

## Nova Scotia Pence Issues Of 1851 - 1860

The 1851 issue stamps of Nova Scotia, although printed in several separate printings, were sent to Nova Scotia in only three shipments. The first and second shipments both occurred in the fall of 1851. The last shipment took place in July, 1857. Although some catalogs list several distinct shades, this exhibitor believes that only the two distinct shades of each value, representing the 1851 shipments and the 1857 shipment, deserve recognition. In 1853 a one penny value was added to the set. This stamp exists in only one shade from a single shipment made in April, 1853.

The bisecting of the three and six pence stamps was first authorized by Postmaster General Woodgate in October, 1854 specifically to make up the 7 1/2 pence rate to Great Britain. Other bisects were accepted but not authorized. On January 1, 1860 Nova Scotia switched to a decimal currency and the pence issue was replaced.

### Unused Examples



**1851 printing**  
3p dark blue



**1857 printing**  
3p blue



**1851 printing**  
6p yellow green



**1857 printing**  
6p dark green



**1851 printing**  
1sh cold violet



**1857 printing**  
1sh purple



**1853 printing**  
1p reddish brown