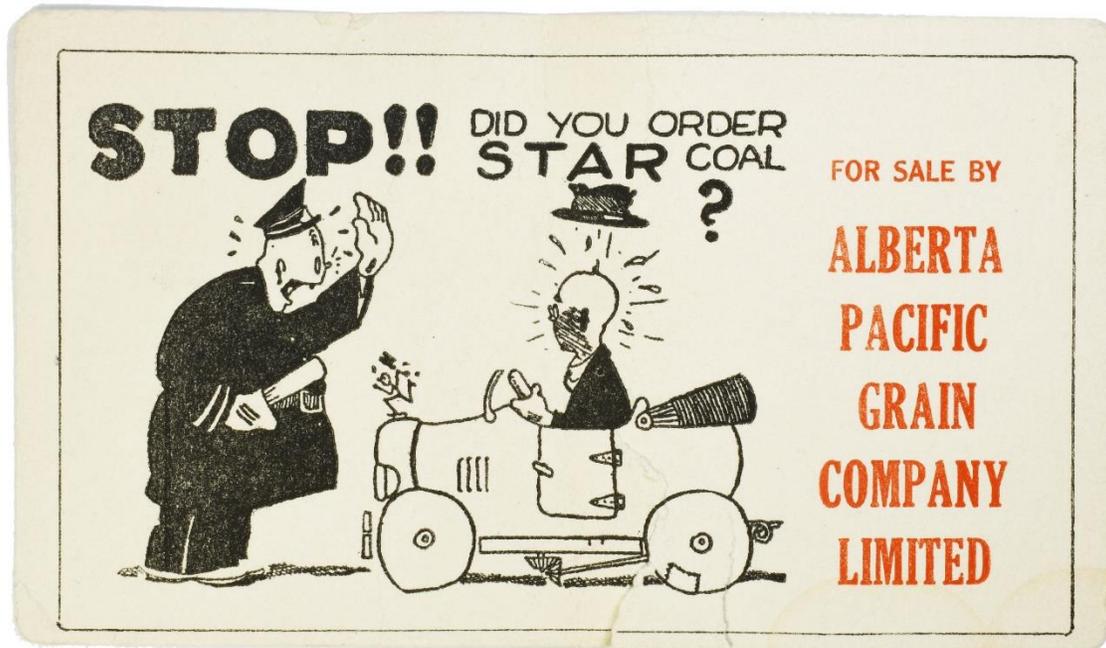
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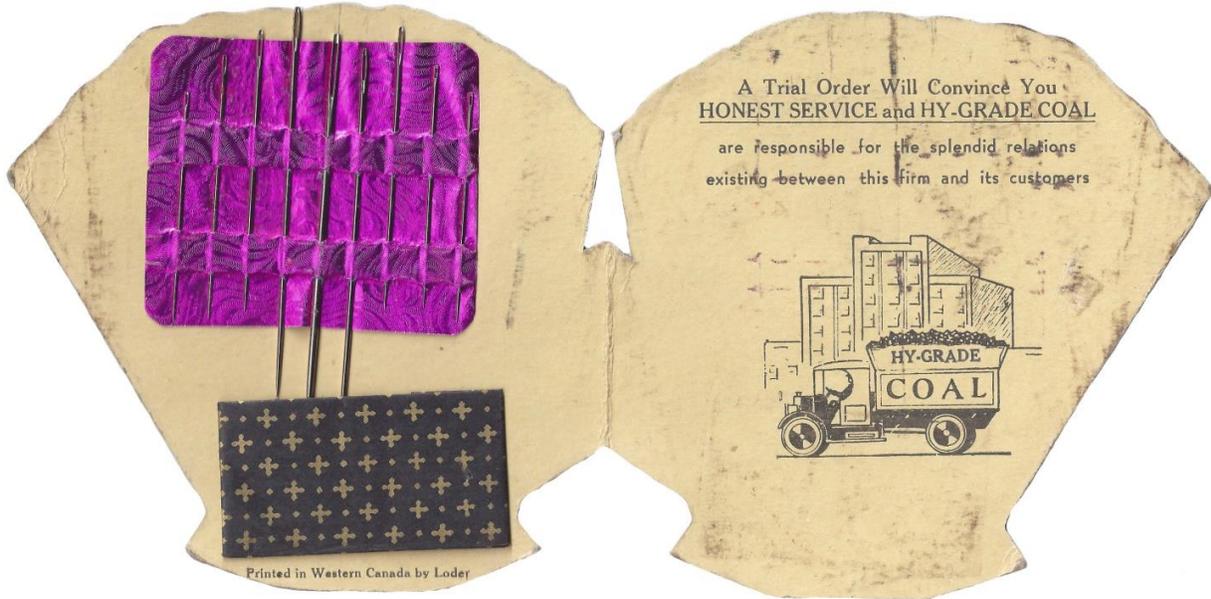


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Hy-Grade Coal - Drumheller, Alberta



