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THE

Montreal Philatelist

A Monthly Magazine devoted to the interests of Stamp Collecting.

The Best German-American Stamp Paper in the World.

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MONTREAL, CANADA.

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A MONTHLY PHILATELIC MAGAZINE.

Subscription 25c. a year to Canada and U. S., 50c. to other countries.

VOL. I. Montreal, Canada. April 15th., 1898. No. I.

Mr. Rudolph C. Bach, the subject of this sketch, was born in the seventies in the city of Magdeburg, Germany.

He became an admirer of philately at the early age of 10, and his interest in stamps, and stamp matters, has never flagged since. Mr. Bach had, in 1890, a fine collection of some 5000 varieties, which he sold at what was then a good price. He at once began to form another collection, his present one, which numbers some 4000 varieties, including many rare stamps.



RUDOLPH C. BACH.

His collection of Canadian Revenues is also a very fine one. Mr. Bach commenced dealing in 1891, and has built up a large trade, mainly through the liberal use of his fair dealing and the Montreal Philatelic Publishing Co. was formed, Mr. Bach one of the organizers, was elected to fill the bill as secretary. We are sure, he will, with his literary ability, make a success of the Montreal Philatelist. Mr. Bach is a member of the Philatelic Sons of America, and the Sons of Philatelia, He also is a member of B. Company, 1st Prince of Wales Rifles, Canadian Militia, and it is in the uniform of that regiment that we present his portrait to our readers.

Newfoundland Provisionals.

A Montreal dealer, whose name we withhold by request received a quantity of the 1c. on 3c surcharge.

It is now claimed that these surcharges were forgeries. The stamps were received in the regular course of business and the news of their being forgeries was a surprise. The matter will be fully investigated by us, and the result we hope to give in our next number

Dont you think that 12 Nos. of this paper, and 12 Nos. of the "Only" Perforator are worth 27c. If you do, send us 27c. and you will receive both papers for one year.

We want a correspondent in all large cities to send us regular notes. Write us.

Philatelic Clubs and Societies, who have no official organ, will do well to correspond with us. We guarantee to give all reports prompt insertion. Write us for terms.

The 90c. 1890, may be obtained at face value t the Post Offices of Kansas City, Kan., or Boston, Mass.

Lone Star State, Phil

The next number of the "*Montreal Philatelist*" will be published on May 15, 1898, and will have a circulation of 2000 copies guaranteed.

Exchange ads. will pay you in this paper. Send us a quarter for a years subscription and you get a 30 word ex ad. free.

The new Canadian Stamps are printed on white paper, with the exception of the 5c., which is on a blueish paper.

Good stamps accepted in payment for advertising space. Let us know what you have. No. stamps under 25c. cat. wanted.

We have received the new issue 1c. green, Plate Number 535, from Mr. H. Gremmel of Muscatine, who has our thanks therefore

REVIEW.

We have received the "*Revenue Philatelist*" one of the nicest Magazines we have seen The supplement, a plate of nine Canada Revenues printed on fine paper, is worth the subscription price alone.

The "*Virginia Philatelist*" for April is as usual brimful of interesting philatelic matter. The "*Virginia Phil.*" has kept every promise it made its readers and is getting better with every issue, and we cannot refrain to join in with Rip Van Winkle "May it live and prosper.

The "*Only*" Perforator, is another "bird" whose monthly visit is eagerly awaited. We must congratulate the Bros. Chapman, on the successful way in which they are handling their paper. It has our best wishes.

We have received the "*Lone Star State Phil.*" It presents a very neat appearance and its contents are good. We especially liked G. A Hunt's, Philatelic Philosophy.

The "*Herald Exchange*" for March has been received. It is neat in appearance and contains some interesting reading.

We have also received the "*American Collector.*" and the *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain.*

We wish to exchange 2 copies with all Philatelic Publications. Publications, etc., received will be given an impartial review in these columns.

The higher values of the new Canadian stamps are not on sale yet, there being a large supply of 15-20 & 50c. stamps of the old issue left.

A letter from a town in Prussia, addressed to Bachnang in Wurtemberg, reached its destination only after a long journey. It had been sent round by Bagnan, Palembang Pembuang, and Ketabang, was franked at Tonkin and Hoi-Phong-Hanoi, all these places were known to the postal officials. but Bachnang, a small village in Wurtemberg, not. *P J.G.B.*

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EDITORIAL.

Herewith we make our initial bow to the Philatelic Public, and will say right now, that we are here to stay. We will endeavor to make this paper, interesting and attractive in every way possible. This paper will be the premier Canadian Philatelic Monthly, and the best German-American stamp paper in the world.

We will exchange 1 inch ad. with all 1st class publications.

We shall increase this paper in size, as soon as occasion warrants.

Our first aim shall always be to please our readers in every respect. Suggestions cheerfully received.

Parties having stamps to dispose of, should write to Mr. T. A. Labouriere, whose ad. appears in this number. Mr. L. has a well appointed Book and Music store and does a good trade in stamps.

We wish it to be distinctly understood that this Magazine is not conducted in the interests of any other business. Mr. R. C. Bach, Sec., of the M. P. Pub. Co., has laid stamp dealing aside, and will devote all his time to make this paper a success. The Montreal Philatelist will be an impartial and independent paper, and our columns are always open to both sides in any discussion on interesting philatelic topics which may arise.

We have received the new 1c. U. S. stamp. It is green in colour, same design as 1895, 1c. blue.

Those dealers and collectors, who raised such a rumpus against our Canadian Jubilees, are keeping rather quiet just now. What about the Trans-Mississipi Exhibition Labels, eh?

In spite of the hue and cry raised against the Jubilee's, they are in great demand, especially in used condition. Prices, however are, as a rule rather low, but fluctuate a great deal.

Do you wish foreign correspondence, or do you wish to sell your used U. S. and Canada abroad? If you do, advertise in the M. P.

Ads. translated into German FREE.

CHRONICLE

of New Issues.

British Central Africa. The *A.J.P.* chronicles a provisional of Registered Envelopes. The value 'TWO PENCE' on the stamp being crossed out with a pen, and '4d.' and the initials 'E.E.H.' added underneath, all in red ink.

DEUTSCHE SEITE.

Wir werden jeden Monat 2 bis 4 Seiten unseren deutschen Lesern widmen. Gutes Manuscript und Notizen immer willkommen.

Canada hat eine serie Briefmarken ausgegeben welche von der American Bank Note Co-, in Ottawa der Hauptstadt Canada's gedruckt sind. Bis jetz sind folgende Werthe im Cours.

cts.
½ schwartz.
1 blau gruen.
2 duenkel violett.
3 carmin.
5 blau, auf blaulichen papier.
6 braun.
8 orange.
10 violett-braun.

POST CARTEN.

1 blau gruen.
2 ziegelroth.
1 hell rosa,
(Privat Postcarte)

KARTENBRIEF.

1 schwartz.

An Deutschc Sammler; Gegen einsandt im voraus von Mark 2.—Per Post Mandat, senden wir obigen Satz ungebrancht and addresiren die Ganzsachen zu.

Ein Montrealer hat eine Sammlung Briefmarken welche ueber 25.000 dollars werth ist Darunter sind mehrere Canada 12 pence schwartz auf ganzem Brief, sowie viele andere raritaeten.

Es ist bemerkungswerth, was fuer eine grosse Differenz zwischen Europaeischen und Amerikanischen Preisen herrscht. Viele rare alte Canada und Amerika Marken koennen viel billiger in Europe gekauft werden. Dagegen kann man aber alte Thurn und Taxis, Preussen, etc., auch wieder billig in Amerika kaufen. Es ist ein altes Maxim, dass in jedem Lande, die eigenen Marken am theur esten sind.

Abonnirt auf den Montreal Philatelist.

Herr Rudolph C. Bach, dessen Bild wir auf der ersten Seite wiedergeben, ist in '79 in *Magdeburg Deutschland*, geboren. Schon vom 10 ten Jahre an sammelt Er Postwethzeichen. Seine Sammlung von Canada Stempel Marken ist eine der besten von diesen schoenen Marken. Herr Bach ist Secretaer von der "Montreal Philatelic Publishing Co.," und wird diese Zeitung, speziell die "Deutsche Seite" zu eine der hervoragensten machen. Herr Bach ist mitglied von der "Philatelic Sons of America" und "Sons of Philatelia". Herr Bach gehoert zu der 2 ten Compagnie des Ersten Prince of Wales Jaeger Batallion's Canadische Miliz, und es ist in der Uniform dieses Regiments das wir sein Bild unsern Lesern bringen.

Wir nehmen *gute* Marken aller Laender in bezahlung fuer Annoncen. Stempeln aller Britischen Colonien und der Vereinigten Staaten speziell erwuenscht.

Wir wuenschen einen guten General Agent fuer Deutschland fuer Annonzen und Abonnements. Auch wuenschen wir einen correspondenten in folgenden. Staedten, Berlin, Wien, Paris, etc. Anfragen mit rueck-porto an die Redaction.

Die naechste Ausgabe des M. P. erscheint am 15 ten Mai. Annoncen sollen mindestens bis zum 10 Mai hier anlangen Die naechste Nummer wird eine Auflage von 2000 Exemplaren haben.

Die Vereinigten Staaten werden eine Serie Marken fuer die Omaha Austellung ausgeben Es heisst das diese Marken die schoensten sein sollen, die je ausgegeben sind.

Wir wuenschen 2 Copien mit allen Deutschen Briefmarken Zeitungen zu tauschen.

ACHTUNG.

Deutsche Briefmarken Sammler, welche reelle Correspondenz mit auslaendishen Sammlern und Haendlern, speziell in *Canada*, und den *Vereinigten Staaten* wollen, sollten auf den "Montreal Philatelist" abonniren. Der Montreal Philatelist bietet ausgezeihnete Gelegenheit mit reellen Philatelisten in Verbindung zu treten. Abonnement jaehrlich Mark 2.— Praenumerando. Tausch Annoncen und kleine Notizen, 25 pfennig pro Zeile (7 worte).

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Welche geschaefts verbindungen mit hiesigen Briefmarken Firmen anknuepfen wollen, sollten im "Montreal Philatelist" annonciren. Die Raten sind.

	1 Mal	3 Mal	6 Mal	12 Mal
1 Zoll	M 1.75	M 3.50	M 6.00	M 10.00
2 "	3.00	6.00	11.00	18.00
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Tausch " 25 " "
Betrag per Post Mandat oder Bank-noten einzu-senden Annonzen von weninger als 3 Monate im voraus bezahlbar..

Jeder Abonnent hat das Recht, eine 30 Woertrige Tausch Annonce **Gratis** einzusenden.

Man mache alle Post Mandate zahlbar an R. C. Bach, Montreal, Canada.

Wir wuenschen Agenten und Abonnenten Sammler in allen theilen Europa's, speziell des Deutschen Reiches und Oestereich.

Addresse,

Mitglied
P. S. of A. 396
S. of P. 1872

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451 Sanguinet Street,
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R. C. BACH,
451 Sanguinet St.
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T. A. LABOURIERE,
1877 St. Catherine St.
Montreal, Can.

Stamps bought.

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400 va. for $ 1.00

Put up on blank sheets.

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E. J. Kirby & Co.,
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To the **1st.** subscription received we wi give free a set of **5** varieties of postage stamp catalogued at $ 5.00.

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And to **every 5th.** thereafter, a ra stamp, catalogued at 75 cents.

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We want an energetic collector to g subscriptions and advertisements in every ci and town in the United States, Canada, ar England. Good commissions allowed, a prizes given monthly to those getting large lists.

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All descriptions, at lowest prices.

Dealers, *do you need a numbering stamp to number and price your approval sheets in A1. style? Send for prices.*

Dating stamps, the best made, at lowest price.

Send for my prices when you need anything in my line.

G. W. DAWSON,
716 Craig St.,
Montreal, Can.

FOR ANY AMOUNT

Of Service stamps. Columbus sets, Due stamps and high values of other U. S. Issues, stamps of Canada, New Foundland, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Hawaii; further Oceania, Mexico, Antilles, Central and South America, I give in exchange the same number and quality of Old German stamps, which are becoming very rare. Spain, Portugal, Orient, Asian and Africa stamps, or three times as much of other European States, with which everybody can complete his collection. Rare for rare. Lots from 100 to 1000 in official envelopes registered desired. Enquiries replied to by return mail. Agencies of philatelic papers taken.

PAUL RITTER,

Stamp Dealer and Collector,

PENZIG, O. L. - - GERMANY.

All philatelic papers in the United States, Mexico, Canada, etc., are requested to copy this advertisement three times. Payment will be made on receipt of proof papers.

Stamps Wanted

I want to buy all kinds of stamps cheap for cash. Common Continental Stamps wanted per 1000 or 5000.

Parties who can supply, 25, 50 or 100 variety packets, please send best terms.

Wholesale price lists desired.

T. A. Labouriere,
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WANTED

Canada Jubilee stamps in exchange for stamps from my approval sheets.

I allow $ .75 per 100 for 1 cent
1.00 " " 2 "
.25 " " 3 "
3.00 " " 5 "

I also want the new issue at one half of above rates. Any Canada post cards, 25c per 100. Any number taken.

C. W. Brown,
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Apply to,
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Will appear May 1st. 1898.

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Subscriptions in the U. S. and Canada, 25c per year, other countries 50c. 50 fine stamps to each person who remits 25c. for their subscription, one year to Mich. Phil.

Mich. Stamp & Pub. Co.
Ithaca, Mich., U.S.A.
Care of W. M. Waterbury.
(until further notice.)

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IF

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OR

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DON'T

fail to write me giving particulars.

A. E. LABELLE,

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Reduced fac-simile of our packet envelope.

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Newfoundland Provisionals.

Last month we promised our readers full details about the Newfoundland Counterfeit surcharges. We had sent a copy of two types in black and one in red to the Postmaster at St. Johns, and following is his reply:—

Postal Department, Newfoundland.
St. Johns, 1st April, 1898.

Rudolph C. Bach, Esq.,
451 Sanguinet St., Montreal.

Dear Sir,

Replying to your letter of the 20th March, I have no doubt that the three surcharged 1c. stamps you enclosed, two in black and one in red, are forgeries. Thirty only of the red were struck off, purely to test colour, not one of which was disposed of, *a limited number were surcharged in black to keep us going until new 1c. stamps ordered were received. but these* were not sold to dealers, *being kept* solely *for mail purposes. I have no doubt dealers acquired some early by purchasing small lots. The red enclosed represents neither the lines nor the colour of the 30 originals; the blacks are conspicuously defective.* Arrests *were made in St. Johns for forgeries. It is most desirable the forgers should be hunted up everywhere.*

I am,
Yours very truly,
J. O. FRASER, P.M.

From above it will be seen that in nine cases out of ten, the stamps of those dealers who have large stocks, or have them in sheets, as some Boston dealers claim to have, are forgeries. Collectors should be very careful about purchasing these stamps, and buy them only from reliable dealers, or dealers who will refund amounts paid for them if they are proven to be forgeries. We are sorry that we cannot give an illustration, but it is impossible, as the Postal Laws are very strict in Canada. Mr. R. C Bach secured 16 of these stamps, and was selling them on his sheets, when his attention to their suspicious character was first called by Mr. Franklin Stearns, Jr, of Richmond, Va. Mr. Bach at once wrote the P. M. in St. Johns, whose reply is published above, and also offered to refund amounts paid on every stamp sold, and there is no person but who can say that Mr. Bach acted perfectly fair and square in this matter.

We have since received another letter from Mr. Fraser and we give it in part. "*New 3c. and 5c. may shortly be expected.*" "I am most anxious to receive all possible information *re* surcharged stamps, feeling assured that counterfeiting must be largely resorted to."

At R. C. Bach's First Auction Sale, closed March 30th, the following were some of the prices realized: U.S. 7c. Treasury mint state, $1 25; Argentine, 1864, 5, 10, 15c., perf., used, $2.00; Prince Edward Island, 1c. orange, used, $1.90, Netherlands, 1867, 50c. gold, and 1872, 20-50c., used, 40c.; Stockholm, brown and black, used, 75c.; Canada, new issue. 25, 5 and 8c., assorted, 40c.; 2000 Canada, old issue, 1-2-3, $2.00; 1 set Canada Jubilee, used, complete, $15.00. The total amount realized on the 35 lots in the sale was $90.94, a very satisfactory result. This sale was advertised only in the *Virginia Phil* and the result speaks well for its powers as an advertising medium.

Condemned Stamps.

By Rudolph C. Bach.

Under the heading of "condemned" stamps, we mean stamps condemned by the Society for the Suppression of Speculative Stamps, such as the Canada Jubilee, Newfoundland Cabot, Seebecks, and last, the Omaha Trans-Mississippi Exhibition stamps.

Now do those Philatelic Magazines and those dealers, that take such active part against these stamps, know that they are doing more harm to stamp-collecting in a month than a thousand Seebecks would in a year?

Those Stamp papers that publish the reports of the Society and publish articles against these stamps, only hurt their advertisers, for there are very few papers that do not contain an ad. of some of these stamps.

Now, why don't these papers shut up, and let the collector do as he pleases? Has a foreign society, that we know nothing about, except that they are trying to stop the sale of unnecessary stamps, the right to order American collectors what to collect and what not? No, a thousand times no. A collector can collect as he chooses.

To illustrate the harm that is being done to philately through the S.S.S S. cranks, I will relate the following true incident. A young man, pretty well off, living here in Montreal, was induced to commence stamp collecting. He soon became very much interested, subscribed to a lot of stamp papers, and spent quite a sum of money every week in purchasing stamps. Among others he bought complete sets of Honduras, Salvador and other Seebeck states. Just then some of the papers he had subscribed to, started a crusade against these stamps, and to cap the climax, on showing his collection to a number of collectors at a social meeting in his house, the opinion he heard added to what he had read about the Seebecks, made him so disgusted with collecting that now a valuable collection is lying idle in some cupboard, half a dozen good philatelic papers go into the waste paper basket every month, and last, but most important, the dealers lost the trade of one who would have spent a lot of money.

And then, every new pretty set is sure to interest some one in stamps. Take the Canada Jubilee and Newfoundland Cabots, for instance. I know several people who were interested in stamps through seeing these beautiful stamps in the store windows.

And take those papers who publish the S S S S. reports. They don't get paid for it, nor even get a letter of thanks; they publish them to fill up space. Of course, there are stamps that are really and wholly a fraud, but I am not defending them, but only Seebecks and other stamps that can be and have been used postally.

Let every collector refuse to subscribe to papers that hurt philately, and let every dealer refuse to advertise in a paper that goes against his goods and it will be a benefit to philately.

During the week of April 17, we had the pleasure of meeting Mr. C. A. Needham, of Hamilton, Ont., who was in town. Needless to say that Mr. N. was not without his little books full of big varieties.

Canada Jubilees have been in awful demand the last few days. A dealer in Montreal showed me a box of over 20,000 1, 2 and 3c. used Jubilees, and he was still offering to buy a large quantity at very good prices.

Mr. Dealer, don't forget to put us on your advertising list. A trial ad. is solicited and the results will convince you of our splendid advertising qualities.

Our first aim shall always be to please our readers in every respect. Suggestions cheerfully received.

We will exchange 1 inch ad. with all first class publications.

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I am very well pleased with the stamps you sent me for being the first subscriber, and wish the *Montreal Philatelist* every success.

Yours truly,

W. Russell Brown.

The Montreal Philatelist

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EDITORIAL.

We take pleasure to announce that we have secured second class mailing privileges.

The delay in mailing No. 1 was unavoidably caused by waiting for a reply from Ottawa about second class rates. In future the M. P. will be mailed promptly on the

Mr. J. M. Goodwillie, of Metcalfe, Ont. called on us, May 7, and we managed to "swap" some stamps.

We have received from Mr Dean a copy of Dean's Emblematic Chart of the British Empire. This chart is a splendid work of art Printed in 10 colours on heavy paper for framing. It contains the arms of every British colony, in the centre the British arms and in the corners, Africa, Australia, East India, West Indies It also has the pictures of British and Canadian Premiers. Statistics of the army and navy, railways, etc., etc This chart is sold at $2.50 retail large size, but we have made arrangements with Mr. Dean to supply them at $1 50 each Postage and registration, 10c. extra. Sent in tubes.

The Canadian Government spent $91 95 for stamps to carry to Great Britain letters underpaid, mailed by people who heard of the Postmaster-General's proclamation reducing the rate of postage to 3c., but who did not learn of the declaration withdrawing it.

Several philatelic papers, in articles about the Canadian Jubilee stamps, stated that they were available for postage a limited time only. Please allow us to correct this. While they are *not redeemable*, they are *always available for postage*, and the 3c. is still being largely used

Don't fail to enter our prize offer No. 2. Every 5th subscriber receives a rare stamp free.

The present issue Canadian stamps will very likely soon be withdrawn.

The new Newfoundland 3 and 5c. will be out soon.

The new 3c. Canada stamped envelope is a marked improvement over the last. The laws of Canada forbid our illustrating it.

The *Montreal Philatelist* and the *Virginia Philatelist*, the handsomest philatelic magazine, both one year for only 30c.

We are very pleased to see the attitude the *Virginia Philatelist* has taken in the matter of the Omaha Exhibition stamps and the protest of the dealers. That's right, let the collectors speak. Those stamps will be a benefit to philately, and will surely interest many non-collectors in stamps.

The Speculator's Philosophy.

"BY A SPECULATOR"

Take our advice and invest in Seebecks, they are the only clean thing on the market.

Entire envelopes are a nuisance, cut them out to shape, as they take up less room, and make a geometrical collection of ovals.

The best thing about an unscrupulous dealer is his conscience; it is the last thing that the devil attacks, so you see he his all right.

Do not pay a bloated bond holder of a dealer 10c. for a thousand hinges; 5c. worth of our glue will answer to paste in several thousand stamps.

One of our plain blank books is far better than an album and they are only 10c. each, when you get one filled, buy another.

When about to start a collection send to several dealers for approval selections, and use these. They do not expect you to return them. The first lot they always give away as a sample.

Speaking about garters is a dangerous subject, send us some of your English stamps and we'll put a watermarked garter on them free of charge.

Should the reader find fault with any of the above puns, he should not blame the author as he has to make a living.

OUR FIRST SUBSCRIBER.

Mr. W. Russell Brown, Port Arthur, Ont.

Other Prize Winners:

Canada Stamp Co.
O. E. Jacobson.

NOTE.—Owing to delay in mailing No. 1 of the *M. P*, it is naturally impossible to have answers at this date. Watch out for list of prize-winners next month. Send in your subscription now, and perhaps you will be one.

Items from New York.

BY MACK.

The complete victory over the U. S. Government in the periodical stamp seizure case has put all collectors and dealers in a jovial mood, and Judge Lacombe is spoken very highly of, but if the decision had been the reverse, oh, what a howl would be raised; the judge was incompetent, etc., but "all is well that ends well," and it is very poor policy for a government to to downtread us philatelists, when it turns around and issues commemorative stamps for the purpose of selling to us poor, despised collectors.

The war with Spain is now on, and many of our local collectors are itching for the fray. Probably when a cannon ball cuts a button off one of their comrade's shoes, they will wish they were home attending to their stamps. Apropos to this, the business at present is tranquil; although the local trade is rather slow, the mail business still continues to improve. This speaks well for those who advertise extensively.

In this city there are all told, just five local societies, all but one being located in lower part of the city; the exception being a society composed of German-speaking collectors. This latter society is located in the uptown part of the city called "Harlem" Many collectors are wondering why a society that makes no distinction between German and English cannot flourish in the same neighborhood. Being convention year, and as quite a few of our national society members reside in this part of the city, a place to entertain visiting collectors would be a great boon for such a society. It may seem strange to some why this notice is published in a Canadian paper, but as many of our brothers from British North America have signified their intention of attending these conventions, it may prove of interest to them: quite a few collectors have written me in regard to this matter, and I consider an answer in the philatelic press the proper way to reach all.

The *Metropolitan Philatelist* as a weekly is probably one of the best of its class issued. Of course, you can't judge from the first few issues, as later numbers may not be up to the standard. Local collectors are complaining that they are charged three times more than out-of-town collectors, and we don't get any more reading for the extra price.

DEUTSCHE SEITE.

Wir werden jeden Monat 2 bis 4 Seiten unseren deutschen Lesern widmen. Gutes Manuscript und Notizen immer willkommen.

Die Neu-Fundland Marken, 1c. auf 3c. Ueberdruck, sind vielfach nachgemacht worden, und man huete sich sie zu kaufen. In St. Johns, N.F. hat man mehrere Personen arretirt wegen Faelschung des Ueberdrucks. Wir koennen leider keine Illustration geben, da die Gesetze sehr streng dagegen sind.

Abonnirt auf den Montreal Philatelist.

Es heisst, dass die neuen Canada Marken bald ausser Cours genommen werden, und eine neue Serie ausgegeben wird. Der Hauptgrund dafuer ist, das man bei Nacht die verschiedene Werthe nicht unterscheiden kann Auch fuehrt man Klage darueber, dass keine Werthziffer auf den Marken ist, und so die Franzoesche Bevoelkerung der Provinz Quebec, die vielfach nicht English lesen kann sie nicht unterscheiden kann.

Die neuen Canada Couverts 3ct Roth sind rschienen und sind eine grosse Verbesserung ueber die letzte Ausgabe.

Man kann die 20c und 50c. Canada Jubilaeums Marken noch auf der Post kaufen.

Jetzt, wo Krieg zwischen America und Spanien erklaert ist, werden die Ver. Staaten zur Deckung der Kriegskosten wieder Stempel Marken fuer Wechsel, Bonds, Hypotheken, etc., ausgeben.

Spanien ist auch immer bereit, aus Briefmarken Sammlern Geld zu machen und koennen wir bald eine neue Ausgabe erwarten.

Deutsche Stempel Marken Sammler, welch einee guten Katalog von Canadischen Stempeln wuenschen, sollten sich "Hall's Catalogue of Canadian Revenue Stamps" anschaffen. Derselbe wird von uns fuer 75pfg versendet, oder wir geben den Montreal Philatelist fuer 1 Jahr und ein Exemplar des Katalogs fuer M. 2 25 per Post Mandat.

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Montreal Philatelist.

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Montreal Philatelist.

Schickt uns die addressen von befreundeten Sammlern Denselben werden wir dann eine Probenummer zusenden.

ACHTUNG.

Deutsche Briefmarken Sammler, welche reelle Correspondenz mit auslaendishen Sammlern und Haendlern, speziell in *Canada*. und den *Vereinigten Staaten* wollen, sollten auf den 'Montreal Philatelist' abonniren. Der Montreal Philatelist bietet ausgezeichnete Gelegenheit mit reellen Philatelisten in Verbindung zu treten. Abonnement jaehrlich Mark 2.— Praenumerando. Tausch Annoncen und kleine Notizen. 25 pfennig pro Zeile (7 worte).

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THE POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT OF CANADA.

BY R. C. BACH.

The Postal Report of the Dominion of Canada, for the year ended June 30. 1897 has just been published, and following I give some extracts of interest to collectors.

The total amount of stamps, etc., sold during the year ended June 30, 1897 was $ 4.232,700,88.

This amount was made up as follows:— $ 3,788,643,38 for regular issue and $ 444,057, 50 for Jubilee Stamps.

During the year, the following quantitits of the regular stamps (old issue) were issued.

½c	88,800
1c....	45.580 500
2c	12 804,300
3c....	82,398 200
5c	3,034 600
6c	376.850
8c.....	1,437,200
10c	243.650
15c	57,800
20c	55,950
50c.....	14.600
1c. Post Bands	368,700
1c. " Cards	23,672,500
2c. " "	58,900
1c. Letter Cards.....	155,850
2c. " "	140,250
3c. " "	207,300
1c. Stamped Envelopes	25,500
2c. " "	15,900
3c. " "	140,700

From above figures it seems most likely that the 6c., 15c and 50c. will be quite scarce used.

The report about the Jubilee Stamps, is, as the year closed June 30, 1897, and these stamps were on sale much longer after that date. incomplete.

Worthy of mention, however, is, that up to June 30, 1897, only 17,200 ½c. Jubilees had been sent out to the various Postmasters, out of 150,000 printed, only 34,000 of the 6c. out of 75.000, and only 5,830 each of the $1, $2, $3, $4 and $5, value out of 25,000 printed of each.

Only 200,000 of the eights were to have been printed but in reality, 240,000 were printed. Therefore 40,000 8 cent Jubilees were recalled and destroyed.

Dead Letter Branch.

Letters originating in Canada, returned as undelivered by the British Post Office 10,309

Letters originating in Canada, returned as undelivered by the United States 76,358

Letters originating in Canada, returned as undelivered by British Colonies and Foreign Countries 2392 Total 89,059.

Of these 1,018 were registered letters.

Dead letters, circulars, post cards, etc., returned from Candian Post Offices 690,995.

Dead letters found to contain value 14,701.

24 lettere containg old stamps were received during the year, of these 23 were delivered.

There are, in addition to Postmasters, 710 licensed stamp vendors in the Dominion.

There are 1415 letter boxes in use in Can.

The Klondike and Yukon district is at prsent supplied with monthly mails by the North-west Mounted Police.

DEATH OF MR. JOE F. BEARD.

Mr. Joe F. Beard, one of America's best known philatelists, died from appendicitis, at 8.15 a.m., May 6th.

His loss will be most felt amongst the stamp trade.

Our sincerest sympathy is with the bereaved family.

REVIEW.

We have been favored with copy of "Hall's Standard Catalogue of the Revenue Stamps of Canada," a most complete and neat little volume. No collector should be without one Price 15c from the publisher, W. K. Hall, Peterborough, or a copy of the Catalogue and the Montreal Philatelist, one year for 30c.

The "*Virginia Philatelist*" for May is as usual thoroughly up-to-date. It certainly beats all competitors in its claim as the handsomest philatelic magazine in America.

The "*Evergreen State Philatelist*" for April contains 16 pages and cover, and is full of interesting reading.

Philatelic Literature No. 5 turns up neat and clean and should be full of interest to literature collectors.

Philatelic West No. 3 appears in a very neat shape and we sincerely hope Bro. Brody will make a success of it.

The *Metropolitan Philatelist* appears as a weekly. This paper will be sold by dealers all over the country at 1c. yer copy. Cheap that. McKeel's out of it now.

We heartily congratulate Mr. Jewett on his splendid April special number of the *Weekly Era*. The *Era* is in our humble opinion the best weekly in America.

We have also received Philatelic Journal of Great Britain, R. F. Albrecht's Catalogue of Special Sale (5), The American Collector, The Stamp Collector's Journal (England), The Perforator, L'Annonce Philatelique, The Stamp Collector's Figaro, The Rocky Mountain Stamp, The Herald Exchange, Columbian Philatelist, Stamps (England), The Allegheny Philatelist, The Young American, Amateur Press, The Philatelic Advocate, "Die Post," (Germany.)

The Easter No. of the "*Philatelic Bulletin*" is a very creditable one.

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1.	U.S. Columbian, $1 unused	1
2.	" War Dept., unused, complete	10
3.	" Jenkins City Despatch, unused	30
4.	" Treasury, 7c. fine copy, "	1
5	" Navy, 15c., used, good copy	1
6.	Foreign, well assorted, cat. 1c. to 10c.	500
7.	Hanover, ½ groschen, black, used, (fine)	2
8.	Hanover, 3 groschen, brown, used, (fine)	2
9.	New Zealand, mixed, cat. 5c. to 50c. used	50
10.	Collection, U.S. and foreign, nicely mounted in International Album No 12. 1000 all different, and only good copies.	

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Von W.M. Waterbury, Ithaca, Mich., U.S.A.

No.	Ver. St. & A.	Anzahl von Marken.
1.	Ver St. $1 Columbus, ungebraucht	1
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4.	Ver. St., Treasury Dept., 7c., ungebraucht, (sehr gut)	1
5.	Ver. St., Navy Dept., 15c., gebraucht (gut)	1
6.	Gut Gemischte Auslaendische, catalog werth 1 bis 10c	500
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W. M. WATERBURY,
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W. Russell Brown, Port Arthur, Ont, Can.

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Rudolph C. Bach, 451 Sanguinet St., Montreal, Can.

CANADA REVENUES, to exchange for your duplicates, cataloguing not less than 5 cents each. Canada Revenue Catalogue, 36 pages and cover, only 15c. post free

W. KELSEY HALL, Peterboro, Ont

Exchange wanted. Send sheets and re-mine. H. WILSON, 688 Craig St. Montreal

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R. C. BACH,
451 Sanguinet St.
Montreal, Canada.

Exchange wanted.

T. A. LABOURIERE,
1877 St. Catherine St.
Montreal, Can.

Stamps bought.

Wanted for Cash.

Any one having Scott's Catalogue before 1880 for sale, will do well to write me.

G. A. HUNT, Woburn, Mass. U.S.A.

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We shall give prizes as follows to all sending 25c for 1 years subscription to the Montreal Philatelist, Canada's Premier Stamp Journal. Collectors residing in Montreal are barred from this competition.

To the **1st.** subscription received we will give free a set of **5** varieties of postage stamps catalogued at $ 5.00.

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Dating stamps, the best made, at lowest price.

Send for my prices when you need anything in my line.

G. W. DAWSON,
716 Craig St.,
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I want to buy all kinds of stamps cheap for cash. Common Continental Stamps wanted per 1000 or 5000.

Parties who can supply, 25, 50 or 100 variety packets, please send best terms.

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The War, and its Effects on Philately.

By RUDOLPH C. BACH.

That Philately will be affected, and largely affected too, by the war, even the most enthusiastic collectors will admit How many young men will lay aside album, and take up arms in the nation's defence? There are many, and not only private collectors, but dealers also. In Boston one dealer has shut up shop and is now stationed in Fort Warren with his regiment. Probably he has fond dreams of great "finds" of immense quantities of Cuban Stamps in the near future I hope they will be realized. The question arises, will the war injure Philately? No, I don't think so. While the stamp business may be slack and money scarce, still the proposed issue of U. S. Revenues will surely add more collectors to the ranks, and then, now is the chance for the bargain hunter. Stamps are cheaper now, and collectors can fill their blank spaces more easily, and much cheaper than if it were peace. I noticed in several American stamp papers that there was a great demand for the stamps of Cuba, Phillipine Islands, and *Spain*. Now, while I can readily understand a good brisk demand for Cuban and other Spanish colonial stamps, which may soon be obsolete, it puzzles me to hear people demanding Spanish stamps It is not patriotic. As enemies of the nation, Spain and everything Spanish should be "sat upon." There is not the remotest possibility of Spanish stamps rising in price on account of the war. The Spanish government is placing thousands of remainders on the market to raise money, and if the American collectors buy them, they are only giving Spanish dealers the profits and filling the coffers of the enemy without any gain to themselves.

In one way the war has probably benefitted Philately We hear that the Spanish fleet is locked in at Santiago de Cuba, by Admiral Schley's fleet. Perhaps those Spaniards are studying their stamps and discovering new varieties in U. S. grilled, capped 2c 1890. etc., to pass the time (he'll probably be pretty well "grilled all over" himself by the time this reaches our readers.) Most naval officers in every country are stamp collectors anyway.

Revenue Department.

Recognizing the fact that revenues, especially U. S and Canadian revenues, are now very much collected we shall, in this column give every month items of interest to revenue collectors.

This column will be conducted by Mr. R. C Bach who has a large and valuable collection of foreign revenues. This column is open to our readers, and we will gladly publish any notes of interest to revenue collectors that may be sent in.

Canadian revenues are how experiencing a most healthy boom. Never before was there such a demand for Canadian revenues as there is now. Prices are going up, and those who get their complete sets early will have reason to congratulate themselves in a few years.

One of the finest collections of Canadian Revenues I ever saw is owned by the Rev. Father Carriere, of St. Laurent College, near Montreal. Mr. A. E. Labelle, of Montreal, has one of the largest stocks of Canadian Revenues in America. Mr C A. Needham also is in it. I had the pleasure to see some of Mr. Needham's gems, when he was in Montreal last April, and such beauties. Good collections of Canadian Revenues are also owned by Mr Stanton, Mr. E. F. Wurtle, Mr. W. Patterson, and others.

Indian Revenues, once they are known will surely be popular, for a prettier lot of stamps I never saw, than a lot I received this week. There is a beautiful set of the Province of Berar, large stamps, 40 by 60 millimetres. In the centre in a circle is the Queen's head, inscribed on the circle is "Government of India" above and "Berar" below. Value on top, in Annnas and Rupees. The whole stamp is a splendid Arabic design and a border of heavy dashes surrounds the whole stamp, which is perforated 16. I have only seen 8 varieties, from 2 annas to 5 Rupees Porbandar State has a stamp which consists of a large double circle, Porbandar State above, Hundi below, inside Rs.— As—, and below Administrator, the whole impressed with a rubber stamp in native paper. The ones I have are used, the values being filled in and the administrators name signed, with more or less Arabic writing on each stamp. This is apparently a law stamp Another freak is this Travancore stamp, oval in shape, 1¾ inches across, in centre a blue disc, with an elephants head in white, above in a small blue circle the denomination in words, on both sides small blue labels, with Arabic below, value in figures, also a blue label, the whole forms a very artistic design, in a dull red, surmounted by a band, having in white "Travancore Hundi," above. Arabic writing below. A queer customer from Bhore confronts us next, nothing but Arabic appears in this stamp, except a small red surcharge in violet "Revenue," on the back of the stamp which is black, and crudly printed on native paper. A stamp for a place called Rajkote, in light blue, is perfectly square, 1¾ inch each way, a white

border surmounts the stamp with ornaments in each corner, above "Rajkote," at the left side "One Anna," on the right side Arabic's, what was on the bottom I couldn't tell, for on the specimen I have this is partly cut away. The inside of the square is a network in which are the initials R. S. entwined. If you are looking for mysterious, interesting and pretty stamps combined just take the Indian Revenues.

Next month we shall bring a continuation of Indian Revenue stamps, also an article on the revenue stamps of Ceylon and Straits Settlements Articles in preparation, on the English Railway stamps and Australian Revenues.

A Special Delivery Stamp for Canada.

A special Delivery Stamp will be issued on or about July 1st. I have been unable to find out the color but it will probably be red. Value 10 cents.

With Our Advertisers.

We call your attention to Mr. C. A. Needham's ad. in this No. Canadian Revenues are now much in demand and collectors should embrace the opportunity to get complete sets so cheap. But if you want anything in postage stamps don't fail to write Mr. Needham.

Don't miss Clark W. Brown's ad.

The Zenith City Stamp Co's ad. is well worth reading. You surely want the Omaha stamps.

The Toledo Stamp Co. advertises some genuine bargains in this No. Write them.

Be sure and read the ads. in the exchange column, it might be of immense benefit to you.

You will be doing us a big favor if you mention the *Montreal Philatelist* when answering advertisements.

A Mail Curiosity.

Curiosities in the way of mail matter are not infrequent and the manner in which strangely addressed letters will find their destinations is often remarkable. A recent instance is that of Messrs. Abbott & Co., of the Rolling Mills. A letter sent them by Nicolas Giavassopoulo, Athens, was addressed as follows; "Monsieur Mr. Abbott & Cie., Fabrique de clous 219 Delorimier av., Canada, Grande Bretagne." The letter reached the firm all right. —*Montreal Star.*

A copy of the greatest rarity, the 2d. Mauritius, has been found among some old papers, on the island itself. The lucky finder wants the small sum of 1,500 pounds sterling, or $7,350 for it.

S. E. L.—The Boston correspondent of the "Weekly Era," takes exception to our article on the Newfoundland Provisional. In it the writer says, "It is quite evident that the Postmaster of St. John's is not fully posted on the workings of his office. A great many entire sheets were bought direct from the post office,

and of the many hundreds of the stamps sold in Boston, I have never seen or heard of one of them being forgeries. The Boston dealers are fully competent to tell whether they are handling forged stamps or the original" That the P. M. of St. John's is not fully posted on his office is rather unlikely. Mr. Fraser, the P. M. has held his office not only for a long time, but also through the political changes that have taken place in Newfoundland a short time ago. As to whether entire sheets were sold to dealers, that may have been, but in direct contradiction to the Era's correspondent I have the letter written to me, in Mr. Fraser's handwriting, which was published in the Montreal Philatelist last month. That E. S. L. never saw a counterfeit surcharge, might be, as a dealer is not likely to run and show it to him. We know for a fact, that a collector in Montreal received two copies from a Boston dealer, which proved to be well executed. To the credit of the dealer it must be said that it was himself who notified the purchaser of their being forgeries, and returned the amount at once. The stamps were so well executed that the collector, who by the way, is no novice, did not know anything was wrong until he was notified. While all the large firms in Boston could tell forgeries from originals, is Mr. S. E. L. so sure that every dealer in Boston can? Perhaps not.

Just as we go to press we receive the June number of the prettiest stamp magazine in America, you know its the "Virginia Philatelist," A better number we never saw. Among its contents are "Barbadoes" an ably written article on this colony.

Prize Winners.

Winners in competition 1, too late for competition No. 2.

W. Kelsey Hall.

C. W. Brown.

Winners in competition, No. 2.

1st prize—H. E. Deats, Flemington, N. J., who receives stamps catalogued at $5. Another list of winners next month.

Letters from Prize Winners.

Boulder, Colo., May 12, 1898.

DEAR SIR.—I duly received stamps won by me in your subscription contest, and am very well pleased with them. I wish the M. P. every success.

Yours truly,
O. E. JACOBSEN.

Peterborough, May 13, 1898.

DEAR SIR.—Thanks for yours enclosing the British Guiana stamp captured by me as one of the prizes offered by the M. P. I think Canadian Philatelists should "rally round the flag" and support you in every way possible.

Faithfully yours,
W. KELSEY HALL.

Syracuse, May 16, 1898,

DEAR SIR,—I thank you for the prize stamps, neither of which I had in my collection of 3,500 varieties.

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EDITORIAL.

While we do not claim to have as large a subscription list as some of our contemporaries we are receiving subscriptions in a way that is very satisfactory to us.

How did you like our No. 2 wasn't it an improvement on No. 1.

Our next number will be a special Canadian Edition. Every collector and dealer in Canada whose address we possess will receive a copy. Dealers don't fail to send in your ad.

I have seen a 10 sh. £1 and £5 Cape of Good Hope Revenues and three 5s. and six 10s. Transvaal Revenues on the back of one draft.

Have you read Alfred Smith & Son's ad. in this number. It will pay you to write them. We have had the pleasure of seeing the "Rowland Hill" Packet some time ago, and it was a beauty, 14,00 different stamps, catalogued at $55.00 for $15.00, should be cheap enough for anybody.

See our new premium offer in this number. We want 2,000 subscribers by August 1st, and will give to every one that sends us 25c for a year's subscription and a stamped envelope a packet of stamps catalogued 50c free.

We are pleased to see in the Perforator that Mr. Knight has secured 2nd class rates for his *Philatelic Messenger*. Although we have sent Mr. Knight 2 copies of both No. 1 and No. 2 of the M. P, we haven't seen the "Messenger" yet.

The Columbian Philatelist for March shows the truth of our article "Condemned Stamps" in No 2, in a forcible way. On one page the C. P. denounces the Jubilees. the writer calling all those who paid more than 20c for a ½c. jubilee stamp fools, and among the advertising is the ad. of a Toronto dealer who advertises them for 35c which is cheap. That is the way some papers help their advertisers.

Important Notice.

We beg to announce that our next (No. 4), will be a grand Canadian edition with a guaranteed circulation of 2,000 copies. This edition will be mailed promptly on Aug. 1st 1898.

We will mail a copy to every Canadian dealer and collector whose address we possess.

Now this is a grand opportunity for dealers to reach Canadian collectors. No such a chance has been tffered for a long time. As we have addresses of many collectors, who have seldom, if ever, seen a stamp paper, advertisers will reap a golden harvest. Our ad rates remain the same, the cheapest for a circulation of 2,000.

If you are an up-to-date dealer, if you are awake to your interests, you will try an ad. with us. A dollar ad. m y bring you in $25 and regular customers.

The proof of the pudding is in the eating. Just notice. our advertisers, who advertised in No. 1, are, with a few exceptions, still with us. Take Mr. Clark W. Brown, for instance, Mr. Brown who is well known throughout the country, as one of our most reliable dealers, had a two inch ad. in our No. 1. In this number he has a half page ad. And Mr. A. T. Labouriere had such good results that he has contracted for regular space, so also has Mr. G. W. Dawson, and that popular firm, the Zenith City Stamp Company, who had an ad. in our last number, have now contracted for regular space.

These facts speak for themselves. Mr. dealer if you want to be in the swim send us an ad. One trial will convince you. Ads. must reach us on or betore July 20th to insure insertion.

Canadian dealers be represented in our "Canadian No." and send us an ad. Read what Mr. Kelsey Hall of Peterborough, Ontario, says, "I think Canadians should "rally round the flag" and support you in every way possible." Help us to get up the best Canadian number of any stamp paper that has ever been sent out. Let us show our cousins across the line what we can do.

REVIEW.

We have received the *Perforator* for May. A very good number, both in size and quality. The ad. rates will be raised June 1st. Mr. Widdicombe, in his St. Catherine notes, informs the public that nothing had been seen of the *Montreal Philatelist* up to April 27th. While both in Hamilton and Toronto notes, receipt of the M. P. is acknowledged.

The Revenue Philatelist No. 2 comes to hand and while larger than before is quite up to the standard. This paper should be mailed flat, rolling it up tight spoils the plate supplement.

We have received a copy of the constitution of the Manhattan Philatelic Society.

We have received price list from M. C. Berlepsch, American Collectors Company, W. L. Dunbar & Co., W. F. Gregory, Chas. O. Barker, J. W. Wood, & Co., (England), who have our thanks therefore.

The *Columbian Philatelist* for April just received and is a very good number. Keep it up.

We have also received. From Canada— *Ontario Philatelist, Philatelic Advocate*, Boys Own Philatelist.

From the U.S.—*Herald Exchange, Metropolitan Phil., N. Y. Phil., Columbian Phil., Amateur Press, Amateur Record., Youths Realm, Stamp Collectors Figaro, The Little Wave, Eastern Philatelist' Weekly Era, American Collector, Rocky Mountain Stamp.*

From England—*Philatelic Monthly and Advertiser, Annual Report of the Birmingham Philatelic Society Stamps, P. J. G. B. Advertiser.*

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Exchange desired in any country. Any one sending from 25 to 100 stamps receives equal value in cards or envelopes. Herm. Gremmele, 102 W. 2nd St., Muscatine, Iowa, U. S. A.

I want revenues of any British Colony. If you have any, write me, or better still, send me some. I'll give good exchange in Canadian or Foreign Postage or Revenue. R. C. Bach, 451 Sanguinet St., Montreal, Can.

Exchange wanted. Send sheets and receive mine. H. Wilson, 688 Craig St. Montreal.

Wanted for cash. New or used Canadian Postal Cards. 2 cts. and 1 ct. x 1 ct. V. Ruggeri, Long Point, Que. Can.

Exchange Wanted. Good stamps only. Revenues of all kinds wanted in any quantity. R. C. Bach, 451 Sanguinet st., Montreal Canada.

DEUTSCHE SEITE.

Eilbrief Marke fuer Canada.

Am 1 Juli soll eine neue Briefmarke, fuer Eilsendungen bestimmt, ausgegeben werden.

Werth 10 Cents. Betreffs der Farbe ist noch nicht bestimmt entschieden worden, wahrscheinlich wird es roth sein.

Canadische Ansichts Karten

Nachdem vom General Postmeister die Ausgabe von Canadischen Ansichts Karten endlich gestattet wird, sind jetzt schon eine Anzahl erschienen, darunter gefaellige Dessins. Die beste Montrealer Karte, di uns bis jetzt zu Gesicht gekommen ist, zeigt 3 Ansichten unserer Stadt; Die Notre Dame Kirche, Ansicht der Stadt und das Denkmal von Sir John Macdonald, und ist recht huebsch in Blau Violett und Orange gedruckt. Eine andere Karte zeigt die Flaggen von England und Amerika, unter ihnen, sitzen in Columbia und Britannia an der Seite de Loewen und Adlers friedlich vereint die Anglo-Saxon Allianz soll damit verkuendet werden.

Die neuen, d. h. die allerneusten Canada Marken, ueber welche in den letzten Wochen so viel geschrieben ist, sind noch nicht erschienen.

Sammler thun indessen gut, sich von der jetzigen, Emission einige Saetze bei Zeiten zu sichern, da sie jedenfalls nach der Ausgabe der neuen Marken bald rar werden duerften, Amerikanische Haendler haben sich bereits grosse Vorraethe davon eingelegt, die Montrealer Post Office allein verkaufte in einer Woche mehr wie 1,000 Saetze sowie 50,000 half cent Marken nach ausserhalb.

Unsere naechste Nummer.

(No. 4.) wird eine speciell *Canadische* Ausgabe werden. Wir versenden dieselbe an jeden Sammler und Haendler, dessen Addresse wir besitzen. Dies ist eine ausgezeichnete gelegenheit fuer deutsche Sammler und Haendler mit ihren Canadischen Collegen in Verbindung zu treten. Annoncen sollten nicht spaeter als den 20 Juli hier eintreffen.

Klondike und das Canadische Gebiet in Alaska erhaelt allmonatlich Post, deren Vertheilung die Nord Westliche berittene Polizei ueberno nmen hat.

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ACHTUNG.

Deutsche Briefmarken Sammler, welche reelle Correspondenz mit auslaendishen Sammlern und Haendlern, speziell in *Canada* und den *Verengten Staaten* wollen, sollten auf den "Montreal Philatelist" abonniren. Der Montreal Philatelist bietet ausgezeichnete Gelegenheit mit reellen Philatelisten in Verbindung zu treten. Abonnement jaehrlich Mark 2.— Praenumerando. Tausch Annoncen und kleine Notizen, 25 pfennig pro Zeile (7 worte).

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The Two Cent Navy Error

By "Zura."

In the first place, is this a Navy error? Some authorities say yes and others no.

For my part I should say no; it is, more correctly speaking, a State Department error, and should be listed as such—*i. e.*, two cent State green, spelt Navy instead of State.

It seems that the two cent value of the State Department giving out, a demand was made on the engravers for another supply for immediate use.

The set of two cent State plates becoming mislaid, the two cent Navy plates were used and printed in green, to correspond with the color of the State Department stamps, which was green. In the meantime the two cent State plates having turned up and a supply having been printed from them, those printed from the Navy plates in green were destroyed, a few sheets, however, being saved as a curiosity, and it is these that are the genuine error now in existence.

This is the explanation given by an old philatelic journal, on good authority, and seems to be a plausible explanation.

J. W. Scott, in the "American Journal of Philately," in 1888 lists it as a State Department error, and not a Navy error, though of late years it is listed by them as a Navy error.

But there are other two cent Navy errors, and these are what the collector should look out for.

First, the two cent Navy green error, which is no more nor less than some of the trial cardboard sheets of the two cent Navy Department in green. (The Department stamps were printed in various trial colors on cardboard, and these have come into the possession of various parties, some not so honest as might be expected.) These are worn down by means of pumice stone and acids to a thin paper (so-called), and are then perforated, and it is the perforation that gives them away. The regular Government error is perforated twelve, while the doctored specimens are either ten or eleven.

The second two cent green Navy error is more deceiving to the average collector, and, when carefully made, often deceives an expert. They are the genuine two cent blue Navy Department stamp, chemically treated so as to change the blue ink into an intense green, exactly like the color of the State Department stamps, and can only be distinguished by means of an acute eye or powerful lens.

The ink of the genuine has a hard, shining appearance, while the doctored article has a dead and rough appearance, similar to a lithograph, and in most cases the paper has the surface colored a very light green tint.

A Lucky Find.

Mr. Rudolph C. Bach, editor of this paper, made a bicycle trip to St. Albans, Vermont, U. S. A., on July 1st, returning back July 3rd.

Of course, all the country post offices were visited and at St. Alexandre, Que., the search was rewarded. Twenty-six half-cent jubilees were bought at face.

At St. Albans, some of the U. S. surcharged stamps were bought, but the Omaha's were not on sale there then.

The trip was very enjoyable, the weather being fine throughout, and the roads mostly very good, particularly so in Vermont State.

Imperial Penny Postage.

THE IMPERIAL POSTAL CONFERENCE DECIDES ON A TWO CENT LETTER RATE

Between the United Kingdom, Canada, Newfoundland, Cape Colony and Natal — Date of Initiation Not Fixed,

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The date for initiating the new rate has not yet been fixed.

Stray Items.

BY RUDOLPH C. BACH.

It really appears as if Canada had gone into the stamp business. We are getting enough varieties in a month to last five years. Well, we're only making up for lost time.

It is held that under the new U. S. war tax law, a doctor's certificate of a patient's death must bear a ten cent stamp. This is following a man a long way.

Grenada has gone stamp jobbing too. A 3d. Jubilee stamp is out to commemorate Columbus' landing. Poor Kit, you've got to do for a pretext once more.

That the Yankees are smart goes without saying, but in the stamp business, Spain seems to be a bit ahead. They have a nice stamp out which is sold to collectors and dealers, and plastered on post cards, etc., just for money. On the bottom of the stamp, in an engraved space, is the name of a city. Every city has its own name in, and they sell like hot cakes. Patriotic crowd! But it's a great scheme all the same.

I'd like to meet the galoot in the Milwaukee P. O. who evidently cancels the letters with his feet, and probably uses a shovel to put ink on. He spoilt a strip of three nice 8 cent Omaha stamps, the first I got.

I wonder how our cousins across the line will feel when they will have to pay three cents letter postage. You've admired our Canadian system so long, now it's your turn.

Important to Non-Collectors.

I am sending copies of this number of the MONTREAL PHILATELIST to many of my friends, in the hope that they may become interested in stamps. There is no other hobby, from which you can derive as much benefit, pleasure and profit, as stamp collecting. I sincerely hope that you will become interested in stamps, and find out for yourself the pleasure derived therefrom. I shall always be pleased to answer any questions and give all information possible, to those desiring to start collecting.

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Editorial.

We have changed printers. We were not satisfied with the way the MONTREAL PHILATELIST Nos. 1, 2 and 3 were turned out. We claim to be Canada's best stamp paper, and we'll prove it too, by (1) quality of reading and ads.; (2) Typography; (3) Results our advertisers get.

The M. P. is now printed by Mr. Joseph Fortier, one of the best printing houses in Montreal, and we feel assured, that we now can justly claim to be "The Best."

July has been a dull month, but stamps are picking up and a general revival is expected in September.

About our Revenue Department, read the notice on back cover.

