

Info-CRAC



December 1999/ January 2000 • Vol. 13 no 6 • \$ 1,00

Practical Information On Corporate And Trade-mark Matters

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear friends and clients,

The end of the millennium ... and a page of history turned.

But more importantly, it is the beginning of a new era. With this very special event coincides another. Though more modest, CRAC's 21 years of existence.

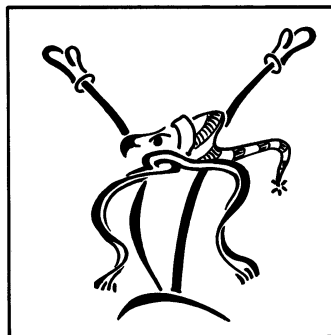
Twenty years ago, yesterday it seems, we filled out corporate forms, order sheets and invoices with a typewriter. Today, these functions are carried out with sophisticated computer systems. Who knows if in 10 years or even 5 these methods will still be applicable? Probably to some degree though in a different framework.

Certainly, the rapid technological change is a constant challenge but we must embrace this challenge if we are to continue to improve our capacity to adapt and to innovate.

This is why our team will remain focused on our first priority: that of providing services to meet the changing needs of our clients.

It is with great fondness that I remember our first 20 years and it is with confidence that I look forward to the next twenty. I wish to thank you all, dear clients, for being instrumental in our success.

On behalf of all of us on the occasion of this special Holiday Season, it is with great warmth that I wish you and your loved ones, much health, success and happiness.



T.M./M.B.

20 00

It happened 100 years ago...

Victoria by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith etc. etc. etc. In all to whom these Presents shall come or whom the same may in anywise concern Greeting...

Such is the introduction appearing on the Federal Letters Patent filed one hundred years ago (December 29th, 1899). We obtained photocopies of these documents which reveal some interesting facts: "The Rideau Lakes Navigation Company (Limited)" had the right to build, inter alia, steam ships and sailboats, as well as the transport of passengers and of goods such as mining and forest products. The company could also construct hotels, summer cottages and play grounds in certain designated areas. Among the "Petitioners" there were 3 "forwarders" from Kingston, a physician from Ottawa and a person from New York whose declared occupation was "capitalist". The letters patent were hand-written without any apparent mistakes and were issued by Joseph Pope, the "Under Secretary of State".

cont'd on page 3



A word of thought...

*"When mysteries
are shrewd,
they hide
in direct light."*

*Jean Giono
author*

**To find out the current
turnaround times
for corporate
services, consult
our web site's
"what's new"
section**

www.crac.com

Turnaround schedule for Corporate Services as of December 1st, 1999

SERVICES	PROVINCIAL	FEDERAL
TaxExpress™ (GST / QST / QDAS)	5 to 10 days	
Name Search Report and Reservation	* 6 to 7 days	24 hours
Certificate of Incorporation	*1 to 2 days	2 days
Certificate of Amendment	*1 to 2 days	2 days
Certificate of Continuation, of Continuance or of Amalgamation	*1 week	3 to 6 days
Certificate of Dissolution	1 to 2 weeks	2 to 3 days
Notice of Change (Federal) or Amending Declaration (Quebec)	4 to 5 weeks	2 days
Letters Patent for Non-Profit Corporations	*1 to 2 weeks	20 days
Attestation / Certificate of Good Standing or of Compliance	*24 hours	48 hours
Revival		3 to 6 days
Initial Declaration	1 week	
Annual Declaration or Declaration of Registration	*2 to 3 weeks	
Revocation of Striking-Off (s. 54 Legal Publicity Act)	*1 to 2 weeks	

The turnaround times may vary slightly according to each file () = Priority service available.*

Order our TAXEXPRESS™ Service (GST, QST and DAS numbers) with your incorporation!



This service allows you to meet a crucial requirement for your client at the time of incorporating a new company.