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Blazemore Coal - Drumheller, Alberta



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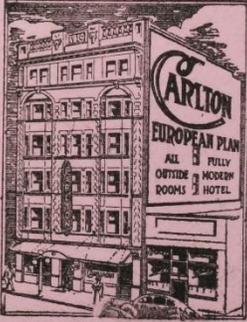
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L' - Articles Related To Mining Tags / Checks / Tokens

Bellevue Underground Mine Tour© Crowsnest Pass, Alberta

Every man working at a mine was assigned a number. This number would correspond with his brass "miners tag". If the man worked underground, he would give one of his tags to the lamp man, who would then place in on the check board in the lamphouse. This is how they could keep track of those inside the mine at any given time. Another tag would be kept deep in their pocket. If ever there was a disfiguring accident in the mine, this tag number may be his only means of identification. Prior to the introduction of a tag, men would wear jewellery or something familiar to their families, intended to be an identifying item. After an extremely devastating accident, one mother felt she was able to identify her son by the stitching of his clothing.

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lamphouse was where the men would pick up their miner's lamp and deposit or pick up their "**checks**" -- the small brass numbered tags which the **timekeeper** used to keep track of time worked. There were two checks in the lamp house used to identify a miner. When the miner went in the mine, he picked up both and handed one to the timekeeper who placed it on a board. That told the timekeeper that the miner was in the mine. When the miner left the mine after his shift, he deposited his second check on the board in the lamphouse next to the other one. This system showed that the man who had entered the mine, had come out safely.

[BRASSING OUT - Kronos Data Mining©](#) [Posted by Jeff Millard on Fri, Oct 08, 2010](#)

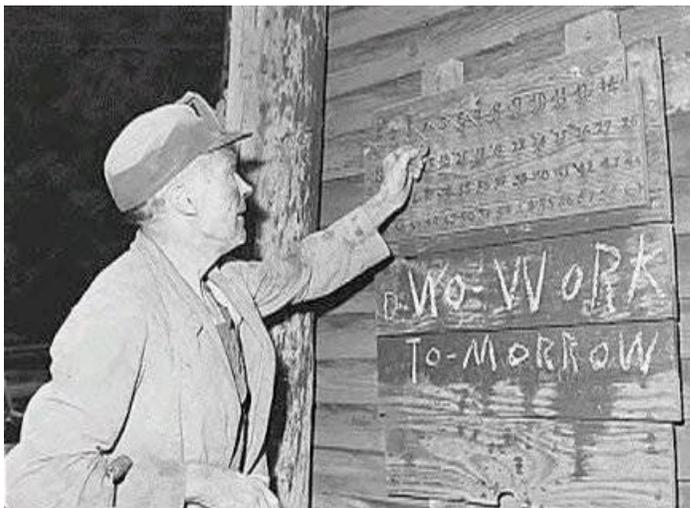
Underground mines are required to have a TAG IN/OUT board that miners use to indicate when they go underground and when they leave the mine. Go into the mine, put your tag on the IN side, leave the mine and put your tag on the OUT side. This is known as "BRASSING IN" or "BRASSING OUT" since many mines continue to use brass tags with the miner's name stamped on it. The obvious purpose is to quickly and easily tell who is underground if there is a problem or at the end of the day. (If you think missing your carpool ride home is bad just imagine missing the last elevator out of the mine with no one checking for stragglers)



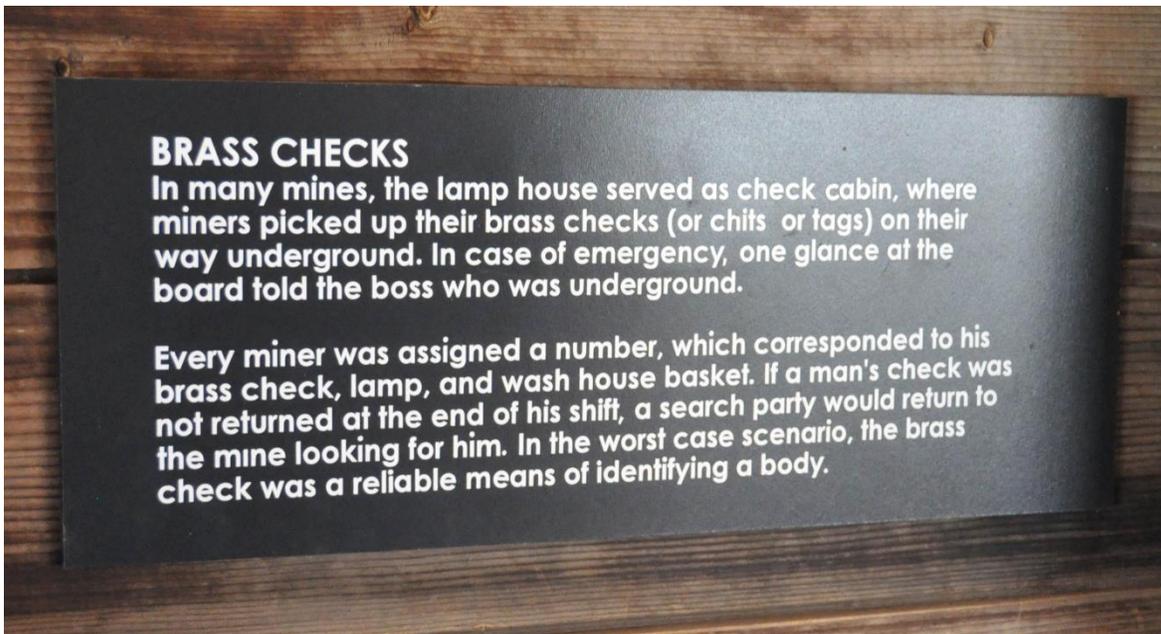
Most boards, like the one above, go one step further and even let you drill down and see what level of the mine each miner is working on.