We thank the Hawkeye Stamp Co. for sending us the first set of Omaha's.
Also Mr. M. B. Page for sheet Omaha's and plate number 592.

See our special offer. Subscription reduced to 15 cents for this month only, and every tenth subscriber receives a half-cent jubilee, mint state, free.

Then, dealers, don't miss reading the coupon on page 9. You'll be pleased with the present, sure.

Our new special delivery looks neat enough.

It is said that Canada is to have an entire new set of stamps soon, owing to the unfavorable comment on the figure in the corner failure.

Canada breaks the record.
From June 15, 1897 to June 15. 1898, we had 26 new stamps, 1 envelope, 5 cards, 3 letter cards. Total 35, and 6 more since. Grand total 41.

Mr. Palmer, the deputy Post Master of Montreal leaves shortly on a 3 months' trip to Germany, France, England, etc., to inspect the Post Office systems in use there. We wish him an enjoyable trip. Mr. Eckhardt will represent Mr. Palmer during his absence.

Berlin (Germany,) Notes.

(*From our own correspondent*).

Translated :

A remarkable case came to public notice lately. A widow, living on K. St., was in debt for about 100 marks. A judgment was issued against her, and a bailiff sent to execute same. The bailiff, entering the house, proceeded to examine a large bureau, which stood in a corner of the room. On opening same to examine its contents, what was his surprise to come across two packages of old letters. Being something of a stamp man himself, he saw that the stamps on the letters were rarities of the first degree. He accompanied the widow to a stamp dealer, and there the stamps were sold for over 5,000 marks. Amongst the stamps were: Saxony, 3 pf. red block of 6, lightly cancelled; Wurtemberg, 14-18 kr. violet, and 6-18 kr. blue, Prussia, the rare provisional envelopes, etc. The find has created a sensation. The dealer afterwards sold less than half the stamps to a prominent specialist for 8,000 marks.

Stamp trade is active here; good stamps fetch good prices.

Your paper, the MONTREAL PHILATELIST, was well received here, as you will see by the number of subscriptions I enclose.

Souvenir cards are all the rage, people are collecting them now in great style. We got some nice Montreal and Toronto ones the other day.—F. J. C.

We have also received the following communication from one of our German subscribers :—

Breslau, June 10, 1898.

Tear Mister Editter,

I was vant to write mit you. I vants me to let you know dat some tealers und collectors was have a teifel of a gall. Dey vants de earth und the moon, mit a railway between them. Von of your Chicago tealers was write me und say'd if I was sent him a lot of Oldenburg and Holstein, etc., he vould sent me some 2 cent Columbians, und annodder was write mit me from Toronto, und he was sent me 100 Kanada, 1, 2 und 3 cent, und he was say to me: "If you sent me some Brunswick, Mecklenburg, Prussia, etc., I will give you dis lot of very rare Kanada." Dat vas a gall. I don' want no 2 cent Columbians or 3 cent Kanadas. I vas got enough to fill one vash tub full alretty.

Yours druly.

W. K.....

N. B.—You will please excuse mein Englisch.

Our worthy friend probably got on to some American slang and with the aid of a dictionary wrote this letter. We are going to have the original framed. As far as his remarks go, they speak the truth. Some collectors seem to think that U. S. and Canadian stamps must be great rarities on the other side. Quite the opposite. Send them good stamps, and then you can expect good stamps in return, but don't ask a foreign dealer to send you a ten dollar stamp in exchange for a 2 cent Columbiam or a 3 cent Canada. You might be disappointed.

A New Postmark.

A new post mark is now used in Canada. I saw one on an Ottawa letter July 15. It consists of 5 heavy horizontal bars, in the centre is the word *Canada*. The name of the city is in a circle at the left.

The system of selling stamps at auction was first inaugurated in London in 1872.

With our Advertisers.

We take great pleasure in presenting our readers this month with as good a lot of advertisements, as stand second to none in any Canadian Paper. We might say, that all of our advertisers are reliable, and we shall do our utmost in only presenting reliable ads. With this aim in view, we invite all of our readers, to let us know promptly of any unreliability on the part of our advertisers.

HALL'S the man that's got the right stuff. His packet of Canadian Revenues is truly a thing of beauty and a joy forever. But don't fail to write him for postage stamps, he's got a fine stock of them too.

Omaha's, are the rage now, Get them while you can. **HAWKEYE STAMP CO.** furnish them in mint state.

Please mention the MONTREAL PHILATELIST when answering advertisements. It helps us.

HERMAN LECHNER'S ad. will greet our readers for the next 12 months. His ad. is a good one. Read it and write him.

W. R. ADAMS, Toronto's most popular dealer, will have something of interest each month. Just read his ad. It tells the story.

BEGINNERS, WHATLEY is your man. For the right stamps at right prices, just write Mr. F. Whatley, jr., and you'll be satisfied.

WICK'S List takes the cake. Write A. F. Wicks, London, Ont., and see his bargain offers.

ZENITH CITY STAMP CO. is here again, with an unusual bargain, regular Klondike.

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A fine packet of Canadian stamps is offered by **W. WILSON**, of Longueuil, Que. It's a whopper. If you want the new special delivery, write him.

Canadian Jubilee's cheap. Here's your chance. Write **JUBILEE STAMP CO.**, Smith's Falls, Ont.

Page for Postal Cards. **MOSES B. PAGE** wants used cards. Can you accommodate him ?

More Prize-Winners.

In addition to those published in our last number, the following have each been sent a stamp catalogueing 75c., which is given free to every 5th subscriber.

M. H. THOMPSON.
J. P. MCCONNELL,
MRS. L. H. MCILREE,
F. J. BROWN,
H. HARDY.
W. W. MURDOCH.
WILLIAM POWERS,
THOS. O'CONNOR.

We have also received quite a number of congratulatory letters, for which we heartily thank the writers.

Subscribe now; we are offering better prizes to subscribers, than any other paper. You may secure a ½c. Jubilee free.

Subscribe now, before you forget it.

The *Virginia Philatelist* and the MONTREAL PHILATELIST both one year for only 30c.

New York Letter.

BY MACK.

The Omaha Exposition stamps have at last been issued and all the large post offices will be supplied ere this is in print. The one cent green is a beautiful shade, but some fault can be found in the engraving, or perhaps its the poor quality of the paper used. The entire set make a beautiful appearance, the four cent value especially. It is claimed that the stamps will be issued only for six months; that is, none will be printed after that time, and the plates will be destroyed, and not held over like our Columbian issue.

I also note that the new Revenue stamps are in the hands of the public. At the present it is very unlikely whether private medicine companies will have stamps of original designs, like the private match and medicine stamps of the civil war taxation. The designs of the new revenue are said not to be lacking in beauty. We have some odd values in medicine stamps, ⅛-cent. and ⅝-cent. being two of the new values. The two cent stamp for documents will be dull red and the proprietory stamps light green. Checks with the stamp imprinted thereon, will also be issued.

The Government has decided not to appeal the decision rendered against them in the periodical stamps case. They have come to the conclusion that their evidence is not strong enough to reverse the present decision; the Post Office authorities say the newspaper stamps will be done away with in the near future as the present bookkeeping methods are to be changed, and the newspaper stamps are to be entirely dispensed with.

Hamilton Notes

The new issue is now in full blast and the former issue is fast disappearing.

The D. P. S. Convention held in Hamilton, July 1st and 2nd was a huge success. Nearly 40 outside members were present. ——

The "Omaha" issue is now commencing to appear thick and fast. The 2 cent value especially could stand improvements, ——

Mr. C. A. Needham of this city, possesses a mint copy of the 12d. black Canada. ——

Hamilton is a great philatelic centre. There are in the neighborhood of 500 active collectors and about 7 prominent dealers. ——

At the recent D. P. A. Convention a resolution was passed to favor the release of J. R. Hooper, a one-time ardent philatelist, from the Kingston Penitentiary.

Modern War News

The Billville cruiser sunk a ship—
A ship the Spaniards cherished;
We saw her saffron colors dip,
And all hands perished;

A later special comes to hand;
No ship was sunk or taken;
No ship was even sighted, and
We were mistaken!

Ten thousand troops were landed safe,
The foe at once engaging;
You bet they'll make the Spaniards
A battle fierce is raging! [chafe!

A later telegram explains:
(This war news makes us tired!)
No troops set foot on hills or plain,
And not a gun was fired!—*Ex.*

A British dealer has bought up from the Colonial Government all the remainders of Dominican Revenue stamps. He now advertises the 1-d. violet Dominica postage, surcharged "Revenue," which is catalogued at $1.00 by Scott, for 6 d., (12 cents).

Review

Owing to the fact that there were one month and a half between the issue of our Nos. 3 and 4, (due to changing the date of publication,) our Review is much larger than usual this month.

"The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain" for June is a really fine number. A good report of the Italian Philatelic Exhibition at Turin shows that our brethren in the land of macaroni have got some good stuff; for instance, 6 copies Tuscany 3 lire, 12 copies Tuscany 60 crazie, 49 copies Tuscany 2 soldi, British Columbia $1.00, perf. 12½, and several New Brunswick and Nova Scotia shillings.

"Le Timbrophile Belge" for June is also a good number. It illustrates the Victoria ld. and 2½d. hospital stamps, also the new British Central Africa ld. on 3 shillings. An interesting article on Congo stamps is now running in this paper.

"Stamps," of Rushden, England, is very interesting. Particularly so the article on Ceylon Revenues. The Revenue Department is quite a feature.

"The Michigan Philatelist" is a newcomer. Its No. 1 is quite a neat little affair. We wish it every success.

Lewis Robie's "Vest Pocket Catalogue of Can. Revenues" is a handy little book. Only a dime each.

The Hub Stamp Company have sent us a copy of their "Catalogue of U. S. Letter Sheets," a neat and useful little book, which sells for 10 cents per copy.

The "Virginia Philatelist," as usual, is the best paper received this month. The "V. P." is truly the best printed and prettiest paper in America, and under Mr. Dietz's able editorship will surely remain so.

The "Philatelic Advocate" has again been elected as official organ of the D. P. A. They evidently don't like our claim as "Canada's Best," but we don't go by their opinion. Let the public decide. Next year we shall try for the D. P. A. organship; we were asked to by four members this year, but did not run, as the time was too short.

The "Ontario Philatelist" presents a very good number, but if some of the reading matter were of interest it would improve it. The leading feature is a well conducted press review by Mr. F. J. Garraty.

The "Stamp Reporter" seems to be getting along all right. Looks neat, anyway.

"Edward's Philatelic Press List" for July is a very handy affair.

The "Weekly Philatelic Era" is a welcome visitor. The "Era" is, alway's was, and, we hope, will always continue to be the best weekly published.

"Rocky Mountain Stamp" for April arrives July 11th. Will now be published by W. Hammond, Palmyra, N. Y.

Hello, Oregon!

The "American Collector" for May also reaches us July 11th, with nothing much of interest in it.

We have received.

From Canada.—"Canadian Philatelic Annual," "Ontario Ph.," "Stamp Reporter," "Philatelic Advocate."

From U. S.—"Virginia Ph.," "Post Office," "Era," (weekly), "Herald Exchange," "N. Y. Phil.," "Ph. West." "Youths' Realm," "Stamp Collector's Gazette," "Ph. Literature," "Columbian Phil.," "Perforator," "Fillatelic Facts and Fallacies."

Chronicle

CANADA.

Since our last issue a regular flood of new issues has appeared.

Special Delivery.—A 10c. stamp as appeared, dark green. This stamp is finely executed and presents a neat appearance. I am informed that quite a few are sold at the P. O.

Stamps.—The 1c. and 3c. have appeared with numerals in lower corners. They are not benefitted by the change' and it is rumored that an entirely new set is in preparation. This rumor is credited by some, who point out that no 15c., 20c. or 50c. stamps were issued with the new set.

Postal Cards.—The new 1c. reply card has appeared, and it is badly printed on bad paper.

1c. x 1c. black.

The color of the 2c. card has been changed from vermillion to dark blue. This card is the prettiest card I have seen for some time.

Wrappers.— The new 1c. wrapper has appeared. The color is changed from black in the old 1890 series to green. Several varieties of paper.

1c. green on light straw.
1c. " " dark manilla.
1c. " " buff.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

The color of the one cent has been changed to green. The one cent rose is a desirable stamp now.

I have it on good authority that the new three cent and five cent are now at St. John's, and will be issued as soon as the old issues are sold out. The color of the three cent, it is said, will be red, to conform with the universal postal rules.

As for the Cadiz fleet, it will likely be kept at home to guard itself.—"Detroit News."

UNITED STATES.

How the mighty have fallen! Surcharges and freaks innumerable are the features of the new War Revenue.

Stamps—Straits Settlements and Tonga outdone. Through the kindness of the Zenith City Stamp Co., we received the one cent and two cent postage surcharged I. R.

We also managed to get some used here off some drafts. We have seen the new two cent rose and ten cent black-brown revenue (Battleship) rouletted, also the one cent surcharge upside down, and two cent surcharged sideways.

The "Weekly Era" reports the high values of newspaper stamps used for revenues,

Postage, surcharged I. R. (Internal Revenue).

One cent, red on green.

Two cent, blue on carmine.

Through the courtesy of the Hawkeye Stamp Co., Des Moines, Iowa, we received a set of the Omaha's. We think them very pretty and they will certainly help on stamp collecting.

Clippings

FROM THE NON-PHILATELIC PRESS.

It is announced from Ottawa that there is to be another issue of postage stamps immediately—the third within two years. Evidently Mr. Mulock has learned from "Commissioner" Sheppard how the republics of Central America conduct the business of making and selling postage stamps, and has determined to imitate them, for only the most indecent of governments keep changing the issues of postage stamps as rapidly as I, William Mulock. —"Evening Mail," June 28.

Boston no longer fears an invasion by the Spaniards. Charlotte Smith has been induced to stay in town all summer and a ferryboat has been armed.—"Chicago Times-Herald."

DEALERS,

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"W. RUSSELL BROWN."

All our advertisers are satisfied with result of their ads. Now, try an ad in our next number, out September 5th, just in time to catch reviving trade. Remember, **we guarantee good results.**

Now, as a further inducement for you to send in an ad, we make this offer.

Fill out coupon below, cut out and send to us with copy of your ad, and we will make you an agreeable present. **You will be pleased,** sure. A present to all, but the larger the ad the better the present. That's natural, isn't it? Don't be afraid to cut out coupon. We will send you another copy of the M. P. if desired. Send in your ad early and catch the best positions.

COUPON.

R. C. BACH.
Please find enclosed advertisement, to occupy space of .....
Please send me, by return mail, the present above referred to. Use one-half cent stamps to pay postage.

(Signed).....

SPECIAL.

Next month we shall publish a few ads on front cover. There will be four *1-inch* and *two 2-inch spaces.* Who wants these?

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Remember, that for an honest circulation of 2,000 copies per month, our rates are the lowest in America.

Private Postal Cards

A FIVE CENT STAMP IS REQUIRED TO DELIVER THEM IN THE OLD COUNTRY.

Those patriotic people who may think of sending communications to their friends across the Atlantic written on the new private post cards, which are ornamented with designs of flags and emblems and the like, will be putting their trans-Atlantic friends to an expense which, though trifling, it would be more polite to avoid.

Private post cards issued in the Dominion will go to any place in Canada or the United States when a one cent stamp is put on them, but the same law does not apply to these cards when sent to England. It requires a full letter rate stamp of five cents on the private post card to satisfy the regulations of the Post Office Department, and when a five cent stamp is not used, the recipient of the card in England will have to make up the deficiency by the payment of double the rate, as in the case of insufficiently prepaid letters.

It may seem a little queer that this apparent discrimination should exist in favor of the Republic to the south, in the matter of private post cards, especially at the present moment of Imperial enthusiasm, but the fact remains. A similar regulation is in force in Great Britain, where private post cards are allowed to be sent to all parts of Great Britain and Ireland when the penny stamp is affixed, but full letter postage is charged when the cards are sent to the United States, Canada or elsewhere.

Neue Kanadische Marken

Die neuen Marken, mit der Werthziffer in den unteren Ecken, sind erschienen.

Briefmarken —Juli 15, 1898.
1-cent gruen.
3-cent carmin.

Eilbrief Marke.—Die neue Eilbrief Marke ist am 1sten Juli erschienen, und sieht sehr huebsch aus.
10-cent dunkel gruen.

Post Karten.—Eine neue Retour Post Karte ist ausgegeben. Die Farbe der 2-cent Post Karte ist jetzt blau.
1-cent x 1 cent, schwarz.
2-cent, blau.

Zeitungs Band.—Das neue Zeitungs Band ist am 10 Juli erschienen:
1-cent gruen auf gelbem Papier.
1-cent " " strohfarb, Papier.
1-cent " " dunkel gelbem Papier.

Vom 1sten Juni 1897 bis 1sten Juli 1898, hat Kanada ueber 35 neue Marken, etc., ausgegeben.

VEREINIGTE STAATEN VON AMERICA.

Die Omaha Austellungs Marken sind erschienen und sind die schoensen Marken die je von der Union ausgegeben sind.

Der Satz ist folgend zusammengestellt.

1-cent gruen (Marquette auf dem Mississippi).
2-cent roth (Landwirthschaft in Westen).
4-cent orange (Jagd auf den Buffalo).
5-cent tief blau (Fremont hisst die Amerikanische Flagge auf dem Felsengebirge).
8 cent dunkel violett (Truppen bewachen einen Emigranten Zug).
10-cent grau (Entbehrungen der Emigranten).
50-cent see gruen (Ein westlicher Goldsucher).
$1.00 schwarz (Rinder Herde im Sturm).
$2.00 hellbraun (die neue Bruecke bei Omaha).

An unsere Leser. Dieser Satz kann billig von einem unser Inserenten gekauft werden.

(Siehe Annonce von Hawkeye Stamp Co.)

Die Krieg's Steuer Stempelmarken sind am 1sten Juli erschienen. Da die Stempelmarken noch nicht fertig waren, sind die 1-cent und 2-cent Briefmarken mit I. R. ueberdruckt worden und duerften diese ueberdruckten Marken bald selten werden. Diese Marken bieten ein gutes Feld fuer den Varietaeten Sammler.

Die Stempel sind jetzt esschienen. Das Dessin stellt ein Kriegschiff (die "Maine") dar.

Die Newfoundland 1-cent carmin 1898 erscheint jetzt in gruen.

Die 1-cent carmin wird eine seltene Marke werden. Augenblicklich ist sehr viel Nachfrage dafuer.

Die Vorlage, das Porto von Kanada nach England und den Kolonien auf 2 cents per ½ unze zu reduziren ist vom Herzog von Norfolk, dem Britischen Postmeister im Principe angenommen worden.

Aber das Datum, wann diese Reduction in Kraft treten soll, ist noch nicht angegeben.

Eine sehr huebsche, und dabei die beste, Ansichts Karte von Montreal, sehr schoen in hellbraun, violett und orange gedruckt, ist bei James Mock, in Montreal, dem Herausgeber der selben zu haben. (Siehe Inserat.)

Kanada und die Ver. Staaten wetteifern jetzt mit den Central Amerikanischen Republiken, wer am meisten Marken in einem Jahr ausgeben wird.

Auf einer Bicyclefahrt nach St. Albans, in Staate Vermont, 78 Meilen von hier, Kaufte Herr Rudolph C. Bach, auf einem kleinen Post Amt, 26 Stueck ½ cent Jubilaeums Marken, zu dem Nennwerthe.

GRATIS.

Jeder 10te Abonnent erhaelt **gratis** und **franko**, eine **1-2 cent** Kanada Jubilaeums-Marke.

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R. C. BACH,
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COLLECTORS or Dealers in all African, Australian or other countries are respectfully requested to quote me their lowest cash prices per 300 or 500 on all values of current stamps of their country. F. WHATLEY, Jr., 27 Bellevue Place, Toronto, Ont., Canada.

IN exchange for postage stamps of Canada Newfoundland, British Columbia or United States, I will give good European, old issues, etc. Will also X entires. GUSTAVE BRISSARD, 31 rue de Varenne, Paris, France.

WHOEVER sends current stamps of his country receives same value in Bavaria and German Empire. OTTO MAYR, Bruderstrasse 1 B, Munich, Bavaria, Germany.

WHOEVER sends me American Butterflies receives good stamps in exchange. I also buy stamps; perfect copies only. ALOIS BERNWIESER, Salmandorf 3, Vienna, Austria, XVIII/4.

Interesting Items.

BY G. A. HUNT.

The 3c. Newfoundland stamp of '96 is found in a distinct brown shade besides lilac brown as catalogued. Collector coming across these would do well to hold them. They are sold at 35c. each in used conditions by a N. Y. dealer.

The 3 centavo's stamp of the 1893 issue of Argentine is also worth saving. It is not in use now, and when the issue was discontinued in '96 the remainders on hand were burned.

The majority of these were watermarked large sun and rays, and included nearly all the 3 centavos stamd printed on paper with this wmk, so that those found with large sun and rays are not so common as one would suppose, and are worth much more than catalogue.

Look out when selling the 5c. orange of the 1868 issue of Argentine, this stamp is catalogued at 10c. new and 4c. used, but should be $2.50 new and 75c. used as per the corrections in the errata.

I recently purchased about 30 copies at ½ catalogue or 2c. each from a western dealer, who was not informed of their real value. It will pay you to invest in these (at that price.)

The U. S. special delivery stamp was first printed on wmkd. paper on Aug. 16, 1895. All previous to this were on unwmkd. paper.

I really love Portuguese dealers just now. They are so kind and considerate. This month I got 16 papers, 14 letters and 3 large packages from Portugal. On this lot I got about a hundred nicely cancelled Vasco de Gama stamps. One large parcel had 30 stamps neatly plastered on the back. Keep it up, gents!

As Others See Us

"THE MONTREAL PHILATELIST."—Stamp collectors may not know it generally, but there is a good monthly stamp paper, "The Montreal Philatelist," published in this city. It is a neat and interesting paper, and should be supported by Montreal's philatelists. It is published by Rudolph C. Bach, 451 Sanguinet street, city.—"Montreal Daily Star."

Each succeeding number of "The Montreal Philatelist" seems to be an improvement on the last. Mr. Bach is surely placing his German-American publication in the lead of Canadian philatelic papers. The alertness of the editor in securing all Canadian and Newfoundland philatelic news "red-hot" bids fair to make his magazine a favorite among collectors this side of the Dominion, and we should not be surprised to hear of its election as official organ of a Canadian philatelic society—none could be of more service to a live society than this monthly run by a "live" editor. –"Virginia Philatelist."

In the matter of all such cards, their designation as "Private Post Card" must be printed on their face, otherwise they require the full letter rate to carry them through the mails.—"Montreal Daily Star."

A genius has arrived at the conclusion that a gold coin passes from one to another two thousand million times before the stamp or impression upon it is obliterated by friction. To change the hinges on a postage stamp this number of times would no doubt leave the stamp invisible.

A foreign catalogue lists the 20c. blue error of the 1849 issue of France (at $120) while Scott only lists the same stamp at $15.00.

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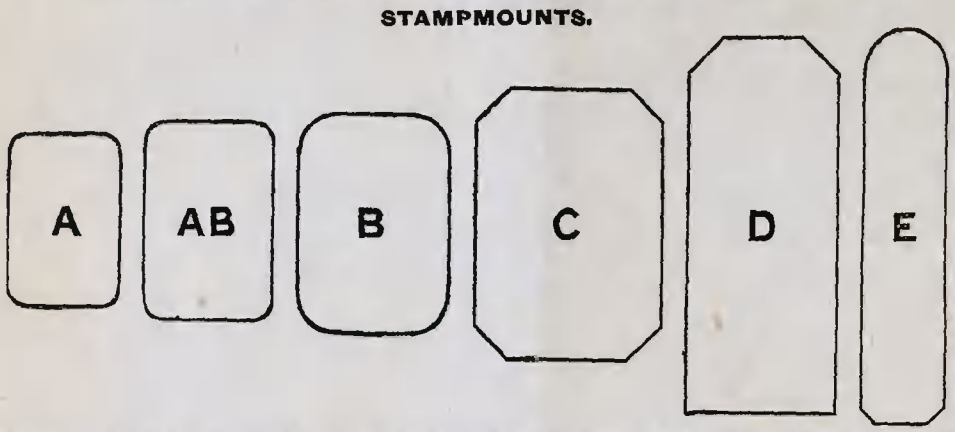

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Collecting Revenues

BY R. C. BACH.

It is now generally admitted that Revenues of all kinds are coming fast into favor with the general collector. And why not? They are stamps, and do duty as such. A letter without a stamp will not be delivered, and a bank won't accept a draft without a stamp on; that is, of course, in those countries that are at present issuing revenue stamps.

Collecting revenues has many advantages. For instance:

(1) There are not so many varieties, and not such expensive stamps as in postal issues.

(2) There are no speculative issues.

(3) Many are prettier than postage stamps.

(4) The former difficulty to get a suitable album is now overcome. A splendid album is issued by Walter Morley, London, Eng., which is a boon to revenue collectors. Catalogues can also be had from the same gentleman.

One fact alone, which proves that revenues are gaining in popularity, is that several papers devote entire or some space to the subject. "The Revenue Philatelist" is devoted entirely to revenues. "Stamps," published in England, devotes a good deal of space to revenues, and ably illustrates its articles.

Another good thing is that most revenues are now very cheap; but how long they will remain so cannot, of course, be foretold. But one thing is certain: when they will be generally collected, they will also rise in price. Look at the Canadian Revenues, for instance; five years ago they were one-quarter of their present price. And United States Revenues, they have risen tremendously within the last four or five years. Take advice now, and collect revenues as well as postage, and you will never regret it.

Hamilton Notes

BY R. E. VENUE (revenue).

Stamp dealers in this section report business very brisk at present, and they are preparing for a large winter trade.

While in Toronto lately, the writer saw a copy of the $2 Bill Stamp, third issue, with inverted medallion. It was the property of W. R. Adams.

There seems to be a great demand for the "Maple Leaf" issue of Canada. As high as 25c per 100 has been realized in Hamilton.

The Omaha issue is not meeting with much favor in Hamilton, and very little is heard of them. I guess we all are members of the S.S.S.S. (Nit.)

A stamp journal is to be published in Hamilton sometime in October. R. S. Mason will likely manage it and run it on the principle of a joint stock company.

New Stamps Issued

The 2c. stamp, with figures in the lower corners, was issued here September 1st.

The new Newfoundland 3c. stamp is out. It is of orange color, and bears the portrait of the Duchess of York.

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Editorial.

Well, how did our last number go down?

Good improvement, wasn't it?

Well, we are going to improve more still.

Jubilee Stamp Co., Smith's Falls, Ont., has issued a very neat price-list. It's free.

We thank the many dealers and collectors who have given us their support during the last month, and we assure them that we shall always do our best to merit the same.

Will the "Herald Exchange" kindly correct the misleading statement in their advertisement now running in many papers.

The sentence in question reads: "The only German-American stamp paper in the world." We wrote them about this, and requested them to change the ad, but received no reply from them. They cannot claim to be the "only German-American paper in the world." Our German department has been recognized by some of the leading critics as the best.

We are too short of space to mention all our advertisers this month. But they're all good, and many fine bargains are offered.

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Dealers, a word to the wise. We have just received a list of 500 names of active stamp collectors who have never seen a stamp paper.

Most of these are young men, and as we will send a copy of the M. P. to each next month, there will be a rich harvest to reap for the wise ones.

Better send in that ad at once.

Send in your subscription now.

Post office officials are a curious lot of people, because they generally "*weigh other people's words.*"

Editor's Shears

A PLEA FOR REVENUE STAMPS.

F. D. S., IN "THE BOSTON STAMP BOOK."

The prevailing complaint of stamp collectors at the present time is that the constantly increasing number of issues of postage stamps by different governments throughout the world,—issues many of which are unnecessary from the collectors' point of view,—are calculated to injure the prospect of philately. This complaint is not without a good foundation of fact, but so far as it is likely to lessen the evil it complains of, it might just as well remain unvoiced and unrecorded. Government postal authorities are not to be influenced by the protests daily submitted by a body of hobby-riders, unless the hobby is a useful function of political life.

The impending Omaha issue is regarded with a great deal of disgust by a large number of collectors in this country; it is called "unnecessary." and perhaps it is called so rightly, but why is not any new issue of stamps "unnecessary?" We have had a 1c. stamp ever since 1851. It might fairly be argued that we might have the same stamp to-day, and that it would reasonably appear in not more than three varieties—imperforate, perforated (a wise change), and finally the same design in green color (necessitated by the agreement of the International Postal Congress). The question is, where should the line be drawn? How often may a new set of stamps be issued without incurring the epithet "unnecessary"?

There is one class of philatelists to whom the present disturbing influences do not reach, namely, the collectors of Unlted States Revenue Stamps. Their field is small and circumscribed, but it is one of the most entertaining and interesting in the whole domain of philately. To the revenue issues of the United States there attaches an historical interest vastly more absorbing than that which belongs to postal issues. Moreover, the number of stamps is limited, and there are no speculative issues, and the artistic features of the stamps are equal, if not superior, to those of their postal companions.

As a suggestion, then, to the stamp collectors who, having specialized in U. S. postage stamps, are becoming dissatisfied with their hobby, why not devote your attentions to United States Revenue Stamps—government and private? Instead of "Stamps for Revenue Only," let your motto be "Revenues for Stamps Only."

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"Yes."

"Well, I keep her licking stamps all day long."—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

A Practical Joker Punished.

A "practical" joker is at present taking a good, hard dose of his own medicine. About two weeks ago he packed a dry goods box with old shoes, empty tin cans and other rubbish, and sent it off to Tampa, Fla., consigned to one of the companies of the Third Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, with express charges collect. The soldier boys thought it was a box of supplies sent by some kind friends, and gladly paid the charges.

Their chagrin in discovering the contents of the box may be imagined. But they have since been turning the tables with a vengeance. They learned the name of the joker, and for a week past

nearly every man in the company has been writing a letter of thanks every day to the sender of the box. The letters are mailed with the soldiers' privilege of sending mail without stamps, postage to be collected from the receiver.

The "joker" is paying about $2 a day in postage for the letters of thanks he is receiving, and he's wondering how much longer they will continue to come.—*Philadelphia Record.*

Revenue Department

CONDUCTED BY R. C. BACH.

Through an unfortunate accident, we are unable to publish the photo engraving of the Indian Revenues promised last month.

The plate was already engraved, but through accident got badly scratched, and we were unable to have another one made in so short a time.

But it will be run in the next number.

Revenue collectors can now get a suitable album for their stamps. It is published by Walter Morley, whose ad is on the front cover. We have seen this album, and it is the correct thing.

The Provisional U. S. Revenues are giving variety collectors a wide range. Yesterday I saw a strip of nine used 1c. green, surchaged I. R., on a manifest. On the third stamp from the left there is a comma instead of a period after the R., and, besides, the comma is upside down. On the fifth stamp the I is broken n half, with a clear space of two-sixteenths of an inch between the two halves. On the ninth stamp, or the first from the right, the I. R. is inverted. This is probably a unique block, and was secured by a Montreal collector, who has refused a $5 bill for it. I might add that the strip shows guide lines at the bottom, so probably is the lower strip of the sheet.

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Mails in Early Days

Boston's first newspaper, the News-Letter, contains the following advertisement, which is an exact copy of the original spelling, capitalization, etc. :

"By order of the Post-Master General of North America; These are to give Notice, That on Monday night, the Sixth of this instant, December, the Western Post, between Boston and New York, sets out at once a Fortnight the Three Winter Months of December, January and February, and to go alternately from Boston to Saybrook and Hartford to Exchange the Mayles of letters with the New York Ryder on Saturday night the 11th Currant. And the second turn He sets out at Boston on Monday Night the 29th Currant to meet the New York Ryder at Hartford on Saturday night the 25th Currant to Exchange Mayles. And all persons that send Letters from Boston to Connecticut from and after the 13th Instant are Hereby Notified to first pay the Post-rates on the same."

Dead Letter Offices

Mr. Coulter, the Deputy Postmaster General, says that the new dead letter offices at Montreal, Halifax, Toronto, Winnipeg and Victoria will all be manned with clerks sent from the head office here, and who were engaged in the same work at headquarters. Major Walsh will be the chief superintendent of the service. The service commences on July 1.—*The Montreal Gazette.*

Mr. S. C. Skipton. who conducts the chronicle in the P. J. G. B., calls our new 3 cent envelope "extremely ugly." Good job we cant't lay our hands on him. The envelope may not be a thing of beauty, but we won't stand its being called " extremely ugly."

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SUBSCRIBER TO THE M. P.

DEWEY?

Well, you bet we do.

To all who send us 25c for a year's subscription before September 25, we will give FREE a Canada **6c, 1898** [Maple Leaves], used.

Thirty-word exchange notice free.

R. C. BACH,
451 Sanguinet Street,
MONTREAL, Can.

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New Zealand 2½d., error, "Wakitipu" mint, only 25c, post free. Pairs and blocks at same rate.

Fine stamps at 50 to 75 per cent. discount.

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Canada Jubilee, ½c to 50c, unused, 11 var..$1.80
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6 var. U. S. Due Stamps, Cat. 20c, only.... 0.10
3 var. surchaged Manitoba Law Stamps, Cat. 55c, my price only..... 0.15

Use ½c stamps when writing, and I will do the same.

L. N. MILLER.
Virden, Manitoba, Can.

Please send 3 cents for postage

UNITED STATES - UNITED STATES

The **1c.** and **2c. I. R.** should be collected by every up-to-date Philatelist. Every body can't get the inverted surchage, nor the small surchage of 1c green; but there is no reason why every reader of this paper can't have these:

U. S. Col., unused, 5c; brown, 10c; U. S., newspaper, 1885, black, unused, 20c; U. S. Columbians, five varieties, 8c.

RAINIER STAMP CO.,
Columbia City, Wash., U.S.A.

The Rainier Stamp Co. of Columbia City, Wash. U. S, A., is an all around. up-to-date dealer. If you don't believe it, try them. They deal in all kinds of stamps, from postal cards to adhesives and entires. U. S. letter sheet envelope, 2c green, entire unused, 5c; U. S., 500 mixed, 10c; Japan post card, brown, blue, 5c; on original cover, Hong Kong, two, 5c; three 10c brown, 5c. China Prov. and Waterloo's are fine stamps. Send us any of these or Canada's or U. S., and let us write you a good exchange or cash price on them. Postage 2c extra.

We want to

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Customer of ours.

DEWEY? Well, I Guess.

Everything in the stamp line.

HAMILTON STAMP CO.,
120 East Avenue N.,
Hamilton, Can.

Arrested for Stealing from the Mails

Chief Officer J. W. Jago, of the White Star liner "Britannic," was arrested in Queenstown for stealing from the mails, and also for smuggling. He will be sent to New York for trial. Several accomplices were also arrested, and from the confession of one, it seems that for a long time the registered letter bags were tampered with and letters opened.

Ovila Lachapelle, a letter carrier, was arrested in Montreal for stealing letters. He was cleverly caught by Detective Carpenter. At his house, nearly 200 letters were found. He was sentenced to 3 years in penitentiary, on August 16th.

Our present issue 1c. Canada Post Card does'nt deserve the name. It should be called "1c. piece of Blotting Paper." Why does'nt the American Bank Note Co., who have the contract, furnish us wish decent cards or decent stamps? Why don't the Canadian Government compel them to turn out a good card?

Read **Boston Stamp Co.'s** ad on page 1. They offer some very good packets cheap.

AUCTION BUYERS, read Clark W. Brown's notice of his second sale. Some good stamps offered.

Postal card collectors, attention! Front turn! March! and read A. Lohmeyer's ad on front cover.

Say, it's the neatest in Canada. What is? Why, "Wicks'" list of course. Send for it. It's free.

Post Office Burglarized

Recently the back window of the post office at Wellandport, Ont., was broken open and the office burglarized. About $40 in stamps and $3 in money was taken. The burglars overlooked several registered letters.

Could'nt do without it

Mr. Geo. Hicks, of Mitchell, Ont., in sending in his subscription, writes: "I thank you for sending me a sample copy of your paper. I enclose my subscription, as I could not be without it."

B. L. Voorhees has a good ad. Try him.

"The Amateur Press," although it is not a Philatelic paper, has something good on their front cover of their May number, namely a very fine picture of L. T. Brodstone. "Smiling Brody" appears to advantage beside his wheel.

The Hamilton Stamp Club is now the largest Philatelic club in Canada. The members have been working hard, and have nearly forty members on the roll.

"What do you think of our new correspondent's despatches?"

"Don't think they are worth the revenue stamp."—*Plain Dealer.*

BACK NUMBERS

OF THE

"Montreal Philatelist"

No. 1 ..... 15c each.
No. 2 ..... 5c "
No. 3 ..... 20c "
No. 4 ..... 10c "

Order early if you wish to complete your file. Nearly all gone.

"MONTREAL PHILATELIST,"
451 Sanguinet Street,
Montreal, Can.

Notes from Germany

By our own special correspondent.

Translated:

Upon enquiry at the General Direction of Posts and Telegraphs, it is learned that the 5 mark stamp, of Wurtemberg, which was recalled in 1891, can still be had at Post office No. 4, in Stuttgart.

The introduction of Letter cards in 1897, in Germany, which caused widespread interest, did not have the results anticipated. The sales are, even at the large post-offices, so small, that it is thought they will be recalled.

In the middle of September, there will be a grand philatelic exhibition in Regensburg, chief city of what was formerly the district of Thurn and Taxis.

Herman Decker, a well-known expert and stamp dealer of Hanover, was arrested for substitution of rare stamps. He was convicted and sentenced to penitentiary.

Recently a circular was issued, announcing a new Philatelic Directory. The circular was worded in English, German and French. The English part was as good as a comic paper, so I thought I would give your readers a few extracts:

"*International Directory of Philatelists (with declaration of the objects collected, etc.) Offer only for jobbers!* For resale, if you at least take off *six books* in one post, I offer you them to *an exceptional price of 2 marks.* The amounts for the directories and the answering postage of parcel are strictly to be Payed beforehand per post-order or in bank-notes (no stamps), in the other case the transmission is effected by reimbursement. *I request jour worth orders as soon as possible.* Assuring you prompt discharge I sign with collectors salute. F. H. C."

DEALERS, READ THIS

Have you tried the "MONTREAL PHILATELIST" as an advertising medium? Better late than never. Send us your ad **now.** One trial will convince you. See what our advertisers say:

"*We have received a great many replies from our ad, and sold more packets than we ever expected to, and we have already filled a lot of orders for Omaha's.*

"ZENITH CITY STAMP CO.,
"*Duluth, Minn.*"

"*I received a great many replies to my ad—quite a few from England and foreign countries.*

"W. RUSSELL BROWN."

All our advertisers are satisfied with result of their ads. Now, try an ad in our next number, out September 5th, just in time to catch reviving trade. Remember, **we guarantee good results.**

We have just received a list of 500 names of **active collectors**, who have never seen a stamp paper. Each will receive a copy of next number.

Now, as a further inducement for you to send in an ad, we make this offer.

Fill out coupon below, cut out and send to us with copy of your ad, and we will make you an agreeable present. **You will be pleased,** sure. A present to all, but the larger the ad the better the present. That's natural, isn't it? Don't be afraid to cut out coupon. We will send you another copy of the M. P. if desired. Send in your ad early and catch the best positions.

COUPON.

R. C. BACH
Please find enclosed advertisement, to occupy space of .....
Please send me, by return mail, the present above referred to. Use one-half cent stamps to pay postage.

(Signed).....

Deutsche Seite.

Das Geschaeft in Briefmarken hebt sich zusehends und eine gute Saison kann zuversichtlisch erwartet werden.

Die neue Ausgabe von Neufundland ½, 3 und 5 cts wird in Kurzem erscheinen.

Die Farbe der 4-cent U. S. Marke wird in Zukunft rothbraun sein, ungefaehr wie die 6-cent Marke, welche eine andere Farbe bekomnt. Auch die 10-cent Marke soll in dieser Richtung geandert werden, da sie der 1-cent Marke zu sehr aehnelt.

Da 8,000,000 der 1-cent Postmarken mit "I. R." ueberdruckt wurden, und zweifellos ebenso Viele der 2-cent, werden sie kaum selten werden. Die Platten Nummern werden dagegen Knapper sein und obgleich sie jetzt noch fuer 25 Cts. per Strip zu haben sind. duerften sie bald hoehere Preise erzielen.

Es giebt zwei Arten von Ueberdruck bei den "I. R." Postmarken: eine durch 9 mm. grosse Buchstaben, die andere durch gothische Buchstaben, 6½ mm. hoch; letztere Art ist die Seltenere.

Die Staatsdruckerei in Washington stellt jetzt taeglich 10,000,000 Revenue Marken fertig.

Die provisorischen U. S. Krieg's Revenue Marken "I. R." ueberdruckt sind theilweise durch Versehen auf den Kopf gedruckt, so dass sie mit einem ".ʁ.I" erscheinen.

Fuer die jetzt sich im Course befindenden Kanadischen Marken von 5, 6, 8 und 10-cent Denomination, besteht gute Nachfrage und Kanadische Haendler bezahlen $3.00 bis $4.00 fuer 100 Stueck gebrauchte Exemplare auf die obigen Werthe gleichmaessig vertheilt.

Wir wuenschen dringend, alle deutsch sprechende Sammler auf unser Subscriptions Liste vereint zu sehen; in fremden Laendern wohnende Deutsche sowie in diesen geborene Landsleute sollten stets zusammenhalten. Dies voraussetzend, hatten wir auch das Deutche Department in unseren Blatte eingerichtet. Es existirt dur noch ein Deutsch-Amerikaniches philatelistches Blatt, aber der Montreal Philatelist wird stets dafuer sorgen in jeder Beziehung das beste zu leisten.

Von den U. S. Kriegs Marken sahen wir: Documentary; ½-cent schieferblau, ½-cent orange, 1-cent hellblau. 2-cent rosa, 10-cent violet-braun, durchstochen: Proprietary, ⅛-cent gelbgruen, ¼-cent lila, ⅜-cent orange, 1-cent gruen, ⅝ dunkenblau.

Die Generale-Direktion der Posten und Telegraphen von Wurtemberg ertheilt auf ein Anfrage die Auskunft, dass die Seit dem Jahre 1891 ausser Verkehr gesetzten Freimarken zu 5 Mark jetzt noch zum Nennwerth vom Postamt 4 in Stuttgart an Interessenten abgegeben werden.

Die im November 1897 eingeführten Kartenbriefen im Deutschen Reich, welche dann als mit so grosser Spannung allseitig erwartet wurden finden, doch nicht den erwarteten absatz,

Der Verkauf ist bei selbst grossen Postanstalten ein derart geringer, dass man sich mit dem Gedanken beschaftigt sie einzuziehen.

Mitte September findet in Regensburg, dem Sitze des Fürsten von Thurn und Taxis unter dem Protektorat des Fürsten, eine Int. Postwerthzeichen Austellung unter besonderer Berücksichtigung der Marken des ehemaligen Thurn und Taxisschen Postgebietes statt.

EXCHANGE NOTICES.

TAUSCH ANNONCEN.

Every Subscriber has the right to insert a thirty-word exchange notice free. Regular rates, 5 cents per line of seven words. No advertisement of less than 15 cents taken. All ads set in Nonpareil, no display.

SEND me your Canadian revenues and 1898 Canadians, and I will send you cash or best exchange, as you prefer. LAYTON MILLER, Virden, Manitoba, Can.

THE new triple alliance: United States, Canada and the Montreal Philatelist Do you not want to exchange stamps or old relics. Exchange wanted with foreign philatelists especially. RAINIER STAMP CO., Columbia City, Wash., U.S.A.

I WILL exchange a limited number of Canadian used postal cards of the current and recent issues, including Jubilee's, for foreign cards from my lists. Not less than 100 accepted. Must be perfect and clean. A. LOHMEYER, 922 N. Gilmour St., Baltimore, Md. U.S.A.

IN exchange for postage stamps of Canada, Newfoundland, British Columbia or United States, I will give good European, old issues, etc. Will also X entires. GUSTAVE BRISSARD, 31 rue de Varenne, Paris, France.

WHOEVER sends current stamps of his country receives same value in Bavaria and German Empire. OTTO MAYR, Bruderstrasse 1 B, Munich, Bavaria, Germany.

CANADA REVENUES, to exchange for your duplicates, cataloguing not less than 5 cents each. Canada Revenue Catalogue, 36 pages and cover, only 15 cents post free.
W. KELSEY HALL, Peterboro, Ont.

EXCHANGE wanted. Send sheets and receive mine. W. WILSON, Box 12, Longueuil, Que.

HAVE quite a good lot of stamps, from 50c up, to exchange, and specially desire to exchange a few sets unused Omaha's, 1 to 10c inclusive, for Maple Leaf and Jubilee's unused. E. H. WOLCOTT, Wolcott, Ind., U.S.A.

BEGINNERS will do well to write me for a selection of my 700 duplicates, which I desire to exchange or sell. Also have a great stock of story papers and novels to exchange for stamps W. M. VERBECK, Ballston Spa., N.Y.

I WISH a few copies of the April Perforator; will give a year's subscription for one. Vol. I furnished for 65c. Price of back numbers on application. H. A. CHAPMAN, Box 72, Rocky Hill, Conn.

WHOEVER sends me 50, 100, 200, 500 stamps of his country receives same number and value of France and French colonies. Register all letters. MELLE. PILLOU, Institutrice à Briouze, Orne, France.

I WILL give U. S. revenues and entire envelopes for a camera. ERASTUS CORNELL, Marshalltown, Iowa.

I WILL give a packet of 50 different foreign stamps for every 20 Canadian revenues sent me. Duplicates accepted, any quantity taken. H. C. YOUNG, Box 1448, Providence, R. I., U. S. A.

EXCHANGE. Whoever sends me 100 to 1000 stamps of his country, receives same value in France, Africa and Oceania. L. DELON, 8 Impasse Guémenée, Paris, France.

TO anyone sending me 10 United States stamps, current issue, 3c, 6c, 8c and 15c. I will, in return, send them 60 varieties foreign. A nice lot. W. G. KIRCHENBOWER, 6744 Simen Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.

WE have entire envelopes, cut No. 1494 die A white, 11c. No. 1514 die A, fawn, 4c. Approval sheets for good reference. 50%.
PESHTIGO STAMP CO., Peshtigo, Wisc.

WEST INDIAN and other stamps for exchange, according to Scott's Catalogue for 1898. WM. DAVENPORT, Gainesville, Ga., U.S.A.

WHOEVER sends me 25 to 100 stamps, post cards, etc., of his country, receives same of Canada. Correspondence in English or French. GORDON L. COCKBURN, Sturgeon Falls, Ont., Canada.

FOREIGN exchange desired in British Colonies, Africa and Asia. Send a sample lot and state what you want in U. S. and Canadian. GEO. W. HICKS, Box 219, Mitchell, Ont.

EXCHANGE. I will exchange a year's subscription to the M. P. for 20c in unused U, S. stamps. Postage or revenue. R. C. BACH, 451 Sanguinet, Montreal, Can.

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J. H. VAN LEEUVEN,
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MR. DEALER, wouldn't your ad look nice on this page. Try it for next number.

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L. DELON,

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EXCHANGE.—Whoever sends me 25, 50 or 100 stamps of his country, receives in exchange same value in France and Colonies.

Al references.

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No. M. P.

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A New Canadian Philatelic Society.

There was formed in Montreal, on Sept. 16, a philatelic society, which every philatelist is invited to join. There is plenty of room for a good philatelic society to thrive and prosper if well managed. The League of Canadian Philatelists, as we have called it, has been exceedingly fortunate in securing such well-known active philatelists as its charter members. Lt.-Col. Labelle, commanding officer of the 65th Mount Royal Rifles, has one of the finest stocks of B.N.A. stamps in America. Mr. O. Barwick is an advanced collector, who collects for pleasure only. His collection numbers over 8,000, includes B.N.A. complete except about half a dozen, U.S., etc., and is valued at about five to six thousand dollars. Messrs. W. & H. Wilson, members of the firm of G. W. Wilson, picture framers, are well and favorably known to the trade. Mr. H. Wilson has a stock and collection valued at over two thousand dollars. Mr. Waters is a member of the popular printing house of L. E. & A. F. Waters, who now print this paper. We could thus mention all the charter members. With such men at the helm, the society will surely prosper.

The following is the proposed constitution of the society:

ARTICLES AND CONSTITUTION OF THE LEAGUE OF CANADIAN PHILATELISTS.

I. NAME.—The name shall be The League of Canadian Philatelists.

II. OBJECT.—The object of this society is to promote interest in philately, and aid the members in all ways possible.

III. MEMBERSHIP.—All philatelists in Canada and the United States are eligible to active membership.

IV. HOW TO APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP.—Philatelists desiring to join shall fill out the application blank. Same must be signed in own hand-writing by two references, one of which must be a member of the society.

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VII. OFFICIAL JOURNAL.—All members will receive the MONTREAL PHILATELIST monthly, free of charge. All society reports, etc., shall be published in said MONTREAL PHILATELIST free of charge.

VIII. Any member may tender his resignation to the Secretary, who shall report the same in the official journal, and if no objection is received within one

month of the date of publication it shall be accepted, but no member who is indebted to the association will be permitted to resign.

IX. In case the Secretary is in doubt as to the advisability of accepting the resignation of any member, he shall refer the matter to the Board of Trustees, who shall have power to decide the case.

X. If any charge or matter affecting the character of any member shall be brought before the Board of Trustees, it shall be their duty, after giving full opportunity to such member to deny or explain the charge, to suspend or expel such member, and their action shall be final and binding for all parties.

XI. OFFICERS.—The officers of the society shall consist of President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, Exchange Superintendent, Auction Manager, Librarian, and three associate Trustees.

XII. Their election shall be conducted under the supervision of a committee on credentials, unless otherwise provided for, by ballot, sealed in an envelope, designated as such and directed to said committee, any time before the closing of the polls, which shall be at noon on the date set.

XIII. A majority of the votes cast shall elect, and each officer shall hold office until the close of the next annual convention and until his successor shall have qualified.

XIV. In case of death or resignation of any officer the vacancy shall be filled by the appointment of a new officer by the Board of Trustees.

XV. All officers shall, at the expiration of their terms of office, deliver to their successors all books, papers, monies, and other property in their possession, the property of the Association, and they shall not be relieved from their obligations until this requirement be complied with.

These rules and by-laws are published for the approval of the members. Suggestions and amendments cheerfully received.

As soon as we have a sufficient membership we shall hold an eleetion of officers. In the meantime join, and get your friends to join. Send for application blanks to distribute. See the prize offer to the member securing most new members, and get to work and help us build up a society of which the members can be proud.

Yours, for the L. of C.P.,
RUDOLPH C. BACH,
Sec'y *pro tem.*

MONTREAL NOTES.

BY R. C. BACH.

New Canadian Stamps.

On September 15th, the half and six cent stamps, with numerals in the lower corners were issued here. Two varieties of the half cent were discovered. On some stamps, the oval band surrounding the Queen's head is *not* shaded. This may be due to too much ink, but as there is only one stamp on a sheet with this variety (7th row from the top, 4th stamp from the right) it is probably a genuine error. It is only found on some sheets.

Canada to have a 4-cent Stamp.

A four cent stamp will be issued soon. This stamp is principally intended for Imperial penny postage letters of double weight, and for double weight city letters.

As with the other numeral set, the colors of the half and six cent are of a lighter shade than those with maple leaves, and the gum is of much better sticking quality. Improve the 1c. postcard now, and all will be serene.

There are two distinct shades of the 8c. stamp, yellow and dark orange. Also of the 5c. viz. light blue and a very dark, almost black blue.

The shades of the 15c. can hardly be counted these days. A short time ago, I bought some, and lo! I received the 1868 shade. Needless to say, I bought all they had. Three days after, I got the 1890 shade, dark slate blue, and when I hied myself to the P.O. yesterday, I got the light grey shade. Perhaps tomorrow it it will be a greenish slate for a change.

Twenty and fifty cent jubilee's are still sold here, along with the 1892 20 and 50 cent stamps. Mr. Eckhardt, the Deputy Postmaster, informs me that there will probably be no new 15, 20 or 50 cent stamps out until after New Year's, owing to the quantity of the old issues still on hand.

The special delivery seems to be a failure. About ten stamps are used every day, but of course, many are sold to collectors and dealers. It would not be surprising if they were withdrawn.

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1. Rudolph C. Bach, Montreal.
2. A. F. Waters, 801 St. Denis Street, Montreal.
3. H. Wilson, Box 12, Longueuil.
4. W. Wilson, Box 12, Longueuil.
5. Oliver W. Barwick, 17 Tara Hall Ave., Montreal.
6. A. E. Labelle, 212 St. Hubert Street, Montreal.
7. Charles T. Hare, c/o Union Assurance Co., Montreal.

This is a good start, and now we invite all philatelists to join. The fees are low, and the benefits many. We intend to have all departments in working order by November. An election will be held as soon as we have enough members—say about 50. The following is a statement of affairs to date :

RECEIPTS.

Received initiation fees of six members at 10 cents each	$0.60
Received dues of six members at 25 cents each	1.50
	$2.10

EXPENDITURES.

Official Journal	$0.06
Balance on hand	$2.04

RUDOLPH C. BACH,
Sec'y *pro tem.*

JOIN NOW

and get your friends to join.
Application blanks sent upon request.

To the member who secures the most new members before New Year's Day, 1899, I will present with $3.00 worth of good stamps.

RUDOLPH C. BACH,
Sec'y *pro tem.*

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⅛, ¼, ⅜, ⅝, 1, 1¼, 2, 3, 4, 5, Sets of 10, 25c.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

CONDUCTED BY RUDOLPH C. BACH.



Prepared specially for THE MONTREAL PHILATELIST.
By Rud lph C. Bach.

By special permission from the Post Office Authorities in Ottawa, we are allowed to publish a cut of 3 Revenues this month.

The stamps are as follows:—No. 1. Transvaal, bill stamp 1s 6d. worth about 25c. No. 2. Mauritius Insurance stamp 52c, worth about 50c. No. 3. India, Berar State stamp 10 annas, worth about 50c.

A complete set of the large India makes about the prettiest effect that could be imagined. I have seen 2-4-5-6-8-10-12 annas and 1-1½-2-3-4-4½ 5-10 rupees.

Mauritius has some odd values of the Insurance Stamps illustrated above, I have in my possession 13c, 39c, 43, 52c. I believe this is due to the currency in use there.

The Transvaal's make a pretty set, too. I have seen them used together with Cape of Good Hope Revenues. These will be illustrated next month.

