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HyperCard 2.1: Fix for Address Stack Import Problem (8/92)

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TOPIC -----

If the ZIP Code in an old HyperCard 1.x.x Address stack contains arithmetic characters (+ - /) or letters (such as in Canadian postal codes), you may encounter an "Expected Number" error when attempting to import the data into the 2.1 Addresses stack. The script for this stack was changed from the 2.0 version to solve a similar problem but, this particular problem still exists.

DISCUSSION -----

To correct the problem in the 2.1 version of the Addresses stack, follow the procedure outlined below. This procedure does not work in the 2.0 version of this stack.

- 1) Open the Addresses stack with the UserLevel set to 5.
- 2) Choose Bkgnd Info from the Objects menu.
- 3) The name of the background should be Body. Click on the Script button.
- 4) Choose Find from the Script menu and type the word "lastWord". Click Find.
- 5) You should be brought to the section of code listed below. The second line here contains an error.

```
if lastWord empty then
  if offset(lastWord, "/-+") = 0 then
    if value(lastWord) is a number then
      put lastWord into theZip
      delete last word of lastLine
    end if
  end if
end if
```

- 6) "Comment out" the second line by inserting two hyphens (--) in front of it and add a new line directly underneath this line, as follows:

```
if lastWord empty then
  --if offset(lastWord, "/-+") = 0 then
  if offset("-", lastWord) = 0 and offset("/", lastWord) = 0 and-
  offset("+", lastWord) = 0 then
    if value(lastWord) is a number then
      put lastWord into theZip
      delete last word of lastLine
    end if
  end if
end if
```

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