KENTUCKY COAL MINING HISTORY - MINING THE COAL©

Each miner was assigned a number which appeared on a metal tag that was taken off a board by the miner as he entered the mine and replaced on the board when he exited the mine. This let the company know how many miners and who they were that were in the mine at any given time. These numbered tags were known by numerous names such as Miner's Checks, Check Tags, Pit Tags, Pit Checks, and Time Checks. Miners also carried brass tags with their number to hang on each coal car they filled and sent out to be weighed so that the weighman knew who to credit with the mined coal.



ATLAS COAL MINE – NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE©
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MINE HISTORY

Coal Mining in the Drumheller Valley

Coal was not hard to discover in the area that is now Drumheller, Alberta, Canada. Seams of coal show up as black stripes in the badlands of the Red Deer River Valley.

The Blackfoot and Cree knew about the black rock that burned, but they didn't like to use it. Later, three white explorers reported coal in the area: Peter Fidler in 1792, Dr. James Hector of the Palliser Expedition in 1857, and Joseph Tyrrell in 1884.

In the years that followed, a handful of ranchers and homesteaders dug coal out of river banks and coulees to heat their homes. However, the first commercial coal mine did not open until Sam Drumheller started the coal rush in the area that now bears his name.

The rush started when Sam bought land off a local rancher named Thomas Greentree. Sam turned around and sold this land to Canadian National Railway, to develop a townsite. Sam also registered a coal mine. Before his mine opened, however, Jesse Gouge and Garnet Coyle beat him to it, and opened the Newcastle Mine. CN laid tracks into town, and the first load of coal was shipped out of Drumheller in 1911.

Once the railway was built, people poured in. Hundreds, then thousands, of people came to dig coal. The greatest numbers came from Eastern Europe, Britain, and Nova Scotia. More mines opened. By the end of 1912, there were 9 working coal mines, each with its own camp of workers: Newcastle, Drumheller, Midland, Rosedale, and Wayne. In the years that followed, more mines and camps sprang up: Nacmine, Cambria, Willow Creek, Lehigh, and East Coulee.

Coal mining was hard, dirty, dangerous work. Mining in the Drumheller Valley, however, was less hard, dirty, and dangerous than it was in many other coal mining regions in Canada. This was due to both lucky geology and lucky timing.

The geology of the Drumheller coal field results in flat lying seams, which are much safer to mine than the steeply pitching seams of the mountain mines. In addition, the coal produced in Drumheller is sub-bituminous. This grade of coal is "immature" which means it hasn't had time to build up a strong concentration of gas. Methane gas is the biggest killer in coal mines around the world.

The timing of the Drumheller mine industry was lucky, too. By the time the Newcastle opened in 1911, the right to better working conditions had been fought for and won by miners' unions in North America. As a result, miners were provided with wash houses, better underground ventilation, and higher safety standards. When the Newcastle opened, there were laws in place to prohibit child labour, so boys under 14 were no longer allowed underground. The worst of the worst coal mining days were over, at least in North America.

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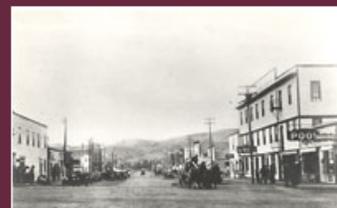
Courtesy Atlas Coal Mine Historical Society



Courtesy United Farmers Historical Society



Courtesy Wayne Community Association



Courtesy Town of Drumheller

Sub bituminous coal is ideal for heating homes and cooking food. People all over western Canada heated their homes, schools, and offices with Drumheller coal. Long, cold winters were good for Drumheller, because everyone needed lots of coal. In these years, miners had of money in their pockets. Short, mild winters were difficult. A miner might only work one day a week, and get laid off in early spring. He got through the summer by growing a big garden, catching fish, and working for farmers.