U S. Revenues

Do you want the 1c inverted surcharge cheap? See ad. of Frank P. Brown, Boston.

If you have Revenues for sale advertise them in The Montreal Philatelist. We reach Revenue Collectors.

A $200 Revenue Stamp.

A correspondent recently sent me two £20 Cape of Good Hope revenues. They were both impressed on one piece of paper, 1½ inch apart and were round in shape. They were used to pay a liquor license tax.

If you are in want of a nice set of Canadian Revenues, we could recommend several good Canadian Dealers. Write us.

Revenue Notes From Britain.

By A. PRESTON PEARCE.

Collectors of fiscals in America, who have always been catered for in excellent style by the publishers of catalogues, and indulgently treated by the philatelic press, may be surprised to hear that their brethren in the old country have to face the most bitter opposition from those who collect and deal in postage stamps. It is true that this opposition has been considerably broken down of late, but this is due to the determined efforts of some of our prominent collectors.

The fight commenced just before I gave up postals in favor of fiscals, but I have helped to make the history of the last few years and in the good time coming the reminiscences of these early struggles will probably provide some interesting reading.

It is very cheering to those who have borne the heat of the day to see the spread of the movement for which they have worked, and the indications of a strongly flowing tide have now become unmistakable.

I notice in your No. 5 that the writer of the Hamilton notes speaks of having recently seen a copy of the $2 Bill Stamp, third issue, with inverted medallion, and this reminds me that a few weeks ago I received a photo of one of these errors, the property of an English collector-dealer, of well known peculiar disposition. I was desired to make an offer for this rarity which was stated to be the only specimen of the kind in existence. I made an offer, but took the occasion of pointing out the absurdity of the claim, statfng that, in addition to several copies known to be in America, a correspondent on the Continent had an unused specin en in his collection and had recently disposed of a used one for £2. Knowing the individual I was more amused than offended to find that my statements were not believed—my collection is still without that variety.

Of course, one complete sheet at least was issued in this condition, and it would be interesting to kuow just how many copies are in the hands of collectors and dealers.

The announcement that plates of revenue stamps are to be presented with subsequent numbers of the M·P. is calculated to awaken mnch interest. I believe that "The Revenue Philatelist" in the States, and "Stamps" and "The Philatelists' Supplement" to the "Bazaar," in this country, are the only papers published in English in which fiscal illustrations are frequently appearing.

We have just received from Judson N. Burton, of Madison, N.Y. a catalogue of his 39th sale. Some Good Stamps are listed. Send for one its free.

EXCHANGE WEST INDIAS.

Everyone who send me 100, 200 assorted good stamps of North, Central and South America, w ll receive the similar number from Guadeloupe and Indies,

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Sample of each packet 135 stamps. Post free 3s.6d.
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Editorial.

I am happy to say that since changing printers, our subscription list has been doubled, and we hope to reach the thousand mark soon. Will you help us? Subscribe to-day. Read our special premium offers in another column.

But not only subscriptions, but ads, too, are coming in fine, and from the way nearly all our advertisers have, after a trial ad., made 6 and 12 months' contracts there must be a Klondyke in the M.P. as an advertising medium. Have you tried it? One trial ad. is all that is needed to prove our superiority as a first class advertising medium. Send in your ad. for our great 24-60 page Holiday Number, out November 25th. This will be circulated in time for a good 'Xmas trade. WE WILL GUARANTEE A CIRCULATION OF **5,000** COPIES. With that number our NEW AD. RATES will go in force. Better make your contracts now at the present low rates.

I am pleased to announce that the MONTREAL PHILATELIST has been appointed the official organ of the Junior Philatelic Society. While this society is still in its infancy, everything must make a beginning, and it will no doubt soon be up to its older brethren. One thing the J.P.S. has, which few of the older societies have, is the Auction and Exchange Departments in actual working order. Under the management of Mr. Porter these departments will no doubt flourish. Now we want you to join the J.P.S. Send for application blanks.

We extend our sincere thanks to Mr. R. James, of Notre Dame de Grace, Que., for sending us the 1/ and 2/6 Prince of Wales Hospital fund stamps. They are large stamps, very handsome and finely printed, and bear the signature of H. R. Highness. Don't fail to get a set for your collection, as they are sure to become scarce.

NOTICE.

I have with this issue turned over to THE MONTREAL PHILATELIST all advertisements and unexpired subscriptions for "Edwards' Philatelic Press List," and my patrons will please take note that Mr. R. C. Bach will be pleased to receive their future patronage. Press of other business prevents me from continuing in the publishing business, but I shall now devote my time as collector, dealer, and general philatelic agent.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN EDWARDS.

P.O. Box 379,
Montreal, Canada.

NEW YORK LETTER.

Stamp matters are comparatively quiet. The only demand of any kind is for used Omahas, 6 and 8 cent "Maple Leaf" Canada's, and the U. S. documentary and proprietary revenues (new issue).

Since the issuance of Senf's 1898 Catalogue, our wise collectors, who know it all, are promenading on Nassau Street, and calling on our "dull" dealers, with the intention of making a great haul of stamps that have advanced considerably. They are visibly displeased when the dealers inform them that such stamps are not in stock, or not procurable at the present current catalogue quotations.

A few weeks ago the Sunday newspapers contained an account of how a young man by the name of J. C. Mott, after a lucky stroke of speculation on the stock exchange, made $6,000. The young man's intention with this money was to purchase a number of valuable stamp collections, but unfortunately, he lost the money. The robbery or the loss occurred on a Madison Avenue car, and to date Mr. Mott is still looking for his six thousand, with faint hopes of ever seeing it again. The young man also advertises a $1,000 reward for the return of the money.

ADVERTISING,

And How to Advertise.

BY C. R.

Advertising is, as we all known, one of the most important factors in a stamp dealer's business. Without it, his mail trade would dwindle down to almost nothing. But there are many who spend much money in advertising and yet it never pays them even half the cost of the ads. There are several reasons for this. First, that of putting in of too much matter and trying to put a three-inch ad. into one inch. Second, advertising goods that are in no demand at high prices. Third, of the way the ad. is made up. Fourth, choice of mediums. In the first place, never overcrowd your ad. If what you have to say takes up more than one inch, take two inches. It will pay you best in the end, you can be sure of that I have seen ads. that could be put in a four line space, occupy one column, with blank spaces on top and bottom, and I know from actual experience that such an ad. is noticed. In the second place, don't advertise goods at sky high prices, or goods that are absolutely in demand. I know one man who advertised Omaha's at 15 per cent. over face. He didn't sell many? No, of course not, when others advertised them at from 3 to 8 per cent. over face. And then this same man goes and blames the publisher. The third point is an important one. How is your ad. made up? In looking over the philatelic papers, one cannot fail to find a number of ads. which for attractiveness or originality, are at once noticed. Then there are ads. where the entire space is taken up by solid reading matter, in small type. The whole ad. appears as one jumble up of figures and dates, and one has to go over it very slow to make it out. Now the collector don't like that, and therefore naturally gives preference to ads which are easily read and understood. One thing I have noticed is the absence of illustrations, and I have wondered at it. Stamp ads. can be illustrated just as well as other trade ads. Just take hold of a boot and shoe paper, for instance, and see. Now, Robie's original ads., for instance, attractive as they are, would look still better if they were illustrated. It is not necessary to be a picture of a stamp at all, but an illustration which is attractive. And now for the most important point of all, viz., choice of mediums. It has been proved over and over again that the dealer who advertises in all first class papers makes a much larger profit than the man who sticks to one, and one only. And then, when you receive a paper which month after month only has only a few ads. and always the same, and whose publisher claims such a tremendous circulation, well, the best thing is to leave it alone.

Choose your mediums from the quantity of ads. they have. A good medium never lacks advertisements even if it is a comparatively new paper. Then there is the paper which advertises: "One inch, regular price, 50 cents; this month only 20 cents." It might be a good thing to take advantage of this, but more often it is money thrown away. A good paper never cuts ad. rates, simply for the reason, that being a good ad. medium, it can always get advertising patronage. Another thing in choosing. The paper that is official organ for a society, usually pays, as it reaches buying collectors.

THE JUNIOR PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

ORGANIZED JUNE 1ST, 1898.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

APPLICATIONS.

12. Charles E. Voltz, Chili, Ohio. Ref., W. Church, W. Porter.
13. H. L. Ambrose, Charlotte, Mich. Ref., Porter Bros.
14. R. C. Bach, Montreal, Can. Ref., Porter Bros.

The above will be admitted to membership in 30 days if no objection is filed before that date.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

Receipts to date—

Dues and Initiation Fees		$1.35
Expenditures—		
Junior Phil	$0 20	
Application Blanks	50	
Postage	25	
Membership Cards	30	
		1.25
Balance on hand		$0.10

Membership Cards will be sent to members, on payment of initiation fees and dues. I hope all the officers will send in their reports at once.

Wishing the J.P.S. success, I remain
Yours fraternally,
WM. B. PORTER, JR.,
Sec'y pro. tem.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES' REPORT.

Whereas the *Junior Philatelist*, our official organ, has discontinued publication, we hereby appoint the MONTREAL PHILATELIST as official organ.

In this issue members will notice the constitution of the society. Any member wishing to make any changes or amendments must do so within 20 days, or this constitution will be declared adopted.

Mr. R. C. Bach makes the following offer:—"To the member securing the most new members during October and November I will present with $3.00 worth of good stamps;" and Mr. Wm. B. Porter, Jr., offers $2.00 worth of good stamps to member securing next to the most new members, and $1.00 to the third.

Yours for the "J.P.S.,"
WM. B. PORTER, JR.,
P. L. TRUSSELL,
F. C. PORTER,
Board of Trustees.

CONSTITUTION.

ART. I—NAME AND OBJECT.

This organization shall be known as the Junior Philatelic Society, and its object shall be the facilitating the exchange of stamps among its members and the general dissemination of knowledge pertaining to philately to juvenile collectors and beginners.

ART. II.—MEMBERSHIP.

1. Any person of good recommendation may become a member by applying to the secretary, providing said application is signed by two persons as references, one of whom must be a member of the society, accompanied by the initiation fee and dues for one year. The secretary shall cause to be published in the following issue of the official organ all applications, and if no objections are received in 20 days said applicants may become members. Dues to be returned if rejected.

2. If charges are preferred against any applicant or member, the same shall be referred to the trustees, and shall be in writing. The trustees shall consider and act upon the evidenee submitted, and their decision shall be final and binding.

ART. III.—DUES AND FEES.

1. The initiation fee of this society shall be 10 cents and the dues 20 cents per year.

payable in advance on the 1st day of June. All members elected between June 1st and September 1st shall pay 20 cents dues; all elected between October 1st and June 1st shall pay 2 cents per month for every month from the time their applications appear until June 1st.

2. The secretary shall notify all members in arrears for dues, and if such delinquents do not settle their accounts within one month after notification their names shall be dropped from the roll. Any member thus dropped may again become a member by applying as in Art. II., Sec. 1.

ART. IV.—OFFICERS.

The officers of this society shall be a president, vice-president, Canadian vice-president, secretary treasurer, exchange superintendent, auction manager, librarian and board of trustees.

ART V.—DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

The duties of the officers shall be such as is ordinarily performed by such officers.

All nominations shall be filed with the secretary for publication in official organ.

The election is to be conducted under the supervision of the credential committee, consisting of three members appointed by the president at least two weeks before date set for election.

The board of trustees shall meet whenever necessary to consider and decide all questions and disputes relating to the society, and its decisions shall be final and binding.

The secretary-treasurer shall make a report every month; all other officers must make a report in official organ at least five times a year and an annual report at conventions.

ART. VI.—ELECTIONS.

Until the membership of the society shall warrant the holding of conventions, elections shall be by mail. The annual election shall take place on a date set by the president.

ART. VII.—OFFICIAL ORGAN.

The official organ of this society shall be the MONTREAL PHILATELIST, Montreal, Canada. It shall contain all official matter and items of general interest to the society, and one copy of each issue shall be sent to each member, for which the society shall pay the publisher one cent for each copy furnished. The official journal must appear promptly on its appointed date of issue or forfeit its right as official organ.

ART. VIII.—AMENDMENTS.

This constitution shall not be altered or amended except by a two-thirds vote of all members, and the trustees shall decide all questions not herein specified.

W. B. PORTER, Jr.,
(Chairman)
P. L. TRUSSELL,
F. C. PORTER,
Board of Trustees.

Deutsche Seite.

Wegen mangel's an Raum, sehen wir uns genoethigt, das meiste von unserem Deutschen-Department auszulassen. Aber, naechsten, Monat erscheint unsere 60 seitige Weihnacht's nummer, und werden unsere Deutsche Leser darin 6 bis 10 Seiten in Deutsch finden.

"Edward's Philatelic Press List," die so gut in Deutschland und auf dem Continent bekannt war, ist an uns uebertragen worden, und werden wir alle abonnements und annoncen ausfüllen. Herr Edwards fand, dass seine Zeitschrift zu viel Zeit aufnahm, und Er ueberrug Sie an uns, damit Er sich Seiner Sammlung, welche eine prachtvolle, xaus 6000 exemplaren bestehendeist, widmen kann.

(*From our own special correspondent.*)

Notes from New Zealand.

BY RALPH W. GOSSETT, AUCKLAND.

Some time ago a notice appeared in the Auckland *Star* that a new issue of Cook's Islands stamps would appear. All philatelists here have been kept on the *qui vive* ever since, but now they will be satisfied as the new issue appeared a few days ago. They are oblong in shape and have a bird flying as the central figure. The design is very poor; so also is the engraving and printing. The 1/- is crimson lake, the 2d. lustre, and the 6d. is violet.

All the post offices and stationers in this city are sold clean out of both the error 2½ (WakItipu) and corrected one (WakAtipu), and are waiting for further supplies from England. Meantime people are doing a big business with the errors, as no more are to be issued—at least so it was officially reported. This new issue will be soon printed in New Zealand, and will of course be on paper water-marked star N.Z.

Lately the printing office seem to have been out of the paper the old ½d., 1d. and 2d. were printed on, as the paper on which these three are now printed on is very hard and brittle, and the stamps seem very smudgy, especially the ½d. and 1d. The pictorial post cards, on which there was such a run last Christmas and were sold out so soon, are again on sale, but the sales are not nearly so brisk.

Quite an interest was aroused among New Zealand philatelists when a registered envelope appeared, as this is the first envelope N. Z. has ever had with a stamp printed on it. The stamp is printed from the dye of the old yellow 3d. and is on the flap. The envelopes are of three sizes and are an exact fac-simile of the make of the make of the English one.

PHILATELY EVEN IN THE GUTTER.

Warfrat — Hi say, Ginger, did ye 'ear 'bout the Haustralian heleven? They're goin' to 'ave their physogs put on stamps.

Gutterat—G'arn, wot for?

Warfrat—So as to give the Henglishmen a chance of lickin' 'em.

IS "KITTY" IN YOUR COLLECTION?

New Zealand 2½d. error, "Wakitipu" mint, only 25c., post free. Pairs and blocks at same rate.

Fine stamps at 50 to 75 % discount.

Headquarters for Canadian Revenues, wholesale and retail.

W. KELSEY HALL,
Peterborough, Ont.

On this Page the Publisher has got Something to Say to You.

I would like to have your subscription. That's straight. To subscribe now means a great advantage to you. In the first place, you will receive the big 60 page Xmas number, which will be worth a year's subscription alone. Then, remember, you have a 30 word exchange notice FREE. If you subscribe before the 1st of November, same will appear in the big Xmas number, and as that will have a circulation of 5000, your ad. will yield splendid results. Better send in 25c for a year's subscription now.

A Word to Up-to-Date Dealers.

If you are not up-to-date, why not become so? You're not up-to-date unless your advertisement is in the Montreal Philatelist. We want your ad. in our next number (60 page Xmas number, out Nov. 25th, just in time to catch a good holiday trade). We are going to issue the best Xmas number that ever came from Canada, and we want your co-operation. If you have never tried the M.P. before, send in a 1 or 2 inch ad., anyway. The larger the ad. the better the result.

Send in Your Ad.

All advertisements for our next number (Xmas No.) *must* be in by the 3rd of November. If they arrive later, we will do our best to place them, but we cannot guarantee it. All ads. in before Nov. 3 are guaranteed insertion.

Let me hear from you anyway.

RUDOLPH C. BACH,
451 Sanguinet Street,
Montreal, Can.

P.S.—We request a favor.

Canadian correspondents, please use ½c. stamps. American correspondents, please use 1c. Omahas. Values above 2c. if possible.

We will return the favor, and use ½c. stamps.

Among Our Advertisers.

Don't miss B. L. Voorhees' ad.

Wicks is in front, too, with a fine line of cheap packets.

Frank P. Brown, of Boston, offers a nice line of U.S. Revs.

E. J. Kirby & Co. offer used Omahas very cheap. There's your chance.

The British Colonial Stamp Co. offers a splendid packet. You should get one.

When writing advertisers please mention the M. P. It helps us very much.

Williams & Co. have a good offer open. Don't miss their ad.

WM. H. STOCKWELL WM. BENSON

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Wanted for cash or exchange, Canada '98 and Omaha.

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Set of 10 unused only -	25c
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1c. and 2c. Provisional I.R 2 for	5c
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2c. " " - -	50c
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Postage extra on orders of less than 1.00

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Series U. S. Postage are handsome.

1, 2, 4. 5, 8 and 10c. used post free.	$0.18
50c. used, post free	0.38
$1.50, " "	0.78
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30 U. S. Revenues	0.30
100 Varieties United Stntes only	1.50
400 Varieties foreign, fine	1.00

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W. W. MacLAREN,

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CLEVELAND, O.

LOOK HERE. 500 var. postage stamps from 65 different countries, 99c.

Every Packet sold through this ad. will be enclosed in a Wurtemburg Official Envelope.

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1894 AT HALF CATALOGUE.

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(3 types)
1a on 64a ..... 5c.
Block of 15, 1a on 64a, used $1.00
Set of 3 above Var.....22c
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10 sets 1.90

All splendid used specimens.
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Official 1892.
Set of 5 only 32c.
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Superb used copies

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Plate No's of 1c Blue 1c Green and 2c Red, 1c and 2c Omaha's for sale cheap.

Rare United States Revenues

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Sometimes, ven I got oud.

Already sometimes, I did ride
Most allways as I did,
To keep mein frau from valking
Who usually goes mid.

Vell, now I dinks. I guess I am
Sometimes already sad
I ride upon dot drolley gar,
Und dot was werry bad.

He scare der life near oud off me,
He nearly kill mein frau,
He run like off lightnings quick
Und I vill told you how.

A clothes line from der street runs up
Ten feet straight up about,
Und from der roof off dot street gar
A fishing pole sthicks out—

Der gar he comes already yet,
Der drifer he youst turns
Zwei handles mid-each ein handt
Der dracks mid fire burns.

Und ven his bell most usually
He rings upon der streets,
Most always sometimes, vat you dink?
He rings him mid his feet.

Now ven mein frau vants me to ride
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ST. HELENA AND HER STAMPS.

BY C. T. RENO.

SAINT HELENA, one of the most lonely and desolate iles of the sea, "the home" of the exiled Napoleon, forms an interesting theme for a philatelic discussion.

The island was discovered on St. Helena's Day (May 22,) in 1502, by a Portuguese navigator, Juan de Nova Castella. A few years after its discovery it was ceded to Holland and until 1673 it was a Dutch settlement At that time it was ceded to the British East India Company, who controlled it until 1833 when it was made over to the British Crown.

It is situated about 1200 miles from the western coast of Africa, or to be more exact in lat. 15° 55' s. and long. 5° 44' w. Its area is 47 square miles. The general character of the land is hilly and mountainous, and no more than 100 acres are cultured. However there are several plains, in the largest of which, Longwood, was Napoleon's home. Its population is about 5,000 or thereabouts. Its principal valuation consisted in being a supply station for vessels going around the Cape of Good Hope, but since the opening of the Suez Canal, its valuation has greatly decreased. James Town is the only place of any importance on the island.

Its first issue of stamp appeared in 1856. It was a 6 penny blue, with Victoria's head in circle, on white paper and watermarked with a star. In 1862 this stamp was perforated in 14, 14½ and 15, and in an unused state is, with one exception the most valuable St. Helena.

1863—The above stamp was surcharged with new value in black type, and was unperforated. The original value was cancelled with a bar of varying length, ranging from 16 to 18½ mm. in length. (This forms an interesting topic, and an article on it will be found in the Metropolitan Philatelist, vol. II.) But let's pass these surcharges, they're a nusiance anyhow.

In 1890 a new issue appeared as follows :

1½d red-brown and green.

And 1893

2½d. blue on 6 pence.

In 1896 the following appeared :

1d. carmine.
2d. yellow.
2½d. dark brown.
5d. violet.
10d. brown.

Frequent changes are made in St. Helena's stamps, and it is a hard matter to keep them intact. To a person interested in surcharges we would recommend a careful study of the stamps of St. Helena. During my career as a collector I have studied these stamps, and while not so very valuable, yet they possess a sort of fascination, and few young collectors are content until they secure at least one St. Helena.

A STAMP DEALERS REMINISCENCES.

WRITTEN FROM ACTUAL EXPERIENCE OR RELIABLE INFORMATION.

BY RUDOLPH C. BACH.

I. THE ROMANCE OF A 12 PENCE CANADA.

One cold night in November 1851, two men were seated in a small room in a building facing the mighty St. Lawrence river. Montreal was a small city then. The principal firms had their offices and warehouses at the river front, in some instances almost at the brink of the mud wall which protected the city from floods in the spring-time, and this house was one of them. You could throw a stone from its window with ease into what was then one of the deepest parts of the river in that vicinity, for there was the wharf where the Quebec boat moored. The night our story opens, the river was covered with a thin sheet of ice. The men in the little room were having a hot argument. On a small table stood an

iron box, a small affair, the lid of which was open, showing it to be filled with documents of various kinds. Beside this box lay a large package with many seals, addressed, and stamped. The stamp on it was—the 12 pence black. This very package was evidently the bone of contention between the two men. They were strangely contrasted. One, an elderly man with a firm resolute look, his hair streaked with grey, and the other a dissipated looking fellow of about 30 or so. It was he who was walking angrily up and down, while the other was standing by the table, his hand resting on the package. "No Clement," he said, "I cannot let you have any of this money. It does not even belong to me. I was entrusted by Francois Rochette, of Quebec, to collect his accounts here, which I have done. To-morrow, the money will be mailed to him. No man shall ever say that Charles Goodwin betrayed his trust." "But," here broke in Clement, "I must have money" and under his breath he added, "I will have it too." "You are always wanting money Clement Hanson," retorted Goodwin. "Ever since I helped you up, you have been drawing money out of me, and it has got to stop. When your father, who was my best friend, died. his last words to me were, 'Charles, take care of my boy.' I promised him to do so, and have done so. I gave you a position, gave you money whenever you wanted it, and now, because I have no money on hand, you demand me to rob those who trust me." He had got excited while he spoke, and without knowing it, had taken his hand from the package on the table. Clement saw this, with a sudden spring he reached the table, grabbed the precious package. Quick as he was, however, Goodwin was nearer to the door and reached it first. He faced round and cried, "Thief, would you make me a ruined man? I, who have done so much for you? give me back that package, or I shall take it from you." "Ha," laughed Hanson, "I have it now and I am going to keep it." Goodwin made a spring at him, grasping him by the neck, and wrenched the package from him. Struggling to and fro, they upset the lamp, which fell to the floor with a crash, the burning oil quickly setting fire to the wooden partitions. Goodwin, seeing the place on fire, released his hold on Hanson, and throwing the package into the iron box, he slammed the cover, and grasping it in his arms, made for the window. Hanson, who had reached the door, suddenly pulled out a pistol, and levelling it, fired, and saw Goodwin fall. Then he turned and fled down the stairs, for the fire was spreading rapidly, muttering to himself, "In the morning when they search the ruins, the box will be uninjured and will pass into my possession." But Charles Goodwin was not dead, although badly wounded. With a superhuman effort he reached the window, and lifting the precious box, put all his remaining strength into a last effort and threw it far out of the window into the river. It crashed through the thin ice and immediately sank. In those days the fire department was different from what it now is. The company reaching the scene first received a bonus from the insurance companies, consequently there was a great rivalry between the various stations. The man who brought the alarm to the station received a shilling. When the first hose company arrived at the fire, the house was almost destroyed, and all that could be done was to save neighbouring property. Next morning, the ruins were diligently searched by Hanson and others, but although Goodwin's remains were found, no trace of the iron box was discovered. Goodwin's death was put down to accident. Hanson was killed soon after in a drunken brawl.

Now let us skip forty-one years. All this time the iron box had lain on the bottom of the St. Lawrence, covered with an ever-increasing layer of mud. In 1892 Dredge No. 4 of the Montreal Harbor Commissioners, was dredging the channel opposite Jacques Cartier square. The depth of the channel was being increased from 20 to 32 feet. Suddenly one of the men on the mud scow, onto which the earth, etc., taken up by the dredge was dumped, noticed a rusty iron box. Nobody was looking, so securing it, he stowed it away inside the locker where he kept his clothes. That night he took it home, well wrapped up. There, the box was opened, and on top lay the package with a stamp on it, such as he had never seen before. This man was honest, he was not going to keep the money and papers if the heirs of the rightfully owner could be found after these many years. He went to his lawyer, who after a long

search, found the heirs. In his gratitude at recovering the papers, which really were valuable title deeds, he presented the man with the package on which was this rare 12 pence, and with a handsome cheque besides. Through his lawyer, the man sold the 12 pence to a Montreal philatelist, for $350, and it now rests as the gem "par excellence" in a superb B.N.A. collection. And its present owner has good reason to be proud of it, for few stamps have such a history.

Next month we shall publish an article telling of an actual experience, which will especially interest the younger dealers.

NOTES.

BY R. C. BACH.

I see by the daily papers of October 9th, that Great Britain has proclaimed a protectorate over Egypt. Does this mean new stamps or more surcharges?

The "Maple Leaf" can't be beat. It never was.

How's your collection of foreign revenues? They'll soon be all the rage. Better fill up on them, while they're cheap.

Will Turkey issue a set of stamps to commemorate the visit of the German Emperor? Perhaps. We always thought that the Turkish treasury was in a rather dilapidated condition.

We read in the papers that the officials in the Klondike are a very corrupt crowd, charging $2.00 to mail a letter, for instance. Why the mischief don't they issue a $2.00 stamp, and give us poor collectors a chance?

We wonder why the American Bank Note Co doesn't give us better postage stamps. While the Cigar stamps turned out by them are really beautiful we have to put up with postage stamps on which not even the Queen's ear-rings are of proper size.

Omaha's are scarce here in used condition (especially the higher values.) Kind friends, please take the hint and use them on your correspondence.

If you intend to paper your room with stamps, use the Trinidad Jubilee's. They are large stamps, and it would be a good thing for stamp dealers if a room full of them were out of the market.

The story is told that the Duke of Norfolk on entering the post office of an obscure town the other day, was treated with considerable incivility by the "young person" in charge. He quietly wrote out a telegram and handed it over the counter. The message was directed to the Permanent Secretary G. P. O., London, and ran: "Clerk at this office exceedingly insolent to the public. Reprimand severely. Discharge on second complaint, Postmaster General.

NEW CANADIAN STAMPS.

(Special to the "Montreal Philatelist.")

Ottawa, Nov. 16.—Canada will issue a commemorative stamp on Christmas Day, to celebrate the going into force of Penny Postage. The stamp will be of large size.

LATER.

It is now said that an entire commemorative set is in preparation. The stamps will be in use a limited time only.

The 10c numeral stamp has been issued.

HOW'S THIS.

In the last number we advertised a large quantity of Canadian "Maple Leaf" and numeral stamps. The entire

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1c	maple leaf	30c per 100
2c	" "	35c " "
3c	" "	25c " "
5c	" "	$1.50 " "
6c	" "	3½ each
8c	" "	$2.50 per 100
10c	" "	6c each
1c	numerals	25c per 100
2c	"	30c " "
3c	"	20c " "

It must be borne in mind, however, that these were *all* fine specimens, right through. **415** offers were received, ranging from offers for 50 of a kind, to offers for the lot.

This shows an unpredecented demand for these stamps and to enable disappointed bidders to get some, we shall run a column, headed as follows :

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MONTREAL NEWS.

Stamp dealers here find trade brisk. The "good times" so often prophesied seem to be here.

There seems to be an extraordinary demand for maple leaf Canadians. 60c a hundred for halfs, 35c per 100 for tens, $1.50 a hundred for fives, $2.50 per 100 for eights, 4c each for sixes, and 5c to 7c each for ten's are the ruling prices for picked specimens, and there are not enough to supply the demand even at this price.

A new stamp company has been formed in this city under the name of "The Edwards Stamp Co." It is composed of two well known philatelists, and is sure to be in the front rank, where bargains are concerned. See their advt.

The new 8 cents with numerals in the lower corners, is of a very pale yellow shade, and has also been seen in yellow brown.

Rumors of a big find in this city are floating around, but nothing definite can be ascertained so far.

The Editor and Mr. W. E. C. Thomas spent a few days at St. Agathe des Monts, in the Laurentian Mountains, hunting. Sport was good, partridges were plentiful, two deer were also killed.

Stamps were not forgotten up there, however. At a farm house near Belisle's Mills, where we stopped about 6 o'clock one night, we inquired as usual for old stamps, and were informed by the farmer that he did have some old letters upstairs, and he went up to get them. What visions we had while waiting. Then he came down with a packet of old letters, very old letters he said. Then we took a look at those letters, and nearly fainted. The first letter we looked at bore a pair of 7½d Canada's, then came 6d s', 10ds and so on, such a splendid lot. We were just reaching out to take them, when—we awoke. We had gone asleep by the fire, while waiting and the farmer had awakened us to show us *his* letters. But when we looked at the real letters, the first rarity we saw was a 1872 3c green U.S. But let us say no more, for all the rest of the letters were the same.

NOTES FROM GERMANY.

(From our own special correspondent.)

A shilling Nova Scotia, on original cover, was sold in Berlin for 450 marks, ($110). A sixpence cut diagonally and used as a 3d, on original cover, changed hands at 150 marks, ($35.).

American dealers having rare old European, especially old German States, should send them over here to be sold.

Prices realized for that class of stamps are much higher here than in America, on account of the big demand for them here by specialists.

German colonials, i.e. China, Cameroons, etc., have a good sale, especially used on cover, good prices are realized.

Speaking of German Colonials, some of the surcharges were extensively forged, but the police nipped the scheme in the bud, by arresting several of the forgers. One was sentenced to 4 years and another to 2½ years in penitentiary.

EVEN WAR would not stop the publication of this paper. Full arrangements are made to continue this paper in case Great Britain calls out her troops, (which is doubtful—as France won't fight.) and ye editor has to shoulder his musket—excuse us, we should say magazine rifle. Therefore Mr. Dealer, let us have your ad. for our December number. Xmas is a good time to bring your goods before the public, provided a good medium is used. The "Montreal Philatelist" *is* a good medium. We don't claim that the M.P. is the *only* good medium, Oh no, there are others, but the M P. equals the best and excels the rest. Just read the following unsolicited testimonials. They tell the story better than we could. (notice the dates.)

Peterborough, Oct. 20, 1898,

Dear Sir,—I can honestly say that my former ads. in the M.P. have paid me well, both as to cash sales and new clients secured thereby, while I have been deluged with replies to my ex. notice, from collectors wishing to get Can. Revs. in exchange for their duplicates.

W. Kelsey Hall.

This is not a bluff, Mr. Hall backs it up with a page ad. Here's another :

Duluth, Oct. 27, 1898.

Dear Sir,—We are exceedingly well pleased with the results of *all* of our ads. Ever since we started to use the M.P. we are kept busy filling orders for it.

Zenith City Stamp Co.

Ottawa, Oct. 7, 1898.

My ads in the "Montreal Philatelist" have paid me very well.

Chas. F. Fry.

And others say the same. Now, if it has paid others, it *will pay* you to advertise in the M.P. Just give us a trial and see for yourself, we'll convince you pretty quick.

Send in your advt. Copy for Dec. No. should be in by December 15.

SPECIAL.

We have decided to issue another big number, "A mid-winter special" on January 25th, '98. Ads, to be in by January 15, '98. Special Rates for ¼, ½ or 1 page ads., Drop us a card-

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HOW THEY RUN THE POST OFFICE IN TURKEY.

They do things in the good old style there. Nearly all the great European countries have a postoffice in Constantinople, as the Turkish post office official is about as unreliable as can be. But if Turkey proper is bad, Turkey in Asia is ten times worse. In Jerusalem, when the European arrives from Jaffa about once a week, there is great excitement in the town. All those expecting letters congregate in the square in front of the Post office. After being kept waiting for a good long time, the Postmaster at last openes the windows, and reads out the names of the addresses. The addresses on hearing his name called, shouts "here," and the P.M. neatly flings him his mail. Letters, which are not claimed, are placed in a glass case and hung up on the wall. If you ask for your mail in the Syrian rural postoffice, you are requested to look for it in a big heap of letters, which is usually kept in a clothes basket. There are no letter boxes in any of the cities in Syria. If you mail a letter, you must either pay the postmaster an extra, or your letter might rest somewhere in a corner for a month.

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Editorial.

We are a little early with our Xmas Number, but—give the other papers a chance. With this, our first (and we hope, not our last) Xmas No., we begin the second half of Vol. 1. When this paper was started in April, 1898, we had many difficulties to contend with. Three times we believed our printer's promises to get out a good paper, and three times he failed to keep them. Then we changed printers, and No. 4 came out as well printed as any other paper in Canada. Then the tide turned. Subscriptions and advertisements came in, and now, with our seventh number, we can proudly say of the "MONTREAL PHILATELIST"—"It equals the best, and it excels the rest. Now, dear reader, if you are not already a subscriber, will you aid us to "beat the best?" 25c. a year is not a big price for a 16 to 24-page monthly, but several hundred quarters come in handy with us. We promise you to keep on improving the "MONTREAL PHILATELIST" with every number, and you will receive good value for your money.

Two 12 pence Canada's, also Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and New Foundland shillings and a $200.00 U. S. Revenue are advertised in this number. What other paper can beat this? Advertisers, that tells *where* the M.P. goes, and the kind of readers it reaches.

PARENTS, Xmas is coming. There is no better present for your boy or girl than a stamp album, a packet of stamps, and a year's subscription to the "MONTREAL PHILATELIST".

THE League of Canadian Philatelists seems to have taken a good hold, and bids fair to become Canada's leading national society. Certain philatelic papers have said that the L. of C. P. was organized by some defeated D.P.A. candidates out of spite. That is not true. The organizers of the L. of C. P. are not even members of the D.P.A., and the L. of C. P. was organized to have a national Canadian society, free of political wrangling and disputes. Those papers making these false assertions are just showing their jealousy, that's all, and that don't amount to much.

AND now we leave you to peruse this number, and wish you a merry Xmas in advance.—THE EDITOR.

IT IS TO LAUGH.

A Boston broker boasts of rather a bright office boy. One of his friends dropping in at the office despatched the lad for some cigars, giving him a dollar bill to pay for them. The boy returned with four cigars. The caller commended him for purchasing such good ones, and passed them around. Shortly after the broker was left alone in the office, when the shrewd urchin handed him six cigars with the remark : "Ere's the rest of them cigars, Mr. Margin.—Boston Commercial Bulletin.

First Spaniard—Don Mustachio y Whiskerado appears to be very heavily decorated. Why does he hold his head so high? What are his honors?

Second Spaniard—Why, he claims to have been the first soldier in the war to surrender to the Americans.—Up-to-Date.

Willing to oblige,

An irrepressible poet wrote to an editor :

"I give you one more trial. Will you not send me a check for this?"

The editor replied :

"We have tried to check you for years past, but it really seems impossible."—Atlanta Constitution.

A crier in the Assize Court at Galway was ordered by the judge to clear the building of all persons but the lawyers, whereupon he shouted : "All ye blackguards that isn't liars quit the court."

Man is born to rule the world, but woman comes along and makes him forget what he started out to do.—Chicago Record.

Footlight—How did your friend play the part of Julius Caesar?

Sue Brette—Great! I really thought the audience would assassinate him before Marc Antony had a chance.—Yonkers Statesman.

She—Did you sound papa this afternoon concerning our marriage?

He—Yes, I sounded him, and I'll bet everybody in the block heard it when I struck the bottom.

SOME SPANISH NEWS.

A FEW INSTRUCTIONS SENT TO THE ARMADA'S ADMIRAL.

Pleasant Prospects For President McKinley, Congressmen, Millionaires and Stamp Dealers—Other interesting and Veracious Information In the Financial Line.

To the Admiral of the Great Spanish Armada, Greeting :

You are hereby commanded to cross the ocean by way of the South pole. But if you find any stray Deweys there, take the north one instead—anything to preserve Spanish honor. Caramba.

Having arrived at Havana, coal up and start across the river to New York. Blow up Park Row first, then proceed to demolish the buildings occupied by the Cuban Junta. Having done so, capture the palaces of the Fifth Avenue millionaire pigs intact. We need them all in our business. Go up Nassau St. and chase out those stamp cranks. Unearth a few more millions of Cuban stamps, without fail.

Make Vanderbilt's palace the crown's headquarters and send out scouting parties into the suburbs as far as San Francisco and Bangor. Let them take their lunch with them, as it may take them all day. Plant the Spanish flag—it will grow.

Load the armada on vestibule Pullmans—we understand that these things are dead easy in America—and proceed three miles to Washington by night. Surround the White House and capture Mr. McKinley. Boil him in oil. Capture the capitol intact during congressional session seize the congressmen and senators, chain them in gangs and ship them to Spain as prisoners of war. We want something to throw eggs at to keep the people amused.

Loot the treasury! Tear the solid gold frescoes off the walls of the senators' houses. Reject anything less than 18 carat. Capture all the pretty women and pack in bales with a hay press. Load all loot on barges and ship to Madrid. Meanwhile we will do our best to fight off European capitalists who will want to loan us money at nit per cent a year just for the privilege of saying that they know us. A. DEADCINCHERINO,

Minister of War.

Our Foreign Circulation.

FOR the information of advertisers, we will say that our foreign circulation is very large. We reach EVERY country of the globe. Here is where this number of the "MONTREAL PHILATELIST" goes to :—

Canada	**1114**
Province Quebec	496
" Ontario	521
" Manitoba	14
" New Brunswick	25
" Nova Scotia	26
" British Columbia	18
N. W. Territories	4
Alberta	2
Saskatchewan	2
Newfouudland	6
Total	1114
U.S.A.	**2014**
Europe	**1173**
Germany	543
France	192
Italy	12
Russia	2
Austria	67
England	239
Turkey	4
Switzerland	5
Norway and Sweden	16
Holland	14
Belgium	27
Spain and Portugal	16
Total	1173
Asia	**76**
South America	**141**
Australia	**104**
Africa	**42**
West Indies	**20**
Grand Total	**4684**

This circulation is for *this* number only, and will reach over 5000, as we hold 600 copies, to be mailed to all who apply for sample copies.

Our regular circulation is 3500 copies, of which at least 1200 copies go to foreign countries.

It is quite probable that we shall increase our regular circulation to 4000—4500 copies, as this number rea hes a great number of collectors who have never seen the "M. P." before, and of whom a large number will subscribe Therefore it is in the interest of the advertisers to try the "MONTREAL PHILATELIST" as an ad. medium, We easily prove that ads. pay. Dealers who advertised in Nos. 1—2—3 and 4 of the "M. P." have large ads in this number, several even taking a full page. WOULD THEY DO THIS IF THEIR PREVIOUS ADVERTISEMENTS HAD NOT PAID THEM? NO, OF COURSE NOT. This alone proves that good results are achieved by advertising in the "MONTREAL PHILATELIST." We will set up your ad. in English, German or French,—or in all three languages. Just try an ad. and see how it will pay you.

About Our Next Big Number.

We will issue a "Mid-Winter Special" on January 25th, 1899. It will consist of at least 30 pages, but we want to make it 60 or 80. Let us have your support (and advt.) and help us to attain the latter figure. An advt. in the "Midwinter Special" will surely pay you. It will have a circulation of at least 6,000 copies, and as we are constantly receiving new addresses, this will be a good thing fo advertisers. Now, we want your ad. Rates are only 50c. an inch, 2 inches 90c., ¼ p. $1.50, ½ p. 2.75, 1 p. $5.00. Remember that the big number will have a very large foreign circulation.

Now, let us have your advt.

"MONTREAL PHILATELIST,"
451 Sanguinet St., MONTRAL, Can.

NOTICE—When sending advt., please state whether it is for December number or for "Midwinter Special," (January No.) Ads. for December No. should be in by December 10, and ads. for big January No. should reach us not later than January 15/99. EARLY ADS. get best positions.

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Abonnez-vous au "MONTREAL PHILATELIST."
La meilleure publication philatélique au Canada.
Vingt-quatre pages et la couverture chaque mois.
Prix de l'abonnement : Seulement 2 fr. 50 par année.
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1 pouce (25mm)	2 fr. 50
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½ page	15 fr,
1 page	25 fr.

Escompte pour 3—6—12 mois 5%—10% et 20%.

"Dealers' Directory"—12 insertions, 5 frs.

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Les annonces sont traduites en anglais gratuitement.

Aux journaux qui reproduiront l'annonce ci-dessus, nous donnerons le même espace dans le "MONTREAL PHILATELIST", pourvu qu'on nous envoie une copie du journal où se trouve notre annonce.

THE LEAGUE OF CANADIAN PHILATELISTS.

ORGANIZED SEPTEMBER 16TH, 1898.

RUDOLPH C. BACH, 451 Sanguinet St., Montreal .....SEC'Y-TREAS. *pro tem.*

OFFICIAL ORGAN.....THE MONTREAL PHILATELIST.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Applications for membership :

8.	V. Ruggeri, Long Point.	References,	R. C. Bach,	H. Matthews.
9.	W. Kelsey Hall, Peterborough, Ont.	"	"	H. Wilson.
10.	C. J. Carver, Buckingham, Pa.	"	"	A. D. Fill.
11.	W. Russell Brown, Port Arthur, Ont.	"	"	G. Nelson.
12.	A. H. O'Brien, Ottawa, Ont.	"	"	G. Brown.
13.	R. S. Mason, Hamilton, Ont.	"	"	H. Wilson.
14.	J. B. Ouellette, Arthabaskaville.	"	"	W. R. Brown.
15.	J. A. Poisson, "	"	"	"
16.	H. Smith, Medford, Mass.	"	"	H. Wilson.
17.	Frank Cooper, Montreal, Que.	"	"	"
18.	F. G. Hendry, Simcoe, Ont.	"	"	"
19.	Clark W. Brown, Syracuse, N.Y.	"	"	H. Matthews.
20.	Ernest F. Wurtele, Quebec, Que.	"	"	A. E. Labelle.
21.	Geo. W. Hicks, Mitchell, Ont.	"	"	Geo. W. Starnaman.
22.	Louis Van Bockel, Antwerp Belgium.	"	"	J. Noerth.

If no objections are received within 30 days, the above applicants shall be declared elected. Membership cards will then be sent on receipt of dues.

This is a record breaker. Keep it up, and we'll get there. JOIN NOW, and get your friends to join. Application blanks free on request,

FINANCES OF THE SOCIETY.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand	$ 2.04
Initiation Fee of 16 Applicants @ 10c	1.60
Dues from 7 members @ 25c	1.75
	$ 5.39

EXPENDITURES.

Official Journal for November	$ 0.20
Application blanks and Membership Cards per L. E. & A. F. Waters	4.75
Secretary's postage	0.14
	$ 5.09
Balance on hand	$ 0.30

JOIN THE L. of C. P.,

Canada's National Philatelic Society.

W. KELSEY HALL.

We take great pleasure in presenting herewith, the pleasing countenance of our friend, Mr. W. Kelsey Hall, of Peterboro, Ont. Mr Hall, who is 30 years of age. has been collecting coins since he was 10 years old, and stamps since his fifteenth birthday. He has been dealing for the past 8 years and through his upright and prompt dealings has gained the esteem and patronage of the leading collectors. His specialty is the medium to rare grade with a penchant to Canadian Revenues, not surprising on account of their beauty. The gem of his stock is a beautiful mint state copy of the 12 pence Canada, for sale at $485.00. He has also in stock, a splendid collection of B.N.A., for sale *en bloc*, N.S., N.B., etc. complete, shades, blocks, oddities etc. For average collectors, Mr. Hall has a stock of 8,000 varieties at an average discount of fifty per cent Just now Mr. Hall is pushing the sale of the beautiful Jubilee issues of the British colonies. Mr. Hall is the publisher of the only complete Catalogue of Canadian Revenues, justly taken as the standard the world over, as it is really the only catalogue worthy of the name. The others are merely price lists of the dealers issuing them. Readers of the MONTREAL PHILATELIST will do well to give Mr. Hall a trial with their want lists, both postage and revenue. "Cheaper than the cheapest, and as good as the best." All orders filled day of receipt.



W. KELSEY HALL.

R. C. B.

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B. N. A. Postage and Revenues.

Canada 12d, **A Magnificent Mint Copy, laid paper, fine margins** **$485.00**

Canada 1857, 7½d, green, fine copy, cheap at 12.50
" " 10d, blue, " " 6.50
" " 10d, " " on entire cover, only 13.00
" " 6d, purple, fine PAIR, thin paper, only 19.50
" " 6d, " thick spongy paper, fine, only 5.00
" 1858, ½d, perf., fine pair, rare, only 9.50
" " ½d, " fine strip of 3, rare, only 15.00
" " 6d, " good copy, rare, only 21.50
" " 6d, " fine, on cover, rare, only 28.50
New Brunswick Provisional 3d, ½ of 6d. very fine, on entire cover, rare, only .. 13.50
Nova Scotia Provisional 3d, ½ of 6d, dark green, fine, on entire cover, rare, only 10.50
Quebec, L. C. laws, complete set, fine, only 3.80
" laws, complete set, 14 var, fine, only 1.60
" " 1890. set of 3, $10, 20 and 30, cat. $38.00 ..... 7.50
" " 1893, issue complete, 17 var, cat. $22.50 ..... 8.00
Ontario C. F., green, laws 10c 1000, cat. $50.00, fine lot, cheap at 8.50
Br. East Africa, 1895, 3s, postally used, only 85
" " 1896, 3s, " " 1.10
" " 1898, 1d on 3s mint 75

CASH WITH ORDER.

Stamps on approval, against good references, at 50 % discount.

Fine line of Jubilee, Provisional and Commemorative issues of Canada, Newfoundland, N. S. Wales, Trinidad, Barbadoes, Brit. Guiana, Mauritius, B. C., East and South Africa, &c., at low prices.

Remember my 36-page and cover Catalogue of Canadian Revenues is the BEST, and is only 15c, post-free.

W. KELSEY HALL,

PETERBORO', ONT.

CANADA.

Deutsche Seite.

Editorielle Notizen.

Wir widmen unseren deutschen Lesern in dieser Nummer diese Seite in deutscher Sprache.

Unser Blatt, dass sich sowohl in America, als auch im Ausland der groessten Beliebtheit erfreut, wuenschen wie besonders in Deutschland noch mehr einzufuehren.

Desshalb, lieber Leser, betrachte diese Nummer als eine Aufforderung zum abonniren.

Abonnements koennen direcit an uns, oder an unseren General Agenten fuer Deutschland, Herrn Peter Müller, Hartwich Strasse, 68, Cöln-Nippes, gesandt werden. Der Bezugspreis des MONTREAL PHILATELIST ist nur zwei Mark pro Jahrgang. Dafuer erhalten Sie :

1. Canada's beste Briefmarken Zeitung. 16-36 Seiten monatlich. Die best Deutsch-Amerikanische Zeitung.

2. Tausch Annonce—von 30 Worten gratis.

3. Zum Porto, gebrauchen wir JEDEN MONAT ZWEI ½-cent Marken.

4. Wer 25 pf. (fuer Porto) beifuegt, erhaelt *gratis* ein Packet von Canada und Ver. Staaten (Omaha) Marken, Euer Abonnement ist sehr erwuenscht.

Post Anstalt Beraubt.

Um zwei Uhr Morgens, am 27ten October, drangen Räuber in die Zweig Post-Anstalt, Notre Dame Str., Montreal. Sie sprengten den eisernen Geldschrank mit Dynamit auf, gebrauchten aber aus Versehen zu viel von dem Explosiv-Mittel. Bei der Explosion wurde die Thür des Geldschrankes in Stuecke gerissen, sammtliche Fenster zertrümmert, und die ganze Nachbarschaft aufgeweckt. Die Diebe fllüchteten und liessen ihre Beute im Stich. Als der über der Post Anstalt wohnende Postmeister, nur mit dem noth dürftigsten bekleidet, herunter eilte, quollen dichte Rauchwolken aus den Fenstern. Die sofort alarmirte Feuerwehr erschien binnen weniger Minuten, ebenso der Polizei Patrouille-Wagen. Der Brand wurde rasch geloescht. Von den Dieben fand man keine Spur, ausser in einer nahen Gasse einige aufgeschnittene Postsäcke 15,000 Dollars hatten-die Diebe in ihrer Eile übersehen.

Von den neuen Canada Marken sind bis jetzt erchienen, ½-cent, 1-cent, 2-cent, 3-cent, 6-cent und 8-cent. Neue Werthe werden taeglich erwartet.

Canada wird eine 4-cent Marke ausgeben.

Es heisst, das in Montreal ein grosser Fund von alten Marken gemacht wurde. Wir haben aber bis jetzt noch nicht's darüber erfahren können.

Die Canada Marken, 1898, mit 4 Blättern, sind in riesigen Verlang. Für 6-Cent Marken wird 4-Cent per Stueck bezahlt, und für 10-Cent, 5 bis 7-Cent per Stueck, natürlich nur für gute Exemplare.

Ubrigens sind die jetzigen Marken, (mit Ziffer in den Ecken,) sehr verhasst, und es wird uns von ziemlich glaubenswürdiger Seite mitgetheilt, das eine ganz neue Serie nahe bevorsteht.

Stempel Marken Sammler, gebraucht Ihr einen guten Katalog von Kanadischen Stempeln? Legt euch "Hall's Standard Catalogue of Canadian Revenues" zu. Dies ist der *einzig reele* Katalog und sollte jeder Sammler denselben besitzen. Preis nur 75 pfg., oder *gratis* mit einen Jahres Abonnement auf den MONTREAL PHILATELIST.

THE JUNIOR PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

ORGANIZED JUNE 1ST, 1898

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PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Chili, Ohio, U.S., Oct., 24, '98.

Brother Philatelists,

I have just received a copy of our new official organ, and must give the board of directors credit for their selection, as a more interesting philatelic journal does not come to ye president's desk. Am very much pleased to note the progress made by the society since organization, and to see the interest taken in it by the present members. We all know that the most important want of the society at this time is new members, and I hope to see each member apply to the secretary for application blanks, and then do his best to procure all the new members possible. Am also pleased to see that all the departments are in running order, which shows that the right kinds of persons which will insure the success of the society are at the helm.

Yours Fraternally,
WM. EHRICH, Pres.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

New Members.

12. Charles E. Voltz, Chili, Ohio.
13. H. L. Ambrose, Charlotte, Mich.
14. R. C. Bach, Montreal, Canada.

Applications.

15. Victor Ruggeri, Longue Point, P.Q., Canada. Ref. R. L. Doak, W. C. Doak.

16. Arthur B. Spencer, 542 Broadway, New York City. Ref. R. L. Doak, W. C. Doak.

17. F. E. Morehouse, 600 11th St., Oshkosh, Wis. Ref. R. L. Doak, W. C. Doak.

18. Treymond Babcock, Dayton, Liberty Co., Texas. Ref. R. L. Doak, W. C. Doak.

The above will be admitted to membership by Dec. 2th, if no objection is filed with the secretary previous to that date.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Receipts.

Dues and initiation fees	$0 95
From Sec'y pro tem	0 10
	$1.05

Expenditures.

Montreal Philatelist for Oct.	$0 14
Over space allowed for Oct.	0 25
	$0.39

On hand $0 66.

CHANGES IN ADDRESSES.

R, L. Doak from Pearl, Ohio, to Chili, Ohio.

Guernsey French, from Anaconda, Mont., to Berwyn, Ill.

All Charter members have paid their dues and fees with an exception, of Nos. 3 and 7 who according to Art. III, Sec. II are requested to send the amount (15c) before December 20th, or their names will be dropped from the membership list.

Those desiring application blanks can secure them from the publishers of this paper by sending him a stamp or of the secretary.

You had better join at once.

Yours Fraternally,
R. L. DOAK, sec'y treas.
Chili, Ohio

Hints to Advertisers,

By our "ad" expert.

The first idea, of course, is to catch the readers attention. The second and *main* point is *to keep it* A catchy headline will not always ensure a careful perusal of your ad., Oh no, don't fool yourself on that. The ad must be attractive *throughout.* You may have a very good heading and then comes a lot of closely printed figures and dates, etc. Now the reader notices that ad, he reads the heading, and then, in nine cases out of ten, he passes over the ad without reading the rest of it. Make your ad. attractive throughout, and make the publisher of the paper in which you advertise set it up as you want it, if he won't, well don't advertise in his paper. Following are a few sample ads, you are at liberty to use them, they're not copyrighted. Use them in this paper if possible. Mr. Bach guarantees to set up all ads in A1 style. Please note that these "ads" are reduced size on account of lack of space.

STAMPS STOLEN

No, not from me. There's no need to do that, for I sell them cheap enough to suit anybody. But if they were I'd have

THE THIEF ARRESTED

Quick enough, Provided I could catch him. Now the following

STAMPS would'nt pay to be

RECOVERED

CAN I SELL YOU SOME

Canada 10c. 1859, 1c.
U. S. $1.00, Columbus $2.00

GUM PAP. **THE STAMP DEALER**
4979 Perforation Ave.

STAMPVILLE, CAN.

This ad with the words "Stamps Stolen, Thief Arrested, and Stamps Recovered," in large type, would be very attractive for a whole page ad. You could put in your best bargains, in either single stamps or packets, and rely on good results. Right here I might say *always* put your *full address*, street, number, or P. O. Box, as the case may be. If a party answers your ad. and by any mistake he spells your name wrong, you are still sure to get the order, if the P.O. Box, or street No. is given.

Now here is an ad. which would do good for 1-4 p (half column.)

WAR

Yes, war has been declared on high prices

BETWEEN

me and you, are'nt these prices for stamps from

GREAT BRITAIN

and her colonies low. I can also offer some

FRANCE,

but my specialty is Great Britain and Colonies.