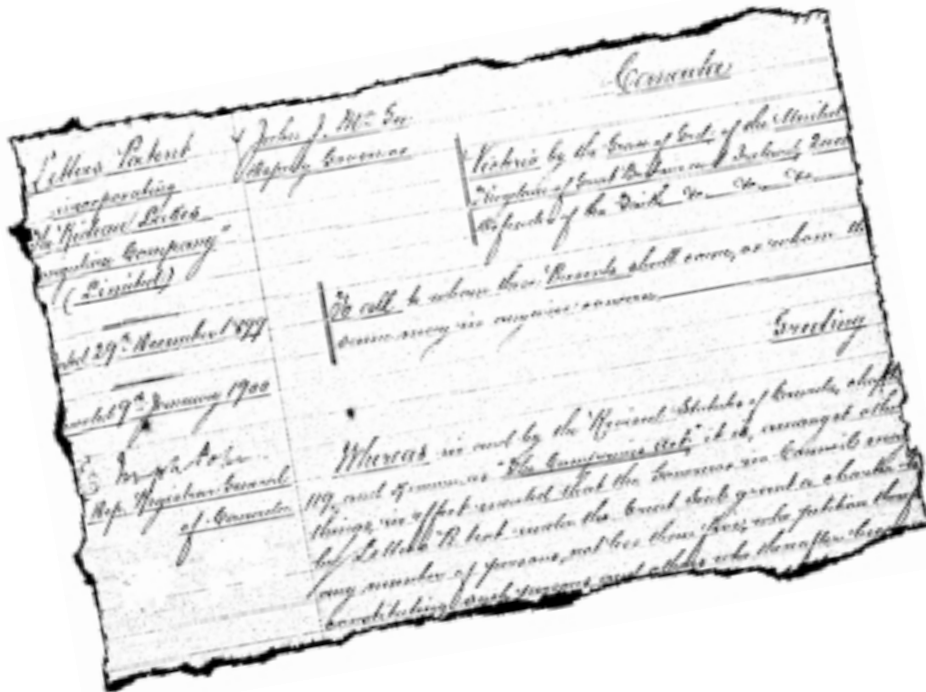
The TAXEXPRESS™ service saves you the trouble of getting the GST, QST and the Deductions at Source numbers. All that you have to do is send us, along with your Articles of Incorporation, our questionnaire duly completed and signed. Once the numbers are issued, we promptly fax them to you.

Service fee: \$ 47 (including taxes).

For more information, please contact Ms. Franca Sucapane (ext. 328).

It happened 100 years ago (cont'd)

We wish to thank Ms. Jackie Gravelle of the Corporations Directorate, Industry Canada, for her assistance.



REGARDING TRADE-MARKS...

Here now are a few trade-marks that can boast to having a century of consumer support:

- RED ROSE (tea) TMDA 07069 (Registered October 16th, 1899)
- LUX (soap products) TMDA 07403 (Registered July 13th, 1900)
- CARNATION (Condensed milk) TMDA 07542 (Registered November 7th, 1900)

Update . . .

Last call for 1999 Annual Declarations

The deadline ends on December 15, 1999. Afterwards, a 50% penalty will apply (\$79 + 50% = \$118.50).

In need of a "shelf" company?

During this year-end period, it is useful to note that we keep an inventory of pre-incorporated provincial and federal charters. Six different judicial districts are available for provincial companies: Montreal, Quebec, Longueuil, Laval, Joliette and Terrebonne.

For more information, call Ms. Franca Sucapane, ext. 328.

A WORD FROM OUR SENIOR MEMBER Mrs. Mariette Fredette

Mrs. Fredette enjoys coming to work even if it is only occasionally. At first it was mostly to please her future "boss" (her daughter) who felt that at the age of 77, she should keep herself more active. Today, Mrs. Fredette is very pleased with her decision: "It allows me to exercise my mind and also to socialize with younger people at the office".

One of her tasks is to keep the accounting of government disbursements, a job she accomplishes impeccably. How does she do it? "When I was younger", says Mrs. Fredette, "I used to calculate by hand the deductions at source for a large company. Today, with the computer, it is of course easier. But mistakes are still a concern so we have to be careful." She also assists in the distribution of our newsletter INFO-CRAC.

Her message to the young generation for the year 2000?
"Look after your families. They are precious."