Between 1911 and 1979, 139 mines were registered in the Drumheller valley. Some mines didn't last long, but 34 were productive for many years. Between 1912 and 1966, Drumheller produced 56,864,808 tons of coal, making it one of the major coal producing regions in Canada.

The beginning of the end for Drumheller's mining industry was the Leduc Oil Strike of 1948. After this, natural gas became the fuel of choice for home heating in western Canada. To the mine operators, it seemed that people switched from messy coal stoves to clean gas furnaces as fast as they could. As the demand for coal dropped, mines closed. As mines closed, people moved away and communities suffered. Some communities, like Willow Creek, completely vanished. Others, like East Coulee, went from a boomtown of 3800 to a ghost town of 180. When the Atlas #4 Mine shipped its last load of coal in 1979, the coal years of Drumheller were over.

The **Atlas Coal Mine National Historic Site** preserves the last of the Drumheller mines. The Atlas recalls the time when Coal was King, and "mining the black" brought thousands of people to this lonely valley. The nearby **East Coulee School Museum** interprets the life of children and families in a bustling mine town.

[Mining Centennial Facts 'n Trivia \(PDF 28 KB\)](#)



Courtesy Lydia Husak



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Moodie and the Kid!

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Coal Miner's Son; Coal Miners's Daughter
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FLEUTOT, AN ENGINEER, SPENT MOST OF 1882 TO 1896 IN RUSSIA, WORKING ON A ROLLING MILL FOR THE TRANS-SIBERIAN RAILWAY.

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FLEUTOT RETURNED TO FRANCE IN 1902 AND ON APRIL 3, 1903, SOCIÉTÉ ANONYME DU CHERMIN DE FOS HOUILLE DE CANADA WAS FORMED AND GOLD FIELDS LIMITED TRANSFERRED ALL HOLDINGS TO THE NEW COMPANY. THE NEW COMPANY'S REGISTERED OFFICE WAS IN LONDON, ENGLAND, THE HEAD OFFICE IN LILLE, FRANCE AND THE CANADIAN HEAD OFFICE IN BLAIRMORE. THEIR INITIAL CAPITALIZATION WAS THREE AND A HALF MILLION DOLLARS.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS CONSISTED OF ALPHONSE GEORGES WICART, PRESIDENT, FRANÇOIS LEFEBVRE, EDMOND ORY, BARON DE LA GRANGE O'TARD, EDOUARD CALLIER, JULES JUSTIN FLEUTOT, COMTE HENRI DE CASTELLANE AND EDWARD PECOSTER. THE APPOINTED OFFICIALS WERE ANDRÉ CHESQUIER, SECRETARY, J.J. FLEUTOT, MANAGING DIRECTOR AND O.E.S. WHITESIDE AS GENERAL MANAGER. WHITESIDE WAS TO LEAVE IN 1908 TO WORK FOR INTERNATIONAL COAL AND COKE, ANOTHER MINE IN THE CROWSNEST PASS.

WHEN FRENCH CAMP WAS FIRST SET UP, IT WAS DECIDED THAT A RAILWAY WAS NEEDED TO GET THE COAL TO THE MAIN RAIL LINE, SO THE FRANK AND GRASSY MOUNTAIN RAILROAD WAS BUILT. IT WAS SEVEN MILES LONG AND REQUIRED SIXTEEN TRESTLE BRIDGES TO COMPLETE. A MILE AND A HALF OF THIS WAS DESTROYED WHEN THE FRANK SLIDE CAME DOWN IN APRIL OF 1903 AND IT TOOK UNTIL NOVEMBER OF THE SAME YEAR TO REPLACE IT. THE COMPANY WAS ALSO GOING TO BUILD COKE OVENS IN THE VALLEY EAST OF THE FRANK TERMINUS OF THE NEW RAIL LINE BUT THE SLIDE ALTERED THIS AND A BATTERY OF BELGIAN COKE OVENS WERE BUILT AT THE MINE SITE AT LILLE.

MINE WITH MUCH MORE DISASTROUS RESULTS. OVER THE YEARS THERE WOULD BE MORE INCIDENTS, BUT THIS WOULD BE THE WORST.

By 1912 PRODUCTION COSTS WERE BECOMING EXCESSIVE AND COAL SALES WERE DROPPING OFF, SO IN 1913 WEST CANADIAN CLOSED ITS LILLE OPERATIONS AND CONCENTRATED THEIR EFFORTS ON BELLEVUE AND BLAIRMORE. IT WAS IN THIS SAME YEAR THAT JULES FLEUTOT DIED.

JULES JUSTIN FLEUTOT



THE BLAIRMORE SOUTH MINE WAS CLOSED IN 1912 AND THE GREENHILL MINE WAS OPENED NORTH OF BLAIRMORE IN 1913.

DURING THE TEENS, WEST CANADIAN BOUGHT AND RAN THE BELLEVUE HOTEL AND BUILT AND RAN THE GREENHILLS HOTEL IN BLAIRMORE. ALSO DURING THESE YEARS, WEST CANADIAN'S POWER PLANT NOT ONLY SUPPLIED ELECTRICITY FOR THEIR BELLEVUE MINE BUT FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS IT SUPPLIED POWER FOR THE TOWN OF BELLEVUE.