..... } here follows
..... } Stamps Advertised
..... }

H. O. N. DURAS, BOX 9999 Milton, Ont.

Here is a sample 2 inch ad

LIFE IS SHORT

* Enjoy it as long as you can

Your . . . . .

STAMP COLLECTION

will help you to enjoy it, and these packets will help you to enjoy your Collection.

A neat border around this ad. helps it to look attractive and aid its drawing powers.

(To be continued.)

PENNY POSTAGE.

New Rate to go into effect on Christmas Day.

(Special Cable Despatch to "The Montreal Philatelist.")

London, Nov. 9.—Penny postage between the colonies and Great Britain will go into effect on Christmas Day. India is to be included.

HISTORICAL AND FISCAL MATTERS OF THE DUCHIES OF MODENA, PARMA AND TUSCANY, ITALY.

BY F. P.

The above named countries were up to the year 1859 independent, and have existed many centuries. In 1545 reigned in Parma Duke Pierluizi Farnese, of Parma and Piacenza, a very despotic ruler who was assassinated because he was a tyrant. The duchy had an area of 1,260 square miles, a population of 258,000, and the city of Parma was the capital. The last reigning duke was Robert I, a very jocular fellow, who kept a grand court in his little domain. In 1859 he had to abdicate, and Parma became a Sardinian-Italian province. Duke Robert was a prince from the royal family of Bourbon. The Duchy of Modena had an area of 2,900 square miles, and a population of 360,000, and the capital was Modena City. The last reigning Duke was Frances V, an Austrian prince, who had to abdicate in 1859, and Modena too became a Sardinian-Italian province. The Grand Duchy of Tuscany had an area of 8,500 square miles and a population of 1,900,000, and the capital was Florence. The last reigning was Ferdinand IV, who had to abdicate in 1859, and the Grand Duchy of Tuscany became with the aid of Austria, independent, because Austria had conquered Lombardy and Venetia territory. King Charles Albert of Sardinia and Piedmont, had in 1842 tried to seize the three duchies, but the Austrian army defeated the Sardinian king in 1843 at the battle of Custozza, and in 1849 at the battle of Novara, Italy. But in 1849 on March 21st, King Victor Emanuel had ascended the throne of Sardinia, and in 1854 conquered part of the Austrian-Italian territory. The Sardinian Secretary of State, named Cavour "dreamed" of one united Italy! and audacious King Victor Emanuel, of Sardinia and Piedmont, in 1858 went again on the warpath. The Sardinian army conquered the duchies of Modena and Parma and the Grand Duchy of Tuscany, made those countries Italian provinces in 1859. Now I come to the Fiscal part and begin with the Duchy of Modena, which country issued the first "Revenue Stamps" on February 1st, 1853, the value is 9 centesimi black violet. This revenue stamp was intended as a "taxe" on foreign newspapers arriving in Modena territory. Inside a double circle is the inscription "Gazette estere" and surrounding this is the inscription "Stati Estersi," on the bottom is the denomination. Black printing on white paper. If obtainable, the price to day is at least $1.

The second issue appeared on April 1st, 1853. There are two denominations, vide: 9 centimi violet, and another 9 centimi violet with a small change. Within a square is an eagle, crowned, on top is the inscription "Poste Esserre" and the value, and the letters B.G. The one of the 9 centesimi voilet values is without the letters B.G., otherwise same description. The price to-day is, if obtainable, 50 to 75 cents each. A third issue appeared in 1859, the last year of Modena's independence. The denomination is 10 centesimi black on white paper. Within a circle is an eagle with a crown. The surrounding inscription reads "Tassa Gazzette" [newspaper taxe], below is the value. Now follows the Duchy of Parma. These revenue stamps were intended as a "Taxe" on foreign newspapers, and the first issue appeared on February 1st, 1853. Within a threefold circle is a lily, (signifies the arms of the French Bourbon family,) and above it is a crown. In the centre is the value, 9 centesimi, black, and in the outer circle is the inscription "Gazzette Estere Parma." Black printing with a handstamp. This revenue stamp is so rare that no price can be quoted for it. The second issue appeared in April 1853, and the value is 9 centesimi blue, on colored paper, black printing, within a covered octagon is the value, on top is the inscription "Stati Parmensi" (Parma State.) In 1857 appeared a third issue of Parma revenue stamps, and the denominations are 6 centesimi rose and 6 centesimi red, same description as preceeding, but with a watermark, an octagon. The price for these Parma revenue stamps, if obtainable, to day is at least $1 each. Then follows the Grand Duchy of Tuscany. Only one revenue stamp was issued, intended as a "taxe" on newspapers. The value is 2 soldi, black on yellowish pelure paper. Within a double circle is

the value and the surrounding inscription reads "Bolls Strasrdioaria" [extraordinary stamp], and per le Poste, [for the postoffice]. This newspaper "taxe" such stamps are classed as "revenue stamps," and not as postage stamps as American Postage stamp catalogues class them is priced, if obtainable, $1, but as it is the only revenue stamp issued by Tuscany the lucky possessor can ask, and will get any high price for it.

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THESE STAMPS ARE ON SEPARATE LETTERS. THEY ARE FOR SALE

A Great Find.

ONE OF THE GREATEST RARETIES UNEARTHED IN MONTREAL.

A remarkable find was made in Montreal on December 19th, 1898. A British Guiana 2c stamp, of the first issue, one of the rarest stamps, was purchased by a Montreal dealer.

THE STORY OF THE FIND.

Monday afternoon, December 19th, a man walked into the office of Mr. R. C. Bach and said: "Do you buy old stamps?" On being told "Yes," he produced a few old letters, saying that he had some more at home. Mr. Bach asked him how much he would take for the lot. The man said that he did not know anything about stamps, but thought that a stamp so old ought to be worth something. Anyway, would Mr. Bach give—— for them? Mr. Bach said he would, and purchased the stamps. The man left his address and promised to call with the rest. And so one of the rarest stamps in existence is now the property of Rudolph C. Bach, of Montreal.

On Wednesday, December 21st, the man called again. He had with him three letters bearing 4 stamps in all, 1 pair and 2 singles. Mr. Bach also purchased these. They were the 8c green British Guiana, catalogued at $150 each. And that is the story of a great find. A photographic reproduction of the 2c stamp will be found in this number. We intended to give full particulars, but cannot do so at present, as negotiations are now in progress for the purchase of another lot of old stamps from the same party. We will, however, do so in our next number, and will also give another illustration.

THE MODEL STAMP COLLECTOR

BY RAYMOND S. BAKER.

In the world of philately there are so many different classes and divisions that it is a difficult matter to select a model that shall be suitable and applicable to all. The advanced collector, the specialist, the general and the occasional collector, each have their standard of excellence, their acme of perfection. He therefore, who would create a type meeting with universal satisfaction must needs attempt the impossible.

It may not, however, be a hopeless task to enumerate some of the leading qualities and attributes found in the model stamp collector, and even to make an analysis of the constitutent elements of the ideal. While it is true that the great majority of philatelists are anything but models, and that a continual exhortation and improvement is not only tiresome, but comparatively worthless, yet there is a certain amount of interest in finding out from a fellow collector his conceptions of the highest and the best, even if they differ materially from our own. With this short introduction, let the model collector step forth and demonstrate his claim to this lofty title and also, with some latitude, point out the way by which others can attain to the ideal state.

He is *general* collector. But a large division of the body philatelic need not be offended, for the model stamp collector has a specialty, although he is not a specialist. There have been many battles fought on the question of generalism versus specialism with more glory and ultimate superiority to the latter. It is not the intention of the writer to inauguerate another contest as every species of collecting has a right to exist. We have reached an age of philatelic toleration, in which everyone collects just what he pleases. Who then shall dare to assume the province of commending this branch of collecting and condemning that which happens to be dissimilar? But when it is necessary to choose a specimen which shall stand for the whole class, to form a model representative of the great philatelic division, to set forth a fitting example for the inspection of the entire world, then it is imperative that distinctions be made, and consequently the general collector is emphatically the result of our choice. The simple fact that he is international in his aims and collecting instincts, and is not monopolized by any single feature of the pursuit, is perhaps the strongest argument in his favour. To successfully represent a many sided hobby he is necessarily a collector of wide interests and all embracing sympathy. He admires alike the stamps of Canada and China, Japan or Borneo.

But the model stamp collector while essentially devoted to general collecting and making it his primary object, has nevertheless a specialty, and thus increases the security of his position as a satisfactory model. Specialism has secured such an extensive hold on stamp collecting that its claims cannot be overlooked, and he who would pose as a model among philatelists must devote no small amount of his time and attention to some particular phase of the pursuit.

Postage stamps only, will be found in the album of the model collector. He has nothing whatever to do with revenues and while not hostily disposed towards them, considers that they are irrevelent and beneath the dignity of postal commissions. It may be argued that the general tendencies of the model stamp collector should lead him to admit fiscals

to his patronage, but in reply to this it can be stated that limitation must somewhere be drawn, and consequently he is distinctly a *postage* stamp collector and nothing more. Revenue stamps are all very well in their place, and their collectibility is not to be doubted, The present craze for them however, to the exclusion of good postage, is not to be commended as it lowers the standard of philately.

The model stamp collector aims at completion, although he does not strive after it to the detriment of his general collection. His stamps are especially strong in those countries which have comparatively few varities, and which are obtainable at an average cost. He keeps up with the new issues in good fashion, choosing those he deems valuable and authentic.

Above all things the perfect stamp collector is not a speculator. It is entirely contrary to his nature to assume such a character. While he finds a certain amount of pleasure in the financial side of the hobby, yet all ideas of gain and profit are wholly foreign to him. He buys stamps in the regular way, but has a tendency to see specimens before purchasing. He is not a "condition crank," but the contents of his album show careful selection. While unused specimens predominate to a certain degree, yet the cancellation and the postmark are fully in evidence. As regards neatness and attention to details, he is all that can be desired. If asked regarding his real object in collecting, the model philatelist will tell you that it is pleasure and amusement, and out of this there grows a desire to know more about his stamps and almost unconsciously he makes an exhaustive study of his specimens, and for this his fellow collectors dub him a scientist. His is a labour of love, and he confines his researches, not to any particular country, but to his whole collection.

It is in the local, state and national societies that the ideal stamp collector is found in his glory. Not only are his dues paid regularly, but he takes an active, lively interest in everything that is going on. If new members are to be secured, if an especially laborious piece of work is to be performed, or if the welfare of the society may be served in any way, the model stamp collector is immediately to the front offering to do his utmost—and he does it. In political campaigns his voice is not heard, except in exposing some flagrant abuse ; but if the obligations of office are heavy and not to be envied he does not hesitate to assume the burden. He patronizes every department of the organization and induces others to do likewise. As an investigator of fraud he is persistent and strives to become by every means a "terror to evil doers." He is the real backbone of the philatelic association and stands true to it in times of dullness and adversity.

The model stamp collector is a missionary worker. To an earnest conception of the future of philately, he adds a generous and unselfish disposition. He hides not his light under a bushel, but seeks to extend the domain of stamp collecting by acquaniting others with a fascinating and instructive recreation. It is ever a pleasure to him to show and explain his collection and any interest displayed on the part of the listener is always followed up by a direct canvas, in which the claims of stamp collecting are intelligently advocated. He has a goodly supply of duplicates and is free in their dispersion among non collecting friends. To the small boy and beginner the model Stamp collector is indeed a friend. Now matter is too trivial, no trouble too great for his consideration. Such difficulties as watermarks, shades, and surcharges are willing explained, and his guiding hand helps the tyro to surmount other stumbling blocks. The ideal collector sees the wisdom of increasing the number of philatelists and governs his actions accordingly.

All the leading periodicals devoted to the pursuit will be found on the study table of our model. They are carefully read and are nicely bound volume for volume. While possessing an extensive philatelic library he is not a literature collector in the ordinary sense of the term. He subscribes to the current magazines and buys old journals and books pertaining to the hobby, not for the mere desire to possess them, but for the laudable purpose of instruction and self-improvement. His great knowledge of stamps obtained by ceaseless study and research, and his determination to propagate a scientific philately, lead him to make valuable contributions to the literature of the day. In the philatelic press his voice is heard on the leading questions of the time. He does not pose as a regular writer, and for this reason perhaps his productions are always well written and of high literary merit. Seclusion is not one of the characteristics of the model stamp collector but rather union and the being in touch with his fellows. Thus he is not entirely dominated by any one territorial division of philately, but is fully awake to the existence of the pursuit as a whole. He is as conversant with affairs in England and Germany as in America.

To fully describe the model stamp collector, as he is, would require a long and elaborate work. In these pages an attempt has been made to point out a few qualifications which are deemed necessary. Much has been left unsaid, but the reader can supply requsite details from his own conception of the ideal. The present standard is not too high for emulation, however, and it is a matter of satisfaction that collectors do exist who fulfil the required conditions.

CANADA'S NEW STAMP.

SOME INTERESTING FACTS AND OPINIONS ABOUT IT.

THAT POSTAGE PLACARD

Admiral De Horsey Utters a Protest Against Its Motto.

The following letter appears in the London Daily Graphic :

Sir—I read in the Daily Graphic of this day a report that the Canadian Imperial penny stamp is to be inscribed with the words "We hold a vaster Empire than has been"

If a man were to adorn his hat with the motto "I have a vaster estate than anyone else," passers-by would both ridicule him and be inclined to knock his hat off, if not his head.

Similarly the proposed inscription on the penny stamp will only excite the dislike and ridicule of other nations.

Doubtless the Daily Graphic is largely read in Canada. Pray use your influence to stop such silly braggadocio, and to induce the authorities to substitute the simple, but grand, words, "British Empire."

If the postal department in Canada has already printed these stamps with the vain-glorious motto, may I humbly suggest their obliteration and subsequent sale at (say) half-a-crown a-piece to stamp collectors, who would quickly buy them up as monuments of bad taste—so far as the motto is concerned.

Yours faithfully.

ALGERNON DE HORSEY.

Cowes, December 10, 1898

Of The Imperial Stamp.

A correspondent asks where the quotation on the imperial postage stamp is taken from. It is from Mr. Lewis Morris's "Songs of Britain," and may be found on page 181 and 182 of the volume, entitled "Song of Empire" :

We love not war, but only peace,
Yet never shall our England's power decrease !
Whoever guides our helm of State,
Let all men know it, England must be great !
We hold a vaster Empire then has been !

No wonder "We hold a vaster Empire than has been." On some stamps we have annexed about half of the United States. The British Isles are situated in France, while the Falkland Islands have moved to some part of South America.

There are four distinct shades of the sea on these stamps, lavender, white light blue, and Prussian blue.

The four shades can in some cases be found all on one sheet.

Speaking of the Imperial stamp, the Montreal Gazette says editorially that it is "to large for a postage stamp and too small for a wall map."

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Editorial.

1898-99.

One more year has passed, a year which leaves a record as far as stamps are concerned.

The spring of 1898 saw a general depression in the stamp trade. Stamps went about as low as possible. Good stamps went abegging at ridiculous prices. When, however, the Omaha's and the new war revenues were issued, interest in stamps was greatly revived, Many people bought these stamps simply as souvenirs, and then became interested in collecting. The new year opens with a bright prospect for the future of our science, and we trust it will be realized.

We call our readers' attention to the coupon on page 32. If you buy a dollar's worth of goods from an advertiser in this paper, fill out the coupon and ask the dealer to sign it, then send it to us, and we will give you 6 month's subscription free. 38 coupons were redeemed from ads in the Xmas number.

Mr. W. Russell Brown has removed from Port Arthur His correspondents will please note his new address, P.O. Box 198, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Send in your subscription.

Subscribers will please note that we cannot furnish Nos. 3, 4 or 5 of the Montreal Philatelist, as they are out of print. We will send Nos. 1, 2, 6 & 7 at 10c each, or the 4 for 25c.

We call attention to the Dominion Stamp Co's adv. The Dominion Stamp Co. has a store in Montreal, and do a good counter trade. They desire to open up a good mail trade, and offer some good stamps cheap.

The Montreal Philatelist for 1 year, and the Virginia Philatelist 1 year, for 30c, or both magazines for 1 year and Robies' "Stamp Hunting" for 73c, post free.

Of all the stamp jobbing Governments, Canada takes the cake. The 2c Imperial stamp was placed on sale in London, England, almost as early as in Canada. This has resulted in considerable loss to Canadian dealers, as it was but natural to expect that they would have received the English orders. But when every dealer can buy them in London at 2c each, nobody would bother to order from Canada.

The readers of the Montreal Philatelist can always count on the latest and best Canadian news. We have a special correspondent in Ottawa, and are often informed of new issues, etc., as soon as the daily press. Take for instance, the change of color in the new envelope. We had bought 50 at the Post Office in the morning (Jan. 13th,) and at 5 p.m. we received a telegram to the effect that they were recalled. The same news appeared in the press of January 14. These envelopes will probably be very rare, how much so, cannot be said now, as it remains to be seen whether the P.O. officials and clerks in Ottawa secured quantities in the same was as they did of the ½c Jubilees.

It has been announced that the money order charges between the United States and Canada have been reduced to the domestic rate. Formerly the minimum charge on a money order from the U.S. payable in Canada was 10c., now it is only 2c. We, therefore, make a request. In sending subscriptions, please send it by money order, and deduct the cost from your remittance. In other words, send a post office money order for 23c. Canadian subscribers please remit by postal note, if possible.

The Boston Stamp Book has suspended publication. All subscriptions will be filled by the Eastern Philatelist.

REVIEW.

Lewis Robie's "Stamp Hunting" has at last put in an appearance here, and is having quite a sale in Montreal. We are afraid it would jar Bro. Robie's nerves, however, if he heard what some of those who read it say, which is, putting it mildly, "a good fish story." However, the book is quite interesting, but instead of naming the last chapter "The greatest find of all," Robie should have put it "The greatest 'sell' of all.

The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain contains the prospectus of the International Philatelic Exhibition, to be held in Manchester next July, and amongst several interesting articles, is one describing the stamp collection in the Postal Museum, at Berlin.

The Virginia Philatelist for December, presents the features of Dr. Mark W. Peyser, of the V.P.A. Mr. Patterson furnishes some pithy Canadian notes. A very descriptive article on the postage stamps of Japan, is now running in the V.P.

The Philatelic Bulletin would do good to get some other Canadian correspondents. Most of the Canadian notes in the December No. are copied from the M.P., and the writers are not gentlemanly enough to state where they get their information.

The Postal Card Reporter, published by Mr. A. Lohmeyer, 922 Gilmor st., Baltimore, is a very interesting paper for card collectors. A very good article on the "Congo Free State" is reprinted by us in this No. Card collectors can secure a copy of the P.C.R. free by addressing Mr. Lohmeyer.

"Stamp Talks" Xmas number appears neat and prompt. A full history of St. Louis stamps and several other articles, make up a good number.

Messrs. Williams & Co.'s price list has been sent us by J. F. Dodge, and is well worth reading. We would like to hear, however, from any publisher who has been paid for his ads. by Williams & Co. They have not kept their agreement with us, anyway, and not only that, but there are several Montreal collectors who sent

them some valuable consignments as far back as 8 months ago, and have had no answer yet. We trust there has been an oversight somewhere.

We acknowledge receipt of the following: "Weekly Philatelic Era," "Boston Stamp Book," "Lake State Stamp," "Herald Exchange," "Filatelic Facts and Fallacies," "Ph. Bulletin," "Perforator," "Canadian Philatelic Weekly," (Toronto and Berlin,) "Ph. Advocate," "Ph. Messenger," "American Collector," "Columbian Philatelist," "Evergreen State Philatelist," "International Philatelist," "Texan Philatelist," "Lone Star State Philatelist."

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We are in receipt of No. 1, vol. 1 of "The Stamp Tribune" edited and published by Mr. S. P. Lev, Harriman, Tenn., Mr. Wm. M. Verbeck, of Ballston, Spa., is associate editor. Mr. Verbeck's portrait appears in this number. The S. T. is well printed, and gotten up, and we wish it every success.

"La Cartolina Postale Illustrata," published by D. Giovanni Gussoni, Milan, Italy, is really a work of art. A beautiful colored cover, and 16 pages of well printed reading make up a nice initial number.

The Michigan Philatelic Weekly is the latest. It is very poorly printed, and as it does not even give the publisher's name or address, intending subscribers would be at a loss to whom to remit. A very curious fact is, that the review, said to be conducted by Mr. H. I. Watts, is exactly the same, word for word, as that in the "Stamp Tribune" which is conducted by Mr. Verbeck.

The Herald Exchange for January has a good article on Tasmania, by Amy L. Swift. On their editorial page, the management says they shall start a Protective Bureau, describing swindlers and their methods, etc. In the same number they run the ad of the Bohn Stamp Co., of very questionable reputation.

The Toronto Canadian Philatelic Weekly having died, the Berlin original and only one presents us with a so called "Midwinter Special" of 8 pages and cover of which 5 are advertisements, one devoted to themselves, one gives a review of the press of '98, while the remaining, one is the only one having a semblance of Philatelic reading matser. Why not give us some good reading instead of a picture of Berlin's duck-pond, or reservoir, (we cant quite make out which it is) on the cover.

The Philatelic Advocate issues a fine January Number of 60 pages. G. W. Starnaman continues his interesting Pithy Philatelic Points Raymond S Baker contributes a good article on early stamp papers. Under U.S. Jottings, which by the way, are mostly a rerash of notes copied from other papers, are some senseless remarks about the M. P. which could well be applied to the party that wrote them.

A DECIDED NUISANCE,

A nuisance which is daily increasing, is the tampering with rare stamps on the covers by some Post Office officials. Only recently the writer received 2 packages from Newfoundland which had thus been tampered with. Some person had attempted to tear off the stamps and failing to do so, had spoiled them by tearing them in a dozen places. Another Montreal collector received a letter from St. Helena, but the stamps were spoilt in the same manner.

Owing to a combination of circumstances we were unable to get out a December number. Subscribers lose nothing thereby, as we enter all subscriptions for 12 numbers from date of receipt.

Some Stampagraphs

BY A. LLOYD-JONES.

Everyone is expecting something fine in the two cent commemorative stamp of Canada, and judging from descriptions they are not likely to be disappointed. Four expert engravers were brought from New York city to design the stamp, and the result if that the Postmaster-General of Canada is accused of violating the alien labour law.

As has been prophesied the U.S. revenues will appear perforated, instead of rouletted. At this writing both the two cent documentary and two cent proprietary have been reported as seen in a perforated condition.

The stamp collectors are again doomed to be disappointed in the thought of the Central American States uniting, so there would be a less number of stamps issued by those prolific stamp issuing countries, as after a few weeks trial, they disbanded. This collapse of the "United States of Central America" after a few weeks existence, was not a surprise to those who are acquainted with the conditions in that section. While a union of them would be desirable for many reasons, it is almost impossible to accomplish because of local jealousies and conflicting ambitions. There have been seven attempts to form a union since the dissolution of the "United Provinces of Central America," in eighteen hundred and forty-eight.

Recently a letter was received from a New York clothing firm, that was franked with a two cent claret U.S., issue of 1883. Wonder where the firm came across them?

The annual report of the fourth assistant Postmaster-General of the United States, contains some interesting statistics and reading. It gives the amount spent per capita by the people of the different states. Massachusetts leads with $2.30 per capita, New York is a close second with $2.27 per capita. The lowest in the list is South Carolina, with 25 cents per capita. Mississippi is next to the bottom with 34 cents. Among the recommendations is one that a special strong stamped ten cent envelope of superior material, be adopted in lieu of the present system of registered letters. As many losses in the mails occur on account of the poor quality of envelopes used, an envelope of this kind will likely be issued. It also gave the size, quality and color of paper, color of stamp, and appearence of the envelope. Around the edge of the envelope was to be a red stripe. Nothing was ever seen in any stamp paper about this envelope though.

We see by a newspaper that barrels of wine, anchors, scythes, in fact all kinds of merchandise, are conveyed by the Swiss post office department. We would like to know if merchandise of this kind bears stamps.

A good illustration of the benefits of new issues is apparent in Canada. Since Canada began to issue so many stamps, the number of stamp collectors has increased rapidly, and there are now three or four new philatelic socities, and several new stamp papers, including two weeklies. The number of dealers has also increased. Of course the croakers against new issues will say all this cannot be attributed to new issues, but it seems very much as if they have been extremely instrumental in helping.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

The Montreal Philatelist had a close call on the night of December 20th, 1898. Adjoining the printing establishment of L. E. & A. F. Waters, where the M. P. is printed, are the immense warehouses of S. Greenshields & Sons, D. McIntyre, and Jas. Leggatt. At 10 minutes to 12 o'clock passers by noticed fire in the basement of the Greenshields building. Although but a minute or so elapsed from the ringing of the alarm till the first engine arrived, the building was blazing from top to bottom. At one time it looked as if the entire block would be burned out, but the firemen worked hard, and by 4 o'clock the fire could be said to

be under control. The wall of the burning building fell outward into Craig street, which was filled from sidewalk to sidewalk with debris. The "Champion" watertower, the pride of the Montreal fire brigade, was crushed like an egg shell, and hurled against the opposite buildings, a mass of twisted iron. The firemen on the watertower had a miraculous escape from death. The big extension ladder which stood beside the watertower with 4 men on it, was twisted round and remained standing just long enough to enable the men to slide down, before it fell with a crash. The total loss was $1,200,000.

A PHILATELIC PARODY.

How dear to my heart are the stamps of my childhood,
When fond recollection presents them to view.
The U.S., the England, the nice old Newfoundland,
And every loved stamp which my boyhood days knew.
The wide spreading revenues and the ones that stood by them,
The Turks and the French where my eyes often fell,
The horse of '69 and the engine right by it
And e'en the rude counterfeit I thought looked so well.
That old looking counterfeit, that much valued counterfeit.
That old treasured counterfeit, I thought looked so well.

That three cornered counterfeit I hailed as a treasure,
And often at night when returned from the field
I found it the source of an exquisite pleasure
The purest, the sweetest, my album could yield.
How I grabbed my album with hands that were glowing
And first to the counterfeit the book open fell,
Then my eyes with happiness overflowing
Gazed at the counterfeit I thought looked so well.

How nice on the dirty white leaf did it look
As placed in the centre it seemed on the page,
That not a good coin collection could tempt me to leave it,
Though coins should be in it from many an age,
And now far removed from that loved old stamp book
The tears of regret will intrusively swell,
As fancy often reverts to the stamps I forsook,
And sighs for the counterfeit I thought looked so well.
That old looking counterfeit, that much valued counterfeit,
That old treasured counterfeit I thought

A Loss of Revenue.

The postal officials are in trouble. The new Mulock stamps very closely resemble some of the United States issue. A short time ago a large patent medicine concern at Buffalo, N.Y., sent into Canada a number of circulars with stamped reply envelopes enclosed. Through an inadvertence, United States 2 cent instead of Canadian 3-cent stamp were used. The cost of the stamps was not all lost, however. A great many of the envelopes bearing the United States stamps came back, the Canadian postal officials in their hurry not noting the slight difference in design in the stamps—the color being the same—and the United States postal revenue has been enriched by some hundreds of dollars, for which the Canadian postal service rendered value. A circular has, it is understood, been issued warning Canadian postal clerks to be careful in their scrutiny of the stamps on letters addressed to big advertising firms across the border.—"Montreal Gazette."

THANK YOU, GENTLEMEN.

We have received many complimentary letters, both from subscribers and advertisers during the last month. We heartily thank the writers, and assure them that we will always endeavour to keep our paper up to the standard. We especially thank the following gentlemen: C. A. Crane, Toronto, W. W. Jewett, Portland, Me., Will Paasch, Davenport, O. E. Jacobsen, Boulder, Col., and many others.

Private Postal Cards.

Washington, D.C., Nov. 8.—Postmaster-General Smith has issued an order admitting private mailing cards authorized by the act of May 19, 1898, into the foreign mails at one cent postage each for Canada and Mexico, and two cents for all other postal union countries. This permits the sending of any kind of card, in lieu of requiring the usual postal card, provided the size is the same as the official cards.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

THE INSURANCE STAMPS OF MAURITIUS.

BY RUDOLPH C. BACH.

The Mauritius Revenues form a very pretty set, but the prettiest of all are the Insurance stamps. They are very interesting, and are, with a few exceptions, inexpensive. I will now endeavour to describe these interesting stamps, and I have added their present market value, as given to me by a correspondent in Mauritius.

The first issue of insurance stamps appeared in March 1869. It consisted of the letters INCE surcharged in black on the postage stamps. Perforated 14, and w'mk'd crown and C.C. In April, 1869, one month later, this issue was withdrawn, and in its place appeared the "Internal Revenues," surcharged INCE.

In February 1878, when the coinage was changed to cents, the Internal Revenues were surcharged INCE and the new value in cents. There are two varities of surcharge, one 9 mms high, the other 6 mms high. In June 1879. the present issue appeared. The Internal Revenues were surcharged INSURANCE, in black. These stamps are very pretty and form an attractive set.

CATALOGUE.

March 1869, surcharge INCE in black, Per. 14, W'mk. crown C.C. on :

3d rose, postage stamp	$1 00
6d green " "	1 00
1 shilling yellow postage stamp	1 50
4 shilling mauve " "	4 00

April 1869. Internal revenue stamps surcharged INCE in black, Perf. 14, W'mk. crown C.C. :

3d blue	$ 50
6d "	60
1s brown	1 00
2s "	1 50
3s "	1 00
4s "	1 50
5s "	2 00
10s "	4 00
20s violet	10 00

Same. Watermarked Crown C.A. :

6d blue	$5 00
1s brown	5 00
2s "	5 00

Internal revenue stamps surcharged INCE and new value in cents, in black, w'm'k. crown C.C., perf. 14 :

	Surcharge 9 mms high	Surcharge 6 mms high
13c on 3d blue	$2 00	$4 00
26c " 6d "	1 00	4 00
39c " 1s brown	1 00	4 00
52c " 2s "	2 50	5 00
1R 56c on 3s brown	2 00	5 00
2R 8c " 4s "	3 00	6 00
2R 60c " 5s "	4 00	10 00
5R 20c " 10s "	4 00	10 00
10R 40c on 20s violet	10 00	10 00

January 1879, value in cents. surcharged INSURANCE, in black, perf. 14, w'mk. crown C. A. :

13c orange	$ 50
26c pale blue	50
39c chocolate	50
52c carmine	40
1R 56c green	50
2R 8c blue	50
2R 8c deep violet	3 50
2R 60c orange	75
5R 20c oange	1 00
10R 40c mauve	2 00

ERRORS AND MINOR VARITIES.

There are many such, but I will just describe those in my collection. They are all of the last issue .

13c orange surcharged INSUPANCE, P instead of R.

13c orange surcharged INSURANCE, inverted V instead of A.

2R 8c blue surcharged INSURAN E, C dropped out.

My correspondent informs me that while printing these stamps, the C on one plate dropped out, and it was not discovered until quite a few had been printed.

Newfoundland has issued its first revenues. We have not yet seen them, but they are said to be magnificent stamps. They were printed by the Amrican Bank Note Co. at Ottawa.

One review editor. in reviewing the M. wanted us to devote most of our space to revenues. Sorry we cant oblige you, we would like to, though.

Revenue Collector's desiring a catalogue, can obtain Walter Morleys "Catalogue of the Revenue stamps of the British Colonies," from the publisher of the Montreal Philatelist at 60c., each.

Notes.

The new Canadian postal notes are very popular, and are used in great quantities.

Speaking of postal notes, they are printed on paper specially made for each value. The paper is watermarked as follows: the amount in large letters across the top, then "Canada Postal Note" in a half circle, in the centre a maple leaf, with the value in figures in the lower corners.

The new 2c Penny Postage stamp is the first tri-colored stamp Canada has issued.

Twenty and fifty cent Jubilee's are still on sale at the Montreal P.O.

The latest boom, the stamps of Great Britain.

Advice to "minor varieties" collectors. Get two or three hundred of the 2c "Imperial Penny Post" stamps. That will be enough to last you a year.

Special Delivery

Toronto, December 30, (Special)–Postmaster Patterson said to-day that the special delivery inaugurated last spring had been a success. "It is growing gradually in favor," said Mr. Patterson "and will continue to grow as its advantages become more widely known In the summer we used bicycles, and during the winter we have made use of the street cars. Both means of delivery are excellent and I have no fault to find with the trolley service. When a letter is posted in the special delivery aperture, it sets off a bell which immediately draws every clerk's attention to that spot. Consequently there can be no delay in the letter leaving the office. I think that the special delivery system is being used more in Toronto than anywhere else in Canada."

Reciprocity in Postal Cards.

Washington, D. C., December 29.—The Postmaster-General to-day signed an order accepting as private mailing cards both the Canadian mailing cards, bearing United States stamps and mailed on this side of the line, and the United States cards mailed in Canada with Canadian postage. This is a result of a reciprocal arrangement between this and the Canadian Governments, looking to avoid considerable annoyance in refusing postal transmission where travellers both ways write home on cards of their own country.

2c Lstter Rate.

A 2c letter rate has at last been adopted in Canada, It went into effect Jan'y 1st, 1899.

The P. O. officials say that there is a marked increase in first class mail matter since the adoption of the new rate.

The Post Office Department had only on hand about one month's supply of three cent stamps, and when these are exhausted, no more will be issued. It is not unlikely that four-cent stamps may be issued to meet the demand for a double rate over the ordinary domestic or Imperial rate.

New 2c Envelopes.

The Department to-day issued a new two-cent envelope. The die was procured from the famous London house of De-La-Rue & Co., the making and printing of the envelopes being executed at the Government Printing Bureau. The contract between the English company and that done by the imported contract engravers from New York is markedly in favor of the Old Country product. This despatch is probably responsible for the rumor that an entire set of stamps of the regular De-La-Rue type will be issued soon. There is hardly any chance of this being true, as the Canadian Government has a contract with the American Bank Note Co.

A RARE ERROR.

New 2c. Envelopes were Printed in wrong Color.

Special despatch to the Montreal Philatelist.

Ottawa, January 13—The new envelope with the 2c. embossed stamp upon it has been withdrawn. The Printing Bureau has printed the stamp in purple, and as the Berne postal regulations require a domestic stamp should be red, the embossed stamp must conform to this color.

The number of these envelopes issued is very small. It is said that only Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa and Kingston had them on sale. The supplies on the way to the other post offices were stopped, and returned. Only 247 were sold in Montreal. They were on sale two days only.

Chronicle of New Issues.

CANADA–

Adhesives The 2c. appears in a new shade.

2c. violet brown (numeral type].



2c. Imperial, black, red and lavender.
2c. " " " gray.
2c. " " " light blue.
2c, " " carmine and Prussian blue.

The 2c. numeral type has been printed in red. Same will be issued when the present supply of the 2c. violet is exhausted.

Envelopes. The 1c. green has at last been put on sale in Montreal.

1c. green on white.
2c. purple on white—recalled.
2c. carmine on white.

NEWFOUNDLAND–

The 2c. stamp, with the head of the Prince of Wales has been changed to Vermillion.

UNITED STATES–

Adhesives—
4c. red brown.
5c. light blue.
10c. light brown.
15c. olive.

Envelopes—
2c. carmine.

URUGUAY–

Before the completion of the supply of a 5 milesimos (½c.) stamp, which was ordered locally, in order to provide for the recently reduced rate on newspapers, four surcharges had to be resorted to, in addition to the two which have been previously chronicled.

The following stamps have been drawn upon in order to supply the demand :

1c. Jubilee issue of 1896.
2c. blue of 1895.
5c. Jubilee issue of 1896.
7c. green of 1895.

A locally printed 5 milesimos stamp has also now appeared, and it is to be hoped that the recent flood of provisionals is at an end. The new stamp is lithographed by the Oriental Printing and Lithographing Co. of Montevideo.

Adhesive stamps. Provisional issue.

Surcharged PROVISIONAL 1/2 CENTESIMO Perforated 15.

½c. on 1c. brown violet and black of 1896.
½c. on 2c. blue of 1895.
½c. on 5c. blue and black of 1896.
½c. on 7c. green of 1895.

Regular issue.



Perforated 11½.

5m. carmine rose.

Another World's Fair.

St. Louis, Mo., November 2.—The committee of prominent citizens appointed some time ago to discuss the subject and determine in what manner the centennial anniversary of the purchase of the territory of Louisiana by the United States can best be celebrated have decided—and will make public a report—that the holding of a fair in 1903 will be the better way to honor the event, and state their conviction that such a fair can be successfully held in St. Louis.

We suppose this means another set of U. S. stamps.—Editor.

THE LEAGUE OF CANADIAN PHILATELISTS.

ORGANIZED SEPTEMBER 16TH, 1898.

RUDOLPH C. BACH, 451 Sanguinet St., Montreal .....SEC'Y-TREAS. *pro tem.*

OFFICIAL ORGAN.....THE MONTREAL PHILATELIST.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

New Members:

8. V. Ruggeri, Long Point.
9. W. Kelsey Hall, Peterborough, Ont.
10. C. J. Carver, Buckingham, Pa.
11. W. Russell Brown, Winnipeg, Man.
12. A. H. O'Brien, Ottawa, Ont.
13. R. S. Mason, Hamilton, Ont.
14. J. B. Ouellette, Arthabaskaville.
15. J. A. Poisson, "
16. H. Smith, Medford, Mass.
17. Frank Cooper, Montreal, Que.
18. F. G. Hendry, Simcoe, Ont.
19. Clark W. Brown, Syracuse, N.Y.
20. Ernest F. Wurtele, Quebec, Que.
21. Geo. W. Hicks, Mitchell, Ont.
22. Louis Van Bockel, Antwerp Belgium

On receipt of dues, membership cards will be sent.

Applications for membership:

23 Wm Chenevard, Case Rhone, Geneva, Switzerland, Publisher of "La Revue Postale," Ref. R C Bach, H Wilson

24 Franklin Stearns, P.O. Box 6, Richmond, Va., age 28, Pub. Virginia Philatelist, ref. R C Bach, H Wilson.

25 H A Crosby. 128 S Albany Ave, Chicago, Ill., age 23, clerk, ref. R C Bach, G J Laughlin.

26 Harry A Jacobs, Box 331, Philadelphia, Pa., age 21, Stenographer, ref. R C Bach, H Wilson

27 Henry A Chapman, Box 72, Rocky Hill, Conn., age 53, Philatelic writer and Printer, ref. R C Bach, H Wilson

28 Joseph Richard, Pinkney, box 69, Newcastle, Natal, South Africa, age 34, manager, ref. R C Bach, H Wilson

29 F W Coning, Maryville, Tenn., U.S.A., age 18, student, ref. R C Bach, W Coning

30 E A Marris, 200 James Street, N., Hamilton, Ont., age 20, Assistant Book-Keeper and Stamp Dealer, ref. R C Bach, J R Brown

31 R. von Pirch, Berlin Ont., age 43, clergyman, ref. R C Bach, W A Starnaman

32 Herman Gremmel, Muscatine, Iowa, age 40, cigar manufacturer, ref. R C Bach, J R Brown

33 Reginald F C Robinson, Huns Valley, Man., age 22, Deputy Post Master, ref. R C Bach, R Andre, Justice of the Peace.

34 Anthony C Merser, 30 South Street, New Bedford, Mass., age 57, agent ref. R C Bach, T M Gifford

35 Geo C Hartung, 1629 Barry Ave., Chicago, Ill., U.S.A., age 21, Stamp Dealer, ref. R C Bach, Richard Halm.

36 L N Miller, 310 Assiniboine Avenue. Winnipeg, Man. Stenographer, ref. R C Bach, H Wilson

37 W H Bruce, Hartford, Conn., age 38, Notary Public, ref. R C Bach, H Wilson

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand	$0.30
Initiation Fee of 15 applicants @ 10c	1.50
Dues from 7 members @ 25c	1.75
	$3.55

EXPENDITURES.

Secretary's Postage	$0.94
Montreal Philatelist for January	.35
Postage to Foreign Members	.03
	$1.32
Balance on hand	$2.23

SECRETARY'S ADDRESS.

Fellow members L. of C. P.

Now that we have enough members it would be best to hold an election of Officers. Nominations will be received till Feb. 15th, and will be published in our February No, It is especially desireable to get the Exchange Department into good running order, for not only

have several members desired to buy stamps, but our foreign members have offered to send us good stamps. Mr. Henry A. Chapman has made a generous offer, to donate Philatelic Literature as soon as our library is started.

Each member should try and secure at least one new member. I will send app. blanks Post free on request.

The Society's finances are in good shape. There are no liabilities and we have the dues of 18 members to come in.

Fraternally yours,
RUDOLPH C. BACH,
Secy. Pro. Tem.

Nominations will be received for :

President,
Vice President,
" " for U. S.
Secretary Treasurer,
Exchange Supt.
Auction Manager,
Attorney,
Counterfeit Detector.
Trustees, three, to be residents of the same city.

A STAMP DEALER'S REMINISCENCES.

WRITTEN FROM ACTUAL EXPERIENCE OR RELIABLE INFORMATION.

BY RUDOLPH C. BACH.

II.—How to gain Recruits to the Ranks of Philately.

Before commencing my story, I will say that the names given are fictitious, for the reason that the parties referred to are still collectors, residing in Montreal. The events described took place in 1890.

Three boys were seated in the study of of the eldest, Walter Tomkins, in ——— college, Montreal. They had been engaged in a very serious discussion, and had just reached an agreement. All were ardent stamp collectors, and they had decided to form a company, the object of which was "to deal in stamps for the purpose of increasing their own collections, to interest others in philately, and to aid those beginning in every way." They named it the Belmont Stamp Co. Walter Tomkins was president and manager ; John Verner attended to the buying of stamps, etc., and Dick Brown had charge of the stock, and the placing of the advertisements of the company. They had bought up a large lot of stamps, and were already doing a large mail trade. The day our story opens, Walter Tomkins had called a meeting, and when the other two arrived, he addressed them as follows:

"As you know, one of the objects of our company is to promote an interest in philately, and to get as many recruits to our hobby as we can. Now, so far, we have done very little in this line, and I think that it is about time that we did something. An idea has occurred to me to-day, which I will explain to you presently. In the first place, Dick must make up 100 packets of 50 varieties each, of common stamps. I have ordered 50 cheap albums from the News Co. at 12c. each. Now Dick and John must pretend to have an argument about some stamp. Have your argument when there is a good chance of all the fellows seeing or hearing you. Dick must shout that he knows more about stamps than you ever forgot, or something to that effect. John will answer to the contrary. Then you will make a bet that each of you can get more fellows interested in collecting than the other. Then Dick will offer a packet of stamps free. John will counter, and offer a packet and an album thrown in. Both of you must, in the meantime explain all you can about the benefits of collecting stamps, to those who accept the packets or albums. I am sure that we can interest a good many this way. What do you think?"

John and Dick both thought the plan excellent, but had some amendments to make. John said that at least 100 approval sheets of 1, 2 and 3 cent stamps should be made up first, while Dick said it would be a good plan to have a couple hundred of 5 and 10c. packets. After some discussion, this was agreed to. The three were to start at once getting the sheets and packets made up, and it was decided that the supposed argument between John and Dick should take place the following week.

(To be concluded in our next number)

THE JUNIOR PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

ORGANIZED JUNE 1ST, 1898

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

NEW MEMBERS.

15 Victor Ruggeri, Long Point, P.Q., Canada.

16 Arthur B. Spencer, 542 Broadway, New York City.

17 F. E. Moorehouse 600 11th street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

18 Treymond Babcock, Dayton, Texas.

APPLICATION.

19 J. Frank Howard, Irvona, Penn., age 17. Ref. Wm. Ehrich, R. L. Doak.

20 W. H. McDowell, Irvona, Pa., age 16. Ref. Wm. Ehrich, R. L. Doak.

3 Nels. T. Thorson, No. 706 So. 16th St., Omaha, Neb., age 19, ref. Wm. Ehrich, R. L. Doak.

The above will be admitted to membership by Feb. 1st, if no objections are filed with the secretary prior to that date.

DROPPED FROM MEMBERSHIP.

No. 3 H. I. Watts, Winchester, Indiana.

No. 7 P. E. A. Conrade, Mile-Run, Pa., on account of non-payment of dues.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

RECEIPTS.

On hand	$ .66
Dues and fees	.90
	$1.56

EXPENDITURES.

Printing of application blanks	$1.35
To Montreal Philatelist	.18
	$1.53

We would be pleased to have the members and all who wish to join send for application blanks and get your friends to join. Don't be afraid to bother the secretary. But ask him any information wanted. Wishing the J. P. S. all success,

I am yours fraternally
R. L. Doak, Sec.-Treas.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Chili, Ohio, U.S., Jan. 4, 1899.

Fellow members of the J.P.S.—As our Auction Mgr., Mr. W. B. Porter has resigned that office and it is my duty to appoint his successor, I appoint Mr Treymond Babcock, Dayton, Tex., U.S. I hope I shall have your approval. Anyone wishing to take part in that department write him. We are now entering upon a new year, and let us at once make an effort to enlarge our society. Apply to the secretary for blanks and see how many new applications you can have for the next issue of the official organ. Wishing each member a happy New Year,

I remain yonrs fraternally,
Wm. Ehrich, Pres.

EXCHANGE SUPT. REPORT

Fellow Members—Quite a number of the members have shown an interest in our exchange department, but I would like to see more. The condition of the Exchange up to date is as follows :

11 Books on hand valued at	$30.52
Amount of stamps sold from circuit	2.15
Value of stamps in exchange	28.37

All members wishing to place stamps on the circuit should get books, (2 for 5c) from the ex-supt. The following are the rules of the Exchange Dept.

RULES OF EXCHANGE, JUNIOR PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

1 Members are allowed to keep exchange books for one week only.

2 All stamps shall be marked at or below present catalogue prices.

3 Full credit shall be allowed on U.S. postage and Revenues, and 75c on $1.00 credit on Foreign stamps.

4 A preliminary credit of half the full credit of the book shall be given. If more or less stamps than this amount are taken from the book, this deficit shall be added or substracted from credit on book.

5 The Exchange Supt. shall be allowed 5 p.c. of Stamps taken from book in credit, to pay for his postage, stationery and other expenses of the exchange.

Fraternally,

Wm. B. Porter, Ex-Supt., J.P.S.

Fellow Members of the J.P.S, —As I feel that I cannot do my duty by the society in both the offices of Ex. Supt. and Auction Manager. I herewith present my resignation as Auction Manager. There are surely efficient members who can devote their time to this office. Wishing the J. P. S. success,

Yours fraternally,

Wm. B. Porter, Jr.

AUCTION MANAGER'S REPORT.

Fellow Members,—Having been appointed as successor to Mr. Wm. B. Porter Jr., as Auction Manager by the President, I herewith submit my report, I am going to hold an auction sale in March, it will appear in the March No. of the official organ, and all members having stamps, Philatetic papers, and coins they want sold at auction send them to me at once. I hope to receive a large list. Yours for success to the J. P. S..

Treymond Babcock, Auction Mgr.,

Dayton, Texas.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

The following papers donated from R. L. Doak are: Young Collector, vol. 1, No. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7-1891: Boston S. Book, vol. 4, 1-'98; T. P. vol. 8, 4-'98; Boston S. Book, vol. 4, 2-'98; Philadelphia Stamp News, vol. 1, 4, '96; J. P. vol. 7, 2-98; Virginia Phil. vol. 1-5-'98; Treymond Babcock, Phil. advocate vol. 5-1-1-'98; American Coll. vol. 4-4-'98; Alleghany Phil. vol. 9-1-'97; J. P. vol. 8-'98.

As this is my first report I am glad to see so many papers donated to the Society. If you have any papers, send them in. Yours fraternally,

W. C. Doak, Librarian.

START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT.

When placing your advertising for 1899, do not forget us.

It will pay you to try us, for once tried, always tried. The results will speak for themselves. Since our last number, we have been in receipt of many flattering testimonials from advertisers. They tell the story:

Huns Valley, Manitoba, Dec, 28, 1898.

Mr. R. C. Bach,

Dear Sir.—Please find enclosed ad. for January No. I received splendid results from my ad in the Xmas number. 16 answers the first week, 4 of whom repeated their orders.

Yours truly

R. F. C. Robinson.

Ottawa, Ohio, Dec, 29, 1899.

Mr. R. C. Bach,

Dear Sir,—I enclose change of copy. I was very agreeably surprised at the number of answers which I received from my last ad, and I can say that it pays well.

Yours truly,

Chas. F. Frey.

Montreal, Jan. 3, 1899.

Mr. Rudolph C. Bach,

Dear Sir.—Our 1 page ad in the Xmas No. has paid us extremely well. We received orders for over $60 worth of sets alone, and we have gained many permanent customers through this ad.

Yours truly,

The Edwards Stamp Co.

We have some special positions to let on 6 or 12 mos. contracts. Write us for terms.

Send in an adv't for our next number.

TO reach **ALL** Canadian Collectors, it is only necessary to advertise in Canada's best papers. A 1 in. advt. in both the "Montreal Philatelist" and the "Philatelic Messenger" for only **65c.** cash with copy.

An ad. (1 in.), in the "Montreal Phiiatelist," "Philatelic Messenger" and the "Virginia Philatelist" for a $1.00 bill.—Address:

MONTREAL PHILATELIST,
451 Sanguinet Street, - Montreal, Can.

From "The Postal Card Reporter."

CONGO FREE STATE.

This independent and neutral State which has, during the past twelve years, augmented our collections by eighteen more or less artistic Cards, is as yet in its infancy. Situated in Central Africa, it embraces most of the basin of the Congo River from which it derives its name. It was constituted and defined under this name in 1885 by the International Congo Conferonce at Berlin, and was placed under the Sovereignty of the King of the Belgians as an individual, who bequeahed his rights to Belgium, and she has reserved the right of annexing the State after 1900. The area is estimated at 900,000 sq. miles, making it nearly one-twelfth of all Africa.

The chief purpose of the original formation of the State was the suppression of the slave trade, and this has been fairly accomplished. As an independent sovereignty, recognized by the powers, the Congo Free State dates from 1884. Its origin is to be found in the companies formed for trade and exploration in that region. The first of these was the African International Association, founded, in 1877. The plan of this company was to send several exploring parties into the interior from the east cost, and to erect a line of stations along their routes. In 1878, after Stanley's return to Europe, another society was formed to study the country, its native tribes, its possibilities of travel and transportation, and its commercial resources. This was called the Comite d'Etudes du Haut Congo. (Committee for the Study of the Upper Congo.) It became the International Association of the Congo. In 1879 this second association sent Stanley up the great river, and he and his men explored much more of the country, founded stations, built roads and made over 400 treaties with native chiefs.

These treaties conveyed the sovereignty which resided in the petty chiefs, contracting parties of the one part, to the International Association of the Congo, of the other. It then appealed to the powers to enable it to combine these many little sovereignties into one independent State.

The United States led the way. The Committee on Foreign Relations reported to the Forty-Eighth Congress that the acts of cession of the native chiefs were within their rights and that the Association could lawfully accept them.

This government accordingly, on April 22nd, 1884, recognized the international Association of the Congo as a Sovereign and independent power under the title of the Congo Free State.

Within a year nearly all the European powers followed the example of the United States.

Though an independent power, this new State, from the nature of its origin, from the objects of this formation, and from its dependence upon its sponsor, Belgium, occupies a position unlike that of any other member of the family of Nations.

Its character was constituted and defined by the general act of the International Congo Conference, signed at Berlin, February 26, 1885. It was thereby declared neutral and free to the trade of all nations, though the powers reserved for twenty years the right to decide as to the freedom of imports from taxation.

(*To be concluded.*)

Lack of space prevents us from reproducing the entire article, which, however, will be concluded in our next number.

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Wir wunschen mit allen Briefmarken Zei ungen. Zwei Exemplare regelmassig zu tauschen.

General Agent fur Deutschland.—Peter Muller, Cöln-Nippes.

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Die neue miniatur Landkarte, so nennt man hier nämlich die neue 2c. Marke, hat innerhalb einer Woche, drei farbenwechsel durchgemacht. In der ersten Ausgabe war das Meer hell-violet colorirt in der zweiten Ausgabe war dasselbe ganz hell-blau, beinahe weiss, und jetzt die dritte Ausgabe, Preussich Blau. Die Marke wird sehr viel criticirt. Auf manchen Marken nimmt Canada zwei drittel von Nord America ein, England hat Frankreich erobert, und sitzt schön darin; die Falkland Inseln haben sich wohl einsam gefühlt, und sind nach Argentinien übergesiedelt; St. Helena hat sich über Nacht ungefähr 8 mal vergrössert. Kein Wunder dass unser guter Herr General Postmaster, Herr Mulock also getrost sagen kann, "We hold a vaster Empire than has been." (Wie haben ein grösseres Kaisereich als je gewesen.)

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M-L-B--Y A rare U.S. Stamp.
H-N-E A Philatelic Necessity.
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2.—The contest consists of filling in the dashes, so as to complete each word.

3.—Words must be written on a separate paper, and not on your letter to us.

4.—Contests will close April 1st, 1899, and the correct solution of words, with winners will be published in the April number of the M. P.

If you are already a subscriber to the M. P. and wish to enter the contest, send your words and 25 cents and your subscription will be extended one year. This gives everybody an equal chance in the contest.

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MINOR VARIETIES OF THE MAPLE LEAF ISSUE

BY RUDOLPH C. BACH.

Recently, while looking over a quantity of the 1898 5c blue Maple Leaf, the following variety was noticed. The outside white line of the oval band surrounding the Queen's head, was broken on the left side, just where it touches the frame Two specimens of this variety were found in a lot of 100 used. (See Fig 1.)



FIG. I.

This variety is also said to exist in the 8c, but I did not find a copy, although over 1000 were looked through.

Now we come to the 2nd Maple Leaf issue with numerals in the lower corners. On looking through 125 six cent stamps, three varieties have been found. In type I, the outside frame is complete, all round. The white oval band touches it, but the colored line is distinct. In type II, the outside frame does not show all



Type II.

round but the white band stands out clear. In type III, the frame does not



Type III.



Type I.

show, and the fine outside line of the oval band is broken. Type I and II also occur in the 10c (numeral type.) In conclusion I would say that the Maple Leaf issue forms a large field for the minor variety collector, and will repay the trouble of looking through them.

A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

HON. MR. MULOCK WILL NOT TOLERATE STAMP SPECULATION AMONG THE P. O. EMPLOYEES.

