

CHESUNCOOK LAKE

These "moose stamps" were in use by a hotel in Chesuncook Lake, Maine, between 1885 and 1893. Leonard Hilton, owner of the Chesuncook House hotel established the post for his guests. Guides would deliver the mail between the hunting and fishing camps in the area and the nearest post office at North East Carry.

The stamps were available in a 1¢ green, a 3¢ brown, and a 5¢ blue.



PHOTOGRAPH OF A LOG JAM IN THE
CHESUNCOOK AREA, 1890
IMAGE FROM THE MAINE HISTORICAL SOCIETY



GENUINE
1¢ GREEN ON WHITE



GENUINE
3¢ BROWN ON WHITE



GENUINE
5¢ BLUE ON WHITE



GENUINE
5¢ BLUE ON WHITE
STRIP OF 3 WITH SIDWAYS MOOSE HEAD

The Chesuncook Lake stamps were lithographed in sheets of 64. One moose head within each sheet was turned sideways.



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1¢ GREEN ON WHITE
IMPERFORATE



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3¢ BROWN ON WHITE
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GENUINE
5¢ BLUE ON WHITE
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