IN 1917, DESPITE THE EFFORTS OF THE TOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT AS WELL AS WEST CANADIAN'S OWN FIRE FIGHTERS, WEST CANADIAN LOST THEIR BELLEVUE OFFICES AS WELL AS THE BELLEVUE HOTEL WHEN MOST OF MAIN STREET BURNED TO THE GROUND.

BETWEEN 1925 AND 1929 THE BELLEVUE MINE REACHED PEAK PRODUCTION OF 2500 TONS PER DAY THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF 500 MEN.

STARTING IN THE EARLY THIRTIES THE GREENHILL OPERATION HAD A RATHER UNIQUE METHOD OF SUPPORTING THEIR TUNNEL ENTRANCES. WEST CANADIAN PURCHASED A RAIL BENDER FROM THE RAILROAD AND USED IT TO MAKE STEEL ARCHES. THIS METHOD WAS USED RIGHT UP TO THE CLOSING OF THE MINE AND THE BENDING EQUIPMENT CAN STILL BE SEEN AT THE LOCAL MUSEUM.

BY 1945 THE COAL MARKET HAD INCREASED TO THE POINT WHERE WEST CANADIAN HAD TO OPEN TWO STRIP MINES TO SUPPLEMENT THE BELLEVUE AND GREENHILL OPERATIONS. ALSO AT THIS TIME THEY OPENED THEIR BYRON CREEK HOLDINGS, WHICH WAS KNOWN AS THE ADANAC MINE. THE COAL FROM THIS MINE WAS SHIPPED TO THE BELLEVUE TIPPLE FOR PROCESSING AND THE STRIP MINE COAL WAS TRUCKED TO THE GREENHILL TIPPLE.

BY 1947 GREENHILL EMPLOYED BETWEEN 500 AND 600 MEN AND PRODUCED MORE THAN 3000 TONS OF COAL PER DAY. THE BELLEVUE OPERATION EMPLOYED 350 MEN AND WAS PUTTING OUT 1200 TONS A DAY. THE PEAK PRODUCTION YEAR FOR GREENHILL WAS 1946 WHEN 758,000 TONS WAS PROCESSED.

FROM THE LATE FORTIES TO THE LATE FIFTIES PETROLEUM SLOWLY STARTED DISPLACING COAL AS A SOURCE OF FUEL FOR LOCOMOTIVE OPERATION. WITH THE DROP IN DEMAND FOR COAL, WEST CANADIAN CLOSED DOWN THE ADANAC AND BELLEVUE MINES BY MID 1957. NOW GREENHILL WAS THE ONLY WEST CANADIAN MINE LEFT IN OPERATION AND IT TO CLOSED IN 1958.

EVERYTHING WAS PULLED FROM THE MINES AND THE TUNNELS WERE ALLOWED TO FILL WITH WATER. HOWEVER IN JANUARY OF 1960 WEST CANADIAN OBTAINED A CONTRACT WITH JAPAN FOR 100,000 LONG TONS OF COKING COAL. THE GREENHILL MINE WAS OPENED, THE WATER PUMPED OUT, EQUIPMENT REPLACED AND SOME OF THE MEN REHIRED.

THIS WAS TO BE THE LAST CONTRACT AND WHEN IT WAS FILLED THE MINE WAS CLOSED AGAIN, THIS TIME FOR GOOD. BY 1965 WEST CANADIAN COLLIERIES WAS IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION. SCURREY RAINBOW OIL LTD. PURCHASED THE GREENHILL PROPERTY AND THE CROWSNEST HIGHWAY NOW RUNS THROUGH THE MIDDLE OF THE BELLEVUE PROPERTY. THE REST IS NOW OWNED BY THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE CROWSNEST PASS AND THE C.N. RAILWAY.

DURING ITS LIFETIME, WEST CANADIAN MINES POURED OVER THIRTY MILLION TONS OF COAL ONTO THE MARKET AND FOR OVER SIXTY YEARS IT WAS ONE OF THE MAINSTAYS OF THE CROWSNEST PASS ECONOMY.