Stamp collectors will be pleased to hear that the Canadian Postmaster-General, Hon. Mr. Mulock is doing his best to stop the cornering of certain postal issues. When the 2c Purple envelope was recalled, certain P. O. officials were said to have secured large quantities of them. One man in Montreal, 'twas said, held 800 and a certain gentlemen in the P. O. at Halifax also secured a good share of them. A few days after the publication of the last number of the Montreal Philatelist, we received a visit from a P. O. Inspector, sent down from Ottawa to investigate the matter. From him we gleaned that, in the first place, 3000 was the number printed. In the second place, that the Hon. Mr. Mulock was very angry over the alleged cornering of the envelopes by P. O. officials ; and now comes the news that they will be reprinted to supply the demand. In this, however, we do not agree with the Postmaster-General, neither do Montreal's leading collectors. The envelopes were on public sale. Very few wanted them then. Oh no ! But the minute they are recalled, a number of that class, who are not collectors, but simply speculators, and who have lots of money to spare, rush over to the Post Office to get them. They wouldn t invest a dollar of their precious money while the envelopes are on public sale, but are willing to buy a thousand dollars worth if there was the slightest chance of making a profit out of stamp collectors. This is what hurts the legitimate dealer the most. That it is mainly to oblige these people, some of whom have considerable "Pull", that the envelopes will be reprinted, is quite evident. It is the same with the Lavender 2c Imperial. We only hope that the reprinted envelopes will be different in some way or other, so that they can be easily distinguished from the originals.

Prairie City Notes.

It is some time since I have seen any notes under the above heading, and as Bro. Bach has requested me to furnish the M.P. with news now and again, I hope the readers will not judge my first attempt too harshly.

Winnipeg is an admirable city for stamp collectors in winter, especially when the thermometer registers 30 to 50 below. It is much more pleasant to be indoors looking over one's stamps than to be outside in the cold where you are very likely to have your nose, ears, etc., frozen.

The Manitoba Free Press, of this city, commenced, some time ago, to publish a stamp collectors' column. By it collectors may exchange or make any enquiries regarding philately. This is the second Canadian paper that I know of which gives collectors a column. Another likely one would be the Port Arthur and Fort William Journal, edited by B. G. Hamilton, Canadian correspondent to Mekeel's Weekly.

By the burning of the large Hotel Manitoba last week, Mr. Harold Sprague lost his collection of stamps, which was valued at three hundred dollars.

W. RUSSELL BROWN.

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Valpariso, Chili, Jan. 9th, 1899.

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Editorial.

Next Number Out April 15th. All Copy must be in by April 4th.

We are very sorry to be compelled to combine our February and March Nos. It is entirely the printer's fault, but no one regrets it as much as we do. We assure our readers, however, that the M. P. will appear promptly on the 15th of the month hereafter. Subscribers will have their subscription extended one number.

We have been in receipt of very many complimentary letters about our "Mid-winter Special." We have not the space to reproduce them, but the writers have our sincere thanks. Nothing pleases a publisher so much as to hear that his efforts are appreciated.

The "Philatelic Messenger" has been consolidated with the "Advocate," and those who sent in combination subscriptions, will have same filled by the Advocate.

We want some clean copies of 3 of this paper, also copies of No. 4 and 5 in good condition.

The Montreal Philatelist for 1 year, and the Virginia Philatelist 1 year, for 30c, or both magazines for 1 year and Robie's "Stamp Hunting" for 60c, post free.

SUBSCRIBE NOW

Latest advices say that the 2c. purple envelope will not be reprinted. Another step in the right direction.

So far, not one philatelic paper has given the official number printed. Again the Montreal Philatelist leads them all. We have it direct, that 3000 were printed in purple and then the color was changed to red.

The Montreal Daily Herald has started a stamp column in its Saturday Edition. Same is under the able management of Mr. McFee, and it is gratifying to all philatelists reading it, to notice the wide interest taken in stamps, by the public.

Those who still owe us for advertising, will please settle at once.

We thank Mr. C. F. Rothfuchs, 3118 Washington St., Boston, for a copy of his price list, which is full of bargains. Send for one.

If you receive this number as a sample copy, you are requested to subscribe. Please bear in mind that our usual size is 20 to 32 pages. Dont miss our next number.

Chronicle of New Issues.

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"La Revue Philatelique" chronicles and illustrates a new law stamp. It is a magnificent design, executed by the American Bank Note Co.

United States—

We have to thank various correspondents for sending us specimens of the new 2c. carmine envelope, chronicled in our last number.

2c carmine on white.
2c " straw.
2c " fawn.
2c " blue.

Cuba—

Provisional issue.

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de PESO.

surcharged on U.S. stamps.

1c on 1c yellow green.
2½c on 2c carmine.
2c on 2c red.
3c on 3c purple.
5c on 5c blue.
10c on 10c light brown.

It is stated that the set is soon to be increased by the following values:

4c on 4c brown.
6c on 6c claret.
8c on 8c puce.

Perak—

The Philatelic Journal of Gt. Britain states that the 50c value, which has hitherto appeared in lilac and black, has now been changed to green and black, to correspond with the same value of the other states.

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Adhesives—Wmk. crown C.A. Perf. 14

½p lilac and green.
1p " carmine.
2½p " ultramarine.
3p " olive green.
4p " orange.
5p " ?
6p " brown.
1sh gray green and carmine.
5sh " " ultramarine

Rhodesia Br. S. Africa—

We herewith illustrate the 1 penny and 1 shilling, new design, as previously chronicled.



Chili—

Mr. Bittencourt sends us a specimen of a new Chilian "Cierro Official" (officially sealed) stamp. It is 2¾ in. long and 1¼ in. wide, printed in red on orange paper, perf. 14. The design is very handsome, and represents a statue, which occupies ⅔ of the stamp. The remaining end is blank.

Portugal—

Our esteemed correspondent, Mr. Manoel A. Castro, Lisbon, Portugal, sends us the 15c. and 25c. (Scott's type A419) in the new Postal Union colors, which were issued Jan'y 1st.

15c blue green.
25c rose

India—

Letters received by the last mail bear the ½ anna, green, surcharged in black:

$$\frac{1}{4}$$

¼a on ½a green and black.

Canada—

Just as we go to press we receive the 3c envelope and letter card surcharged 2c. It consists simply of the figures 2c stamped more or less evenly on the Queen's head, and has the appearance of being put on with a rubber stamp. Of all Canada's inartistic postal emissions, this is the worst. In our opinion, Canada's first surcharge is a dismal failure.

2c

Envelope—

3c Carmine on white, wove surcharged.

These envelopes will no doubt become scarce. They must be sent to Ottawa in quantities of at least one thousand to be surcharged. For this reason alone they will be rare, for it is impossible to purchase a thousand unsurcharged 3c envelopes at the post office.

The 3c Letter Card has been similarly surcharged.

Special Notice.

We wish to notify those who answered our ads. in Mekeels Weekly, offering 4 Newfoundland Stamps, etc., and who have not received same, that both our supply of Newfoundland Stamps and copies of No. 8 was exhausted. Over 400 sets were sent out. We have just received a small shipment, and if those who receive this number as a sample copy, send in their subscription, we will forward 2 varieties Newfoundland, and 2 varieties Imperial Stamps at once, and use 4 half cent stamps in mailing.

POINTS.

A beautiful specimen of the Canada 7½d. was sold in Montreal for $10.00 recently.

We're looking for certain parties with a gatling gun.

We wonder if Bro. Dodge has received that big box of stamps from Williams & Co., yet.

Please don't mention British Guiana to us any more. 'Nuff said.

Sorry to have to let you keep on wondering, Brother Osgood.

When a paper, soliciting your advertisement, claims "an ever increasing circulation," turn to the free exchange column. About 40 p.c. of all new subscribers use this column. We have a paper in mind which claimed to have gained "an enormous increase in circulation during the last month." There was ONE ad in the exchange column. It is easy to draw conclusions from that.

From "The Postal Card Reporter."

CONGO FREE STATE.

(*Concluded.*)

The free navigation of the Congo and its affluents was provided for under an international commission. Religious freedom was proclaimed and equality of treatment was promised to all settlers of whatever nationality. The slave trade and slavery were to be assailed, the education and civilization of the natives attempted. All the powers represented at the Conference ratified this important act except the United States which excused itself on the ground that such action would impose upon it international obligations at variance with its traditional policy.

The central government is at Brussels, and consists of its sovereign, the King of the Belgians, and the heads of the departments, namely, the Ministers of Foreign Affairs and Justice, of Finance, and of the Interior. There is also a local government, comprising a Governor-General and Vice-Governor, a State Inspector, a general Secretary, a Director of Justice, a Director of Finance and a Commander of the Forces.

The armed forces consists of 6120 blacks, commanded by white officers. Navigation for the lower Congo ends at Vivi, 450 miles up the river. From this to Stanley Pool or Leopoldville it is unnavigable because of rapids. Between these points a railway has been surveyed and 65 miles are open for traffic (1896). It will be 250 miles long and runs about 30 miles south of the river. There are seven vessels on the lower and eleven on the upper Congo. A regular steamer service connects the State with Europe, and it is included in the Universal Postal Union.

To provide Revenue, the International Conference at Brussels, 1890, participated in by seventeen powers, authorized the Congo State to levy duties on certain imports.

By treaty of amity, commerce, and navigation, 1891, the United States provides for commercial intercourse and a Consular System, accept the laying of import duties, and agrees to settle by arbitration any disputes arising under the treaty.—(*Johnson's Universal Cyclopaedia.*)

On January 1, 1886, the State was admitted into the Universal Postal Union under the name of "The Independent

State of Congo" and on this day the first Postal Card was placed on sale.

In describing the various issues I shall refer to the illustrations given in Scott's 1898 Postal Card Catalogue (P. C. 1 &c.)

The price quoted are my selling prices for unused copies.

1886. *January 1.* Stamp with head of the King of Belgium, facing to left. Inscription in four lines in French. (P. C. 1). Size 123x88mm.

No. 1. 15 centimes, br'n on buff...$ .35

1886. *July 1.* Same design with additional inscription "*Address to be written on this side*" in English and change of color of impression as well as the card board. (P. C. 1).

No. 2. 15 centimes, ultramarine on pale blue .....$ .30

1888. *July.* Stamp in red, with Palm tree and Star, "Congo" on the four sides and the figure of value "15" in the four corners. Inscription in three lines, double line border, and Coat of Arms, in left upper corner in black. This card is watermarked "CONGO." Size 138x89. (P. C. 2).

No. 3. 15c. red and black on salmon.....$ .10

This card has been seen with inverted watermark.

No. 3a. 15c. red and black on salmon; rare. 1889. Stamp with figure of value' "centimes" in centre between two Palms' "Congo" below, 138x89. (P. C. 3.)

No. 4. 10c. black on white..... $ .15

No. 5. 10c. black on pearl gray... .10

Additional inscription at top "Union Postale Universelle" and "avec reponse payée" added to third line. (P. C. 3).

No. 6. 5x10c brown on pearl, T. 3..$ .15

Three lines of inscription. (P. C. 4).

No. 7. 15c. carmine on buff.....$ .12

Top line "Carte postale avec reponse payée" (P. C. 4).

No. 8. 15x10c. black on pale green T. 3.....$ .15

1892. Provisional re-issue of Cards of same design, pending completion of the following permanent issue.

No. 9. 10c. black on yellowish buff (P. C. 3) .....$ .30

No. 10. 15c. black on white (P.C. 4) .30

1892. Stamp with head of the King of Bel. ium, three quarter face to right, Palm trees at sides, name of county at top and figure of value in the two lower corners with "centimes" between. Inscriptions are the same as the 1889 issue. A peculiarity of this and the following (1897) is that the reply halves of the double cards are printed in a different color from the first half of the card. Size 140x90.

No. 11. 10c. carmine on yellowish buff (P. C. 5)..... $ .06

No. 12. 15c. blue on blueish (P.C 6) .09

1894. Double cards corresponding with above.

No. 13. 5c. gr. x10c. carmine on blueish (P. C. 5)..... $ .09

No. 14. 15c. blue x 10c. carmine on yellowish buff (P.C. 6).....$ 12

1897. Cards of various, very elaborate designs, with rectangular stamp. (See illustration). Size 128x80.

No 15. 10c. orange red on dark buff (P.C. 7).....$ 05



No. 16. 15c, orange on pale buff (illustration).....$ 08

No. 17. 10c. brown x 10c. olive on pink (P.C. 9)..... $ 10

No. 18. 15c. blue x 15c. brown on pale blue (P.C. 10).....$ 12

These cards can be obtained at above prices from Mr. A. Lohmeyer, 922 N. Gilmor St, Baltimore, Md, U. S. A. Write him for a free copy of No. 3 of the "Postal Card Reporter," the best paper on cards issued.

A STAMP DEALER'S REMINISCENCES.

WRITTEN FROM ACTUAL EXPERIENCE OR RELIABLE INFORMATION.

BY RUDOLPH C. BACH.

II.—How to gain Recruits to the Ranks of Philately.

CONCLUDED.

Early the next week, the sheets and packets were ready. On Tuesday afternoon there was to be a meeting of the school to elect a football team, so they decided to have the supposed argument then, and they did. It was most successful in its effect. Though at first only a few boys took an interest in stamps, it only required a little talking to get the most of them so interested, that they would think of nothing else but stamps. In fact, a "philatelic mania" had struck College with all its force, and the several partners of the Belmont Stamp Co. not only did a good business, but had a great (?) time of it, explaining the mysteries of perforation, watermarks, surcharges, etc. But all efforts have their reward, and to-day some ardent philatelists remember how they started collecting with a 50 variety packet and a cheap album.

THE END.

A REVENUE COLLECTORS CLUB.

We have received a letter from a collector of these interesting stamps, asking our co-operation in forming a society for revenue collectors only. We agree with the sender that it would be of interest to collectors of these stamps to have a society of their own, from which they could get any information desired, and circulate duplicates.

We therefore suggest the forming of such a club, and would be pleased to hear from other revenue collectors.

REVIEW.

We beg to acknowledge, with thanks, receipt of a neat little price list from the International Stamp Co., P.O. Box 563, Montreal, consisting of 16 pages and cover, brimful of bargains. It will be sent free to all who apply for it.

The Virginia Philatelist of February describes the discovery of a Confederate local, of Franklin, N.C. Mr. R. G. Widdicombe in an article entitled "The Future of the Maple Leaf Issue," presents a table of comparisons of highest and lowest prices he has known to be paid for them, and gives $6.25 per 100 as the latter price for the 10c. Why not give the right prices when you are at it, Bro. Widdicombe. Any Montreal dealer will pay 7 to 9c. apiece for perfect copies.

We thank Mr. H. B. Vesey, Norfolk, Va., for sending us a copy of his "Directory of Virginia Philatelists." It can be obtained from him, price 10c. each.

Jubilee Stamp Co., Smiths Falls, Ont., sent us their neat price list. Send to them for one. It's free.

The Philatelic Messenger has suspended publication. The Advocate will fill unexpired subscriptions.

Also received. From U.S.: Ph. Bulletin, Eastern, International Philatelists, Weekly Era, Metropolitan, Mekeel's Weekly, Lake State Stamp, Tri-Monthly Collector, American Journal of Philately, Herald Exchange, Fillatelic Facts and Fallacies, Evergreen State, Texan, New York, Lone State Star Philatelist.

From Canada: Ph. Messenger, Ph. Advocate, Stamp Reporter.

From Great Britain: Stamps, Ph. Monthly and Advertiser.

From other countries: Revue Philatelique Francais, Timp. Belge, Int. Offertenblatt, Intermed. Ph., Antwerpia Ph., Porto Ph. Il Frankobollo, Vade Mecum, Athenian Phil, Der Briefmarkenhändler, Echo Phil., Vert Corresp. Blatt, Annoncen Blatt für Philatelie.

THE LEAGUE OF CANADIAN PHILATELISTS.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

New members :

23. Wm. Chenevaard, Geneva, Switzerland.
24. Franklin Stearns, Richmond, Va.
25. H. A. Crosby, Chicago, Ill.
26. H. A. Jacobs, Philadelphia, Pa.
27. H. A. Chapman, Rocky Hill, Conn.
28. Joseph R. Pinkney, Newcastle, Natal.
29. F. W. Coning, Maryville, Tenn.
30. E. A. Marris, Hamilton; Ont.
31. R. Von Pirch, Berlin, Ont.
32. Hermann Gremmel, Muscatine, Iowa.
33. R. F. C. Robinson, Huns Valley, Man.
34. A. C. Merser, New Bedford, Mass.
35. Geo. C. Hartung, Chicago, Ill.
36. L. N. Miller, Winnipeg, Man.
37. W. H. Bruce, Hartford, Conn.

On receipt of 18c. for dues till 1st Oct. 1899, membership cards will be sent.

Applications for membership:

38. A. L. Austin, Durban, Natal, South Africa, ref. R. C. Bach, W. R. Brown.
39. S. H. Brosseau, 173 St. Hubert St., Montreal, asst. bookkeeper, ref. R. C. Bach, J. Parkes.
40. S. P. Lev, Box 65, Harriman,Tenn., ref. R. C. Bach, W. R. Brown.
41. A. H. Mayers, 115 Zeigler St., Roxbury, Mass., ref. R. C. Bach, H. Smith.
42. P. E. Lunn, Jr., 16 Aylmer Street, Montreal, ref. R. C. Bach, W. R. Brown.
43. M. J. Boyd, Huntingdon, Que., ref. R. C. Bach, W. R. Brown.
44. J. A. Craig, Box 93, Yarmouth, N.S. aged 34, chemist. ref. R. C. Bach, W. R. Brown.

Fellow members L. of C.P.

Last month I asked for nominations. Only two were sent in, one by Mr. E. A. Marris and by Mr. W. R. Brown. As these nominations were alike, there is no need to put the society to the expense of printing and mailing ballots. I now request all members in arrears for dues to send same at once to the Secy-Treas. Mr. H. Smith, 42 Dudley St., Medford, Mass. I would like to see every member send for blanks and try and get his friends to join. Blanks will be sent post free on application by me or by Secy. Smith.

Yours for the L. of C.P.

RUDOLPH C. BACH.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand	$2.23
Initiation Fee of 6 applicants	60
Dues from 2 members	50
	$3.33

EXPENDITURES.

Secretary's Postage	86
Official Organ for Feb	43
Postage to Foreign Members	04
	$1.33
Balance on hand	$2.00

THE JUNIOR PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

ORGANIZED JUNE 1ST, 1898

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EXCHANGE SUPT.....WM. B. PORTER, JR., Berwyn, Ill.
AUCTION MGR.....TREYMOND BABCOCK, Dayton, Texas.
LIBRARIAN.....W C. DOAK, Chili, Ohio
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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

NEW MEMBERS.

19. J. Frank Howard, Irvona, Pa.
20. W. H. McDowell, Irvona, Pa.
3. Nels. T. Thorson, Omaha, Neb,

APPLICATIONS.

21. Clarence T. Bergsland, Dennis Corn, Jackson St., Houston, Texas, age 16, ref. Treymond Babcock, R. L. Doak.

22. Lee R. Campbell, Webberville, Travis Co., Texas, age 15, ref, Treymond Babcock, Wm. B. Porter, Jr.

23. Miss Buelah Johnson, Wills-Point, Van Zandt Co., Texas, age 15, ref. Treymond Babcock, R L. Doak.

The above will be admitted to membership by March 15 if no objections are filed with the secretary prior to that date.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

RECEIPTS.

On hand last report	$0.03
Dues and fees from 3 members	90
	$0.93

EXPENDITURES.

To Montreal Philatelist for January.	$0.18
To over space	50
	$0.68
[illegible]	$0.50

Several members have made complaints to me about the non-appearance of official organ for Dec. and wish to state that it was due to the fire in Montreal. Those desiring blanks can get them of the Sec-Secretary.

Yours fraternally,

R. L. DOAK, Sec-Treas.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

The following have donated papers to the library since my last report: From Chas. E. Voltz, Chili, Ohio, 11 pieces. From A. B. Spencer, 542 Broadway, New York, 3 pieces. From P. S. Trussell, Berwyn, Ill., 2 pieces. I would ask publishers to send copies of their publications to be put in the library.

Yours fraternally,
W. C. DOAK,
Librarian.

AUCTION MANAGER'S REPORT

Fellow Members,—Stamps for this department are not coming in as fast as I would like to see them. If you have any send to me at once.

Yours for progress,
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General Agent fur Deutschland.—Peter Muller, Cöln-Nippes.

EDITORIELLES.

Der Postmeister General von Canada, Herr Mulock hat sich entshieden gegen die Marken speculation unter den Post Beamten ausgesprochen. Deshalb, so sagt man, werden die "2c Imperial" Marken, mit violetten Hintergrund, wieder gedruckt werden. Auch heisst es, dass die 2c violetten Couverts wieder gedruckt werden. Es wurden nur 3000 in dieser Farbe gedruckt, und es heisst, dass Post Beamte davon den Löwenantheil sich erobert haben.

Wie wir in der Weihnachts Nummer bereits mittheilten, nimmt unser General-Vertreter für Deutschland, Herr P. Müller, in Köln Nippes Hartwichster 76. Abonnements und Annoncen für uns an; und gewärt derselbe bei Aufträgen von Mark 4.-an, 25 p.c. Rabatt in besseren Marken oder Ganzsachen. Probe Nos. versendet derselbe gratis und Franco.

Neu-Fundland hat eine Serie Stempelmarken ausgegeben, die sehr hübsch sein sollen.

Das 2c violette Couvert ist jetzt sehr im Verlang, und wird dafür Ein Dollar per Stück bezahlt.

Wir sind immer bereit, für unsere Abonnenten coursirende brief-marken, Couverts, Karten, etc. zu Besorgen wenn der betreffende Betrag, inclusiv Porto per Post Anweisung eingesandt wird. Complette Sätze von Jubilee Marken, ½c bis $5.00 ungebraücht, können wir @ $17.50 (Mark 73.00) besorgen.

Die Vereinigten Staaten Couverts erscheinen jetzt in neuen Farben.

1 cent grun
2 cent carmin

Für Cuba, werden Amerikanische Marken überdruckt CUBA und werth, gebraucht.

1c de peso auf 1c grun
2½ " " 2c rot
2c " " 2c carmin
3c " " 3c violett
5c " " 5c blau

Die 2½c. de peso Marke ist ein Fehler, da dass Porto nur 2c beträgt. Desshalb wurde die 2½ Marke für 2c verkauft und als 2c Marke gebraucht. Sie dürfte selten werden.

Da das Inland Porto jetzt nur 2c beträgt, so nimmt die Regierung alle 3 cent Marken zurück, und giebt andere Werthe dafür.

Wer 3 cent Couverts oder Kartenbriefe hat, kann diese nach Ottawa, schicken, wo sie 2c überdruckt werden. Der Aufdruck ist sehr hässlich.

Couvert.

3c rot überdruckt **2c.**

Da sehr wenig Couverte vorhanden sind, werden die Aufdrücke sehr selten werden.

Auf der Montrealer Post Anstalt sind augenblicklich die folgenden Marken etc. verkäuflich.

Briefmarken.

½c schwarz mit werth-ziffer,
1c grün " "
1c " " 4 Blättern
2c hell violett " 4 "
2c dunkel " " werth ziffer
2c rot violett " "
3c rot " "
3c carmin " 4 Blättern
5c tief blau " "
6c braun " werth ziffer
8c gelb " "
10c lila " "
15c " 1892 Ausgabe
20c rot 1892 "
20c " Jubilee
50c blau "
50c blau 1892 Ausgabe

Eil-Brief Märke 10c grün
Postkarten 1c grün, 1c x 1c schwarz, 2c blau
Couverts 1c grün, 2c carmin.
Karten Brief 1c schwarz, 2c grün, 3c rot.
Streif Band, 1c grün.

SURCHARGED LETTER CARDS AND ENVELOPES.

The following letter explains itself.

Ottawa, 21st Feb., 1899.

Dear Sir.—Replying to your letter of yesterday I beg to state that the Department has no present intention of getting out a re-issue of the 2c. purple envelope.

There must be some misapprehension with regard to the surcharging of certain 3c. stamped envelopes and 3c. letter cards inasmuch as the only cases of surcharge, so far, at any rate, have been confined to applications on the part of persons having a considerable quantity of either on hand, still, of course, unused and who desire a refund covering the difference in the face value between 3c. and 2c. These applications are made, as an indespensable condition, through a Postmaster in every case, and the cards or envelopes are sent by him with the applicants' request to this branch. Here they are surcharged 2c., after which they are returned to the sender, through the Postmaster, together with a sufficient number of other 3c. cards or envelopes to cover the difference, or amount of refund. The only value of surcharged stamp used as so far as I know, likely to be used, is the 2c.

Yours truly,

E. P. Stanton,

Supt. Postage Stamp Branch.

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OF LIMA, PERU, SOUTH AMERICA.

Contracted for this space, but as they evidently expect Publishers to run their advts, gratis, we will oblige them.

Since our last number issued, we have simply been deluged with letters from those who have been duped by this enterprising (?) firm. Collectors and Dealers alike were "sucked in" by them. It might possible do some good if all those who have claims against them were to unite, and place them behind the bars.

The February No. of the "American Journal of Philately," has the following about them.

Williams & Co., Lima.

One of our correspondents in South America, sends us the following information in regard to this firm, which has been advertising so largely during the past year and appears to have succeeded in instilling confidence, by virtue of these advertisements, in so many stamp collectors and dealers :

"The 'several' partners of W. & Co., are represented by *one* person, Mr. Casnough,—occupying a small '*office*' and holding a modest post as clerk of a Telegraph Co. This enterprising 'gentlemen' is receiving stamps from all directions—as may be inferred from his huge advertisements—and got especially 'fine' selections from Australian dealers, the Scott Stamp & Coin Co., L'd., and from Messrs. Stanley Gibbons, L'd. to whom he appears in some way connected. We have seen some of these selections, sold by W. & Co., to the dealer referred to, at remarkably low prices—or at *no price at all.* A selection of the (Standard) Scott Stamp & Coin Co., L'd., valued at $346, has been sold at $40! It appears that money is getting scarce with Messrs. W. & Co., and our friend told us, that having left Lima, and being in Arequipa, he still received a cable from W. & Co. asking him to come again and offering him a bargain for the whole rest, and at the same time offering *to pay expenses* of passage to Lima, etc. There is evidently some mischief going on and great care should be taken with any transactions. We are not allowed to give our friend's name, but think him very trustworthy."

We have only to add that our correspondent is in error in stating that our firm had sent any selection to these people, as they are not indebted to us for a single cent. Their methods of advertising have not appeared satisfactory to us from the beginning, and we may congratulate ourselves upon not forming one of the large number who have given them credit.—Am J. of P.

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S--A--S-E--L--E--S
A Country in the surcharge business.

S---A-- Another.

A--U- A Philatelic Necessity.

S-L-U-- A very rare stamp.

C-R-A-- A country having a post-office in China.

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1.—You may send as soon as you like. 25c. must accompany your solution, or it will not be considered. Each contestant will be credited with a year's subscription to the M. P. on receipt of money Remit in Silver.

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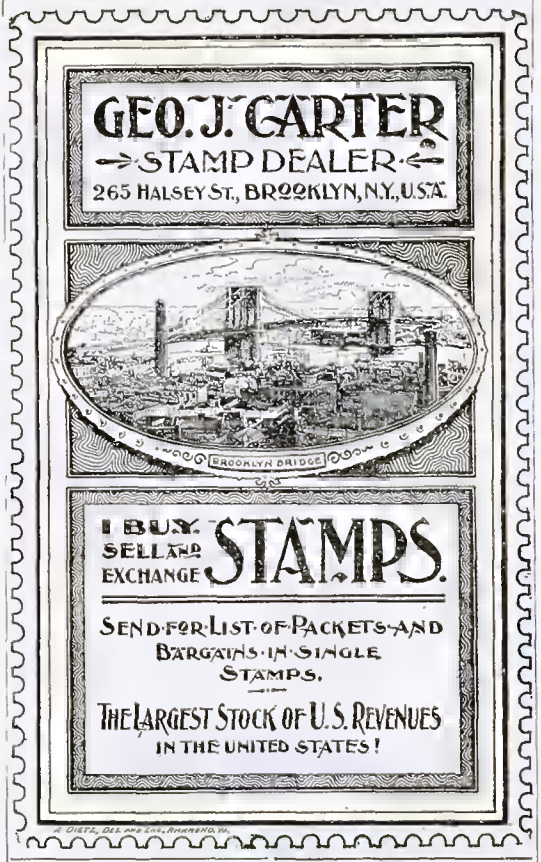

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GOVERNMENTAL MONEY-MAKING DEVICES.

There are few governments nowadays, who do not indulge more or less in stamp speculation. Some have been at it for a long time past, while others have just awakened to the fact that there is money in stamps. One of the latter is Canada. From 1870 to 1897 she issued only 20 different stamps, not counting shades, or varieties of paper. Then in 1897 came the Jubilee issue. The tremendous sale of these stamps, the big foreign orders that reached the P.O. Department, coupled with the immense domestic speculation in the ½c and 6c. values, opened the eyes of " the powers that be " to the fact, that to issue a set of stamps as often as possible was a good cure for a postal deficit. Since June 1st, 1897, there have been issued 16 varieties Jubilees, 8 varieties of the Maple Leaf issue, 7 varieties of the numeral issue, 1 special delivery stamp, and 4 varieties of Imperial stamps, a total of 36 adhesive stamps in less than two years. If this keeps on, the result is awful to contemplate. We do not count in the so-called "provisional' stamps,two-thirds of a 3 cent stamp, surcharged 2c. These are fakes, pure and simple. The P.O. authorities say that the postmasters had no right to issue them, and are liable to a severe penalty. A very significant fact is, that they are all in the hands of stamp dealers. Mekeel's Weekly listed these fakes, which surprised us, especially after the way they have been calling the 2c. purple envelope "a gigantic swindle." The 2c. purple envelope is a legitimate issue, no "error" about it. The new Postal Union agreement was, that after the first of January, 1899, the color of the 2c stamp was to be red. When, therefore, early in December, 1898, the old 2c. green envelopes had all been used up, a supply of the new envelopes were struck off, in purple, to correspond with the color of the 2c. postage stamp.

A LETTER FROM THE BRITISH CONSUL.

The following letter has been received, and explains itself:—

LIMA, Peru, Feb. 24th, 1899.

SIR,—

In reply to your letter of the 24th of December last, I beg to inform you that the firm you refer to (Williams & Co.) is not known here. A man calling himself their representative had until recently a room in the Hotel Cardinal in Lima, and the letter box 989 ; but he appears to have left the town. I have drawn the attention of the police to the matter, with whom you should communicate direct if you wish to take any further steps, but I fear it would not lead to any satisfactory result.

I am, sir,

Your most obedient servant,

ALFRED ST. JOHN.

Rudolph C. Bach, Esq.
Montreal.

We have been shown a letter from a party in Lima, from which we give an extract : "It seems most probable that there is a party in the United States who has helped Casnough to dispose of the stamps. I shall do my best to find out all I can about this matter." Our only comment is, that we have written to the writer of that letter, and if we are fortunate enough to find out that there is some one in the U.S., why, we'll make it rather hot for him.

LATER. Casnough has been seen in Paris where he passed under the name of "Lenpall, of New Jersey, U.S.A. He had the nerve to call on those in Paris whom he swindled. Just as he was to be arrested he disappeared, it is said, going to London. A full description of him has been obtained and placed in the hands of the police.



The 2c. numeral, red, will not be out for some time yet.

Some reviewers seem to think they know a lot about philatelic matters, especially when they get two inches of ad. space per page of review.

We wonder how that publisher felt, who, a month before the "bust up," proudly announced that "Messrs. Williams & Co. were so well pleased with the results of their ad. in the ———— that they had contracted for a page for one year. We extend you our sympathies, brother. You're not the only one.

Some would-be philatelic scribes, when their precious "Notes from Anywhere" are rejected, have a habit of abusing editors through notes in other papers. Better stop it; you might get shown up.

The person who offered us a 1 and 2c. Columbian for a 6c. maple leaf will please try next door.

Brother Stone, 'tis said, nearly caused a financial crisis. Some readers of the "Era" were going to buy up all Mexican dollars at 49½c., and sell for 66c.

It's a pity a country like Canada can't afford to use two rules and a little type when doing surcharging.

Talking about surcharges, the Ceylon 6c. on 15c. really looks nice.

Our Spring Poet has just sent us the following:

"The Imperial Canadian Stamp"

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Who rules a vaster empire than has been.

Chronicle of New Issues.

Canada—

The 2 and 3c. Maple Leaf stamps have been re issued. The re-issue can easily be told from the first issues by the light shade in which it is printed. The same has occurred with the Imperial stamps.

1898, 4 leaves. Plate No. 3, 4, 5 and 6.
2c. light violet.
3c. rose.

1899, Imperial map stamp. Plate No. 3 and 4.
2c. black, red and light lavender.

A correspondent in New Brunswick informs us that the provisional 2c. surcharged on ⅔ of a 3c. stamp, was in use for about half a day, and that all were cornered by philatelists. Mekeel's Weekly chronicled these stamps (?) but we would advise collectors to leave them severely alone, as the post office authorities do not recognize them, and collect postage due on all letters franked with them.

Ceylon—

We have received the 15c. stamp surcharged six cents, this value being required to meet the new penny postage rate.

Adhesive—

Provisional issue. Wmk Crown C.A. perf. 14.
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Columbian Republic—

Mr. Carlos Faulhaber has sent us the new 1c. stamp.

Adhesive—

1c. red on yellow paper.

New South Wales—

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Adhesive—

½d. green.
2½d. dark blue.

Virgin Islands—

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Adhesive Stamps. — Watermarked Crown and C.A. Perf. 14.



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1 p. red.
2½ p. ultramarine.
4 p. chocolate.
6 p. chocolate.
7 p. slate green.
1 sh. ochre.
5 sh. dark blue.

These stamps are but a caricature of the beautiful design of the earlier issues of the Virgin Islands.

South African Republic—

A handsome registration envelope was issued in January.



Registration envelope.
4 p. olive.

Japan—

Japan has issued 3 new values.



Adhesives—

2 sen green.
4 sen red.
10 sen blue.



United States—

The "American Journal of Philately" chronicles a newly discovered Postmaster's Provisional as illustrated herewith. The A. J. P. further states that their information is very reliable, and that without doubt, the stamp must be added to the list already known.

Postmaster's stamp.

Adhesive stamp—

5c red and black, on buff paper.

Santander—

A 5c stamp of a new type has appeared.

Adhesive stamp—



Perforated.

5c black on rose.

Results of our Prize Contest.

The correct words were :

Maple Leaf.	Uganda.
Imperial.	Victoria.
Bolivia.	Millbury.
Persia.	Hinge.
China.	Microscope

PRIZE WINNERS.

1st Prize. Mrs. M. S. Todd, Hotel Vendome, New York.

2nd Prize. Mr. Robert E. Nuese, 126 Franklin street, New York.

3rd. Prize. Miss Beatrice Fink, Woodbridge, N.J.

4th Prize. Jacques Stegelman, Sta. K., Philadelphia, Pa.

5th Prize. G. Oppenheim, The Aberdeen, St. Paul, Minn.

6th Prize. C. H. Van de Mark, Nat'l Bank, Rome, N.Y.

The following received the set of Maple Leaf, being 10th answers received :

L. B. Girardeau, Jr., W. Hoboken, N.J.

A. H. Pettifer, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia.

W. Gray, N. Wales, England.

Herbert Bowen, Detroit.

C. S. Holcomb, East Orwell, Ohio.

Mrs. F. E. Barnes, Saratoga, N.Y.
Wm. H. Boynton, Nyack, N.Y.

Prizes have been forwarded, and will no doubt have reached the lucky winners by the time this appears in print. We tender our hearty congratulations to the respective winners, and hope they will always be earnest supporters of the Montreal Philatelist. A great many sent in solutions which were incorrect. In several instances these would have won prizes, had they been correct. The word "Uganda" was the stumbling block to the most. Many marked it "Ulundi" or "Ulanda."

Now, in conclusion, a word to those who receive this number as a sample copy. We call your attention to our New Prize Contest, on the next page, and request you to enter same. The prizes are well worth trying for, and will be awarded fairly.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

MR. R. C. BACH,—

Many thanks for the 17c. Canadian stamp which was received to-day, April 1st, and I think it a very fine specimen. I am very much pleased with it, coming as a gift for simply guessing what a few missing letters were.

Yours truly,
Mrs. M. S. TODD,
Hotel Vendome, New York.

New York, April 4, '99.

Mr. R. C. Bach,
DEAR SIR,—

I am much pleased with the very fine specimen of the 2c. pink which you presented me with, as being second prize in your word contest.

Yours truly,
R. E. NUESE,
126 Franklin street, New York.

AUGTST DEJONGE

We regret to announce the death on March 21st, of Mr. August Dejonge, of Staten Island, N.Y., Deceased was president of the S.I. Philatelic Society and was well known to the collectors of New York and vicinity.

OUR BRITISH GUIANA STAMP.

Considerable comment has made the rounds of the philatelic press on account of the 2c stamp proving to be a counterfeit. In the "Virgina Philatelist" they seem to think we played a joke, Mekeels Weekly took delight in running it down, probably because it was St. Louis experts (?) who declared it a counterfeit, and the "Perforator" publishes a malicious slander, for which we demand a full apology. The Montreal correspondent of Mekeels Weekly, who wrote that "he had, at the first glance at the stamp, declared it a forgery," is a great judge of rarieties, (nit). This same party sold a 13c Hawaii for $150.00 because he thought it was counterfeit. The stamp was immediately resold for $600.50, and finally again changed hands for $1200.00. So much about this "expert." We will now give a few facts about our 2c stamp. The stamp was bought in Montreal. What we paid for it is nobody's business. We are not such experts, as to be able to tell whether such a rariety is genuine or not, so we bought it, as any dealer would, on the motto. "Nothing risked, nothing won." While we will not give the price paid, we can assure our readers that it was no ridiculous sum. (We now wish it had been,) but paid a fair price for it, considering the risk. And while we must necessarily accept the expert (?) opinion of the St. Louis dealers, we still reserve our own opinion about it. Maybe t'was a case of sour grapes with those "experts." And in conclusion we will say that the Montreal correspondent of Mekeel's lied, when he said that "Bach told him he would use it for advertising purposes anyway."

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Editorial.

Next Number out May 15th. All Copy must be in by May 4th.

In this number will be found the results of our prize contest, also full particulars of contest No. 2. We invite all collectors to enter. The words are not hard, and the prizes are awarded fairly. Those who doubt this, can write to the winners of the last contest.

We have secured the services of a talented writer, whose first notes "Jean Baptiste says," are published in this number. More will be published next month. Subscribe Now. Don't Miss It.

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The Canadian Government has gone into the stamp business, at a mile a minute gait.

OUR NEW YORK TRIP.

Ye Editor took a flying trip to Gotham during Easter. We had the pleasure of meeting Mr. J. Paalzow, of the Virginia Philatelist's staff, and of inspecting his magnificent collection. We also did some "swapping." We were pleased to meet the editors of our esteemed contemporaries, Mr. Herbst, of the New York Philatelist, and Mr. Tausig, of the Herald Exchange Also the original and only "Mac" alias Wm. A. McDonnell. We thank these gentlemen for so kindly showing us the sights of Harlem, especially the 111th St. billy goats. We regret having missed our Irish friend. John Francis Farrell, the poet of Harlem. We met Mr. Wm. P. Brown, the oldest dealer in America, who is doing a rushing business on Park Row. From Messrs Bogert & Durbin Co. we secured some very fine stamps. Nassau Street is the "Stamp Dealers Row," and they all do a good business, too. We also had the pleasure of personally presenting the prize winners of our last contest with the respective first and second prizes.

THE BROOKLYN EXHIBITION.

At the invitation of Mr. Carberry, we visited the exhibition in the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences. And what a treat it was. It was well worth going to see. Of U.S. stamps, some fine frames are shown by Messrs J. D. Carberry, Chas. A. Braine, Jr, Nostrand & Moffatt. Messrs Morgenthau & Krassa exhibit U. S. proofs. But the star of the whole show were Edgar Nelton's frames of B.N. A. Mr. Nelton shows Canada complete, including the 12 pence, several Nova Scotian, New Brunswick, and Newfoundland shillings, and B.N.A. covers by the dozen. Mr. Geo. J. Carter exhibited some of the most beautiful stamps of the world in a handsome frame. We had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Carter, and found him the right sort of a man to talk stamps to, especially revenues, of which Mr. Carter has the largest stock in the world. His ad. will be found in this number. On conclusion, we tender our sincere thanks to all those who so kindly helped to make our short stay so enjoyable.

AN ANSWER TO MR. DODGE.

In No. 9 of the Tri-monthly Collector, the editor and publisher of the sheet, makes a dismal failure of slandering us. Brother Dodge, you should look before you leap! If Dodge doesn't believe that we mailed 5000 copies of Xmas number, we will easily prove it to him. We do offer some of our own stamps for sale. Certainly, and why shouldn't we? When we advertise a cheap set in our own paper, we know that we have enough buying readers to sell them, and we usually succeed, which is more than advertisers in his paper can say. We remember when about two years ago, we sent an ad. to the Columbian Philatelist, then published by Dodge, and usually appearing about three months late. At any rate we never heard any more about it, got no paper, no replies, not even a postal card till about three months later we got a bill for the ad. That's how his ad's. pay.

As to advertising himself, any reader of his sheet knows that often as much as a quarter of the advertising columns are taken up by Dodge's ads., and even in this last No. he is selling his envelopes, and shares in the Collectors Co. which he receives for advertising, and telling the reader to address "Sales Dept." and in conclusion, Mr. Dodge; better not say too much. Your own connection with Williams & Co. has not yet been quite satisfactorily explained to the many who were duped through you.

FOUR YEARS ON THE WAY.

A Number of Letters Mislaid at the Ottawa City Post Office.

Ottawa, March 11.—A letter posted at the Ottawa post office on May 9, 1895, was forwarded to its distination, Toronto, on the 6th instant. It had lain for almost four years in a space at the post office. The letter contained an express order for $15, and was sent by Mr A. J. Stephens, shoe dealer, to Mr. P. H. Jacobi, of Toronto. The letter did not arrive as expected, and after some correspondence the Canadian Express Company issued another order and sent out notices to stop payment on the original order. Yesterday Mr Stephens received a letter from Mr. Jacobi, enclosing his letter and order of May 9, 1895, and also the letter from Mr. Gouin. The money order was returned to the Canadian Express Company. The letter and enclosure showed the effects of having lain so long in the space, and the paper was quite yellow. It was learned at the post office that several letters were accidentally found in the space and were forwarded to their distinations. They may have been there for a longer or shorter period than was Mr. Stephens' letter. The letters were inserted between the brass letter plate and the stone wall. They were discovered when a board was pulled off the inside of the opening in the side of the post office.

The latest is the re-issuing of the maple leaf 1, 2, and 3 cent stamps. Although the 3c stamp is not now used, they are still being printed. When they were recalled, plate number 2 was on sale. Today, you can get plate number 6, which proves that the 3c stamps are being reprinted solely for the purpose of selling them to collectors and dealers. When the sudden news of the reduction in the postal rate from 3c to 2c was announced, many of the large foreign dealers were unprepared, and had but a small supply on hand, so that probably they were reprinted to suit parties, of whom might be said. We have a vaster "Pull" than has been.

Jean Baptiste Canuck Says:

That he is still wondering what Bro. Chapman meant by that heading, "Concerning Late Issues," in the N.Y. Phil.—stamps or papers?

That it is the same old "Dodge" even if it does come tri-monthly.

That Berlin, Ontario, must be a great stamp town.

That Mekeel will be getting out a special every week by-and-bye.

That French is as green as his paper.

That he would rather have a well-filled album than the best blank one.

That stamp speculating beats stock gambling all hollow.

That he thinks there are more than three thousand purple envelopes in the market.

That Bro. Dodge must be excused for Tri-ing to publish a paper.

That a press censor should be appointed to suppress the poets who are among us.

That he does not understand where Mr. Adams got the name Cartier from.

That he is tired of hearing that the Maple Leaf stamps will be rare.

That the Bi-Monthly is "out of sight," and that a magnifying glass would be the proper thing to give away with every subscription.

That the periodicals were a good thing—for Uncle Samuel.

That John Francis Farrell turns out poetry by the bushel.

That Mr. Bailey, the president of the D.P.A., must have been "under the weather" when he wrote his last notes in the "Allegheny Philatelist."

That Kissinger tries hard to get advertisers by cutting his published prices in half.

That the All Around Stamp Advertiser claims a 15,000 circulation, but gets only 500 copies a month printed.

That Williams & Co. are now trying another "Dodge."

That now that the Canadian Philatelic Review is supposed to appear semi-monthly, he expects to see it about every second month.

That only the sample copy fiend will miss the Texan Philatelist.

That the premiums that Mekeel is giving away are worth more than his paper.

That Bach does not specialize in British Guiana any more.

That even a counterfeit British Guiana is worth more than a dozen Coamo provisionals.

That "Beaver," the Montreal correspondent of several papers, sits on a telegraph pole opposite the post office all day, waiting for the 5c. numeral.

That the Sutton, Que., correspondent occasionally "strings" the readers of Mekeel's Weekly, telling how he got ½c. Jubilees from Ottawa, etc.

That he gets his supplies from the Montreal post office, and that he will bet a dollar to a cent that no ½c. Jubilees pass through there.

That probably the "Mekeel's" got very few 2c. purple envelopes, hence the cry in the weekly, "gigantic swindle."

That it *is* hard to locate a cover that will come up to that of the Stamp Tribune. Probably the red ink makes it look so ugly.

That Carion ought to get his articles copyrighted.

That he will have more to say next month, and if you want to read some "hot stuff," you should subscribe now.

We thank Mr. Chas. N. Robertson, P. O. Box 464, Ottawa Ont., for sending a copy of his price list of B.N.A. Stamps. It contains lots of bargains.

NOTICE.

Persons subscribing NOW will receive the next number free: All subscriptions received this month will commence with Vol. II., No. 1.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Fellow members :

I thank our members for unanimously electing me as president. I shall always do my best to keep our society up in the front rank. I call the members' attention to the Exchange Department, which is now ready for business, as is the Auction Department. Now, all together, fellow members, and make both departments a success. Let every member try to get at least one new member by next month. Secretary Smith will willingly send all the blanks required.

Yours truly,
RUDOLPH C. BACH.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Members admitted :

38. A. L. Austin, Durban, Natal, South Africa.
39. S. H. Brosseau, 173 St. Hubert St., Montreal.
40. S. P. Lev, Box 65, Harriman, Tenn.
41. A. H. Meyers, 115 Zeigler St., Roxbury, Mass.
42. P. E. Lunn, Jr., 16 Aylmer Street, Montreal.
43. M. J. Boyd, Huntingdon, Que.
44. J. A. Craig, Box 93, Yarmouth, N.S.

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45. Richard C. Smith, 42 Dudley St., Medford, Mass., student, ref. H. Smith, R. C. Bach.
46. Danl. J. Reilly, Jr., 2260 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, N.Y., ref. H. Smith, R. C. Bach.
47. Silas Chapman, Jr., Hartford, Conn., Fire Insurance, ref. H. Smith, R. C. Bach.
48. Sid. J. Wood, 3 Lemoine Ter. Winnipeg, Man., Government official, ref. F. G. Hendry, R. C. Bach.
49. E. MacGillivray, 47 Elizabeth St., Toronto, Ont., stationer, ref. R. H. J. Hendricks, R. C. Bach.
50. Eugene C. Wheeler, 30 Magoun Ave. Medford, Mass., bookkeeper, ref. H. Smith, R. C. Bach.
51. Russell C. Yates, Oil Springs, Ont., student, ref. R. C. Bach, G. Yates.
52. F. Bopp, 334 Peel St., Montreal, Imperial German Consul, ref. R.C. Bach, H. Smith.
53. Thomas Buckingham, 26 Balmoral street, Montreal, ref. R. C. Bach, H. Smith.
54. M. M. McGeary, Ellwood City, Pa., Ref. R. G. Hendry, R. C. Bach.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Bal. on hand from Sec. Pro tem....	$2 00
Initiation fee 6 applicants.....	60
Dues from members.....	58
	$3 18

EXPENDITURES.

Mailing Books etc. to Secretary....	$ 31
Secretary, Postage.....	10
	41
Balance on hand.....	$2 77

Fellow Members :—

I beg to thank you for the honor conferred upon me and the confidence placed in me in electing me Secretary-Treasurer of this society, which I trust may be of mutual benefit to all of us, and I will endeavor to assist in making it a success.

I am pleased to see a fair list of applicants for membership this month, but I hope all members will do their best to have a still larger one for my next report.

Blanks will be forwarded on application and enquiries readily answered. I see there are many dues unpaid which I shall be glad to receive as soon as possible.

Your truly,

H. SMITH,
Sec.-Tres. L. of C. P.
42 Dudley St., Medford, Mass.

1s April, 1899.

AUCTION MANAGER'S REPORT.

Gentlemen and Fellow Members of the L. of C. P. :—

It was of great surprise to be informed by the President, of my being elected Auction Manager of the L. of C. P. unaminously. I assure you brethren, the honor you have conferred upon me is appreciated and trust I may be able to conduct the office in a manner so satisfactory to all, that you may never regret having placed me in the above mentioned office.

I herewith beg to submit my report. The first mail auction of the L. of C. P. will be held in May. "It will appear in the May No. of the official organ." All lots of stamps must be in my hands by the 28th of April, for the May auction sale. Let every member who has a valuable stamp or stamps and wishing to dispose of them take advantage of this department and make it a success from the start.

All members are requested to read the rules of the auction department before submiting their stamps for auction.

RULES OF THE AUCTION DEPARTMENT OF THE L. OF C. P.

1. Only paid up members can send lots of stamps to be offered by auction, but *non-members may bid.*

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9. Only stamps and philatelic literature can be offered by auction.

10. Any one infringing upon these rules, will be suspended from the privileges of the department, subject to the action of the Trustees.

By order,

E. A. MARRIS,
Auction Mgr.,
200 James St. North,
Hamilton, Canada.

March 1st, '99.

EXCHANGE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Fellow Members :—

This department is now ready for business, and I hope members will support it liberally.

Blank books can be had from me at 5c each. This department will be conducted on a cash basis. Members removing stamps from books are expected to remit at once, whether having books in the department or not. A commission of 10 p.c. will be charged on all sales, and the department will settle with the owners of retired books immediately upon retirement.

Yours truly,

OLIVER BARWICK,
Ex-Superintendent,
17 Tara Hall Ave.
Montreal.

THE JUNIOR PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION.

To the members of the Junior Philatelic Society :

All nominations for the '99 election are requested to be in the hands of the Sec.-Treas. by May 1st, so as to be printed in the May number of the official organ.

Fraternally yours,
WM. EHRICH, Pres.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

NEW MEMBERS.

21. Clarence T. Bergsland, 1031 Myrtle Ave., El Paso, Texas.

22. Lee R. Campbell, Webberville, Travis Co., Texas.

23. Miss Beulah Johnson, Wills-Point, Van Zandt Co., Texas.

APPLICATIONS.

24, R. C. Messner, 1035 Mulberry st. Rockford, Ill., age 20, ref. Wm. B. Porter, Jr., N. Martens.

The above will be admitted to membership by April 25th if no obiections are filed with the secretary prior to that date.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

16. Arthur B. Spencer, 542 Broadway, New York City.

Same will be approved and accepted if no objection is filed prior to April 25th.

CHANGES IN ADDRESSES.

Clarence T. Bergsland, from Houston, Texas, to 1031 Myrtle Ave., El Paso, Tex.

R. L. Doak, from Chili, Ohio, to Pearl, Ohio.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

RECEIPTS.

On hand last report	$ .15
Dues from 5 members at 20 cents	1.00
From application No. 24	30
	$1.45

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To Montreal Philatelist	$ .20
To Printing	75
Postage Secretary and Treasurer	30
	$1.25
On hand	$ .20

The following members have paid their 1899 to 1900 dues : No. 1, No. 2, No. 8, No. 9, No. 12

I wish to state that the dues for 1899 to June 1st, 1900, are due, and I ask all members not having paid them to forward the amount (20 cents), and full credit will be given. All members elected between June 1st and November 1st are requested to remit at once.

Our election is near at hand, and I ask all members having any nominations to make to send them to the president.

All members or any other collectors desiring blanks can get them from the Secretary. Collectors, join, and get your friends to join. The J.P.S. has as fine an exchange department as any society in N. A.

R. L. DOAK,
Secretary-Treasurer,
Pearl, Ohio.

FIRST J. P. S. AUCTION SALE.

Sale closed May 5th. A card will be sent notifying successful bidders when they are expected to remit and lots will be forwarded. Stamps are used unless otherwise stated. Postage extra on all lots under $1.00. Members, I want stamps, etc., for next sale send what you have to me before May 1st, 99.

Lot No.		Cat.	Reserve
1.	23 good U. S. containing col. slp. del. dues, revenues, etc.		
2.	U.S. postage (old issue) 1c,	.06	.03
3.	2c Dept. of Interior	.10	.04
4.	3c U. S. postage,	.12	.05
5.	6c Dept. of Interior.	.10	.04
6.	2c " "	.25	.10
7.	1, 3, 6, 24c War Dept.	.83	.31
8.	1c Treasury Dept.	.50	.20
9.	3c P.O. Dept. official	.10	.04
10.	3c Navy Dept.	.40	.18
11.	10c Certificate imperf'd.	$5.00	1.20
12.	125 diff. Foreign stamps		
13.	Block of 4, 1c 1888 unused,	.32	.15
14.	" 4-6c Interior Department. unused,	.40	.20
15.	30c Black 1872 (slightly pealed),	.75	.20
16.	set of Telegraph (4) am. rapid "collect,"		.10
17.	set of Telegraph (4) am. rapid "duplicate,"		.10
18.	Columbian Republic Insured letter stamp 50c rose	.70	.25
19.	25 different U. S.		
20.	55-1c Omahas		.10
21.	15 var. 1898 Revenues		.05
22.	15 var. U.S. postage only fine lot		
23.	25 var. U.S. postage only fine lot		.15
24.	U. S. 1893-1c to 15c		
25.	U. S. 1895-1c to 15c		
26.	" Revenue first issue 5c playing card (slightly blot)		.15
27.	U.S. special delivery 3 kinds		.7
28.	50 var. U.S. fine lot		.40
29.	$2.00 Alabama Confederate, Tax on Seals.		
30.	25 good stamp papers.		

TREYMOND BABCOCK,

"Auction Mgr."

Dayton, Texas.