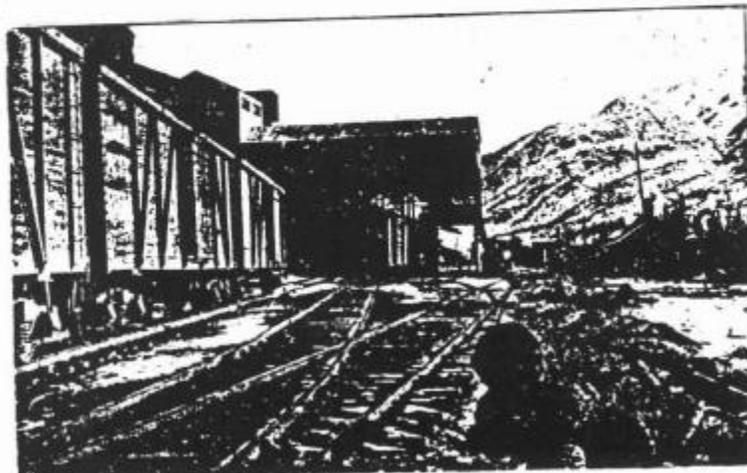
IF YOU DRIVE THROUGH THE CROWSNEST PASS ON THE NUMBER THREE HIGHWAY, YOU CAN STILL SEE SOME OF THE MINE BUILDINGS AND WORKINGS. THE SLACK PILES FROM THE GREENHILL MINE HAVE ONLY RECENTLY BEEN HAULED AWAY AND THE ENTRANCE TO THE BELLEVUE MINE IS BEING REBUILT BY THE LOCAL ECOMUSEUM AS A TOURIST ATTRACTION. AS FOR THE LITTLE OPERATIONS NOT MUCH IS LEFT EXCEPT SOME CRUMBLED BRICK WHICH MOTHER NATURE HAS ALMOST CLAIMED.

THERE ARE TWO KNOWN TOKENS FOR WEST CANADIAN COLLIERIES LTD. AND BOTH ARE FROM THE GREENHILL OPERATION. THE FIRST IS MADE OF BRASS, IS ROUND, AND IS 38 MM IN DIAMETER. THE LETTERING IS INCISED, THE TOP IS HOLED AND THE REVERSE IS NUMBERED. THE OBERSE READS: W.C.C. LTD./GREENHILL MINE/GOOD FOR 1LOAD/M.R. COAL

THE SECOND IS ALSO BRASS, BUT OCTAGONAL IN SHAPE AND 38 MM IN DIAMETER. IT TOO IS HOLED AT THE TOP, INCISED AND NUMBERED ON THE REVERSE. THE OBERSE READS: W.C.C. LTD./GREENHILL MINE/GOOD FOR ONE LOAD/STEAMCOAL

THE PRECEDING INFORMATION IS FROM THE FOLLOWING; THE BLAIRMORE ENTERPRISE, ALBERTA TRADE TOKENS BY D.M. STEWART, CROWSNEST PASS AND ITS PEOPLE, CROWSNEST PASS ILLUSTRATED (1907), AND COLEMAN'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY BOOKLET. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR INVALUABLE HELP: JOHN LLOYD, ORESTES SERRA, ALRIK TIBERG AND THE CROWSNEST PASS HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

GREENHILL
MINE
TIPPLE



LILLE HOTEL

by

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At the turn of the century the Crowsnest Pass was a string of fast-growing mining communities. In 1901, when J.J. Fleutot and C. Remy discovered coal along Gold Creek, four miles north of Frank, Alberta, a small mining community, called "French Camp", was set up on what was known as Grassy Mountain.

At first only a rough wagon road connected French Camp and Frank, but in 1902 rail construction began and, with the completion of the Frank and Grassy Mountain Railroad, French Camp began to grow.

In 1903 French Camp was renamed Lille after the town in France, which was the home of The West Canadian Collieries head office.

The first development was houses for the miners and the mine officials followed by a boarding house, liquor store, school and hotel.

Clovis Faure built the Lille Hotel in the mid part of 1903 and, shortly afterwards, he built the Bellevue Hotel in the town of Bellevue, situated several miles southeast of Lille. The hotels were carbon copies of each other, with Mr. Griffith managing the Lille Hotel and Mr. John A. Callan managing the Bellevue Hotel.

In 1909 Griffith resigned and Faure took over active management of the hotel at Lille as well as the wholesale liquor store he had established at Lille.

Faure married and in 1910 a son was born to him. To house his new family he built a large modern house in Lille townsite.

In the same year, Faure almost lost everything to a forest fire that surrounded the town. However luck was on the side of Lille and the fire burned itself out without touching the town. A year later the Lille Hotel almost burned down a second time from a fire that started in the hotel, but the quick actions of a bartender named Batt saved the hotel and its guests.

Late in 1910, Faure sold the Lille Hotel to the Lille Hotel Company. This company was set up by George Clair, who was president and general manager, and J.A. Callan who was the secretary. They in turn hired A.B. Hineline to manage the hotel for them.

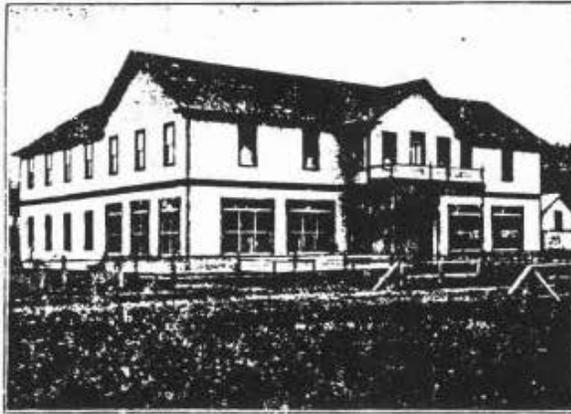
Faure continued to operate the wholesale liquor store in Lille until December of 1911 when he sold both it and his new house to F.M. Thompson. He also sold the Bellevue Hotel in early 1911, when the Ranchmans Trust Company bought it and the Lille Hotel.