EXCHANGE SUPT'S REPORT.

Fellow members of the J. P S. :—I am very much pleased because of the interest shown by the members in the Exchange Dep't. and wish to thank all who have participated in and helped make this department a success. The rules of exchange have been printed and copies will be sent to all members on the exchange. I would like to have all the members take part in this exchange. Blank books may be had of the Exchange Supt. at 2 for 5c.

The following shows the healthy condition of the exchange :—

19 books in exchange, valued at..	$56 19
5 books retired, valued at.....	10 20
Amount taken from retired books..	7 55
value of 14 books in ex. at present	45 99
" books on hand.....	3 17
" books on circuits.....	41 82

Members are requested to notice the amount from the retired books; about 75% of value of books. Participants are requested to remember the 2nd rule of the Exchange :—

"All stamps shall be marked at or below present catalogue prices."

I hope all will take advantage of this department, and I remain

Yours Fraternally,

WM. B. PORTER, Jr., Ex. Supt.,

Berwyn, Ill.



Under this heading we will answer all questions as fully as possible. Subscribers are invited to use this column.

Frank W., Boston, Mass.—We do not recommend any dealers. Try any of our advertisers.

J. H. H., Los Angelos, Cal.—The 5c. numeral is not out yet, and it is said it will not appear before May 1st.

Walter I., Baton Rouge, La. —(1) No. (2) Write to the American Consul, Lima, (3) We do not think so.

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General Agent fur Deutschland.—Peter Muller, Cöln-Nippes,

EDITORIELLES.

Das Neueste ist, dass die, 2 und 3c Marken, Ausgabe 1898, mit 4 Blättern wieder gedruckt worden sind. Man kann diese Neudrucke durch ihre helle Schattirung von der älteren Ausgabe unterscheiden. Die Platten Nummen-sind, 3, 4, 5 und 6, bei der 3 cent, 3 und 4 bei der 2 cent und 1 cent Marke. Diese Marken sind lediglich darum wieder gedruckt worden, um Geld aus Briefmarken Sammlern zu schlagen. Das beweist schon der Umstand, dass. trotzdem seit dem 1sten Januar keine 3 cent Marke gebraucht wird, dieselbe in solchen grossen quantitäten wieder gedruckt wird.

Wir machen alle Ansichtskarten Sammler auf unsere Annoncen Spalten aufmerksam.

Wir wünschen mehrere Correspondenten in verschiedenen Städten in Deutschland, welche uns regelmässig gute Notizen senden. Interessenten bitten wir, bei der Redaction anzufragen.

Auch wünschen wir in allen grösseren Städten energische Annoncen, und Abonnenten Sammler. Solche könen sich leicht einen guten Nebenverdienst erwerben.

Man lese die Annonce von C. F. Rothfuchs. Herr R. versendet auch auf verlangen, seine hübsche Preisliste gratis und Franco.

Die 2c. British Guiana, erst Ausgabe, welche Herr R. C. Bach erwarb, hat sich leider als falsch erwiesen.

Unser hiesiger Deutscher Reichs Konsul, Herr Bopp, ist ein leidenschaftlicher Briefmarken Sammler.

Das 2c. Violette Couvert ist im Preise sehr gefallen. Fünfzig cents (Mark 2) wird jetzt dafür verlangt.

Es heisst, dass die 5 cent Marke, mit den Ziffern in den unteren Ecken, erst Anfang Mai zur Ausgabe gelangen wird. Desgleichen die 2 cent carmin.

Unter Kreuzband.

Der Postschwede fand einen "ungenügende frankirten" Hund im Briefkasten.

"Ich bin doch nicht irish, und habe auch St. Patrickstag-Vorabend nicht gefeiert," murmelte der Briefträger Jacob Mangold der Station "J" an 125. Str. und 7. Ave. vor sich hin, als er gestern einen grossen Zeitungsbriefkasten an 134. Str. und 7. Ave. aufgeschlossen. Da—wieder begannen die Zeitungen sich zu bewegen. Ein Haufen "Journal's" stürzten sich auf ein Packet "World's," Mangold begann schon zu glauben, die Zeitungen wollten sich auch noch im Briefkasten befehden, plötzlich, aber kam ein braunes Pfötchen hervor, ein Bein und ein Kopf folgten und schliesslich stand ein winziges hellbraunes Hündchen vor dem erstaunten Mangold.

Am Halse des Köters hing eine Tafel mit der Adresse : "Frl. Blanche Loomis, 4125 State Str., Chicago, Ill." Eine zwei Cent-Marke war auf die Tafel geklebt. "Ungenügend frankirt," meinte der Briefträger, packte aber das lebendige Postkolli in seinen Sack und trug es zu Chef-Clerk Cassidy, der es Superintendent Newson überantwortete. Dann wurde Postrath gehalten. In einem Chicagoer Adressbuch war die Adressatin nicht zu finden. Nun war guter Rath theuer. Die postalischen Regeln haben eine derartige Versendudg nicht vorgesehen, den Briefträgern in Chicago zuzumuthen, dass sie die Adressatin finden, das hiesse den Kollegen der

windigen Stadt zu viel Findigkeit zuzutrauen, meinten die Postbeamten.

Aber den Köter nach der "Dead Letter Office," in Washington zu senden, ist auch nicht wohl angängig. So sind die Postbeamten der "J" Station jetzt in grosser Verlegenheit, und während dem frisst der Hund unbesorgt darüber, wer Strafporto und Futterkosten bezahlt, auf Postkosten. Schliesslich wird nichts übrig bleiben, als den Hund als 'unbestellbar' zu betrachten und ihn der Station "J" als "Mascotte" einzuverleiben. Immer noch besser, der Hund kommt zu der Station, als dass die Station auf den Hund kommt.—*New Yorker Staats Zeitung*, März 17.

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(FROM OUR REGULAR NEW ZEALAND CORRESPONDENT.)

Auckland, N Z.,
31st March, 1899.

Now that Christmas is properly over here with its hot weather, hobbies are looking up again, and one of the foremost ones, philately, will add a lot of new collectors to its ranks this coming winter.

The post office officials here were kept very busy during the Christmas season, as the following cutting from the Auckland "Star" will shew.

"The Post and Telegraph Department had an exceedingly busy time during the Christmas holidays. During the four days from December 21 to 24, no fewer than 1,754,475 letters, books, newspapers, and parcels were handled (received and forwarded) at the 17 chief offices in the colony, against 1,605,543 handled during the same period in 1897. Ths telegrams handled at the 17 chief offices were 62,-384, against 56,152 handled during the corresponding period of 1897. The letters and other articles handled at Auckland numbered : 1897, 248,373 ; 1898, 365,655. The telegrams dealt with at Auckland totalled : 1897, 8,653 ; 1898, 9,679. Special arrangements were made for overtaking the increased amount of work, and the delivery was carried out practically without a hitch."

A pigeon post service has just been started between the Great Barrier Island and Auckland, a distance of about 55 which is dark blue in color, and is printed on white wove paper, perforated 12½. The stamp is oblong in shape and the words "one shilling" are inscribed on either side. The centre is occupied by a pigeon flying bearing a letter in its beak. Above this the words " Great Barrier Island" are placed in a circular scroll, while "Special Post" occupies a position in a straight scroll below the pigeon, and is surrounded by fancy work.

This stamp is chiefly used for urgent or special messages and is run by a private firm, not by the Government.

The cancellation stamp used by the firm at the island is circular in shape and the words " Original Barrier Pigeon Service" are around the inner side of the circle and "1899" in the centre.

The 2½d. error N.Z.'s still remain at about the same price. The dealers here are charging about double face value for them unused.

There will be a change in color of some of the new issue values soon, the particulars of which I will send in my next letter.

Tasmania proposes to follow New Zealand's example by having a new pictorial set of stamps. The following is a cutting from the " Tasmanian Daily Telegraph," of March 3rd, '99 :

"The decision of the Government to lay in a new stock of stamps, letter cards and

other saleable postal goods, may be regarded as an indication that the public officials connected with that department are waking up to a sense of the importance of letting the colony appear before the world in its best clothes. Since the question of more effectively advertising Tasmania has been under discussion—a period covered apprxoimately by the time that has elapsed since an industrial policy was outlined in our columns in 1897—a distinct desire to move ahead has been apparent. It is evidently beginning to dawn upon those to whom the idea previously seemed preposterous that by more enterprise in certain directions, and more efficent organisation some departments of the public service, hitherto regarded as encumbrances, can be made reproductive, and that comparatively little expenditure is needed to do it. Brains rather than money are wanted to put the colony on something like a fair footing with its neighbors as regards dissemination of information concerning the island and its natural resources. The adoption of stamps and letter cards as mediums for advertising the attractions of the colony is a step in the right direction. If the illustrations are well done, they will help to convey to thousands of people beyond the shores of Tasmania some idea of the charms of its scenery. Now the penny postage system is becoming general throughout the empire, the question of stamps of uniform color and size is being debated. It would certainly be an advantage to know that a green stamp represented the same price all over the empire and that other colored stamps were similarly of equal value wherever bought. When we get federation it will be possible of course to have a uniform postage system throughout the commonwealth, so that a Tasmania halfpenny stamp will be the same color as one obtained in any other colony."

The following is also a clipping from another Tasmanian paper :

"Hobart, Tuesday.—Collectors of postage stamps all over the world will be glad to know that Sir Edward Braddon has ordered the Secretary of the General Post Office to send to England for a new set of stamps similar to those lately issued in New Zealand. These stamps will be illustrated with views of different places of interest in Tasmania."

These are the approximate known stamps with their colors, values and designs :—

½d. green, Lake Marion, Du Cane Range.
1d. red, Mountain Lake, Huon Road.
2d. lilac, Cataract Gorge, Launceston.
2½d. dark blue, St. Columba Falls.
3d. claret, Lake St. Clair.
4d. orange, Russell Falls.
5d. light blue, Mount Gould.
6d. violet lake, Dilston Falls.

This list is doubtless incomplete, none of the higher values being given. It will also be noticed that the ½d., 1d. and 2½d. are in the Postal Union colors.

A number of illustrated post and letter cards are also to appear, the latter with impressed 2d. stamp in lilac. The cards are to be tinted, in size 5¾ x 3¼ inches, and will bear the following views : Hobart, Launceston, Great Lake, River Derwent, (New Norfolk), St. Mary's Pass, and Mt. Ida (Lake St. Clair. This issue is expected to be out in a few month's time.

The post office authorities in this colony, when asked how to account for a stamp that has been removed from the envelope in transit, always stoutly deny that the stamp was taken by any of their officials, but the following cutting from the N.Z. "Observer" speaks for itself :

"When the new 2½d. samp showing the error in the spelling of the word "Wakatipu." came to the colony' a Canterbury resident decided to send some samples to England, and in order that they might be post-marked, placed them on the outside of his letters. By a recent mail he has, however, been in formed that the letters duly arrived into a private letterbag minus the stamps, and more strangely, perhaps, the postoffice have made no claim for insufficient postage or fine. The query is, where and how were the stamps removed ?

The 2d. current pearl grey Western Australia has been changed to orange,

RALPH W. GOSSET.

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Editorial.

Next Number out June 15th.
All Copy must be in by June 4th

Stamp trade this month shews a decided falling off, locally at least. The bicycle season is at its height, and many spend their money on them, who would otherwise have bought stamps.

We extend our sympathy to those who subscribed to the Columbian Philatelist, the American Collector or the Rocky Mountain Stamp. When these papers were in existence, subscribers would at least receive a respectable magazine, even though it was usually 3 months late. But now they do not even get the miserable sheet which has been *substituted* regularly. Is it not enough to substitute such a sheet without having it appear only once a month instead of three times as the title calls for. Mr. Dodge must save considerable money by only publishing a 12 to 16 page sheet once a month, but it is doubtful whether the public will stand such practices much longer. Substituting a 12 page sheet for a 12-24 page magazine is just as bad as substituting stamps. And then Mr. D. talks of issuing a weekly, which will be issued once a year, we suppose.

With this number we close Volume I. Unlike many of our contemporaries, we issue 12 numbers to the volume. Collectors, subscribe now, and commence with the new volume. Dealers, we shall mail 3500 sample copies of our next edition, making over 5000 copies in all. We solicit your advertisement. Give us *one* trial, that is all we ask for, as a trial ad. will quickly convince any dealer as to the M. P. being one of the finest ad. mediums amongst the monthlies. Send for our booklet, "Advertising." It's free.

EDITORIAL

Mr. F. R. Nicolle, Kingston, Ont. has our thanks for a sample of the packet which he advertises in this number. This packet is a good one for the money, and well worth buying. Look up his ad.

We have in our possession, a variety of the 1892 2c on 25c rose, St. Pierre and Miquelon, Scotts No. 44. type A12 which we have not seen listed. The variety consits of the figure **1** instead of a **T** in CENT.

Tasmamia is to have a new set. Once more we've got the "news" first. We thank Mr. Gosset for sending us a used copy of the great Barrier Island Pigeon Post stamp.

A practice which often causes much annoyance to all concerned is the sending out of unsolicited approval sheets. So much has already been said about this habit, that it gets monotonous, but a recent case brought to our attention by one of our local subscribers deserves showing up. Our subscriber sent for a packet offered by the Hill Stamp Co. Boston, and received along with it five sheets of common stamps, mostly reprints, etc. These were returned with the request, that *no more* be sent. Nothing was heard from them, till about a month after, a postal was sent requesting return of a *second* lot sent. The party then wrote them stating he had never received any. They then sent a printed circular threatening "legal proceedings," etc. As the case has been presented to us, it seems a clear attempt of extortion.



Under this heading we will answer al questions as fully as possible. Subscribers are invited to use this column. Correspondents desiring a personal reply must enclose return postage.

C. J., St. Louis, Q.—I have several of the surcharged Canadian envelopes. On each one the surcharged 2 is in a different position. Are these collectible varieties?

ANSWER.—No, it is hard to get two envelopes with the surcharge in the same position. These envelopes were surcharged by hand, in a very careless manner.

A. C. M. and others.—We cannot answer all these questions personally unless you enclose return postage.

H. F. and others.—Is Mr. ——— who advertises in the M.P. reliable?

ANSWER.—We cannot guarantee any of our advertisers, especially foreign. We do our best to exclude shady advertisers, but with all caution, all publishers sometimes get fooled.



A new envelope is to be issued for Cuba.

United States stamps will now be surcharged for use in the Phillipines. The surcharge will consist of the word "Phillipines" diagonally across the face-

A large quantity of Manitoba law stamps, surcharged C.F., of the 20c. and 50c. values are on the market. Unscrupulous dealers are offering pairs and blocks unperforated and part perforated as "errors" and "rareties." These stamps were never put in circulation, only the 10c. and $1.00 values being issued, and those on the market are remainders.

It is now rumored for about the tenth time that Canada is to have a new issue. We trust this is a false alarm. If, however, our government does decide to issue a new set, we offer a suggestion. Put on each value a view of a Canadian city, or a view of some of Canada's beautiful scenery. Such a set would not only bring in a handsome revenue to the Government, but would advertise our grand Dominion.

A fraud on an immense scale has just been discovered by United States revenue officers. Thousands of cigars were sent out from a factory in Pennsylvania with counterfeit revenue stamps. Counterfeit documentary revenues of the highest values were also seized, but it is stated that none had been issued.

FRANK BENNETT.

We regret to announce the death on April 27th, of Frank Bennett. Deceased while not a philatelist, was interested in our hobby. He was a member of B. Company, 1st Prince of Wales Regiment Fusiliers, and a comrade of the editor. He was buried with full military honors Sunday, April 30th.

Jean Baptiste Canuck Says:

That he is having lots of fun reading what the papers have to say about him, especially the ones he referred to last month.

That the proof reader of the "Philatelic Advocate" must have been on a spree the night before he read the copy for the April number.

That the editorial in No. 9 of the Tri Monthly Collector must have been too much for Bro. Dodge as No. 10 was three weeks late.

That Bro. Chapman will hold the review fort in the Stamp Exchange, and that we may expect some loving remarks from that quarter.

That he would like a copy of "Stampic America."

That the Allegheny Philatelist takes most of its news from other papers and fails to give credit to the same.

That he is wondering how much money the Editor of the Bay State Philatelist is loosing on his paper, per month.

That Bro. Gile is scratching himself for that great Athletic Meet.

That he is wondering how long the Stamp Reporter will last.

That Brodstones hand-writing was bad enough, but his "typewriter" is worse. He probably made it himself.

That the New York Philatelist is now running some good articles. Keep it up.

That the Canadian Philatelic Review is just behind the times as usual.

That they must have muzzled "Poet" Farrel mighty tight. The next thing to be done is to hit "Veritas" on the head with an axe. Let the good work go on.

That the ten thousand circulation of the Stamp Exchange was not very evenly divided. Some persons got eight copies and others got none at all.

That Bro. Weaver has gone into the Gents Furnishing Business as a side line, and Bro. Bradley will amuse himself sanding the sugar and watering the milk when not engaged in publishing the Stamp Reporter.

That he laughed at some of his own jokes last month—Whew!

That the Virginia Philatelist seems to be getting worse every month.

That some editors are on to the "Dodge."

That some American writers think they know all about Canadian stamp matters.

That up to the first of April, Williams & Co. were official agents for the Philitelic Bulletin.

That there will be no five cent numeral issued.

That when he saw Bro. Chapman's heading "concerning new issues" in the New York Philatelist he started to find out what he had to say about the "Stamp Exchange," but found he had been fooled again.

That Widdicombe is not doing much in stamps just now, but this does not interfere with his writing his "bum" Canadian notes for several papers.

That after reading Bro. Issac's premium list he came to the conclusion that there had been a wholesale failure of the second hand stores in St. Louis.

AUCTION

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6	100	1c Maple Leaves,	"
7	100	2c "	
8	100	3c "	
9	50	5c "	
10	100	½c Numeral	
11	1000	1c "	
12	2000	2c "	
13	500	3c "	
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REVIEW.

CONDUCTED BY MON AMI JOSEPH.

SPECIAL NOTICE. It is a recognized fact that most, but not all, of the reviews in the philatelic press of to-day are conducted by the reviewers in a manner that shows only too plainly that they try to please the editors by criticizing certain papers rather sharply and vice versa, merely to gain the editors good will and advertising space, (especially the latter). The Montreal Philatelist has secured the services of a collector, not a dealer, who will conduct this department in an open fearless way, criticizing where he thinks fit, and vice versa. Publishers, please take notice that we do not care a continental (or a 2c U.S.) about your opinion of this column, but will conduct it in the interest of the true philatelist.

"The Allegheny Philatelist," March. Exchanging stamps with foreigners, is a well written article describing how it is that American collectors so often come out at the short end of the exchange. John Peltz gives some good hints to beginners. Chas. Bailey talks through his hat, in Canadian notes. He cannot even copy items correctly. Better go to school and learn your A B C.

"Canadian Philatelic Review." March number contains a generous write up of themselves, and promises forty (40) pages for the May 10th No. *March No.* appears with *four* (4) pages and cover on atrocious paper.

"Evergreen State Philatelist" not worth reviewing. Mr. French must be buying up old job type.

"Fillatelic Facts and Fallacies." March has only 8 pages, but more good reading in those 8 than some of our contemporaries have in 32.

"Herald Exchange" for April gives a good description of the Brooklyn Exhibition.

"Metropolitan Philatelist." Comes more or less regularly, but usually contains some good reading matter.

"Michigan Philatelist." Are you a philatelist. B. G. McFall writes the leading article and writes it well, which cannot be said of "An Experience of a non philatelist," by Amy L. Swift. The publisher denies certain charges made against Mr. Bailey in the Virginia Philatelist.

"New York Philatelist." Veritas writes about "some philatelic abuses," Mr. V. is the biggest abuse himself, giving us a rehash over those tiresome periodicals, over which enough has been said to fill a 300 page book.

"Old Times" by Dan Cornell is a very good article. Taken altogether a very good number.

"O Colleccionador de Sellos," (Brazil) issues a grand February number. Though issued down in South America, this paper in make up and typography excels many of our home magazines.

"Philatelic Messenger" and monthly advertiser, (Resurrected). Simply a price list of the publisher's.

"Stamp Reporter." Weekly. A neat paper, giving Ottawa, Hamilton and Boston notes. Too much pressure on the press, Bro. Bradley. It gives a heavy set-off.

"Stamp Exchange." No. 1 creates a good impression with its 32 pages. Zura writes on "Space Fillers." B. G. McFall has the best article, entitled "Plain Questions on Philately." H. J. Watts writes on "The Stamp of Norway," but the article has the appearence of being hurriedly scribbled off,and shows no research.

"Tri—Monthly Collector," contains various notes and reviews.

"Virginia Philatelist." April. Larcus Viridis continues the article on Japan. New York and Boston notes. The V. P. is now illustrating—Cemetries. Rather unphilatelical.

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The above will receive their membership cards upon payment of their dues for 6 months, to Oct. next (15c.).

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I regret not having more applications for membership to report this month and am afraid the members are not taking the interest in the society that they might do.

Although I have made application by mail and in these columns for unpaid dues, many members have not yet responded. I am desirous to get the accounts in order, I therefore trust members in arrears will favor me with remittance before my next report is due, as I shall then publish the names of those whose dues are still unpaid.

H. SMITH, Sec.
42 Dudley St.
Medford, Mass.

4th May, 1899.

EXCHANGE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Books are ready to be sent out, and I would be glad to hear from those desiring to be placed on circuit.

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OLIVER BARWICK,
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SECRETARYS REPORT.

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RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

16. Arthur B. Spencer, 542 Broadway, New York City.

APPLICATIONS

25 Walter C. Lowry, Abilene, Texas, Age 20, Compositor, Ref. R. L. Doak, Roy B. Bradley.

26. A. E. Hemphill Abilene, Texas, Age 17, Clerk, Ref. R. L. Doak, W. C. Lowry.

27. Robert Young, Abilene, Texas, Age 17, Student, Ref. R. L. Doak, W. C. Lowry.

28. S. E. Maisant, 246 Greenwood Ave. Kankakee, Ill. Age 16 Stamp dealer, Ref. R. L. Doak., W. C. Lowry.

29. Ross. D. Breniser, Box 297, Johnstown, Pa. Age 19, Stamp dealer, Ref. Wm. Ehrich, Geo. K. Kline.

30. P. G. Masson, No. 116 Fleurie Street, Quebec, Canada, Age 36, Commercial Traveller, Ref. R. L. Doak, W. C. Doak.

31. L. S. Sprague, Jr. 2111 N. Jefferson Street, Peoria, Ill. Age 14, Student, Ref. R. L. Doak, W. C. Doak.

The above will be admitted to membership by June the first if no objections are filed with the secretary Prior to that date.

FINANCIAL REPORT

RECEIPTS

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NOMINATIONS

Nominations for officers for the following year commencing June 1st, 1899.

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Miss Beulah Johnson.
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G. French.
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The above is a list of the nominations and as I ask all members to cast their vote before June 1st 1899, so as I can give the result in the June No. of Official Organ. Vote for only one except trustees vote for three.

I wish to impress upon your minds that your dues are payable, all those that were admitted prior to November 1st Please send the amount (20c.) with your ballot All those desiring blanks can get them from the secretary, write and get a supply and get your friends to join.

Yours fraternally,
R. L. Doak, Sec.-Treas

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

I have received the following since my last report.

Evergreen State Philatelist, April Junior collector.

From Treymond Babcock, Dayton, Texas, 7 pieces. C. E. Voltz, Chili, Ohio, 6 pieces. Wm. C. Doak, Pearl, Ohio, 8 pieces. I would ask all publishers to send a copy of their publication each month to be put in the library. Send them to

W. C. Doak, Librarian, Pearl, Ohio.

AUCTION MANAGERS REPORT.

Members.—

The second Auction Sale of the J. P. S. will not be held untill June, and all members having Stamps, Coins or Philatelic literature they want sold at Auction please send them to me by June 1st, '99.

Fraternally,
Treymond Babcock,
Dayton, Texas.

Chroniele of New Issues.

Our regular correspondent has sent us the set of new Maltese Stamps, and though late, we illustrate them.









Adhesives—

4½ pence Sepia.
5 " Red

Great Barrier Island—

Our correspondent, Mr. Gosset, has our thanks for a used copy of the 1 shilling stamp.

From the A. J. of P. we glean that they are without doubt private locals, but are considered a bona fide issue.

Note.—For description see Australian notes.

The A. J. P. also chronicles the following :—

Japan—

Same type as illustrated in our April number.

Adhesive Stamps Perforated—

5 rin gray
1 sen light red brown
3 sen brown violet

Nepal—

The *Philatelic Journal of India* announces a new stamp for this State, the first new variety to appear there in eighteen years. Our correspondent states that hitherto no charge has been made for postage on letters despatched to the Maharajah's camp while he is on a tour in the Interior or from his camp to the capital. This resulted in an increasing weight of mails between the camp and the capital and in order to reduce the weight by the exclusion of unnecessary mail matter the ½ anna stamp has been introduced. All articles sent by this mail, irrespective of weight or size, have to bear this stamp and the result has been a considerable decrease in the weight of mails.

Adhesive stamp.

½ anna black on brownish native wove paper

Mckeel's Weekly also chronicles a new 2 anna stamp.

2 annas purple.

Sirmoor—

The Ph. J. of India announces four values in the head type.

Adhesive stamps perforated.

3 annas pale green
4 annas yellow green
8 annas deep blue
1 rupee vermillion

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Reply Post Card.

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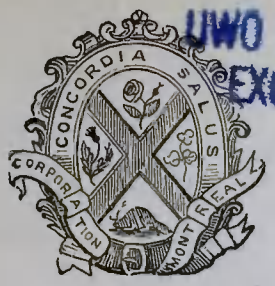



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PHILATELIC NOTES FROM NEW ZEALAND.

BY RALPH W. GOSSET.

Since last writing the Great Barrier Pigeon service stamp has changed colour and also design. The words "One Shilling" on either side of the stamp are in the new lot white letters on coloured ground, the previous ones being coloured letters on white ground. The new stamp contains a lot of scroll work and is printed on very light mauve coloured paper. The total number of this stamp printed is 2,000. There were 1,800 of the first lot issued, and when the new one came in vogue there remained 400, which amount were purchased by a well known English Philatelic firm at Ipswich and therefore there were only 1,400 of the Great Barrier Island stamp issued.

The new one is perforated 12½ and is the same in shape as the first one (oblong horizontal.)

The 1d Blue Cooks Islands with Queen Makea's head on was, (at the beginning of this month) surcharged ½d as under, in black.

ONE
HALF
PENNY

The surcharged is very indistinct and when on the letter with the post mark over it, it is barely noticed. All the 1d Blues there were in stock were surcharged and official value of ½d surcharged was £40.

Official advices from the same islands also state, that there is to be a new issue of ½d and 1d very shortly.

Philatelic news from these Islands take a long time to reach Auckland as there is only one mail a month.

The number of Post Offices open in New Zealand at the close of the year 1897 was 1,524 ; it may also be interesting to note that the last published international statistics placed New Zealand before all other countries in the world as regards the proportion of population to each post office, the figures being 1 post office for every 520 inhabitants ; Canada being second with 1 to 538, New South Wales and Victoria third and fourth with 1 to 645, and 1 to 751, United States sixth with 1 to 884 and Great Britain fifteenth with 1 to 1,922.

The postal conference which met at Hobart on March 28, '97, passed the following resolution :—"That it would be inadvisable to make any further reduction of the oversea postage rate, until the way is clear for a reduction in the present large subsidies paid for the carriage of such mails, and the present inland and intercolonial rates."

"That the various agents general delegates to the postal conference in London be instructed to oppose the proposal to reduce the rate of postage to all parts of the British Empire from 2½d per ½d oz. to 2d, and also the Canadian proposal to reduce her out going rate from 5 cents per ½ oz. to 3 cents per ounce, for the following reasons :—

1. The present rate is not an unreasonably high one, having in view the large cost to the colonies involved in the maintenance of the present means of postal communication with the various portions of the Empire.

2. Because of the anomaly which would be created by carrying letters, fourteen thousand miles, for the same rate as now charged for delivery within the limits of the town where posted.

AND AGAIN.—

Regarding the proposal of Canada to reduce her out going postage, this conference is strongly of opinion, that no reduction should take place which would be a departure from the present uniform rate for the following reason, *inter alia:* at present a charge of 2d per ½ oz. is made in Australia for the carriage of letters to however small a distance, while the Canadian proposal would involve the carrying of her letters over the same routes at a greatly reduced cost. This would, in the opinion of the conference lead to confusion, and dissatisfaction."

The postal department here, are in correspondence with the manufacturers of the patent automatic date stamping machines (as used in the States and Canada), with a view to obtain one or two on trial, as they have proved a practical success in the two countries mentioned.

The following clippings and statistics may be of interest to the M.P. readers.

"An error was unfortunately made in engraving the plate for the 2½d stamp; Wakatipu being misspelt Wakitipu, but this has since been corrected. The keen demand by collectors for the "Error" somewhat embarrassed the department in the sale of these labels for their legitimate purpose necessatating a minimum quantity only being sold to any one applicant. Through a misunderstanding in London, the design for the 4d stamp was adopted for the 1d stamp involving a costly process of double printing for the denomination more largely used, than any of the others. Instructions have already been given to rectify this as early as possible. Another matter of cosiderable importance is that future issues are to be printed on watermarked paper. The colours of several of the stamps will be changed to brighter tints, as soon as the printing is done in the colony. In the meantime the transposition of the designs for the 1d and 4d labels will carry with it changes in colour as follows:—One penny from brown and blue to lilac; 4d from rose lake to brown and blue; and 9d from lilac to rose lake.

Value of stamps used in N.Z. for postage last year £235,000.

5th April last was anniversary of our new issue.

Number of mail matter sent via. Frisco to United Kingdom at Christmas,

525,125 Letters.
4,316 Post Cards.
95,292 Books.
431,210 Newspapers.

The following is a cutting from the "N Z. Herald" which speaks for itself:—

At a meeting of the Auckland Philatelic Club, last night, it was stated that a lot of correspondence had been received from Canada bearing only two cents (1d) postage. Such correspondence here is fined 3d (double deficient postage). The Canadian people evidently think New Zealand is included in the British colonies where the 1d postage is authorised.

BEWARE OF THESE.

Our correspondent, Rev. Edwin Ewell of Denmark, Iowa, desires to warn collectors against certain dealers in St. Catherines, Ont. Mr. E. writes, "A few months ago I bid on stamps offered for sale by W. A. Beatty, and on report of purchase made remittance, but found the stamps short in number and many almost worthless. Later, I sent him bids, saying that deficiency must be made up before I could make further remittance, I cannot get an answer from him.

I wrote to Mr. Bradley of the "Stamp Reporter" (weekly) enquiring about Mr. Beatty, and he replied, saying that he was unreliable, but that he could recommend one Mr. Wm. Riddle, whose sale ad. appeared in the Reporter. I sent bids and on receipt of report of purchase I sent him pay for stamps in Chicago Exchange, which he returned saying that the banks would not cash it and requested cash $1.30 which I sent. I have waited sufficient time and have written him, but still no answer or stamps.

Still further, I offered Mr. Bradley a 50c Omaha for the paper 1 year and a ½c Jubilee, I received the ½c Jubilee but no paper. I have given sufficient time for a reply to my enquiry, but got answer. What kind of a "gang" have I struck?

We shall be pleased to hear what the St. Catherines people referred to have to say for themselves. If Mr. Bradley said that Beatty was unreliable how is it that Beatty's ads were in the Stamp Reporter every month?

ARE THEY THE SAME?

A short while ago, publishers and collectors alike were fleeced by a concern calling themselves "Nova Scotia Stamp Co." Upon an enquiry to the P. O. Inspector at Halifax we were informed that the Stamp Co. consisted of L. H. McDonald, a boy 16 years of age. We were unable to get our money, or any further particulars. Now comes a company advertising in the same style, and calling themselves "Eureka Stamp Co. advertising everywhere, using a typewriter, and issuing a grand price list, offering stamps very cheap. From information received we are led to believe that the Nova Scotia and the Eureka Stamp Co's. are one and the same party.

A RIDE IN A MAIL CAR.

BY R. C. BACH.

How many of our readers have ever ridden in a mail car, and watched the operations of sorting out the mails? Let us take a trip to New York, via the Central Vermont and N. Y. Central Rail Roads.

It is Friday night. The Trans-atlantic mails close at Montreal at 5 p.m. so as to go by the steamer leaving New York on Saturday. The train starts. Now let us take a look around. A mail car is divided into two parts, one of which is reserved for mail bags which do not require sorting out. In the other hal, pigeon holes occupy all available wall space, while on one side is a large gridiron shape frame, used for holding the mail bags open, so as to faciliate sorting.

The mail clerks operating these cars have no "cinch." With them it is work, and work hard, too, till the end of the route is reached. The route from Montreal to St. Albans, Vermont is a busy one. St. Albans is the money order exchange office between Canada and the U. S. and there is always a goodly pile of mail for this sleeply little town. After leaving St. Albans, the clerks start to sort out the mail for the towns between St. Albans and N. Y. At Burlington, Bennington, and Rutland, the train stops just long enough to enable the mail clerks to throw out the sacks destined for these towns and to receive in turn sacks for N. Y. and intermediate places.

At Troy, the entire mail has to be transferred to the N. Y. Central R. R. cars, which is quite a job, by the way.

Here, also, the mails for N. Y. from other trains are taken aboard. The six hours which the trip form Troy to N. Y. City occupies are the mail clerks busiest hours and who can blame him, when, after the mails are delivered to P.O. vans at the Grand Central Depot, he goes home to take a well earned nap.

ONCE MORE IN NEW YORK.

Having to go to New York on business we again had the pleasure of meeting Messrs Herbst and McDonnell. These two gentlemen have opened up a stamp shop on 125th St. and it is reported, that Bro. Herbst has to hire a cab to take him to the bank every afternoon, as our friend is not strong enough to carry all the money, (It must be all coppers.—Ed). Being the only stamp dealers up there, they really do a rushing trade. Bro. Herbst sells the stamps, and McDonnell "mends your shoes while you wait."

Father Brown is still at the same stand on Park Row, and also reports a good trade. In fact all the dealers in N. Y. claim they are exceedingly busy, and it is not surprising to hear, that Messrs Bogert & Durbin's auction on Saturday, June 3rd, was most successful. One thing is very noticeable. Most of the big dealers, and smaller ones too, receive a visitor courteously, whether he buys $10 or $100.00 worth. We know one Nassau St. dealer, however. who, because we brought him back an approval book (which had been sent unsolicited) with out buying any of the trash it contained, was like an iceberg. But if he only knew, that the gentleman from England, who happened to enter his shop with us and who was also treated "à la glace," went two doors further down and bought over $60.00 worth of stamps,—would'nt he kick himself?

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Editorial.

Next Number out July 15th. All Copy must be in by July 4th.

Stamp Trade in this locality is still at low tide, but is beginning to show an increase.

We had the pleasure of meeting the following visitors this month. Messrs. D. F. Williams and E. Skillen of Toronto, Mr. A. Norton Buehl of Brockville, and Mr. Ingalls of Chicago. Messrs. Williams and Skillen are members of the bugle band of the 2nd Queens Own Rifles of Toronto, which was in Montreal to participate in the review on the Queen's Birthday.

We have not seen the Tri Monthly Collector for nearly 2 months. Sorry for your subscribers, Mr. Dodge.

Mr. H. A. Chapman, who originated and first published the "Perforator," has severed his connection with that paper, which is now owned by Clifford (the great) W. Kissinger. As Bro. Dietz said "Watch out for the half-tone and biography."

Christmas lasts rather long in Canada. Map stamps with the legend "Xmas 1898" are still on sale. Keep them till next Christmas, Mr. Mulock, then you will only have to change the date.

Dealers, get your ads. free. Read coupon on page 2.

Mr. S. P. Hughes, Howe, Neb., has our thanks for a copy of his price list No. 6. All collectors should have it ; send for one. Mr. Hughes warns dealers that a party named Herbert A. Miller, High St., Theater Building, Columbus, Ohio, is a fraud and a substituter.

We assure our readers that our Review and personal (J. B. Canuck) Columns are *not written by the editor*, all those who think so are greatly mistaken. Were we to publish the names of the writers in question, it would cause a mild sensation.

OUR PREMIUM OFFER.

Every person sending 25c. in silver for a years subscription to the Montreal Philatelist on or before July 15th, will receive free per return mail one of the famous 3 horseshoe puzzles, (which retail at 10c. each,) Send at once. This offer will not appear again.

Results of Prize Contest No. 2.

THE CORRECT WORDS WERE

Twelve Pence.	Straits Settlements.
Senegal.	Siam.
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Ribbed.	St. Louis.
Brattleboro.	Germany.

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1st prize. F. R. Nicolle, 295 Alfred St., Kingston, Ont.
2nd prize. W. E. Kelly, P.O. Box E, Woonsocket, R I.
3rd prize. Jos. Guichon, St. Louis College, New Westminster, B.C.
4th prize. Edw. H. Hollway, Binscarth, Manitoba.
5th prize. C. Witt, Yonkers, N.Y.
6th prize. Joye Soeder, Calle St. Fé, 1234 Rosario de St. Fé, Argentine Republic.

The following received the set of Maple Leaf Stamps, being 10th answers received.

F. A. Quinby.

All prizes have been duly forwarded and will have reached the lucky winners ere now.

We congratulate the lucky winners, and hope they will always be strong supporters of the M. P.



Several new advertisers give our columns a trial this month. Be sure and read all the ads. through carefully. You can secure some elegant bargains.

Messrs. Humbert and Mack are offering some gilt edged stamps at low prices. It is a well known fact that unused African and West Indian are the safest investment that can be made.

Dont miss Geo. J. Carters' ad. as it offers you those used Canadian Jubilees you have wanted to get.

The International Stamp Co. have an ad. on front cover. You can't miss it. Some gilt edded bargains are offered.

Canada 8c registered are offered by W. Kelsey Hall at a low price.

E. Albrecht & Co. offer a large variety of good stamps at ⅓ of Catalogue Price.

Mr. P. E. Lunn Jr., 195 Bleury Street, Montreal, is having an auction sale of desireable stamps on June 30th. Catalogues mailed on request.

Chronicle of New Issues.

Great Barrier Island—

This is an illustration of the stamp listed last month.



Mr. F. Breitfuss informs the *Monthly Journal* that the current stamps of Russia are soon to be surcharged for use in Russian China.

Germany has bought the Caroline Islands, so we may expect a new surcharge soon.

Uruguay—

The 5 milesimos lithographed, issued recently, has been sent us in a distinct new color.

Adhesive perf.

5 m. purple.

The permanent 5 milesimos stamp has now appeared and it harmonizes in beauty of design with the remainder of the series. It is evidently a product of Waterlow & Sons. The 5 centesimos stamp has been issued in steel blue, the type remaining unchanged.

Adhesive stamps.

Perforated 15.

5m light blue 5c steel blue

Venezuela—

Mr. Robert S. Hatcher, who has just returned from that country, has shown us some stamps of a new type and also a variety of the Miranda stamps not chronicled hitherto.

We present illustrations of the new postage and registration stamps which were placed on sale some time in March, and they will require no further explanation.

The new Miranda variery consists of a 50c red in tête bêche pairs.

Adhesive stamps.



Perforated 12.
5c blue green
10c red
15c blue
1 bol?
2 bol?

Cooks Islands—

Mr. Gosset has sent us the 1d blue surcharged.

ONE
HALF
PENNY

Black surcharge
½d on 1d blue.

Bechuanaland Protectorate—

The *Monthly Journal* has received the current registration envelope of the Cape of Good Hope, size G, surcharged across the stamp "Bechuanaland Protectorate" in two lines of sans serif capitals.

Registration envelope.

Size 150 x 98mm.
4p blue, black surcharge.

Brazil—

We have just received a copy of the 200r of the current type with a peculiar perforation with holes which are so large that they might almost have been made with a punch. We wonder whether the entire set will follow in due course. *O Colleccionidor de Sellos* chronicles the 10 and 300r with the same perforation.

Adhesive stamps.

Perforated 5½ to 6.
10r rose and blue
200r orange and black
300r green and black

Virgin Islands—

All doubts as to the existence of the error in the word penny, being spelt *Pfnny*, are now set at rest. In a sheet just received by the Dominion Stamp Co. this error was found.

Ecuador—

Several of our contemporaries have received specimens of the new series announced some time ago. So far three values have been chronicled. The 1c bears the portraits of Bargas Torres, the 2c the portrait of Abdon Calderon, and the 5c that of Juan Montalbo. We judge from this that entire series will constitute a portrait gallery of the celebrated men of Ecuador.

Adhesive Stamps.

Perforated,
1c blue and black
2c lilac and black
5c red and black

Guatemala—

It appears that the surcharging in this country has not yet reached an end as *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News* announces a new variety, namely, the 1c long revenue stamp surcharged in three lines "1898—Correos—Nacionales."

Adhesive stamp.

Provisional issue.
Perforated.
1c lilac rose, surcharged on revenue.

Montenegro—

The *Monthly Journal* states that the 2n stamp has appeared in a new color, namely, emerald green.

Adhesive stamp.

Perforated 11½.
2n emerald green

Peru—

The 5c stamp has now been issued in blue-green, the design remaining the same as the 1896 issue.

Adhesive stamp.

Perforated 12.
5c blue-green

Tasmania—

The *Australian Philatelist* has seen a 10d stamp in two colors with value in figures. It states that it is doubtful whether this stamp has as yet been issued to the public.

Adhesive stamp.

Watermarked T A S.
Perf. 14
10p purple brown and green

United States—

The *Metropolitan Philatelist* states that revenue stamps of $100, $500 and $1,000 are to be issued, the expectation being that the $1,000 stamp will be the first one issued. It will be printed in two colors and will bear the portrait of Madison. It is stated that the government intends to number each one of these stamps consecutively so that a record may be kept of each specimen sold.

MONTREAL NOTES.

Not one new stamp has been issued by the P. O. Dept. lately, and we're all getting real anxious. The 1c numeral number appears in a new shade. Our Ontario brethern have chronicled the 5c. numeral more than once, and the Boston correspondent of the Virginia Philatelist has even seen it, yet it is funny that they are not for sale here yet,nor does the daily Ontario mail received by business firms here, bear any.

Maps are still on sale, both at the Post Office and Stationery stores.

The International Stamp Co. has opened up an office opposite the Post Office, right in the business centre of the city.

Most of our dealers report trade as rather slow just now, locally, but say that mail orders are just pouring in.

The Dominion Stamp Co. has opened up a branch office in the Y.M.C.A. building. They also intend to open another branch in the East End. Good indications of the state of trade.

Purple envelopes are recovering and prices are slowly advancing. Surcharges are selling at 10c. each for 98 issue, and 35 to 50c. for the 1887 issue.

Some of the local philatelists, who intended to go to the D. P. A. convention in Toronto, on June 30th and July 1st., were very disappointed to find out that owing to the local militia batallions being ordered into camp at Laprairie in those days, the visit to the Queen City has to be put off. It was said that the 1st Prince of Wales Regiment Fusiliers was to visit Toronto on July 1st, but nothing definite has been announced yet. As there are about 10 of our local "lights" in that regiment, it would be quite an augmentation to the "meet."

REVIEW.

CONDUCTED BY MON AMI JOSEPH.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—It is a recognized fact that most, but not all, of the reviews in the philatelic press of to-day are conducted by the reviewers in a manner that shows only too plainly that they try to please the editors by criticizing certain papers rather sharply and vice versa, merely to gain the editors good will and advertising space, (especially the latter). The Montreal Philatelist has secured the services of a collector, not a dealer, who will conduct this department in an open fearless way, criticizing where he thinks fit, and vice versa. Publishers, please take notice that we do not care a continental (or a 2c U.S.) about your opinion of this column, but will conduct it in the interest of the true philatelist.

The American Journal of Philately of June continues the Catalogue for advanced collectors. John N. Luff continues the article on the Postage Stamps of the United States, giving the quantities of the Departments, surcharged specimen which were sold.

Mekeels Summer Special was a good one.

In the Weekly Era for June 3rd, we read that the New Cuban stamps are to be the color as the present issue U. S. stamps 1. 2, 3, 5 and 10c. The Special Delivery is to be Orange. Under the heading Montreal Notes we read the following :—

Dealers who sent their entire supply of three-cent envelopes and letter-cards to Ottawa to be surcharged are sorry that they did not keep a few unsurcharged, as the price of the unsurcharged has advanced on account of the limited supply now on hand.

Our only comment is that some of these amateur quill pushers seem to think that a dealer is so foolish as to keep only one kind in stock. We will wager a dollar against a button that most, if not all dealers, have a full supply of both surcharged and unsurcharged on hand. Perhaps this is only a little boom for the writer, who may happen to have a quantity of unsurcharged envelopes on hand.

In the Philatelic Bulletin for May, H. A. Chapman concludes "Some Rare Stamps." This is an extract:—Outside the United States, I would be satisfied with the 12d black of Canada, and other Dominion issues are desirable." No doubt you would, Mr. Chapman.

The Philatelic Advocate for May is up to its usual standard. G. W. Starnaman contributes "Pithy Philatelic Sayings," Russell C. Yates and H. A. Chapman also contribute good articles.

The Perforator, for May, does not contain much reading matter.

The Bay State Philatelist gives the portrait of Mr. W. Russell Brown.

"Energy" is the name of a new paper, published by F. I. Weaver, of Canadian Philatelic Weekly fame. We thank God that we were not so unfortunate as to receive a copy, as it is the worst amateur paper we have ever seen. It is supposed to fill subscriptions to the "Review," but I can find no trace of philatelic matter in it. There is a column called "Stamp Lore," but it consists of an article insulting Brother Stone of the Era Staff. Perhaps Brother Weaver does not know that sending such a paper to those who subscribed for "The Canadian Philatelic Review" is a fraud, but then it does not matter. There never was any Philatelic matter in the Review either.

The Virginia Philatelist, for June, presents a pleasing appearance with its two colored cover. The continuation of the article on "The Postage Stamp of Japan" is the only original article worth reading, "My Reason," a poem by Guy W. Green is the best amongst the many clipped items in this number. Mr. Widdicombe, in his Canadian Notes, copies word for word what has appeared in other papers. Mr. Paalzow's review of the M. P. is ridiculous in the extreme. It is conceded by many readers of the V. P. that it is far behind in literary quality to what it was a year ago.

Stamp Talks commences Vol. II with the May number and has some good reading in it. Leave out a few of the "bad" ads. you are running, and it will improve the paper.

JEAN BAPTISTE CANUCK says

That Brother Chapman has had his little say about us in the New York Philatelist.

That he has great expectations as to Vol. 2 of this paper.

That S. E. L. seems to have his hands full with both Tucker and Bartlet, down on him.

That he has still to see the five cent numeral.

That Miss S. thinks she knows it all on the subject of Canadian Stamps.

That about one half of the Philatelic papers will disappear during the summer.

That Brother Severn has got over the mumps and we may expect to hear of some other editor who is just cutting his teeth.

That the Stamp Reporter has probably found a resting place at last.

That "getting money under false pretences" is only another name for Dodge's way of taking subscriptions for a Tri-Monthly.

That Mr. F. I. Weaver has changed the name of his paper three times in the last six months.

That the office cat has been keeping very quiet of late.

That no one could be taken in by the "Guileless" youth of Melrose Highlands.

That there is a pawn shop on the corner of the Ninth and Locust Streets. (*Philadelphia*, not St. Louis.)

That he hopes no one will get mad with him as he is only in fun.

That Brother Bailey should start a comic paper. His "*Cyrano de Bugerac*" on page 71 of number 4 of the Allegheny Philatelist is "great."

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Fellow Members :

I see by the Secretary's report that there are but three applications this month. This is too bad. Let each member try and secure at least one new member. The secretary will send blanks to every member, and I hope that you will use them to advantage.

Yours truly,
R. C. BACH,
Pres.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Members admitted :

No. 55. Fred. Fuessel.
56. Harold C. Whitehouse.
57. B. L. Brosseau.
58. A. Roman.
59. H. H. V. Korlle.

Memberships cards will be forwarded to above on receipt of 15c dues to Oct. next.

Applications for membership :

No. 60. Wm. D. Edredge, Boston, Mass. Box 1452. Bookkeeper. Ref. H. Smith, R. C. Tucker, Boston.
No. 61. J. S. Dalton, Ottawa, Ont. Ref. R. C. Bach, H. Smith.
No. 62. A. Herbst, 106 E. 111th St., New-York. Ref. R. C. Bach, H. Smith.

There are still several members have not paid their dues. Names and numbers of those unpaid at 1st July will be then published.

H. SMITH, Sec.
42 Dudley St.
Medford, Mass.

4th June, 1899.

EXCHANGE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Books are ready to be sent out, and I would be glad to hear from those desiring to be placed on circuit

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Ex-Supt.

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SECRETARYS REPORT.

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No. 26. E. A. Hemphill, Abilene, Tex.
*No. 27. Robert Young, Abilene, Tex.
No. 28. S. E. Moisant, 246 Greenwood Avenue, Kankakee, Illinois.
*No. 29. Ross D. Breniser, Box 297 Johnstown, Pa.
* No. 30. P. G. Masson, No. 116 Fleurie Street, Quebec, Canada.
* No. 31. L. S. Sprague, Jr., 2111 Jefferson Street, Peoria, Illinois.

The above marked thus * will receive their membership cards on receipt for their dues amounting to 20c till June 1st. 1900.

APPLICATIONS

No. 32. F. W. Hahn. Aiken, South Carolina, Age 25, Refs. R. L. Doak, W. C. Doak.

No. 33. Cecil Rawson, 1417 Tioga St., Philadelphia, Pa. Age 17, stamp dealer, Refs, Treymond Babcock, W. L. Rawson,

No. 34. W. G. Peterson, 889 Sherbrooke Street, Montreal Canada, Age 12, Refs. R. C. Bach, P. E. Lunn, Jr.

No. 35. Frank E. McCall, Rokeby, Nebraska, Age 17, Farmer, Refs. R. L. Doak, W. C. Doak.

No. 36. Sidney H. Barnes, Marceline, Mo. Age 21, Clerk, Refs. S. E. Moisant, H. S. Barnes.

No. 37. Wm. D Evredge, Box 1352, Boston, Mass. Age 30, Bookkeeper, Refs. R. L. Doak, W. C. Doak.

No. 38. Chas. W. Leach, Box 138, Georgiaville, R. I. Age 16, stamp dealer, Refs. R. L. Doak, W. C. Doak.

No. 39. Rossex W. Cobbe, 258 and 260 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Age 14, clerk, Refs. S. E. Moisant, Fay Merrick.

No. 40. Ernest F. Wurtele, Box 1117, Quebec, Canada, Age 39, Secy.-Treas. Q. M. and C. Ry. Co. Refs. R. C. Bach, R. L. Doak.

No. 41. L. L. Gonter, Hally, Ohio, Age 17, stamp collector, Refs. R. L. Doak, W. C. Doak.

No. 42. P. E. Lunn, jr., Montreal, Ref. R. C. Bach, R. L. Doak.

The above will be admitted to membership by July 1st if no objections are filed with the secretary prior to that date.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURS

RECEIPTS

On hand last report	$ .57
Fees from 11 application	1.10
	$2.67

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To Montreal Philatelist	$0.30
To Secretary-Treasurer postage	14
	$0.44
On hand	2.23

I have decided to have all dues payable on June 1st, 1900 and as some were elected between Nov. 1st and June 1st and there is a small difference in their dues but I would ask the below mentioned names to send the amount opposite your numbers and your dues will be paid till June 1st 1900. Nos. 5, 6, 10, 13, 15 and 17, 20 cents.

Nos. 19, and 20, 14 cents. No. 3, 12 cents, Nos. 21, 22 and 23, 10 cents, No. 24 8 cents.

RESULT OF ELECTION.

President.
Wm. Ehrich, 11
Vice President, Miss Beulah Johnson 8
Wm. E. Marsh 2
Vice President for Canada, R. C. Bach, 8
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Counterfeit Dector, S. E. Moisant, 10
Exchange Supt. Wm. B. Porter, jr., 7
Wm. E. Marsh, 2
Librarian, W. C. Doak, 10
Trustees,
Wm. B. Porter, jr,
G. French,
Frank C. Porter, } 9
Official Organ, Montreal Philatelist, 10
Allegheny Philatelist, 6

The above is the result of election with number of votes received.

All officers elected will be expected to full execute their office to the best of their ability. In the nomination the following were omitted :—
Auction manager, Treymond Babcock,
Attorney, W. H. McDowell.

As there is no opposition I will consider them elected.

FELLOW MEMBERS.

Now one year has swiftly drifted by since the orginization was formed with not much of a mark of success, but now lets' all strive and work to gether and if every member would get at least one new member each month it would help us greatly and I trust that all those wanting blanks should write to the secretary.

R. L. DOAK, Secy. Treas.
Pearl, Ohio.

SECOND AUCTION SALE OF THE J. P. S.

Sale closes July 15th, '99, a card will be sent notifying successful bidders when they are expected to remit and lots will be forwarded. Any one may bid, stamps are in fine condition, and used, unless otherwise stated. Members be sure and send me some stamps to be sold at next sale, have them to me by Aug. 1st, '99.

Lot No.		Cat. res.
1.	$2.00 Alabama, Confederate Tax or Seals.	
2.	125 diff. Foreign,	$1 25
3.	10c Certificate imperforated,	5 00
4.	3c Navy Department,	40
5.	3c P.O. Dept. Official,	10
6.	1c Treasury Dept.	50
7.	1, 3, 6, 24c War Dept.	83
8.	2c Dept. of Interior,	25
9.	6c " " "	10
10.	3c old U.S. Postage,	12
11	1c " " "	06
12.	2c Dept. of Interior,	10
13.	Columbian Republic Insured letter stamp, 50 cent rose,	70-25
14.	15 varieties '98 Revenues,	
15.	15 " U. S. before 1890, postage only,	
16.	25 diff. U. S. Stamps,	46
17.	Block of 4, 1c '88 unused,	32-15
18.	Block of 4, 6c Interior Dept.	40-20
19.	Set of 4 Telepraph am rapid "Collect,"	10
20.	Set of 4 Telegraph am rapid "Duplicate,"	10
21.	50, 3c Numeral Canada,	
22.	15 good stamp papers,	
23.	1 Progressive stamp Album, spaces for 2048 stamps, new.	

Result of sale to any one 5c. Bid liberally some fine stamps, are offered at your price.

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PARIS POSTMEN ON STRIKE.

Three Thousand Letter Carriers Leave Work and Delay Business.

Paris, May 18.—Owing to the refusal of the Senate to vote the bill providing increased pay for postmen, recently passed by the Chamber of Deputies, about eight hundred postmen refused to go to work early this morning and, later, the whole force numbering three thousand men went out on strike. As a result there were no mail deliveries this morning. Even the Embassies have not received their letters. The men are standing in groups outside the post office.

Later, the postmen held an open-air meeting around the post office and were addressed by the Under Postal Secretary, M. Mougeot, who vainly urged them to return to work. The strikers responded by demanding an increase of pay. The post office was besieged by business men this morning, who demanded their letters. M. Mougeot has arranged for a delivery this afternoon. The sorting is being done by clerks who have been placed at the disposal of the post office authorities by the big commercial houses and banks. They are under the direction of the auxiliary sorters. The mail will then be delivered by soldiers conducted by policemen. The absence of a regular mail delivery has caused great disturbance in business circles.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Under this heading we will answer all questions as fully as possible. Subscribers are invited to use this column. Correspondents desiring a personal reply must enclose return postage.

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1. One month at least.

2. As stated before, we cannot be responsible for every foreign advertiser. Write to P.M. at Jassy.

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Moreau, Mme. M. 16 Rue Boisdenir, Tours, (I & L) France, offers good duplicates after receipt of want list, Reference, Credit Lyonnaise, Tours.

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Wanted to exchange present issue of U.S. such as 3, 4 and 5c. values for Canada stamps, such as Jubilee, Maple Leaf and Imperial stamps. I also have other U.S. to exchange. Send your sheets of Canada stamps and receive mine. R. L DOAK, Pearl, Ohio. 3-11-1

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SOME OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE FIRST ISSUE OF NOVA SCOTIA STAMPS.

D. A. KING, in "The Halifax Philatelist."

The postal service of the British-American Provinces, until the year 1851, was directly under the control of the English P.O. Department. This, with the high rate of postage, the insufficient mail accommodation, and the stringent laws against a private person carrying or delivering a letter on the post road, was the cause of innumerable complaints on the part of the colonies, and gave the English P.O. officials the trouble of sending out long despatches.

The colonies complained that the English P.O. took a large amount of revenue derived from the postal service, which the colonies were not able to lose out of the country. The English officials said that there was an annual deficit in Nova Scotia alone of £2,000 per annum. This state of things existed for years, and every annual report of the P.O. commissioners which was laid on the table of the local legislature, was full of complaints under this head. To give a specimen of one of the reports of these P.O. commissioners, the following is extracted form their annual report for the year 1844 in Nova Scotia. After speaking in favor of a large reduction in postal rates, they say :—"This, with the use of post stamps from dies authorized by the proper authorities, would render the transit of letters and papers less complicated, and give the relief required by the people."

To this no answer was returned till some time in 1845, when a long despatch was received from the Postmaster-General of Great Britain, Lord Lonsdale, who thus gives his department's views of the issue of postage stamps for Nova-Scotia as follows: "The suggestion that postage stamps for letters should be introduced into Nova Scotia is one which I cannot recommend to your Lordship (Viscount Falkland, then Governor of Nova Scotia) to entertain, as I cannot but consider that considerable objections exist to such a measure, and particularly from the facility which it would afford to the circulation of forged stamps, with but little chance of detection, while it is believed that the offence, if committed in the United Kingdom, could not be punished in the colony, while on the other hand, if committed in the colony, it would be visited with no penalty on parties in the United Kingdom." This will give some idea of the narrow-mindedness of the English postal administration of that time.

As a specimen of the postal accommodation of the Province, see this—from Halifax to Truro, by the coach road, was a distance of 83 miles, and between those two points there were only two post offices for all the people between these places. The mail couriers were not allowed to deliver mail on the way.

At last, by a united effort of all the colonies (Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island), the English Government turned over the postal administration to the different provincial governments. From this date, July 1st, 1851, the interesting part of the postal history of these provinces commences.

In the Post Office Department's letter book the first reference to postage stamps is in the following letter:

"Halifax, April 21st, 1851.

"Sir,

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The Hon'ble
JOSEPH HOWE."

A copy of the design mentioned in this letter is on the margin of the letter book. It is a large rectangular shape, in center the head of the queen, of a type somewhat like the early Mauritius, excepting that there is not any crown or wreath on head. This is drawn on a square of red —at top, "POSTAGE," bottom, "Three Pence," in small script writing; left side, "NOVA," reading up, and at right side, "SCOTIA," reading down; in each corner a small square with figure "3" in it. The whole look of the design is much like the early Mauritius.

The "defacing" or cancelling stamp's design was very much like the one adopted, being the same oval shape, but the lines on face were perpendicular instead of horizontal, and the space for inserting the office a diamomd instead of circular shape.

This design for stamps did not likely go further than the office of the Provincial Secretary, to whom it was written, as it appears that stamps must have been ordered before this, as there does not appear to be time enough between this date and that when stamps were issued (Sept. 1st, 1851), to have designs approved of and plates prepared. It is more than probable that the Hon. Joseph Howe, the Provincial Secretary, who I am informed was in London the winter previous, had designs then submitted to him and approved of, and ordered the necessary stamps without the knowledge of the Postmaster-General. At the same time he apparently had the power to decide on the design of the New Brunswick stamps, as may be inferred from the following memorandum, or perhaps the stamps of both colonies were bought together for the sake of economy. The memorandum is dated the 8th July 1851, and is copied from the same letter book.

MEMO.

"When Mr. Howe made the application for stamps, it was proposed that after the first supply had arrived the plates could have been sent out, and impressions taken off by engravers in Halifax. As Mr. Saunders, however, seems to report against the proposition, I would beg to suggest for the consideration of the government that £10,000 worth of stamps for Nova Scotia, and a similar amount for NewBrunswick, viz.:—

3d.....	£5,000
6d.....	2,500
1s	2,500

be furnished for immediate use, or should this amount be considered too small, to double the above numbers.

I would also recommend that 200 half-pound canisters of obliterating ink be also provided—100 for the use of this province, and 100 for New Brunswick, and directions for its use.

(Signed) A.W.

W. H. KEATING, Esq.

July 8th, 1851.

What amount of stamps were ordered could not be found out, nor can any trace of further orders be found until 1857, when an application letter was sent to the Provincial Secretary, and which will be copied later on.—*To be Concluded.*

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Editorial.

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We have recently bought some old fyles of philatelic papers and shall reprint some of the best articles therein. In this number will be found an interesting article on the early Nova Scotian Stamps, by Donald A. King, which appeared in the Halifax Philatelist in February 1889. Other articles from old Canadian papers will be reprinted by us from month to month.

There are some excellent articles in these old magazines, and we propose to give our readers the benefit of perusing them. We shall in future omit short notes as much as possible, and leave them to our three excellent weeklies. Personals shall in future be entirely omitted. This rule we shall carry out, in spite of all "baiting" in other papers.

A stock company is being formed with a capital of $1,000.00, divided into shares of $1.00 each, to publish a Weekly Stamp Paper. Prospectus will be mailed free, on application. Correspondents have already been secured to furnish weekly notes from Halifax, Toronto, Ottawa, Winnipeg, Victoria, in Canada, and Boston, New York, Washington and San Francisco, in the U. S. Correspondents and agents wanted in every city in the U.S. and Canada. Address the publisher for prospectus.

We must apologize for not issuing a July number, but it was impossible for the printer to get same through on account of pressure of work.

We received a great many cards from subscribers, enquiring for this number, and to those we must express our thanks for the interest they take in the M. P. But what think you, gentle reader, of a person, who having been sent two sample copies, without his sending the needful 25c. in return, cooly writes "What is the matter with M.P. for July, I did not receive a copy yet." This beats all "sample copy fiend" experience we've had.

Chronicle of New Issues.

Compiled from various sources.

British Bechuanaland—*Der Philatelist* has received a ½d stamp surcharged as follows :—"B" in each of the upper corners, "1d" in the centre and "1d" in each of the lower corners. On the specimen seen by our contemporary there was also applied a triangular surcharge, or cancellation, with the letters "I.V." It is probable that this is only a cancellation.

Adhesive stamp.

Provisional issue

1d on ½d vermillion, black surcharge

British Guiana—It appears that the 2c. surcharged on the 5c. envelope on blue paper exists both in red and in black. We have thus far chronicled only the black surcharge, and now add the other.

Envelope.

Provisional issue

Red surcharge

2c on 5c blue, bluish paper

The 5c. has also been surcharged TWO CENTS. In a sheet just received, we find only one variety, a ⊢ sideways passing for E in cents.

Provisional issue. Surcharge TWO CENTS on 5c. black and green. Variety TWO CENTS.

Ceylon—The *London Philatelist* has received the new values, the appearance of which was heralded some time ago. The design of the 6 and 75c stamps is of the currant type and the higher values are surcharged in figures on the old 2 pupees 50c.

Adhesive stamps.

Watermarked Crown and C. A.

Perforated 14

6c pink and black

75c slate and brown

Watermarked Crown and C. C.



1r 50c on 2r 50c slate, black surcharge

2r 25c on 2r 50c orange yellow, black surcharge

Canada.—The 3c. stamp has appeared, bearing the surcharge 2 cents. The 5c. numeral has at last appeared. The 2c. red has also been reported, but is not on sale here yet.

Adhesive, perforated 12.

2c. on 3c. red numeral issue.

2c. on 3c. red, 4 Maple Leaf issue

2c. red.

5c. blue.

Variety Thick Letters 2c. on 3c. Maple.

Mr. Jas. Wurtele, stock clerk of the International Stamp Co. has shown us a 2c. map stamp, with the sea area in an entirely new color, a sort of mixture between sea and olive green. The stamp presents a striking appearance. Mr. W. states, that though they have handled over two hundred thousand "maps," this is the first one of this shade he has seen. The stamp is cancelled Brockville & Westport M. C., May 27th, '99.

Weights and Measures. (Revenues.)

The new weights and measures, prepared by the American Bank Note Co., are in the hands of the officials here and will be issued when the present stock is exhausted. The values are said to be 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 50 cents and 1 and 2 dollars. They are beautiful stamps and again bear out the statement made in a previous number, that the American Bank Note Co. turns out better revenues than postage stamps.

Quebec Registration. Quebec Law.

New designs of these stamps are now being prepared.

Ecuador.—The flood of provisional stamps continues and we can only hope that the appearance of the new issue will finally put an end to them. Mr. Witt, besides showing us the 10c. stamp of the new issue which bears the portrait of Mejia, has also shown us the 10c. of the 1897 issue, surcharged diagonally "Cinto Centavos." In addition to this *Der Philatelist* has received the narrow 5c. revenue stamp with the surcharge "Un-Centavo," used as a postage stamp, as well as the 2c of the 1897 issue, with the same surcharge.

Adhesive Stamps
Provisional issue.
Perforated.
1c on 5 light blue, revenue stamp, black surcharge.
1c on 2c vermilion, black snrcharge.
5c on 10c dark brown. "
Regular issue.



Perforated.
10c lilac and black.

Guatemala—Mr. Eichla of Guatemala has sent the publishers of *Der Philatelist* two revenue stamps surcharged for postage, of the same type as the 1c chronicled last month.
Adhesive Stamps.
Provisional issue
Blue green surcharged
Perforated
5c violet, surcharged "Franco" on revenue stamp
10c green surchard "Franco" on revenue stamp

Hawaii—The 1c. stamp has now appeared in dark green, the type being the same as that of the orange stamp, issued in 1894.
Adhesive stamp
Perforated 12
1c dark green

Newfoundland—We have received the new 5c blue, with portrait of the Duke of York.



Adhesive stamp
Perforated
5c blue

Norway—Mr. H. Dethloff has sent us the new 2 ore stamp with the word "Norge" in Roman instead of Egyptian capitals.
Adhesive stamp
Watermarked Crown
Perforated 14½ x 13½
20 Yellow brown

Queensland — *Der Philatelist* quotes from a contemporary a 1d wrapper on yellowish paper in the new type.
Wrapper
Yellowish paper
1d red

Russian China—The new stamp for the Russian possessionss in China have been prepared and will be sent to Port Arthur without delay. The currant Russians stamps have been surcharged in Russian characters.
Adhersive stamps
Perforated 15
1 kop orange, black surcharge
2 kop green, red "
3 kop carmine, blue "
5 kop violet, blue "
7 kop blue, red "
10 kop blue, red "

Soudan.—The postal cards of 5m single and reply, have been surcharged 4m and 4x4m, respectively, in the same type as the Egyptian cards chronicled some time ago.

We illustrate the Uruguay stamp chronicled by us last month :



St. Thomas and Prince—The 2½r brown newspaper stamp of 1894 has been surcharged "Provisorio" in blue
Adhesive stamp
Provisional issue
Perforated
2½ brown, blue surcharge

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GREAT BARRIER ISLAND

With regard to the remarks in the London Philatelist last month that these stamps were like Cæsar's wife, no better than they should be, we have received some correspondence from Messrs. Whitfield, King & Co. As we read it, it quite bears out that firm's contention that the stamps in question are legimately used, though they are undoubtedly LOCALS. Among the papers shown us by Messrs. Whitfield, King & Co. is a letter from one of the Post Office officials at Auckland admitting the use of the stamps. Among other things are two photos of the headquarters of the post in Auckland, showing the pigeons and also two original messages one stamped with a copy of the first issue and the other with a copy of the second issue, and both are duly obliterated.

The stamps are decidedly interesting as pigeons are being regularly used for the first time to carry individual messages. At the siege of Paris in 1870 the messages that pigeons carried were placed on a screen and photographed into a small space, and it was the photograph of many messages the pigeon carried.—*Philatelic Journal of Great Britian, August, 1899.*

The Remarks in the "London Philatelist" in question have been re-printed in several American papers.

From our regular Australian Correspondent.

PHILATELIC NOTES.

—FROM—

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND.

By Ralph W. Gosset.

Now that the winter is well in, things philatelic are looking up considerably. Several collections are reported to have changed hands at good prices, in this city. A good number of new collectors are expected to join the ranks of philatelists this winter; and the dealers are all looking forward to brisk sales.

Samoa. The latest surcharges on the stamps of this Island are as follows —

1½d in Blue on 2d yellow (previously orange)
3 " Black on 2d yellow "
2½ Carmine on 1/– rose
2½ Black on 1/– rose
2½ Carmine on 1/– green

Of some of these surcharges a limited number only was printed and should very soon command good prices

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The colonial printing of our new issue (which was formerly done in London) will be started in the colony almost immediately, at the Government Printing Office All the plates, (but the altered ones of the ½, 1d, 2d, and 4d) have arrived in the colony. The issue is to be printed on "Small Star, N.Z." paper and perforated 11 until the machine is worn out when the finer perforations will be adopted.

The following is a cutting from the "N.Z. Herald," of May 31st, in reference to the proposed changing of colours of some of our new issue; from which it will be seen that it is definitely decided to change the ½d, 1d and 2½d.

NEW ZEALAND STAMPS.

COLOURS TO BE ALTERED.

(By Telegraph.—Press Association.)

Wellington, Tuesday.

The Postal Department notify that in order to meet the requirements of the Postal Union, agreed upon at the Washington Convention, it has been decided

to alter the colours of the ½d, 1d, and 2½d stamps in use in New Zealand from an early date. The ½d will be printed in green, 1d in red, and 2½d in darker blue. This change is also to be adopted by the Australian post offices. The colours of the 4d and 6d stamps will, owing to this change, require to be altered, but the new colours have not yet been decided on.

The 2d brown lake, State Life Insurance Stamp has been appearing in several shades of colour lately and also one or two varieties of perforation.

Cook Islands.—From the latest news from these Islands I gather that the 1d blue with Queen Makea's Head on is to be changed back to the old colour 1st brown. The perforations and paper will remain the same as the previous issue of the 1d brown. The reason for changing was to defeat a fraud which was believed to have been practiced on the revenue of Cook Islands. When the colour was changed all the remaining 1d blues in stock were changed into ½d by surcharging them in black as per my last letter. Of course the 1d brown will fall in price now and the 1d blue go up. The stamps are printed at the Government printing offices, in Wellington, New Zealand.

I had an opportunity of visiting the local depot of the Great Barrier Pigeon Gram service the other day. (I have written about the stamps of this private mail company in the last two numbers of the M.P.). The message is written on rice paper, a stamp affixed and then folded in narrow strips about the width of the stamp and wound tightly round the leg of the bird and tied with cotton thread and the birds are realeased and generally reach Auckland in about an hour. Great Barrier Island lies distant from Auckland about 65 miles in a north easterly direction. Some of the older birds employed in the service fly this distance in 50 minutes and generally carry two messages, and some birds carry five. Out of the thousands of messages sent, only one has ever been lost in transit and then the pigeon was supposed to have been blown out to sea in a gale, or caught by a hawk.

Later.—Just as the mail was closing I heard a rumour that the reason the penny blue was changed to brown was because the former was forged, (will write more about this next mail,)

By the southern mail just arrived bringing up the southern portion of the New Zealand mail to Frisco, I learn privately that some of our new issue have been seen on "Star N.Z." watermarked paper. Although so far they have not yet been issued to the public.

It is generally supposed that those seen watermarked are the first batch printed in Wellington as now the Government have the proper machinery, and also some of the dies.

In the April issue of "Stanley Gibbons Monthly Journal" there is another article on the Great Barrier Island pigeon gramme stamps, but therein it states that the messages are tied under the pigeons' wings, and as I have seen the whole system and had it thoroughly explained home; I may state that no messages whatever are tied under the birds' wings but they are all carried on birds' legs.

The 1d rose and 2d yellow, Western Australian haye just appeared with their new watermarks *Crown and W.A.*

The ½ Cook Island surcharged which I have already written about has now been completely sold out at those Islands, and the 1d brown has already appeared. The only difference between this and the 1st brown (with Queen Makea's Head) is in the perforation, and the previous one measuring 11½ and the new one 11: only ½ a perforation in difference! The surcharge is already selling for eighteen times face value in this city and promises to go up in price a good deal yet.

Rumours are going round that some sheets of some of the values of our new issue have been struck off with the new machinery in Wellington, on the watermarked "Star N.Z." paaer. They are only proofs and have not yet been offered for sale to the public.

The new issue are often found imperforated vertically (some dozen or so stamps in a strip), I surmise that the sheets were not placed correctly in position and the perforating machine did not reach to the end of the sheet. I enclose you a sample.

I hear the new issue of Tasmania is to appear soon. By the way, this Island issued a new 10d stamp lately, colour-lake and deep green, perf. 14, watermarked T A S (the letters not joined.)

When the Australasian Colonies federate a uniform issue of stamps (it is presumed) will be issued for the new common wealth. This will, of course, necessitate the stamps of six colonies changing viz: New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania; and, *if* our colony federates also, it will be the *seventh* to change issue.

I call from the N.Z. Blue Book for 1898 the following figures shewing the postal revenue of the Cook Islands (which are controlled by the N.Z. Government) from 1892 to 1896. The first issue of stamps at the Cook Islands appeared on 7th May, 1892.

Revenue from 7th May 1892 to 30th June 1892, $123.53

1892-93.....	245	5	9
1893-94.....	278	2	3
1894-95.....	228	0	1
1895-96.....	120	8	5

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Sorry to have so short a report. Dues come in very slowly, I will however give one more month, before publishing

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AUSTRALIAN NEWS.

BY RALPH W. GOSSET.

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND.

Things " philatelic " have been looking up considerable now that the winter season is fully on. It is surprising what a number of young collectors there are here. At most of the public schools in Auckland, every other youngster is a philatelic friend, and some of them—for their aged have really splendid collections.

The Great Barrier pigeon gram agency (which by the bye is a different concern from the original great Barrier pigeon post,) has just issued two stamps to be used for conveying messages to the Island. There are two values, 6 pence blue, and 1/- light red. Both stamps are triangular in shape. The information I have regarding these two new stamps is at present very limited but in my letter next Frisco mail I will send full particulars regarding them. In my opinion it is really a speculative issue, where as the first two stamps issued for service at this Island were not speculative but were purely local.

The postage on some of our journals abroad has been the cause of a lot of " growling " lately and the other day one of the members in the House. (Mr. Joyce) asked the Postmaster-General to take steps to reduce the postage on weekly journals posted to England from 2½d and 4d to 1d.

The Premier(Mr.Seddon)thought it was in the very best interests of the colony that the postage on weekly newspapers ought to be as low as possible. He paid a tribute to the enterprise shown by the publishers of the leading weekly journals of the colony to which a great many of them did credit. He believed a reduction of the postage to 1d per journal would result in so large an increase in the number of papers posted that it would soon compensate for the difference in the charges. Mr. Seddon, promised to make enquiries immediately and if the reduction could be effected without serious loss it would be carried out.

The inland rate of postage in this colony is 2d for every half ounce or fraction thereof; and in the same town as the letter is posted 1d for every half ounce or fraction thereof. As far back as 1891 an act was put through the parliament fixing the inland rate of postage at 1d for every ½ ounce : this act has all this time been awaiting an " order in council " to finally sanction, and bring it into force. Nothing was ever done in the matter until a few days ago when the Christchurch Chamber of Commerce passed a resolution to ask the Government and the members of the House to take steps to bring into force the system of 1d inland postage above mentioned.

In the House lately very strained relations have existed between Mr. Taylor (member for Christchurch), and Mr. R. Seddon, (Premier); and the other afternoon (when questions were being answered) they became very evident when the member for Christchurch asked if the government would inaugurate a penny inland postage this year.

Mr. Seddon caused some laughter by merely stating : " It all depends on circumstances." The premier then went on to say.—" That he was pleased to see there were some matters about which the member for Christchurch knew nothing and the best thing to do was to leave him in that position."

Most of the questions put by Mr. Taylor to the premier were answered by the

latter in an extremely curt manner. The above statement made by the premier was evidently intended as a hit at the Christchurch member's ignorance in not knowing about the penny postage Bill drawn up in 1891.

I presume Mr. Taylor then thought enough had been *sed-on* the matter.

I notice that the hon. member for Warbemata (Mr. Monk) in a speech lately was getting at Mr. Seddon the Hon. the premier, in regard to the Queen's head being removed from the postage stamps of New Zealand. Mr. Monk, in referring to Mr. Seddons reception at the Jubilee by her Majesty—goes on to say :—

" Notwithstanding the Royal favours with which he had been treated, in censurable forgetfulness of the noble and confidential title with which his Sovereign had invested him, almost his very first official act after that function was to arrange for the withdrawal from our daily gaze—from familiarity with our social and business life—of that impressive effigy that for over sixty years has been to the British people the exalted emblem of a mighty and triumphant brotherhood. It distresses me to think he could go soon forget the affability and the queenly tenderness that had so softened away from him the—

Awe and majesty
Wherein doth sit the dread and fear of kings."

What price that for high? Mr. Schreiner, premier of the cape is evidently bent on following the same doubtful example, for in an African paper I notice he is starting acrusade against the Royal coat-of-arms. Official documents ever previously hearing the lion and unicorn are in future to be plain.

There are two firms who carry on the pigeon service between the Great Barrier Island and Auckland, viz :—The Original Great Barrier pigeon service, and the Great Barrier pigeongram agency. The former company have been in existence for some considerable time and issued stamps first, they have already had two stamps as already described in this journal. The last has been altered. The words Pigeon post have been over printed in Black with the word pigeongram.

The reason for so doing is, I believe because the chief postmaster here objected to the word "post" in " Pigeon post,"—hence the alteration.—

The latter named Company, (viz : The Great Barrier Pigeongram Agency) have also issued stamps as per the following cutting from the " Evening Star."

On the occasion of the third year of active work in carrying correspondence to and from the Great Barrier Island, the Great Barrier Pigeongram Agency has found it necessary to adopt a new and novel means of securely closing its messages at conveyed by their diminutive messengers. The stamp used for this purpose is triangular in shape, the centre showing a homing pigeon in full flight within a circle, the spaces between the circle and the border being filled with scroll work. The figure of the value occupies the top corner, the two bottoms with the letters N. and Z respectively, on the left side of the triangle are the words " Great Barrier Island, " on the right " Pigeongram," denoting the service, the whole forming a very unique and handsome design. The Agency, to popularise the service, have reduced the rate of messages from the Island to sixpence. This stamp is light blue in colour. The rate from Auckland is one shilling, the colour of this value is a light red, the difference in the cost of messages to the Island is occasioned by the difficulty in training the birds and getting them to leave the city on their long water fly. These stamps are purely local in character and are only available for the Pigeongram Service, and in no way to be confused with the ordinary postage stamps. For the convenience of the public Messrs Chamtaloup and Cooper, Queen St., have them on sale. The stamp was made by the lithographic department of the " Star " Office.

I believe the Post and Telegraph Office act states that no private Mail Co'y or Companies shall receive money or remuneration from the public for carrying mails, etc. The question is whether it is or is not legal for them to be sold to the public as they are being done as by the above cutting.

I heard the other day how a local dealer walked in the shop of the stationers who were selling them and asked for 10s. worth. When the stamps were handed to him he asked for a receipt where at the stationer got in a terrible "stew," and demanded the stamps back and tendered him the half sovereign in return. The dealer thereupon said that he need not trouble about the receipt and walked ou of the shop with the stamps. The stamp

were then immediately taken in from the window from public view. However, a few hours later they were again placed in the window. Whether the stationer obtained legal advice or not as to whether it was lawful to sell them remains to be seen.

On the other hand the stamps issued by the original Barrier Pigeon service were not at any time sold in an unused condition to the public of Auckland, and are used chiefly by the manager here as a check on his agent at the Barrier Island.

There are however one or two big dealers (or pure collectors as they call themselves) who it is plainly seen are at the bottom of the issuing of the new triangular stamps.

Whitfield, King in their new catalogue price the first lot of the original Great Barrier Pigeon service stamps at 2 s. each unused. They are the ones that remained after the second lot appeared.

Federation is " all the go " in Australia just now. However New Zealand seems averse to Federating, and whether the note of the people will be taken on the question by the Government is doubtful. A New Zealand Federation league has already started in Auckland and at several meetings held recently, all the advantages to be gained by joining the union were placed before the people.

Federation will of course mean a great event in the history of philately, as if all the colonies federate there will no doubt be one uniform set of stamps for the new commonwealth. 1d postage both intercolonial and imperial will also be a likely feature.

New South Wales.—The registered envelope of this colony has now the flap turned over to the address side, the colour is the same as previously, viz :—rose.

In accordance with the postal union regulations, the reply post cards it is expected, will appear very soon with altered inscriptions. Both the International and Inland reply cards will now have the inscription " Post card with reply paid " and the International card will have the Inscription in French also. It is said, that the stock of the existing types must be exhausted before the new ones are issued.

Victoria.—I noticed in reading, the other day that this colony has the reputation of having had 25 errors of watermark amongst her stamps to date. Of some the denominations it is said that only one or two copies are known to exist.

I culled this from the " N. Z. Herald."

The new issue of stamps agreed to by the Victorian Postal Department, in accordance with the recommendation of the Washington Postal Conference, will come into use on August 1. The stamps now in use will be withdrawn until the supply is exhausted, so that both the old and the new stamps will for a few weeks be in course of circulation. The new stamps differ from the old only in point of colour. The halfpenny will be green the penny red and the 2½d dark blue. Most of the Postal Union countries having no twopenny post, no arrangement was made as to stamps of that value, which will, therefore, in Victoria remain their present colour, viz :—Lilac.

New pictorial postcards for N. Z.—Our Government Printer (Mr. John Mackay), has now in hand a series of postcards, bearing on the address side views of New Zealand scenery. These cards are intended to advertise to some extent the scenery of the colony, and as they will be sold at the same price as plain cards a large demand may be anticipated. It is hoped that a fair assortment will be ready in a few months.

I am sorry to say that I am unable to give the Cooks Island notes promised in my last letter, however next one will see them, also some interesting statistics from the N. Z. Post Office annual report.

Latest.—Just before the Mail left I clipped the following from the Parliamentary telegram from Wellington.

NEW POSTAGE STAMPS.

The printing of the new postage stamps is now being done by the Government printer. For the present the colours used in London are being continued, but those of the halfpenny, penny, and twopence halfpenny labels will shortly give place to the colours selected by the Washington Conference, namely, green, red, and dark blue respectively. At the same time the design of the penny and fourpenny values will be transposed, and necessary changes made in the colours of the fourpenny, sixpenny, and possibly the ninepenny stamps.

The 2½ blue stamps, new issue are just on sale here, (The ones printed in the colony). They are unwatermarked, perf. 11. : paper wove and rough on surface. I have also just seen a *used* 5d Brown, new lot, just come in by the mail from the South. So they are evidently on sale in Wellington.

SOME OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE FIRST ISSUE OF NOVA SCOTIA STAMPS.

D. A. KING, in "The Halifax Philatelist."

(Concluded.)

It was mentioned in above letter that a proposal was made that the plates should be sent out and stamps wanted could be printed from here. This seems to be the opinion among English philatelists. as Mr. W. A. S. Westoby says in a letter to me of Feb. 6th, 1888, that he was informed by the makers of the plates, Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co., that the plates of the Nova Scotia and New Brunswick stamp were sent out here on the same day, 6th August, 1851.

On receipt of this, I wrote Mr. F. M. Passow, who was chief clerk of the Nova Scotian Post Office Departmet, to enquire whether the plates ever came here. He said: "I doubt if the plates were ever sent out to Halifax. I never saw them." To make this positive, we find in the letter to Provincial Secretary above referred, indisputable evidence that the plates were in England in 1857.

General Post Office, Halifax.

July 2nd, 1857.

SIR,—The stock of postage stamps procured from England some time ago being nearly exhausted, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to issue the necessary directions to Mr. Stanford, No. 6 Charing Cross, London, for a further demand, viz.:—

10,000	sheets of	3d.	value	£20,000
2,500	"	6d.	"	10,000
1,250	"	1s.	"	10,000

Each sheet to contain 160 labels of 3d., 6d. and 1s. stamps, making each sheet of the value of £2, £4 and £8 respectively and to be the color of those affixed to the margin.

The last supply of stamps were furnished by Mr. Trelawney Saunders, who has transferred his business to Mr. Stanford. In applying for these postage labels, therefore it will be necessary you should furnish Mr. Stanford with your authority to produce the key for opening the box containing the dies, which are now in the possession of the engravers, Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Petch, who also are in possession of a key for the safe custody of the dies.

It is particularly requested that the stamps may be forwarded at as early a period as possible, those remaining on hand being not only nearly expended, but much injured. When making the requisition it would be as well to caution the engravers not to pack the parcels too close, for when they are strictly confined they adhere and become useless, as was the case with some of the packages in the last supply furnished.

I have, &c.

(Signed) A. WOODGATE.

The Hon.

C. H. TUPPER, M.D.

M.P.P., Halifax.

Only two requisitions for stamps (those of July 8th, 1851, and July 2nd, 1857), for Nova Scotia can be found, although, no doubt, more than two supplies were sent.

Of those the 3d. dark blue, 6d. yellow-green, and the light shade of the 1s. are the earlier issue. After an examination of a large number of specimens of the two lower values on the original cover, a dark blue 3d. or yellow-green 6d. is seldom found after Nov. 1857; from that date the light blue 3d. and dark green 6d. is the rule. At the time the last supplies were sent out in 1857, some sheets of the 3d. and 6d. were printed on an intensely blue paper, as I have in my collection a 6d. on this blue paper split and used as 3d. on original cover postmarked "Lunenburg, Dec. 7, 1859," and an entire one on envelope from same place Feb. (date indistinct) 1860. The 3 pence is on a much bluer paper than the ordinary dark shades of same on blue paper of the earlier issue. Of the 6d. on blue paper I have only seen four specimens, and I have examined a large number of that value.

The later printing of the 3d. was on a white paper, which was tinted blue on face by the ink or insufficiently cleaned plates; the 6d. is on a paper which shows a somewhat blueish shade in it.

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Editorial.

Next Number out Oct. 25th.

All Copy mustbe in by Oct. 14th.

It is pleasing to notice the increase of business in the stamp trade just now. A prosperous season may safely be predicted.

With this number we conclude the article on the "Official Documents of the early Nova Scotian Stamps." Next month we shall commence an ably written article, entitled "The Postal History of the German Empire," which is now published for the first time. It treats on postal matters of the several German states, and gives interesting and correct statistics.

A splendid article on "Australian Federation" by that popular writer, Ralph W. Gosset, will also appear in our next 2 numbers. You should subscribe now and get these articles complete.

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Considerable amusement has been created in advertising circles by a circular recently received from a publisher of philatelic paper. The circular states that the party has "a peculiar but exact means of ascertaining the exact number of paid up subscribers of every publication in the country". What next?

The following is clipped from the "Weeklp Era."

A few weeks ago reference was made in this column to the failure of a certain to advertiser to fill orders received in reply an ad appearing in a July issue. Since then we have received a number of additional complaints, and have endeavored to obtain some settlement of the same, but, with the exception of receiving word that two of the claims have been settled, have received little satisfaction and were on the point of placing the matter in the federal officials' hands when we received the following, which explains itself. In accord-

ance we have submitted all unsettled claims in our hands and fully believe they will be satisfactorily settled within a short time.

BOSTON, August 29th, 1899.

MR. W. W. JEWETT,

Portland, Me.

Dear Sir: Ralph W. Tucker & Co. doing business formerly at 132 Boylston St. have made an assignment to me dated Aug. 24th, 1899. The assignment is made for the purpose of closing up the stamp business conducted by them and is caused by over buying. The assets are good and I think I can say that all claims will be paid in full. To those desiring I will make settlements at once from their stock of stamps.

Yours truly,

ARTHUR S. TUCKER, Assignee.

We are surprised to see the stand some papers have taken on the Great Barrier Island stamp. They were quick enough to reprint all against them, but few have reprinted Messrs. Whitfield, King & Co's reply. In fairness to readers both sides of the question should always be given. Briefly, the whole situation is as follows.

There are 2 companies operating a pigeon post service to the Great Barrier Reef, a distance of 66 miles from Auckland, N.Z. The *Original Great Barrier Pigeon Post Service* issued the first stamp, a 1/- blue. This is the stamp now being offered. A second stamp was issued later, and the remainders of the first issue sold to Whitfield King & Co. They were and are still used for franking messages and therefore are GENUINE LOCAL STAMPS.

The other company, the "*Great Barrier Pigeongram Agency*" has just issued the two triangular stamps. They are also evidently genuine locals as from information received, they also frank pigeon gram messages.

ED. A. MARRIS.

ED. A. MARRIS, a popular young collector of Hamilton, died at the Sarnia, Oet., Hospital, on Wednesday. Aug, 9th, of typhoid fever, in his twenty-first year.

He was a member of the L. C. P. and the D. P. A.

JOHN. E. SCHULTZE.

JOHN E. SCHULTZE, a member of the Montreal Philatelic Society, and Vice Consul for Austo-Hungary, in Montreal, died suddenly in Toronto on Saturday, Sept. 9th. Mr. Schultze was 32 years of age.

In this number will be found the first auction sale of the League of Canadian Philatelists. Although our society is not as large as the other Canadian society, still, we can offer better stamps in one sale than the other in a years sales together. All stamps are on hand, and can be seen at the office of the International Stamp Co, Montreal.

Collectors are invited to join the L.C.P. Blanks free.

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Chronicle of New Issues.

Compiled from various sources.

Canada.—The 2c red has at last appeared.

Adhesive, perforated 12.
Numeral type.
2c rose red.

Envelopes.—In the A. J. P. for Sept. Canadian envelopes of the 1887 issue are listed on manilla amber paper, large size. Some question being raised as to their being printed to order, we might say, that there is a clause in the Canadian Postal Regulation book, stating that private firms can have large size envelopes or wrappers printed to order, on paying for the face value, cost of material and cost of printing.

Newfoundland.—It is rumored that new 10 and 12c stamp are to be issued soon. At present we have no confirmation of this report.

Argentine Republic.—We have received the new 4c and 6c cards.

Postal Cards.
4c dark green.
6c " ultramarine.

Brazil.—The A. J. P. lists the following.

Adhesive.	Perforated.	Purple surcharge.
50 r on	20 r green.	
100 r on	50 r green.	
300 r on	200 r violet.	
500 r on	300 r gray lilac.	
700 r on	500 r olive yellow.	
1000 r on	700 r chocolate.	
2000 r on	1000 r yellow.	

Ceylon.—The *Monthly Journal* reports that the new 75c stamp has been surcharged " On Service " for official use,

Official stamp.
Watermarked Crown and C. A.
Perforated 14
75c slate and brown

Colombian Republic.—The Dominion Stamp Co. have shown us the 2c in several distinct colors.

Adhesive perforated.
2c blue green.
2c yellow green.
2c pale greyish green.
The 5c also appears in shades varying from orange brown to dark brown.

Eritrea.—The recently issued 1 and 2c Italian stamps have been surcharged for use in this colony.

Adhesives.
Watermarked Crown
Perforated 14
Black surcharge.
1c brown.
2c red brown.

Malta.—Our correspondent, Mr. W. R. Gatt, informs us that the current Maltese stamps have been surcharged "Revenue " in black, to be used temporarily till the new revenues arrive from London.

Adhesives.
1 p red.
3 p vermillon.
1/- violet.
5/- rose.

Zanzibar.—An entire new set has appeared from this enterprising (?) country.

Adhesives.
Watermarked flowers.
Perforated 13½.
2 a yellow green and red.
1 a blackblue and red.
2 a black and red.
2½ a ultramarine and red.
3 a slate and red.
4 a black green and red.
5 a bistre and red.
7½ a lilac and red.
8 a olive bistre and red.
1 r ultramarine and red.
2 r green and red.
3 r violet and red.
4 r lilac brown and red.
5 r black brown and red.

Advertisers read this.

ONE OUT OF MANY.

Mr. S. P. Hughes, the well known Nebraska stamp dealer, writes us as follows :—

Howe, Nebr. Sept. 12, 1899.

DEAR SIR,

Please let me know when my small ad in the dealers directory expires, as I desire to renew it. *I have received more returnes from this small ad, then from page ads in other papers.*

Yours Respectfully,
S. P. HUGHES.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Members admitted :—

No. 63. James Wurtele
64. A. W. Sykes
65. Richard Goerke
66. Arthur Pageau

Membership cards will be sent on receipt of dues, 25 cents to 1st Oct. next.

If members would attend to this notice it would save trouble and expense.

Application for membership :—

No. 67. Wilson Tyas, Book Arcade, Queen St., Brisbane, Queensland, Stationer, Aged 38. ref. R. C. Bach, H. Smith.

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No. 69. Charles S. Sheldon, care of Normal School, Oswego, N. Y., Teacher, aged 44, ref. R. C. Bach, O. S. Stoddard.

No. 70. H. W. Bulley, 734 Cadieux St., Montreal, Clerk, age 16. ref. R. C. Bach, H. Smith.

No. 71. R. A. Brosseau, 173 St. Hubert St., Montreal, Student, age 16. ref. S. H. Brosseau, P. H. Duckett.

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No. 75. R. C. Parsons, Rock Island, Que. Watchmaker & Jeweller. ref. R. C. Bach, H. Smith.

No. 76. Geo. F. Downes, Palmerston, Ont. age 34, Barrister at Law, ref. R. C. Bach, H. Smith.

All members are earnestly requested to carefully peruse all applicants and immediatly report to me any undesirable Candidate.

I cannot obtain the dues of the following :—

No. 10. C. W. Carver.
No. 21. Geo. W. Hicks.
No. 26. Harry A. Jacobs.

If they are not paid by the 1st October. these names will be struck off the list of members and sub : to official organ with cease.

I would remind the members that the dues for next year are payable on 1st Oct. and if they would forward them to me within a week from that date it would be a great saving in expense to the society and also lessen my labors. Any denomination in unused stamps in Mint State will be accepted.

H. SMITH,
Sec.-Treas.
2 Sept., 1899. Medford Mass.

Fellow members :—

I am pleased to see the increasing number of applications this month. Every member should send for blanks and distribute them to his friends.

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selections of stamps will then be sent to the branch, and in many other ways there are many benefits, *without any extra cost.*

I have appointed Mr. Geo. F. Downes, Palmerston, Ont. as the attorney of the society. This is a Canadian society, and should have a Canadian attorney. Members are requested to patronize the legal department.

Yours for success
RUDOLPH C. BACH,
Prest.

Montreal, Sept. 17, 1899.

FIRST AUCTION SALE OF THE L. C. P.

The following lots have been sent to me, to be disposed of, to the highest bidders. Non members can bid on any lots they would like to procure

LOT NO.

1 U. S. 1847. 10c. black.
2 " 1861. 5c olive yellow.
3 " Justice 30c.
4 " " 90c.
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6 " " 3d ribbed.
7 " 1858 10c violet.
8 " Jubilee ½c.
9 " " 20 & 50, used.
10 " 1897, 4 leaves ½ to 10c, used.
11 " 1898 99, numerals ½ to 10c Xmas. surcharges, 2c carmine 16 varieties.
12 100, 1898 3c envelopes, used.
13 100, asst'd Canada, Bill and Law Stamps.
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SPECIAL.

Just as I am about to close my report, I received the following stamps :—

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JAMES WURTELE,
Auction Mgr



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E. Albrecht & Co. the popular Chicago dealers offer some snaps that are worth picking up.

The Dominion Stamp Co's ad is worth reading. Don't miss it.

Tried to Corner the Surcharges.

Our Ottawa correspondent informs us that a Philadelphia concern has bought up all the surcharged stamps remaining at Ottawa, paying therefor some $25,000. It is a good thing for stamp collectors that they had been distributed pretty well over the country before our Philadelphia friends thought they could corner them.

What Others Think of the M. P. The following letter explains itself.

September 1st, 1899.

R. C. BACH, Esq.
Publisher, Montreal Philatelist.

DEAR SIR,

Allow me to congratulate you on the excellent and interesting mid-summer number of your paper which I have just received. I have read it from the first page to the last with pleasure, and must say it gives real valuable information to Philatelists, which unfortunately is not the case with a great many stamp journals. Keep the paper up to this standard and you can count on my active support and that of my friends. Wishing you success.

Yours truly,
F. W. WURTELE.

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AUSTRALIAN FEDERATION

BY RALPH W. GOSSET.

One of the most noted chapters in the History of Australia, will, (when all the Colonies have decided) be Federation. When this takes place Australia will be one of the largest Commonwealths in the world. A Commonwealth means a political community organised and united for the purposes of self government. The term "Dominion of Australia" or "United States of Australia," might with equal propriety, have been selected, but as the name "Commonwealth" was selected by the Convention of 1891, on the recommendation of Sir Henry Parkes, it has been generally accepted as sufficiently comprehensive and appropriate to designate the coming "Federal Union of Australia." Australia consists of six Colonies, viz: New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania. When the Federal Bill was put to the vote in the Colonies of Victoria, Tasmania, Western and South Australia it was readily accepted; and on the 20th June last the people of New South Wales by a majority of 24,000 votes have also decided in its favor. Queensland is now the last of the six Colonies to agree to the Federal Bill. The Government of this place have already passed the "Enabling Act" and will therefore very shortly submit it to the people, and by whom its acceptance is considered certain.

It is anticipated that—if all goes well the first "Federal Parliament" will meet on January 1st, 1901,otherwise about the beginning of the twentieth Century. At the beginning of the present Century New South Wales comprised the whole of the territory now consisting of and forming the Colonies of New South Wales, Victoria, Tasmania and Queensland.

In the large bay in the south of the present colony of Victoria, in 1835 a settlement called Port Philip was started. The population in and around this Settlement increased so rapidly that the inhabitants in the year 1849 separated from N. S. W. and their new Colony was called Victoria. Their first lot of postage stamps was issued in January 1850; at this date also the mother Colony of N. S. W. issued her first adhesive postage stamps. The final separation of Victoria from its parent Colony was effected on 1st July, 1851.

About the Year 1845 the territory north of the present Colony of N. S. W. was thrown open for selection. The inhabitants of this district also increased to a great extent and on 10th December, 1859, the country north of Point Danger was separated from N. S. W. and declared into a separate Colony by the name of Queensland. The postage stamps of this Colony first appeared on 1st November, 1860.

Tasmania (which was separated from N. S. W. and made a Crown Colony in 1825) issued its first postage stamps in November 1853. Tasmania was originally called Van Diemens Land which name is on the earliest of its stamps. In the Year 1855 an Act was passed changing the name of the Island to its present title, Tasmania, in honor of its discover; however the stamps bearing the name of Van Diemen's Land (the 1st 2nd and 4th) were used up to 1870.

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AUSTRALIAN NEWS.

By Ralph W. Gosset.

Auckland, N. Z. August 31st 1899.

The month just closed was not specially marked in any way as regards things in the philatelic line. Some of the "Island" stamps have come down in value while others have gone up. Amongst the former may be mentioned the three varieties of surcharges i.e. :—Samoa 2½d red on 1d. green : 2½d black on 1s rose ; and 2½d carmine on 1s rose. The latter stamp was previously marked 2s 6d and 3s, in the shops here while now it is 6d. Although I have seen it on the approval sheets of a well known Sydney dealer marked at 6s. The ½d surcharge black on 1d blue Cook Islands, I have seen marked at 9d at some places here.

It is surprising the number of collectors there are at Wanganui. A short time ago a philatelic society was started there and in less than no time they had a roll of about 60 members and I believe there have been some joined since. One of our largest and most popular collectors was in Sydney recently, where, (he informed me) he was in conversation with one of the largest dealers there, and that gentleman told him that some of his best customers were at Wanganui, also that there were some very advanced collectors at that town. The dealer also said that in Queensland the collectors were few and far apart ; New South Wales cannot boast of a great many collectors; Victoria, has on the average a good number, while New Zealand for its size and population has a greater number than any of the above Colonies.

The collector I have mentioned while on his travels invested prettily heavily in stamps, something to the tune of £200, he has about 10,000 varieties, amongst which are about 30 odd Sydney views.

New South Wales :—A copy of the 2d type 12, perf. 10. Surcharged "O.S." in red has been met with used on a letter dated April 11th, 1880, and apparently quite correct.

The new issue 3d Brown N.Z. has been out of stock for some time at the Auckland post office, the 3d light yellow old issue having been sold instead. A few days ago I bought a 3d deep range, and the clerk informed me that they only had the orange ones in stock, having sold completely out of the light yellow ones. I presume the postal authorities are selling out the old stock before the new ones are placed for sale again to the public.

At Palmerston North, N.Z., there are a fair number of collectors, a philatelic society has been formed there.

Down South the other day some unscrupulous person made a haul at a dealers's expense.

I have not been able to glean much information on the matter so far, and can only go on the following facts as laid out by the " N.Z. Herald " viz :—

"A stamp-dealer in Chancery Lane, Christchurch, has reported to the police (says the Lyttelton Times) that the other night a valuable collection of stamps was taken from his office. On Saturday week he left his establishment, and as he intended to return in a short time, he did not put the stamps in the safe. He was, however, prevented from again going to his office by illness for some time,and was informed by the police on Wednesday that his place of business had been broken into. He found that the following articles were missing —Eighty-two thousand new issue New Zealand stamps, valued at £42, various other stamps to the value of £10, and some unused New Zealand stamps to the value of £3 10s, as well as two boxes of cigars, and about 14s in silver."

The Cook Island Boat has just come in and by it I perceive an error in the surcharge of the ½d on 1d blue, viz: double surcharge as under

ONE
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HALF
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PENNY

I am informed that only one sheet was thus surcharged, and of that sheet only about ¼ or ½ thereof were sold to the public, who got the rest I know not. I only managed to get one copy and am informed it will very soon be worth some money. I wrote down there for some, but none whatever were to be had.

A person just arrived here from Wellington, N.Z., informed me that the 4d has just come out in that city with the

design of the 1d, it is also printed in the same colours light brown and blue. It is unwatermarked, perf. 11 and printed on wove paper.

Yerterday I received a 2s. stamp on a parcel from Dunedin, perf. 11, printed in the Colony. The 5d and 2½ are also printed in N.Z., both unwatermarked and perf. 11.

A NEW PIGEON POST

The proprietor of the Original Great Barrier Pigeon gram agency is about to inaugrate a pigeon service between a group of Island called Marotiri Islands, and Auckland. These islands lie about 40 odd miles to the North-West of the Great Barrier Island and about 10 miles to the North of this city. There is no telegraphic communation with the Islands. and a steamer only goes there once a fortnight with the mails. There are a fair number of inhabitants on the islands, also one or two copper mines. It is chiefly for the latter that the pigeongram agency is to be started as the management of the copper mines in Auckland want to get regular reports from the mines and I believetheyare subsidising the pigeonpost. I hear that a stamp is to be used, and am informed that the die for same is in the hands of the engravers who hope to have it finished very shortly. The stamp so I hear will be something like the previous original Great Barrier Stamp i.e. :—The words " one shilling " at the sides, " Marotiri Islands " at the top, and at the bottom " pigeongram." The centre of the stamp will be occupied with a pigeon flying with a letter in its beak, around the whole will be filagree work.

NOTES ON COOK ISLANDS.

BY OUR AUSTRALIAN CORRESPONDENT.

I have lately received a few interesting notes and statistics from Rarotonga in the Cook Islands. The first set of stamps of these Islands was issued in 1892. They were ordinary looking, plain block and type set stamps, with the word " Postage" at the top, underneath which were the words " Cook Islands." The center of the stamps was occupied by a circle of six stars with a larger one in the middle of the circle. At the bottom of the stamps is the value above which is the word Federation. The whole is surrounded by a fancy border. The centre star on the stamp represents Rarotonga, the largest and chief island of the Cook group, and the six smaller stars represent the remaining six islands, viz :—Mangaia, Aitutaki, Atiu, Mitiaro, Mauke and Manual. Some of the latter islands have only a few inhabitants.

The yearly salaries of the Postal officials as allowed by the Government are as follows.

Post Office :—	£	s.	d.
Chief postmaster ; Rarotonga...	15	0	0
Post*master* ; Atiu.....	1	10	0
" Mangaia.....	1	10	0
" Aitutaki.....	1	10	0
Post*man* ; Atiu.....	4	0	0
" Mangaia.....	4	0	0
" Aitutaki.....	4	0	0

It will be seen from the above the annual salary of the postal officials is by no means enviable. Actually the postman at Atiu, Mangaia, Aitutaki gets more than the postmaster, from that I presume that the postman has more work in carrying the letters round. The islands are under the supervision of the New Zealand Government who appoint a governor for the whole group ; the present one is Lieut-Colonel Gudgeon. There is a Federal Parliament at the group, of which the Governor is the head. Makea, the principal chief or Ariki on the island is called the *Queen* of the Cook Islands ; her head is on the present set of stamps, which are watermarked " star and N. Z." The islands export coffee, copra, cotton, limejuice, oranges, fungus, cocoanuts, bananas, pineapples, etc. The value of the exports for last year came to £11,200. Under the heading " stamps sold for postage," I find the following amounts for the period 1892-1898.

Year.	£	s.	d.
1892-93.....	245	5	9
1193-94.....	278	2	3
1894-95.....	228	0	1
1895-96.....	120	8	5
1896-97.....	120	5	3
1897-98.....	179	16	2
Total.	£1,171	17	11

No doubt for the year 1898-99 there will be a marked increase in revenue from the sale of postage stamps. As we must think of the amount of the new issue, and the surcharge and change in colour of the 1d, *blue to brown.*

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Editorial.

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TO THE WAR.

When almost on the point of sending this number to press, the Canadian Government called for 1000 volunteers to serve in the Transvaal war. Amongst the first to offer his services to fight under the glorious old flag that " For a thousand years has braved the battle and the breeze" was the proprietor and editor of this paper—MR. R. C. BACH. He passed the medical examination and was enrolled in company E Royal Canadian Transvaal Regiment, and he is now on his way to Africa. His term of enlistment is for six months or one year if required. Before leaving he made a transfer of his property viz :—The Dominion Stamp Co. and the MONTREAL PHILATELIST to Mr. F. W. Wurtele, Mgr. of the International Stamp Co., giving full power to represent him in all matters during his absence, and to sell or otherwise dispose of the estate. Mr. Wurtele accepted the trust merely as attorney or agent, without assuming any liabilities of any kind.

The business at No. 6 Beaver Hall Hill of the Dominion Stamp Co. has since been sold to Mr. James Anderson, who will continue at the old stand.

No decision has yet been arrived at in regard to the future proprietorship of the paper, certain negotiations are in progress, but meanwhile the trustee invites correspondence from persons who might be desirous of purchasing it.

In the December number we hope to announce the completion of some permanent arrangement which is now under way, and although the prize contests and special offers made by Mr. Bach must be considered cancelled, it is certain that the MONTREAL PHILATELIST will not be discontinued. It is an established fact, it has a large circulation, valuable advertising patronage and is bound to be maintained.

While bidding a sorrowful farewell to Mr. Bach, the Montreal Philatelist offers to him a well earned tribute, in the recognition of his ability and energy, and of that perseverance which he has shown during so many months in placing this paper in the position it occupies in Philatelic Journalism

He now leaves us to manifest his energy and dogged perseverance in another more exciting field than the peaceful one of Philately. We wish him a prosperous

voyage, one free from all mishaps; we wish him a splendid chance to show his courage in the face of the foe, and making a right use of such an opportunity a share in a glorious victory and let us cherish the hope of seeing him return at no distant day, covered with glory and reflecting credit upon himself and his country.

Subscribers whose subscription has expired are requested to renew without delay or further notice.

THE GREAT BARRIER ISLAND STAMPS.



The labels so extensively advertised and sold by the Dominion Stamp Co., we regret to say turn out to be undoubtedly counterfeits. A comparison between these forgeries, and the cut used as an illustration of the stamp in the catalogues and Philatelic Journals, reproduced herewith, reveals the fact that the counterfeits were printed from the same electrotype. There are many points of difference between them and the original genuine stamp. The stock remaining has been destroyed and we have no doubt that upon Mr. Bach's return from the Transvaal war he will make a satisfactory settlement with all those who purchased the stamps from him.

Owing to Mr. Bach's hurried departure, there has been some delay in bringing out this number, hence we have deemed it best to date it November instead of October as it was originally intended. Our next number will be issued during the first week of December. Subscribers can depend upon the paper appearing the first of each month hereafter, as long as it remains under the present management.

We have tried to get all advertising copy found on file into this number. Much of this matter was left for us to attend to without any instructions as to space, number of insertions, or price paid or payable. Advertisers who have not pre-paid will greatly oblige and assist us by remitting promptly without waiting for bills. Copy for December number should be sent in without delay. Advertisers who may have sent copy for this number which does not appear will please write us and send their "ads." in good time for next issue.

Chronicle of New Issues.