BELLEVUE HOTEL

Bellevue, Alta.

LILLE HOTEL

Lille, Alta.



BELLEVUE HOTEL.

These Hostleries are first Class in all their
Appointments. Travelers and Mining Men will
find the Accommodations very Comfortable.

C. Faure, Proprietor



Clovis Faure
Proprietor of Bellevue
and Lille hotels.

Clovis Faures advertisement in Crows Nest
Pass Illustrated (1907).

Faure then moved to Coleman a few miles southwest of Lille. Here he bought the Coleman Liquor Company Limited.

Hineline continued to manage the Lille Hotel and Callan the Bellevue Hotel. Hineline lasted until the Lille Hotel closed down in 1913.

The death knell for the Lille Hotel and the surrounding town could be seen coming by 1912 when the cost of coal production and rail maintenance became excessive and the coal market began to slump. As a result coal mining operations at Lille ceased and the coal company moved its operations to Bellevue and Blairmore.

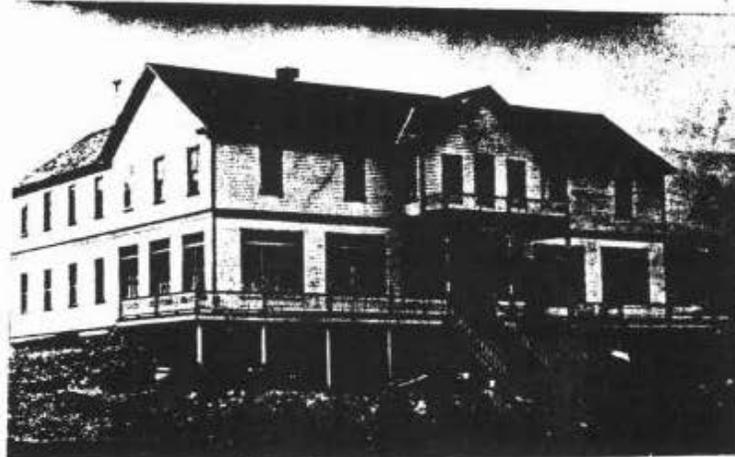
With the closing of the mine, the life of the town of Lille and the Lille Hotel came to an end. Slowly over the years the buildings were dismantled and moved out and by the early forties all were gone. Only the foundations and the coking ovens remained. Vandies have destroyed much of them and mother nature is slowly reclaiming the rest. As of 1978 the place where the Lille Hotel and the rest of the town stood was classified a historical site.

As a last note on Clovis Faure, in 1914 he was unable to renew his wholesale liquor license so he sold the operation to Stephen Janistak. From Coleman he moved to Battleford Saskatchewan, where he bought a retail liquor store from W.E. Ramsey, and here the trail ends.

The tokens listed for the Lille Hotel are Brass, Round, 21mm, holed in the centre and read: LILLE HOTEL/C. FAURE PROP.
GOOD FOR $\frac{1}{4}$ IN TRADE AT BAR

No denomination is known.

The preceding information comes from The Blairmore Enterprise, The Frank Paper, The Frank Vindicator, Crowsnest Pass And its People, Crows Nest Pass Illustrated (1907) and Alberta Trade Tokens by D.M. Stewart. I also wish to thank the Crowsnest Pass Historical Society and the summer staff at the Crowsnest Museum.



Lille Hotel, Lille, Alberta (circa 1903-13)

Galt Museum

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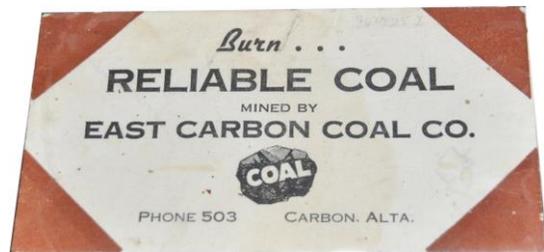
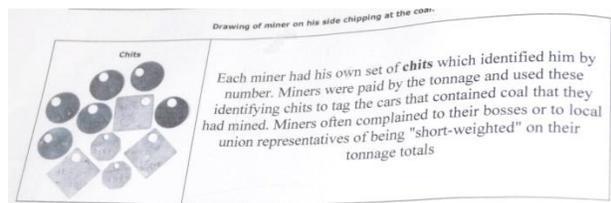


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The miner's tags are displayed in a very dimly lit case and were very hard to photograph without the use of flash (not allowed) or any other supplemental lighting.

Carbon Museum
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Article **Discussion**

History of Lethbridge

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Coal Mining

[edit]

By the 1870s, [Nicholas Sheran](#) (an American entrepreneur) mined a coal seam in the coulees on the west side of what is now the Oldman River. He sold what he mined to Montana traders and the NWMP.^{[1][2]}

Sir [Alexander Tilloch Galt](#) was interested in the success Sheran was having. He knew a transcontinental railway was soon to be built in the area,^[9] and the settlers it would bring would create a profitable market for the coal.^{[1][2]}

On 13 October 1882, Galt's company [North Western Coal and Navigation Company](#) opened the first drift mine^{[10][11]} across from Sheran's operation. This mine was managed by [William Stafford](#).^[1] The first president and largest shareholder of the company, [William Lethbridge](#), was the one after whom the town was named.

By the 20th century, the mines employed about 150 men and produced about 300 tonnes of coal each day.^[1] By the time production peaked during World War I, 10 mines employed 2,000 miners and produced 1 million tonnes of coal annually. At the time, local collieries were the largest coal producers in the [Northwest Territories](#).^[12]

After the war, an increase in oil and natural gas production caused a decline in coal production,^[1] and the last mine in Lethbridge closed in 1957. Some of this mine, Galt No. 8, still stands today, and a local society is attempting to renovate it as a museum or interpretive centre.

Rail

[edit]

The first [rail line](#) was built in Lethbridge, being completed 28 August 1885 by the [Alberta Railway and Coal Company](#). The line expanded for 595 kilometres beyond Lethbridge and was instrumental in feeding the main [CPR](#) lines when CPR bought them from ARCC in 1912. Because of the rail industry's dependence of coal and the CPR's immigration efforts to settle southern Alberta, Lethbridge became instrumental in the economic success of the region.^[13] In the mid-1980s, the rail yards in downtown Lethbridge were moved to nearby [Kipp](#) and Lethbridge ceased operating as a hub for rail traffic in the province.

Names

[edit]

Before settlement, the area where Lethbridge is located was known as The [Arid](#) Region. When geological surveys around 1880 revealed an abundance of coal, it was called The Belly River Coal District. After the [Galts](#) introduced [irrigation](#) to counter the Arid Region image around 1900, the locality was called the Irrigated District. Finally, as an aid to land sales after the rush of dryland settlement started about 1905, the non-irrigable portion was called The Winter Wheat Lands.

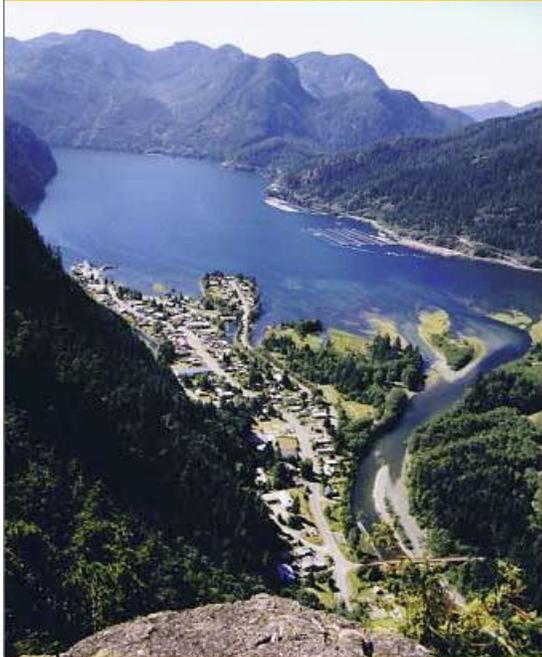
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ZEBALLOS
 GOLDEN GATE TO THE WEST COAST

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The discovery of gold in Zeballos in the 1920's resulted in a massive influx of miners and adventurers. The historic buildings in the village are a living reminder of those frontier days.

The road to Zeballos turns west off Highway 19 just north of Woss. The 40 km gravel logging road is well-maintained and continues beyond Zeballos to Fair Harbour. Along the way watch for bears, deer and elk crossing the road and eagles soaring overhead.



The village is fast becoming a favourite destination for kayakers, sportsfishers and nature lovers who want to leave the crowds behind and experience the wild west coast of Vancouver Island. Comfortable accommodation and several cafes welcome visitors.

Nestled among towering forest-cloaked mountains, Zeballos sits at the head of Zeballos Inlet, gateway to Nootka Sound, world-famous for salmon fishing and kayaking opportunities. The inlet was named by Captain Alejandro Malaspina in 1792 after one of his lieutenants, Ciriaco Cevallos.

Tour the waters aboard your own vessel or arrange for an excursion with a local charter guide. Those with more time may want to arrive as a passenger on the M.V.Uchuck III, a working freight ship. The Uchuck sails weekly during the summer months from Gold River to Zeballos, with stops along the way at Tahsis and Friendly Cove.