COMPLIED FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.



CANADA—
New type of weights and measures, stamps.

BELGIUM—
The 10c now appears in Carmine.
Adhesive. Perp. 14 x 13½.
10c Carmine.

BR. HONDURAS—
A new set is in preparation.

Columbian Republic—
The 20c value has now appeared in the new type.
Adhesive. Perforated.
20c red, brown on lilac.

Santander—
Two new stamps have appeared.
Adhesive. Perforated.
1c black on green
10c blue



Ecuador—
The remaining values of the new set have now appeared.
Adhesive. Perforated.
20c green and black.
1 sucre yellow bistre and black.
5 sucres violet and black.





Grenada—
The ½ penny has at last appeared in the regulation type.

Lorenzo Marques—
Another surcharge from this small country with big postal requirements.
Adhesive. Perf. Provisional.
50r on 75r rose. Black surcharge.

Sarawak—
The 8c and 12c stamps of 1871 have been surcharged.
Adhesives. Perforated.
2c on 12c red, *bluish*, black surcharge.
4c on 8c blue, *blue*, red surcharge.

Victoria—
The colours of four of the lower values of the postage stamps, as well as the wrapper have been changed to conform to the Postal Union Rules.
Adhesive stamps. With Crown and V. Perforated.
½ p. green.
1 p. carmine rose
1½ p. carmine on yellow.
2½ p. dark blue.
Wrappers. Size 280 x 108 m.m.
½ p. green on white
1c p. carmine rose on white.

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THE CITADEL,
Quebec, Oct. 29th, 1899.

Fellow Members, L.C.P.

On the eve of my departure for the Transvaal, I beg to resign the Presidentship of the L.C.P. I trust all members will use their best efforts to increase the membership of the society. I will always have the interest of the society at heart, and will always be pleased to hear from members, who can address me as follows : "R. C. Bach, Company E. Special Service Corps, 2nd Batalion Royal Canadian Infantry, South Africa."

Bidding all my fellow members goodbye. I remain

Yours truly

RUDOLPH C. BACH

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

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75. R. C. Parsons.
76. Geo. F. Dowries.

Membership cards will be forwarded to above on receipt of dues 25 cents to 1st Oct., 1900. A great deal of trouble would be saved if members would attend to this notice at once.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP.

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The following have been struck off the list of members for non-payment of dues :

No. 10. C. W. Carver.
21. Geo. W. Hicks.
26. Harry A. Jacobs.

Several members have not yet paid dues to Oct., 1899. There are at present 53 clear on the books. Most of those unpaid, are recent members who appear to have overlooked the notice following "Members Admitted."

I would again remind members that the dues for current year ending October, 1900, are now payable.

The following only have so far responded Nos. 78, 60, 79, 80, 81, 84, 27, 16, 1, and are clear to Oct., 1900.

SALES DEPARTMENT.

In taking this department in hand, I shall try and run it in the true interest of the members, both buyers and sellers. To do this it is necessary the rules should be diligently observed, in fact they will be strictly enforced by the removal of any member from circuit who does not adhere to them.

I shall endeavor to work it on a safe basis, and insure sellers the best security possible ; it will, therefore, be necessary for any member wishing to be placed on circuit, to furnish undoubted reference, unless personally known to one of the officers. I do not, however, take any responsibility for debts of members or stamps lost in transit, substituted or damaged.

The success of the department will depend upon the support I get from the members. I shall be pleased to hear from those having duplicates etc. to sell or wishing to be placed on circuit.

A copy of the rules will be sent on application also blank books at five cents each or 6 for 25 cents.

All transactions will be on a strict *Cash* basis. 10% will be charged on sales to cover working expensis.

The first circuit has already been started.

H. SMITH, Supt. of Sales.

RULES

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1. Blank Books will be supplied at 5 cents each 6 for 25 cents.

2. Stamps must be affixed by hinges and the price of each book must be at least $3.00.

3. The lowest cash price must be marked below the stamp in ink.

4. Damaged or heavily cancelled stamps are not desirable.

5. Entire envelopes or postals not admitted unless the Supt. may have a call for them from buyers ; when a special circuit will be made up.

6. The Supt. reserves the right of rejecting any books he may think undesirable.

For Buyers

7. Circuits may be kept 3 days ; but if retained longer, a fine of 10 cents per day will be imposed.

8. In removing stamps mark the blank space with your name in ink or by rubber stamp.

9. Upon receipt of packet see that all spaces are marked where stamps have been removed. Any missing stamps must be adjusted with the preceding member or the last member on the list will be responsible for all blank spaces

10 Forward packets to next on list by Registered mail, mark on list exact date sent, advise the Superintendent and send amount of purchase by cheque or M. O. if over $1.00, under that sum stamps will be accepted.

N.B.—Dollar bills will be accepted if more convenient, but must be sent under Reg'd cover.

11. This rule must be complied with, whether the buyer has stamps on circuit or not, as no running account will be allowed, unless by special arrangement.

12. Should packets be handed from one member to another, receipt for same must always be taken, or the one delivering them will be held responsible.

General.

13. The Superintendent will use his discretion in retiring books; but none will remain out longer than 3 months unless at special request of seller.

14. Books once retired will not be received again for circuit.

15. A remittance for amount of sales will be forwarded with all retired books, but postage on them will be charged, and a commission of 10 per cent deducted from sales, to cover working expenses.

16. One per cent. will also be charged on all stamps placed on circuit to establish a fund to pay for stamps lost from any cause except substitution. Beyond any sum that may be available from this fund, the Supt. will not be responsible for stamps substituted, damaged, lost in transit or any other way, but will protect sellers in every way possible, as no member will be placed on circuit without furnishing undoubted reference, or is personally known to one of the officers.

17. All letters of enquiry must contain stamp for reply.

These rules will be strictly enforced.

H. SMITH, Supt. of Sales.

AUCTION SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Fellow Members.

I wish to thank one and all for the kind support they have already given our society in the Auction Sales Department. I received nearly 100 bids, and about half of them were for the same stamps. Many therefore will be disappointed if they do not get the stamps they wanted to get. I have this month some very good things to offer, but please gentlemen be a little more liberal on your bids. Some, last sale bid $1.00 on a complete set of Cabots, this is ridiculous, some others 3 and 4c on ½c. Jubilee etc. I make mention here of a letter I received from the Merramac Stamp Co., saying they had sent me a cheap lot of U.S. stamps, and asking for their return, as they were sending me a better lot. I beg to notify these gentlemen that I have not yet received their stamps, but I would be very glad to get them.

Canada.

No. 1, 8c, registered, fine pair.

" 2, 100 1897, ½c (Maple Leaf) unused.

" 3, 100 2 on 3c., Maple Leaves, used.

" 4, 100 " numerals "

No. 5, Hawaii 1893, Prov. Govt. *Red* surch, 12c. mauve, cat in 59th at $5. Usually sold by dealers at $3.75, $4.50. Reserve, $2 75. Remember it is a *perfect copy*.

No. 6, Nova Scotia 5c, blue, used, 6 beautiful copies, bid on *each* stamp accepted.

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Send me your duplicates and receive mine. Basis Scott, '98. I have chiefly Canada and Newfoundland, including 1c. surcharge on 3c 1897. S. M. MUNN, care of Stewart, Munn & Co., Montreal. 4-6.

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Exchange desired in adhesives and entires. Send 50 to 200 of yours for same of South Africa; no European or rubbish wanted. SYDNEY TEMPLER, North End, Port Elizabeth, Cape Colony, South Africa.

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I have a good line of Mexican Revenues, fine condition to exchange against Canadian Revenues. RUDOLF KRAUSE, San Dimas Estado de Durango, Mexico.

Send me stamps from your country and receive same number in stamps from mine; Omahas wanted. Foreign correspondence solicited. C. E. A. HOLMES, Member L.C.P., 5 Vercheres Av. Montreal.

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I want U. S. Revenues—Complete want list mailed on application. I give U. S. or foreign rarities as desired. CLARENCE H. EAGLE, 57 Broad St., New York City, N.Y. 51

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ADVERTISING.

Our advertising in the Montreal Philatelist has paid us remarkably well, so much so that we have taken several pages of extra space this month for our 21st annual price catalogue of Canadian Stamps, packets, sets, etc. To avoid any misunderstanding we wish to say that although our connection with the proprietor and editor of the M.P. is most intimate we are still an entirely separate concern, and pay the regular advertising rate of $5.00 per page. Most of the stamps we offered in November we can still supply also the following bargains. Postage 2c. on all orders under $1.00

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NEWS OF THE MONTH.

Under this heading we propose to briefly record the important happenings in regard to things Philatelical month by month. Of course the most important news to Philatelists will always be changes in the issues of stamps, and in regard to this we are now in a fairly good position to obtain the earliest information from all parts of the world, but we hope to greatly improve the service of our foreign correspondence, and request subscribers abroad to assist by sending us as soon as issued several specimens of all new issues in complete unused sets, and a larger number of low values. A liberal premium will be paid over face value for all such stamps sent us as soon as they appear. We also desire copies of official documents authorizing the issue of new stamps, or the withdrawal of old ones.

But besides news on stamps we will also here record other events relating to Philately, such as important sales, the doings of the societies, personals, finds and discoveries, new publications, novelties in counterfeits or frauds, in a word anything in the shape of news that is calculated to interest or instruct our readers. We invite each and every subscriber to this paper to assist us to make our record complete, by sending us any items of interest that may come to their knowledge. Due credit will be given in our columns for all such friendly assistance.

This month we have to chronicle an unusually large number of new issues, noting everything that has appeared, which is not catalogued in the 59th ed. of Scott. It will be noticed that our style of chronicle is somewhat different to that of most journals. We aim to give the news in short readable paragraphs, instead of in bare, dry formal lists ; and we endeavor as far as space will permit to give the reason of each new issue, its historical importance and status.

ENTRANCES AND EXITS.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC. We have received from Mr. Vicente Dino of Rosario de Sta Fe specimens of the new issue, mailed on date of issue October 12th, and we translate from "*Le Timbrophile Belge*" the official circular of the Postal Department in regard to them.

"The General Direction of Posts considering that it is useful to adopt a single type for postage stamps in order to avoid errors as much on the part of the public as on that of the employees, charged the South American Bank Note Co. to submit to them designs.

The Direction having made its choice, has decided as follows :

Art. 1. A new issue of postage stamps is authorized and will be put in circulation October 12th. The steel engraving will represent the Republic sitting, the right arm resting on the national shield, with the River de La Plata and a rising sun, as a back ground, above is the inscription "Republica Argentina." The paper of these stamps will have on the back a sun as water mark.

Art. 2. The value of these stamps will be ½, 1, 2, 5, 10, 12, 16, 20, 24, 30, and 50 centavos ; they will be printed in one color each and will bear in the lower corners the value in figures and in the middle the word "centavos." The stamps of 1, 5, 10 and 20 pesos will be larger and printed in two colors. They will have the value in the left upper corner in figures and in letters at the base.

Art. 3. The following colors will be used :

½	centavo	bistre.	
1	"	green.	
2	"	indigo.	
5	"	carmine.	
10	"	dark green.	
12	"	sky blue.	
16	"	orange.	
20	"	dark carmine	
24	centavo	violet.	
30	"	rose.	
50	"	Prussian blue	
1	peso	blue & black.	
5	"	orange & blk	
10	"	green & blk.	
20	"	carm. & blk.	

Art. 4. The stamps now in circulation will be still used at all offices until the complete exhaustion of the emission.

Art. 5. The administrative section will adopt measures necessary for the accomplishment of this resolution, etc.

We have only to add to the above that the design chosen is a pretty one, it is well engraved and printed, the colors are good, the stamps are perforated 12 and all we have seen are well centered.

BOLIVIA. We illustrate the 1 centavo stamp o a new issue printed by the South American Bank Note Co. The portrait is that of Don Antonio Jose de Sucre first president of the Republic who was shot in June 1830. It will be noticed that the colors are not those of the Postal Union regulations, consequently a second edition with the colors changed may be expected. We give a list of the values and the quantity of each that it is said have been printed. Perf. 12.



1	centavo	sky blue	510,000
2	centavos	bright red	500,000
5	"	pale green	510,000
10	"	orange	1,650,000
20	"	rose	500,000
50	"	light brown	150,000
1	Boliviano	violet	160,000

The surcharged stamps described in the addenda of Scott's 59th edition should read not F. F. but E. F. the initials of the Spanish words signifying "Federal State." This surcharge was affixed not only to the stamps of the 1894 issue, but on all issues remaining in stock including a small quantity of the 1890 set. The Federal decree ordering this surcharge directs it to be made in presence of a notary, by each post office, on all stamps on hand. At Sucre where the inhabitants had strongly opposed the Federation of the States, the post office employees covered up the letters "E. F." by a little black slip leaving only the date 1899 visible. Such is the story of "*Le Timbre Poste.*"

BRAZIL. It is reported that the South American Bank Note Co. has a new set in preparation for Brazil, if so this may account for the numerous surcharges on old stock now being issued. The latest to hand is the 100 reis envelope red surcharged 200 reis in blue. The 50 reis adhesive (Scott No. 115) now comes perf. 5½ to 6 and the 200 r. of same type 9 and 9 x 11½. An unpaid letter stamp of the 1895 type (Scott U 2) value 300 reis blue. perf, has been issued. Many errors of surcharge in the 1899 series as was expected are now cropping up.

BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA, [*Rhodesia*]. The current set of the accompanying type has received two additions ½ penny green 2 pence bistre.



CANADA. The supply of the old 15c. stamp which in varying shades of lilac has done duty since 1868 is said to be at last exhausted. Over a year ago the *Metropolitan Philatelist* reported that this value was to be added to the "Numeral" set in gray, but a P. O. official informs us that it is probable that no more will be issued, as since the adoption of the 2c. domestic rate it is but little required.

The color of the 2c. letter card has been changed from green to carmine and the 1c. from black to green.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE. It is reported from several sources that a complete new set of a new design is in preparation. Is it to be for the coming federation of South Africa, which will certainly eventuate when John Bull has whipped the Boers?

CAROLINE ISLAND.—It is stated that a set for the islands, recently purchased by Germany from Spain, will shortly appear surcharged "Karolinen Inseln" on German stamps 3 to 50 pfennig.

CHILI. The *Post Office* states : "The Postage due stamps have been withdrawn from use. A hand stamp is to be employed in future to mark the amount of postage due."

COOK ISLANDS. Mr. Gosset reports the issue of a ½ penny stamp (type A 3) in blue.

COLUMBIA REP.—The 50 centavos of the 1899 type (Scott A 56) has been issued. Color blue on lilac.

Antioquia—In commemeration of the centenary of General Cordova a complete set of stsmps was issued in September, to be used concurrently with the regular issue. We illustrate the ½ centavos. Other values are of similar design but the registration stamps are oblong about the size of our Canada Jubilees, with the value in large figures and a blank space for "No.———" to right of the portrait. All are lithographed on white paper, perforated 12. The denominations, colors, and quantitfes issued as given by "*Le Timbrophile Belge*" are as follow :



½ centavos	dark blue	30,000
1 "	"	30,000
2 "	brown	25,000
3 "	vermilon	25,000
4 "	yellow brown	20,000
5 "	green	140,000
10 "	vermilon	80,000
20 "	dark violet	20.000
50 "	olive	10,000
1 peso	green (2 shades)	4,000
2 "	bronze green	2,000

Too late stamp

2½ centavos	blue green	20,000

Registration stamps

2½ centavos	dull blue	20,000
10 "	mauve	20,000

Boyaca—According to "Le Timbre Poste": The Governor Mendoza Perez of this department has issued a stamp which is to be suppressed by the government of the Republic on account of its bearing his own portrait. Head to left in circle "correos" above. "Columbia Boyaca" below. "Cinco 5 centavos" at foot, blue green on white paper. Perf. 13½.

COREA.—From several quarters the report has reached us that an engraved set of similar design, is in preparation, to replace the lithographed stamps of 1895 (Scott A 6) values 5, 10, 25, 50 poon. Full particulars are not yet to hand.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. — From Mr. Numa Huguenin president of the Montreal Philatelic Association, we have received specimens of the rather poorly lithographed stamps issued to defray the expenses of constructing a new sarcophagas in the Dominican Cathedral to contain the bones of Christopher Columbus. When the Spaniards evacuated this island, they carried the supposed relics with them to Havana, where they remained till the recent evacuation of Cuba. By a clause in the treaty of peace with the United States it was provided that they could be removed to Spain, which has been done. The Dominicans claim however that the bones so carefully cherished by Spain are those of Diego the brother of Christopher, and that they still have the real ones. There has been considerabie controversey over this question and strong proofs are advanced by both sides. Antiquarians generally often deride Philately, but in this case they are not above calling upon Philatelists to subscribe towards this monument. The 1 and 2 centavos are long oblong stamps the others upright, all are perf. 11½. The values, design and colors are as fo.lows :

1 centavo	claret	[voyage of Mendez and Fiesco to S. Domingo]
2 "	red	[Revolution of Enriquillo]
5 "	blue	[Sarcophagus of Columbus]
10 "	orange	[Hispania guarding the ashes of Columbus]

FALKLAND ISLANDS. An envelope stamp 1 penny rose on white is reported.

FRENCH COLONIES. The 5 c. in the new light yellow green shade is reported from Indo China and Reunion.

GERMANY. From the official organ of the Government at Berlin we condense the following :

The figure of Germania wearing the Imperial crown with hair flowing to the shoulders, her breast armored, her right hand holding the sword and olive branch, has been chosen as the central design for the new issue of Germany, to appear January 1st 1900, and gradually replace the present issue as the old stock becomes exhausted. The Emperor has inspected the proofs and is highly pleased at the beautiful execution of this new type of stamps.

The following will be the values and colors :

3	pfennig	brown
5	"	green
10	"	red
20	"	blue
25	"	black and yellow on yellowish
30	"	" orange on chamois
40	"	" carmine on white
50	"	" violet on chamois
80	"	" carmine on reddish

The central design on the higher values is black the frame in colors.

Higher value stamps of 1, 2, 3, and 5 marks have been designed, but it will be some time before they are placed on sale, it taking time to make the plates in copper. For these higher values episodes from the history of the German Empire will be selected as pictures, while for the German colonies and post offices at foreign stations, special stamps will be issued representing "Germany at sea."

Mr. Heinr Kromm our correspondent at Frankfort, kindly sends us an illustration from a German newspaper, which is reproduced from a proof of the 10 pf. stamp. We hope to illustrate this important new issue in our next number.

GREAT BRITAIN. It is reported that on January 1st 1900 the color of the ½ penny will be changed to green, the 1 p. to rose, and the 1 shilling to carmine and green. Other color changes are said to be also contemplated.

GRENADA. The *Metropolitan Philatelist* announces the issue of the 2 p. stamp of current type in lilac and brown.

GUATEMALA. The 5 c. purple is converted into a 1 c. stamp by the surcharge "Un 1 centavo 1899," in two lines. Large quantities are being offered for sale cancelled to order in sheets.

GUAM. This little island colony of the United States is assuming considerable importance in the Philatelic world. The Governor has realized what an enormous demand stamp collectors make on the post office supplies, and in conseqnence, in addition to an extra supply of the 1, 2 and 5 cents stamps issued a short time ago, a requisition is now being filled by the printing bureau at Washington for 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 15 and 50 cents, and $1.00 United States stamps surcharged "Guam" 3,000 to 10,000 of each and also 10 c. special delivery!

HUNGARY. The 1 kr. blue newspaper tax stamp now comes water marked like the current set "crown in circle" Mr. Landor de Majo of Budapest writes us: "On January 1st 1900, an entire new set will be issued with values in the new currency 2, 4, 6, 10, 16, 20, 24, 30, 40, 48 and 60 heller and 1, 2, 6 krone. The heller is the equivalent of a French centime, and the krone consequently is equal to a franc.

INDIA. The 1 anna 6 pies stamp has been withdrawn from use on account of changes in the postal rates and the stock on hand, it is reported, will be utilized by surcharging. The 2 annas 6 pies envelope has already been surcharged 1 anna in black. We thank Mr. B. D. Sharma for a specimen. The recently issued 3 pies stamp has been surcharged with the usual English and native inscription for Putiala and Gevalior and probably for other States.

JAPAN. The 1899 set has now been completed by the issue of the following:



5	sen orange	25	sen blue green
8	" olive	50	" violet brown
15	" violet	1	yen carmine
20	" red orange	1½ x 1½	sen reply card blue.

LABUAN. A stamp of the value of 4 cents being required by the new Imperial penny post arrangements, it has been supplied by surcharging the new rate in black on the following values: 5, 6, 8, 12, 18, 24, 25, 50 c. and $1.00. Only 1000 sets were issued, which were all bought up inside of two hours by speculators.

MACOS. It is reported that on January 1st 1900 the 13, 16, 24 and 31 avos will be respectively surcharged, 5, 10, 15 and 20 avos and the word "PROVISORIO"

MAURITIUS. To the current set have been added stamps of 6 cents, green and rose, and 15 cents green and orange.

MEXICO. From Mr. R. Krause we have received specimens of the new set which was issued Nov. 1st. They are handsome stamps perf. 14. engraved by the American Bank Note Co. and are a vast improvement on the old well designed but poorly finished stamps. The values and colors are as follows:

1	centavo green.	15	" blue gray, lake
2	" carmine	20	" rose and blue
3	" brown	50	" violet & black
5	" blue	1	peso blue & black
10	" lilac & orange	5	" carmine, blk

Envelopes. White paper.

2 centavos carmine 10 centavos lilac.
5 " blue

Wrappers. Manilla paper.

1 centavo green 2 centavos carmine

Post cards. Cream colored card.

1	centavo	green	single and reply
2	"	carmine	" "
3	"	brown	" "

Letter cards.

2 centavos carmine 5 centavos blue

Also reply letter cards of smaller size folded inside the larger ones.

The lower values are all of similar type but the 50 c. and 1 & 5 pesos are larger stamps with center black and frame colored. Envelopes, wrappers and cards are of one design embossed in the usual way, on colored back ground. The old issue will be accepted for postage up to January 31st after that date it will be no longer serviceable.

MOROCCO. The German Government has established post offices here and stamps may be expected.

NEW ZEALAND. Our Australian correspondent reports the prospective issue of "Postage due" stamps, and gives some interesting information about the confusion arising from the recent change of the color of the 4 p. stamp to the bicolor of the 1 penny. Most of the current set are now of colonial print, unwatermarked, perf. 11.

NORTH BORNEO. The 5, 25, 50 c., $2 00, $5.00, and $10.00 stamps have appeared surcharged 4c. in black. It is said the other values were similarly surcharged, but the stamps were abstracted from the parcel when in transit from London, some of these turned up at Sandukan post office on envelopes to be posted back to London and were promptly confiscated.

PERSIA. All the stamps of the 1898 issue from 1 to 16 shahis [Scot Nos 104-112] were issued on Sept. 8th in the same colors as before but on blue green paper, at the same time the 1 to 50 kran appeared on yellowish paper with changed colors as follows:

1 kran	carmine	5 kran	brown
2 "	deep green	10 "	deep blue
3 "	lilac	50 "	red brown
4 "	brick red		

QUEENSLAND. The 1 shilling violet, head on white back ground, with figures of value in the four corners has been issued. The *Philatelic Journal of G. B.* states that the 5 p stamp is to be treated in the same way and the corner figures of the ½ p are to be enlarged.

SALVADOR. *Le Timbre Poste* reports the 1898 2 and 3 c surcharged "Transito Territorial."

SAMOA. The colors of the ½ p purple and 1 p blue green have been changed to green and red respectively, and these new stamps together with the 2, 4, 5, 6 p 1 s and 2 s 6 p have been surcharged "Provisional Government" in red or blue ink as the color of the original stamps required. The recent political troubles in these islands seem to have been settled by the withdrawal of Great Britain, the cession of the island Tutuila to the United States and the rest of the group to Germany. Germany has already issued stamps surcharged "Samoach" of which only the 3 pf brown has yet been seen. A surcharge on United States stamps for the new American Colony may be expected.

SARAWAK. In addition to the surcharges noted in our last number the 3c. brown [Scott type A 2] has appeared surcharged in two lines "2 cents,"

SIAM. A number of minor errors in surcharges are noticed in Stanley Gibbons *Monthly Journal.*

SOUTH AUSTRALIA. Our Australian correspondent reports the issue of a ½ p of new design color green, the 1 p changed from green to rose, and the 2 p from red brown to violet.

SPAIN. Postal Union colors have been adopted necessitating changes in four stamps. The 2 c. now appears in black, 5 c. green. 10 c. red, 20 c. orange.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS. The 4 cents now appears in rose, wmk crown and C. A. perf. 14. This is a return to the old color of 1883 which is priced by Scott at $8.50 (No. 41). The 5 c. brown has also resumed a near approach to its original color, it is now printed in brownish violet or plum color. The original however was watermarked crown and C. C., which will serve to distinguish it. The Settlements having come into the Imperial penny post arrangement 4 c. stamps of the Tiger head type in lilac and rose have been issued for Pahang and Perak and probably for other States. Johore [type A 7] 4 c. is now yellow and red, and the Negri Sembilan 5 c tiger in now surcharged "Four cents" in black. A Post card 1 c. green on buff of first tiger type has been issued for Pahang.

SWITZERLAND. The 50 centimes takes the color abandoned by the 25 c. and now comes in green, and the 5 c. card is now also printed in green.

TONGA. Our Australian correspondent reports the current 1 p. surcharged in two lines "T. L. 1899."

TUNIS. The large "T" punched in the Tunis stamps to indicate "taxe" or unpaid letter charge has been discontinued and a "Postage Due" set in now probable.

TIMOR. The 16 and 31 avos stamps are to be surcharged 10 aud 20 avos "Provisorio."

VENEZUELA.—*Mekeel's Weekly* and *American Journal of Philately*, note the issue of official stamps surcharged "5 cms" on 50c and "25 cms" on 1 b. The surcharge comes in violet and also in carmine ink, and there are "tete beche" varieties too boot. The stock of these surcharges is said to be held by Post Office officials, presumably for speculative purposes.

VICTORIA.—Envelopes of the following values have been issued ½ p green, 1 p rose. 2 p mauve, and Post cards 1 p rose single, and 1½ p red single, and reply are in preparation, as well as a 2 p letter card violet.

ZANZIBAR.—Wrappers with the new type of stamp are issued, ½ a green and 1 a carmine, on the usual buff paper.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

SCOTT'S STANDARD POSTAGE STAMP CATALOGUE, *59th edition*, 1900. By far the most important publication of the year, is the American collector's *vade mecum* Scott's 59th, which appeared promptly on the date promised, Oct. 15th. Before its appearance its advance sheets had been generally reviewed and important changes reproduced by the press, so there is not much to say, now about it that has not already been noticed. No pains or expense has been spared to make it an accurate, standard catalogue, representing the present market value of all stamps. Of course there are errors, both in cataloguing and in pricing, which in the preparation of so extensive a work is unavoidable. We would suggest to the publishers the issuing, in their monthly journal, of a supplementary list each month giving additions and corrections. This plan has been adopted by the Stanley Gibbons Co, and from a business standpoint we think it would be profitable as tending to largely increase the circulation of the journal and about its utility to collectors, there could be no question. Those of our readers, who do not already possess a copy, we would advise to procure one at once, as it is without doubt an absolute necessity to all American Philatelists.

INTERNATIONAL PHILATELIC REVIEW, *Review Publishing Co., Rochester, N. Y., October, Vol. I, No.* 1.—The publishers and editors are to be congratulated upon the neat and attractive appearance of their first number. The articles are well written and indicate careful research, very different to much of the slip-shod inaccurate amateurish writing that appears in too many of our exchanges. The article by Geo. W. Loomis, on the varieties of U. S. envelopes is finely illustrated and cannot fail to prove useful to collectors of this branch of Philateiy.

THE JUBILEE PHILATELIST, *Jubilee Stamp and Publishing Co., Smith's Falls, Ont., Vol. I Nos.* 1 *and* 2 *October and Nov.* We welcome this addition to Canadian Philatelic Journalism and felicitate its publishers upon the well printed, neat, first numbers now before us. Of its contents we have not space to speak, suffice it to say that amongst its contributors, we find such well known names as H. A. Chapman, Miss Swift and others. If we may be permitted a suggestion to the editor, we would advise careful proof reading, and a closer attention to English grammar. "The publishers (*which* are quite young) are to be *commendated*, etc," is not English. Other little slips of this kind we have no doubt, will gradually be avoided as the editor advances in age and experience, which for himself and the journal we wish may be *ad multos annos*.

EWEN'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS, *H. L'Estrange Ewen. 32 Palace square, Norwood. London.* This, the first weekly from Europe, ought to fill "a long felt want." It seems that the heavy postage rate is the principal reason why such a publication has not been undertaken before. We believe a publisher there has to prepay every copy sent by mail ½ d. each, although the railway companies handle printed matter at a much lower rate. This is probably the reason why the subscription is fixed at the apparently high price of 6/6 per annum. We hope this difficulty may be overcome in time and wish long life and prosperity to the first English weekly.

THE SOCIETIES AND PERSONALS

A junior society has recently been organized in Montreal, to be known as the "Mount Royal Stamp Club." It is proposed to hold meetings for business, pleasure and exchanges every Friday evening at the rooms secured at 13 St.

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Editorial.

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PHILATELY AS AN EDUCATOR.

"What is the use of it"? "I don't see where the value comes in." Such and similar expressions are frequently heard by the Stamp collector and dealer, from the lips of outsiders whose attention is drawn perhaps for the first time to stamps. Too often the real value of Philately is lost sight of even by enthusiastic collectors, eager, burning with the lust of acquisition, ready to invest hard earned cash to any amount. in the coveted little scraps of paper. Another class, and his name is legion, only sees in stamps, an object of speculation, and he laughs in his sleeve as he pockets your dollars, at the silly gulls, as he whispers to himself, who waste their money on such trifles. But Philately has a value all its own, which is not shared by any other pursuit.

In the early days of stamp collecting, before we even had a recognized name, when all the minor varieties were unknown, when the study of watermarks and paper was laughed at, shades despised, and varieties of perforation ridiculed there were a select few ardent collectors who perceived its true value, and built for the future. Collecting is an easy matter now-a-days; with catalogues, journals, and hand books on every separate specialty to guide us, we work with our path plainly chalked out. Turn a collector adrift without such aids and where would he be? Yet these were the conditions the old time collectors had to face; worse—they had to face the ridicule and often contempt of their dearest friends in their efforts to put Philately where it is to day. What was the reason of their persistant efforts? Because they recognized where the true value of Philately lay;—they beheld Philately as an Educator.

Amongst this devoted little band of enthusiasts were Mount Brown who published the first English catalogue in 1861 or 1862. Overy Taylor for many years editor of the *Stamp Collector's Magazine*, Dr. Gray, Dr. Viner, J. B. Moens, John K. Tiffany and, an intellectual giant amongst the rest, Edward L. Pemberton. The latter must ever be recognized as the father of modern Philately to the English speaking world. He found it in 1861 a hobby to amuse children, and by tongue and pen, before his death some twenty

years ago, he had forced a recognition from scientists as to its value as an Educator. In 1874 he wrote "To collect stamps *thoroughly* is far beyond "the reach of most, but to be a faithful "philatelist is not so difficult. To possess "a fair exposition of the wondrous advance of civilization during the past "quarter of a century in the remotest "parts of the globe, can be done for a "sum which would not be missed when "spread over a few years. ..... "the provisionals of the late Confederate "States possess original claims upon us "as matters of history, and *that* is the "great ground upon which Philately will "take its stand for all time."

The writer of these lines for many years enjoyed the acquaintance of the late Mr. Pemberton, and the charm of his correspondence. We were early impressed with the true value of Philately, of its standing importance as a record of history and the progress of civilization, and it is with a view to carry on the great work of our dear old master in the art, that we have taken up the editorial pen, after many years retirement from active journalism.

We will let our work speak for itself, we trust our philatelic readers, will perceive the higher motive that will underlie our monthly chronicle, we ask them to act as missionaries to those who "see nothing in stamps." to let them read from our columns what stamps can teach, and gradually interesting them, they will gain to our ranks many permanent and enthusiastic Philatelists.

We owe an apology to members of the League of Canadian Philatelists for not mailing them our November number an omission caused by the confusion consequent upon the recent change of management. Their names not being on the regular subscription list were overlooked. till our attention was drawn to the matter and a correct list furnished by the secretary Mr. H. Smith, when it was almost too late to rectify it, the edition being nearly exhausted. Many names are however both on the League list and our subscription list as well, these of course received the paper. All others will receive November and December numbers together.

I beg to announce to the subscribers of the M. P. that I have purchased the paper and am now sole proprietor. Although I shall furnish it to all old subscribers, free of charge, for the term they have paid the late owner, by special arrangement, I wish to state that I take no responsibility for any of the doings of the former publisher. As I have secured as editor one of the best authorities on stamps in this country, the paper will be second to none in America. Note how well the new issues are described this month. Next month an interesting article on stamp values will be published. If you are not already a subscriber, or if your subscription has expired, send in your quarter and start the year right. Address all correspondence to

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A stamp collector without an album has been likened to a warrior without his feathers, and a hunter minus his gun. The comparison may or may not be a good one, but there is little doubt that the possession of a suitable Album has an influence more or less marked on every collector. Amongst other things, its very presence stimulates him to increased activity in adding to his stamp treasures, and it is an aid to habits of neatness.

About the best thing lately issued in this line is the Canadian Postage Stamp Album, which hails from Quebec. Space is given for every stamp ever issued in Canada and the old provinces, as well as Newfoundland. The paper and stamp cuts, in fact the whole make up, leaves little to be desired, and the binding in red cloth and gold, gives the album a decidedly handsome appearance. It may be had through any bookseller or from the publishers Canada Stamp Co., Quebec.

NEWS OF THE MONTH.

(*Continued from page* 62.)

Lambert's Hill. Mr. A. R. Magill is president and Mr. J. Parker, secretary. Stamp collectors generally are welcomed at the meetings, those wishing to join the club can obtain all necessary information from the secretary.

The catalogue of the Auction Sale to be held in the rooms of the Montreal Philatelic Association on Dec. 14th is already in the hands of many of our readers. A feature of this catalogue is that where a lot is described as "Fine," it means what it says and does not include stamps off center, having thin spots, perforations missing or various other little defects, which are so frequently ignored by auction cataloguers, much to the disappointment and disgust of successful bidders. A report of this sale will be given in our next number. Bids are already arriving in considerable numbers from outside points, and as all our prominent local collectors intend to be present, a most interesting and successful sale is assured.

Mr. A. C. Roussel, librarian Montreal Philatelic Association has recently entered into two partnerships, one with Mr. E. W. Stanton, under the trade name of the Beaver Stamp Co., and the other which is for life with a most charming lady under the name and style of A. C. Roussel and wife . Our congratulations to the happy pair.

[Many other personal notes and items are unavoidably crowded out of this number.]

AUSTRALIAN STAMP NEWS.

By Ralph W. Gosset.

Auckland, N. Z. October 30th, 1899.

The chief news for this month is that the New Zealand Government are going to issue Postage Due Stamps, as per the following cutting from the "Star."

"Regulations are gazetted, directing that special postage due stamps are to be issued for the collection of unpaid or insufficiently paid postage on all classes of correspondence in lieu of dockets as at present used."

I enclose you a specimen of the new post mark which has just been adopted, consisting of a circle containing the date etc. on the left and a flag on the right. In the upper left corner of the flag is the Union Jack, and about the middle of the flag are four Stars in the form of a Cross, (presumably meant for the constellation of the Southern Cross,) between which is "N. Z." This cancellation looks far better than the previous one.

The 4d stamp printed in brown and blue like the 1d, duly appeared and was on sale for one day only in Wellington. Very few people managing to obtain them. I was shewn a letter from Wellington, the postage on which was 4d, which was duly prepaid with a new two coloured 4d. The Auckland Post office people evidently not knowing of the new 4d, mistook it for a penny stamp and taxed the letter with what they thought double deficient postage, sixpence, which was duly paid by the receiver of same, he not knowing either of the new 4d. The following cutting speaks for itself.

"NEW ZEALAND POSTAGE STAMPS.

(By Telegraph.—Press Associatlon.)

Wellington, Friday.—Owing to a similarity of colours in the new fourpenny stamp and the present penny stamp, the Postal Department has withdrawn the former until the necessary printing ink arrives, when the penny stamp will be revised. When both these are finally issued all the two-coloured penny stamps will be withdrawn."

I have received the 5d, 2½d and 2s in their new preforation, 11 ; they are the ones printed in the colony.

A contemporary has the following in its May number.

"In certain parts of Sweden where the most absolute confidence is reposed in the honesty of the people, a very informal postal system is in vogue. As the mail steamer reaches the landing-place, a man goes ashore with letters which he places in an unlocked box on the pier. Then the passerby who expects a letter opens the box, turns over the letters, and selects his own, unquestioned by any one."

I may say that in a great many places in this colony the Maoris do something after the same style. Recently I was down in the Rangitikie district and noticed boxes on posts back in the country near Maori Villages ; not knowing what they were for, I asked my uncle (with whom I was driving from Marlon to Wailand) and he told me. I myself soon

saw what their use was; we had just crossed the Rangitikie River, where we came to a Maori Village. I noticed a weather proof tin box about 12 inches square, on a post; while we rested for a while I saw several Maori horsemen come up and open the box, (which was unlocked,) take out a bundle of letters, sort them through, and finally depositing several in their pockets. After a while a white man came up and after looking the letters through, he evidently came across one addressed to himself as he rode slowly away reading it. I was afterwards informed that such boxes exist in a number of places in the country.

It did not surprise me to see that both the Englishmen and Maoris had their correspondence in the same box, as it is only a further proof of how, in a great many instances, the Maoris and whites live in harmonious unity in this country, an evidence of the civilizing effects of the British system of colonization, giving equal rights to all.

"Truly," (the contemporary concludes,) "greater honesty must prevail than in King Alfred's time," which I think may well be applied to this colony.

Samoa.—The 1d green at this place has been changed to a red-brown; it is supposed to be "Rose," in accordance with the Postal Union Congress Regulations, but it is a distinct red-brown. The one just received by the latest mail is the red-brown surcharged

PROVISIONAL
GOVT.

in two lines in blue.

Tonga.—I have seen the 1d Red and Black surcharged.

T. L.
1899.

I presume it is to celebrate the King of Tonga's wedding which occurred lately. I believe the "T. L." stands for two native words.

Victoria.—I have seen the stamps of this colony in their new color, viz. ½d green, 1d rose, 2½ blue, 1½d red on yellow. A recent cablegram informs us that "The Victoria postal and telegraph report for the last year states that the postal revenue for that colony for the twelve months was £550,490 stg.

South Australia.—I have also seen the new colours of this country. The 2d looks very pretty in deep violet, the new design of the ½ is also out, colour green.

Cook Islands.—I have received from this place some of the new ½d blue which has been issued since the surcharge. The design is the same as the others of the Bird set (ie the Torea,) and will be counted as an addition to this set, making ½d blue, 2d brown, 6 mauve and 1s rose. The ½ is centered in the corners very badly. Perf. 11. same paper as the others of this set.



"Some of those post office people are very clever. They can read illegible writing and deliver letters when the address is worse than a Chinese puzzle."

"Yes, but they can't help out the man who forgets to mail his wife's letters"—Brooklyn Life.

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People these days who save all the common stamps and who cannot get a market for them at 1/- a thousand, have some consolation to sell them to the paper manufacturers, as waste paper. Something suggestive of the "Law of Perpetual Motion," which some up-to-date "wag" of a philosopher has solved and found a proof of it is as under—

Rags make Paper,
Paper makes stamps,
Stamps make money.
Money makes banks,
Banks make loans,
Loans make poverty,
Poverty makes rags,
Rags make—well just keep on repeating the above :—

THE POSTAL SYSTEM OF THE GERMAN EMPIRE.

BY HEINRICH KRUMM (FRANKFURT.)

Concluded.

In Germany the Government owns the Railways, thus is not defrauded, as in America. It is a well known fact, that in the U. S. where an average is taken in a certain month, of the weight of the mails carried by the Railway Companies, and the subsidies regulated thereby, that the Railway Co's always manage that a very heavy mail of Congressman's literature, sample copies and even books, bricks and other heavy articles is mailed and carried just when the average is taken.

In the Year 1897, the German P. O. handled 250,000,000 letters and 5,000,000, post cards.

About 80 Private or Local posts are now in existance in the larger cities.

The foreign mail is carried by the Steamers of the two largest Steamship Companies in the World, viz ; North German Lloyd, and the Hamburg American Packet Co.

Berlin has an excellent pneumatic post system. Electric Cars are used in collecting the mails, and delivering them from the office to the trains.

All Stamps, Money Orders and Stationery are engraved and printed in the Government Printing Office. The statement which appeared in many philatelic papers, that the proposed new issue, the designs of which were drawn by His Majesty, Kaiser Wilhelm himself (who by the way, is a first class Artist), were to be engraved by English engravers, who were to be paid 10,000 Mark for the work, is utterly ridiculous and unfounded. German engravers are fully competent to turn out work so superior, that outside help is not required.

It is not generally known, but the current German stamps are so prepared, that a counterfeit would immediately be detected. By immersing the stamp in a certain acid, a design appears on the back of the stamp.

The recently discovered forgeries of the current German stamps were detected before they were in use two days.

In conclusion it might be remarked, that strict discipline is maintained, that thefts occur very seldom, and that the staff are well looked after by the Government.

AUSTRALIAN FEDERATION.

BY RALPH W. GOSSET.

Concluded.

And, finally, in Western Australia in 1826 a large convict establishment was effected ; in 1829 it was declared a Crown Colony, and issued the first lot of stamps in 1854. In the year 1891 an act was passed declaring it to be an autonomous Colony.

One of the first things to be taken in hand by the forementioned Colonies on their union will be the Postal, and Telegraphic Services, vide the "Federation Bill, Section 51, article 5, viz.

"The Parliament shall, subject to this Constitution, have power to make laws for the peace, order, and good Government of the Commonwealth, with respect to ; Postal, Telegraphic, Telephonic, and other like services." Section "69" also says "on a date or dates to be proclaimed by the Governor General after the Establishment of the Commonwealth the following departments of the public service in each state shall become transferred to the Commonwealth :—Posts, Telegraphs and Telephones etc.

By the foregoing it will be seen that the postal services will be affected by the union : and of course a uniform set of postage stamps and stationery will be issued for the whole Commonwealth, this will be of considerable importance to all Philatelists. One of the most interesting questions will be "what will become of all the remainders?" When the Act of Union is passed will they have the same fate as the remainders of the provisional Government of Hawaï? Or will they be sold publicly after the same style as many of the remainders of the Governments of South America?

As yet it is rather early to anticipate as to what the designs of the new stamps will be. However we may feel assured that the occasion will be one that will call for the exercise of great care and judgement in the most advanced method of reproducion besides the careful selection of effective and beautiful, and at the same time appropriate designs. At the present time our own Colony of New Zealand is not by any means inclined towards federating ; but for my part I do not think the day very far ahead when New Zealand will be called a State of the approaching "Commonwealth of Australasia"

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Fellow Members L. C. P.

You have doubtless by this time had opportunity to peruse the last issue (No. 16) of the Montreal Philatelist and like myself have thought the new editor fully competent to take the place of our former editor and president. It must be evident to all that the officers of the L. C. P. do not intend to allow his departure to interfere with the issue of our official organ or allow its usefulness to depreciate. I was, and no doubt the other officers and members of the L. C. P. were, pleased to find that the change had not caused the suspension, or at least a very tardy issue of the publication of the organ. It is evident from the published list of applications for membership in the L. C. P. that some of the members are doing their duty in increasing the membership. Let every member who reads this, endeavour to procure the application of at least one new member and the increase will soon surprise our treasurer. The annual dues are well within the reach of all, which with the official organ, and the use of the sales and auctions departments in addition, makes our society pre-eminently the League of Canadian Philatelists. If any member is without blank forms of application for membership he should at once write the secretary and get to work.

Yours truly

GEO. F. DOWNES.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

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Most of the above have paid their dues, those who have not are requested to do so when Membership cards will be sent.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

The finances of the Society are in a satisfactory condition, the dues for current year having come in fairly well; still there are several members who have not yet responded. These are requested to do so without delay, as the names of all those in arrears will be published in next number of the O. O. and no further numbers will be sent them.

SALES DEPARTMENT.

I would call attention of members to this department and the Rules published in last Number of the O. O. and shall be glad to hear from any members interested therein.

First circuit just returned. Sales 20 p.c. of total amount on circuit Two more have been started. The department promises well of being a success and I trust may prove useful to members.

H. SMITH.
42 Dudley St. Medford, Mass.
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CANADA.

1851-7—*Various designs.*

No.		New.	Used.
*1	½p pink	*6 25*	3 00
*2	3p red	*3 00*	20
*3	6p purple	*50 00*	3 50
*4	7½p green	*50 00*	*15 00*
*5	10p blue	*40 00*	6 00
*6	12p black	*450 00*	*400 00*

1858—*Perforated.*

*7	½p pink	*11 50*	5 00
*8	3p red	*3 00*	2 00
*9	6p purple	*50 00*	*25 00*

No.		New.	Used.
1859-64—*Various designs.*			
10	1c pink	*40*	5
*11	2c pink	*1 25*	65
*12	5c vermilion	30	4
*13	10c violet	3 75	30
*14	12½c green	2 00	20
*15	17c blue	2 95	75
1868-69—*Queen's Head.*			
*16	½c black	15	15
*17	1c red	65	20
*18	2c green	60	10
19	3c rose red	30	3
*20	6c brown	*1 50*	10

No.		New.	Used.
*21	12½c blue	*1 15*	18
*22	15c red lilac	45	8
*23	1c yellow	1 25	20
1870-77—*Smaller.*			
*24	1c orange	*25*	6
25	2c green	6	1
26	3c red	8	1
*27	5c olive (large)	*2 00*	50
*28	5c olive (small)	25	2
29	6c brown	35	3
30	8c slate	20	2
*31	10c pink	75	8
*32	15c blue grey	75	10

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No.		New.	Used.
1882-93—*Colors changed, etc.*			
33	½c black	2	1
34	1c yellow	2	1
35	2c blue green	4	1
36	3c br. scarlet	5	1
37	5c grey	8	1
38	6c chocolate	10	2
39	8c lilac grey	12	1
40	10c lake	15	3
*41	15c slate lilac	25	8
*42	20c vermilion	30	10
*43	50c blue	75	25
Complete set		1 80	45
1897—*Jubilee issue.*			
*44	½c black	20	20
45	1c orange	2	2
46	2c green	4	4
47	3c rose	5	2
*48	5c dark blue	8	8
*49	6c brown	40	40
*50	8c violet	15	15
*51	10c red lilac	15	15
*52	15c blue black	25	20
*53	20c scarlet	30	20
*54	50c ultramar.	75	30
*55	100 crimson	1 50	1 00
*56	2 00 purple	2 50	2 00
*57	3 00 yel. br.	3 50	3 00
*58	4 00 dk pur.	4 50	4 00
*59	5 00 yel. gr.	5 50	5 00
Complete set		17 50	16 00
Set ½ to $1 00		3 50	
" ½ to 50c		2 25	
1897-9—*4 Maple leaves.*			
60	½c black	2	2
61	1c green	3	1
62	2c purple	5	2
63	2c on 3c carm.	6	4
64	3c carmine	6	1
65	5c blue	8	3
66	6c brown	12	8
67	8c orange	15	4
68	10c violet	18	12
Complete set		70	30
1898-9—*numerals in corners.*			
69	½c black	1	1
70	1c green	2	1
71	2c purple	4	1
72	2c on 3c carm.	4	3
73	2c carmine	3	1
74	3c carmine	5	1
75	5c blue	7	2
76	6c brown	8	5
77	8c orange	10	4
78	10c violet	12	8
Complete set		50	20
1898—*Xmas*			
79	2c red and lavender	5	2
80	2c red and greenish	10	5
81	2c red & blue	4	2
REGISTRATION STAMPS			
1875-89			
101	2c orange	12	2
102	5c green	15	2
*103	8c blue	2 00	2 00
*104	2c scarlet	35	15
*105	2c vermilion	30	10
1898—SPECIAL DELIVERY			
*106	10c green	12	12
ENVELOPE STAMPS			
1860			
*111	5c red	*1 25*	1 25
*112	10c brown	*2 50*	*2 50*
1877-95			
113	1c blue	4	4
114	1c ultramar.	4	4
115	2c green	4	4
116	3c red	8	2
117	2c on 3c red	25	25
1898			
118	1c green	3	3
*119	2c purple	60	60
120	2c red	4	4
121	3c red	6	4
122	2c on 3c red	8	8
NEWSPAPER BANDS			
1875-98			
*151	1c blue, scalloped oval		25
*152	1c blue, plain oval		25
153	1c blue, orna'ts above and below numerals		10
154	1c blue, quatrefoil before and after value		15
155	1c black	4	4
157	1c green	3	3
POST CARDS			
1871			
401	1c blue (Montreal and Ottawa)	8	4
402	1c blue (Montreal)	6	3
1877 to United Kingdom			
403	2c green	12	12
1879 Postal Union			
404	2c green	5	4
1882-5 Oval Stamp			
405	1c ultramar.	6	2
406	1x 1c Slate	20	20
*407	1x 1c State (stamp at the left side)	*5 00*	*5 00*
1887-8 Type of No. 153			
408	1c ultramarine	4	1
409	1x 1c Slate	10	10
1892-96 Type of No. 154			
410	1c blue	6	3
411	1c grey	6	2
412	1c grey large	4	2
413	1c grey small.	3	1
414	1c grey on straw	5	5
415	1x 1c Slate (reply is type of 408	30	30
416	1x 1c grey	6	6
1896 Postal Union			
417	2c red	5	5
1897 Jubilee			
418	1c black	3	2
1898 New design			
419	2c red	6	6
420	2c blue	4	4
421	1c green	2	1
422	1c red	2	1
423	1x 1c black	5	5
LETTER CARDS.			
1893-99			
451	1c black	3	3
452	2c green	5	5
453	3c carmine	10	10
454	2 on 3c carm.	20	20
1898 New design			
455	1c black	3	3
456	2c green	5	5
457	3c carmine	10	8
458	2 on 3c carm.	10	8
459	1c green	3	2
460	2c carmine	4	3

BRITISH COLUMBIA and VANCOUVER ISLAND

1861-5			
*1	2½p pink	*175 00*	.....
*2	2½p pk perf	*3 00*	*3 00*
*3	5c rose	*100 00*	*100 00*
*4	10c blue	*20 00*	*12 00*
*5	5c rose perf	*3 00*	*3 00*
*6	10c blue "	*2 75*	*2 00*
Series of 1866-68			
*7	3p blue	40	75
Surcharged; value in cents			
*8	2c brown	*60*	*1 00*
*9	5c bright red	*3 50*	*2 25*
*10	10c rose p'k	*15 00*	*15 00*
*11	25c orange	*1 10*	*1 10*
*12	50c violet	*4 50*	*5 50*
*13	$1 green	*20 00*	*20 00*

NEW-BRUNSWICK

Series of 1851			
*1	3p red	*12 00*	*2 50*
*2	6p yellow	*65 00*	*15 00*
*3	1s mauve	*150 00*	*75 00*

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No,		New	Used
	Series of 1860-3		
*4	1c brown	*1 25*	1 25
*5	1c violet	6	75
*6	2c orange	4	25
*7	5c brown	*125 00*	*600 00*
*8	5c d'k green	*1 15*	30
*9	5c green	2	8
*10	10c vermilion	15	40
*11	12½c blue	30	50
*12	17c black	12	75
Set of six		60	....

NOVA SCOTIA

	Series of 1857		
*1	1p red br'n	*10 00*	*6 00*
*2	3p blue	*4 50*	1 00
*3	3p d'k blue	*6 00*	1 25
*4	6d green	*30 00*	*8 00*
*5	1s violet	*150 00*	*70 00*
	Series of 1860-64		
*6	1c black	40	*45*
*7	2c mauve	40	*40*
*8	5c blue	*3 75*	20
*9	8½c green	1 00	3 75
*10	10c vermilion	1 00	1 00
*11	12½c black	1 50	1 00
Set of seven partly new			4 00

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	Series of 1860-70		
*1	1p buff	1 00	*2 00*
*2	2p rose	12	40
*3	3p blue	12	40
*4	6p green	1 50	1 50
*5	9p lilac	75	*1 00*
*6	4p black	12	75
*7	4½p brown	*1 25*	2 25
	Series of 1872		
*8	1c orange	12	2 25
*9	2c blue	20	*3 75*
*10	3c rose	*75*	2 00
*11	4c green	20	4 00
*12	6c black	12	2 25
*13	12c mauve	12	6 00
Set of eight		1 00	

NEWFOUNDLAND

	Series of 1857		
*1	1p violet b'n	3 00	*4 50*
*2	5p " "	1 25	*4 50*
*3	3p green	1 25	*3 00*
*4	2p vermil'n	*6 00*	*12 50*
*5	4p do		*12 50*
*6	6p do		*12 00*
*7	6½p do	*50 00*	*60 00*
*8	8p do	*4 50*	8 00
*9	1s do		*110 00*
	Series of 1863		
*10	1p violet	*1 25*	*4 00*
*11	5p reddish brown	*85*	4 50
*12	2p lake	6 00	*12 50*
*13	4p lake	50	3 00
*14	6p lake	45	2 00
*15	6½p lake	1 25	8 00
*16	8p lake	1 25	*40 00*
*17	1s lake	85	*8 00*
	1866-73—*Perforated*		
*18	2c green	40	40
*19	5c brown	*6 00*	*4 00*
*20	10c black	*1 25*	75
*21	12c pink	35	35
*22	13c orange	75.	75
*23	24c blue	40	40
*24	1c lilac	1 25	*1 25*
*25	5c black	*3 75*	2 75
*26	3c vermn	*2 25*	2 25
*27	6c rose	15	15
*28	1c violet br.	1 25	1 25
*29	3c blue	1 00	40
	1876—*Rouletted*		
*30	1c violet br.	1 20	1 00
*31	2c green	*45*	*45*
*32	3c blue	*1 25*	25
*33	5c blue	*1 00*	25
	1880—*Perforated*		
*34	1c lilac br.	5	5
*35	2c green	10	10
*36	3c blue	20	5
*37	5c blue	20	12
	Series of 1887-90		
*38	½c red	3	3
39	1c green	3	2
*40	2c orange	5	5
41	3c brown	12	2
*42	10c black	20	20
43	3c slate	10	2
*44	5c dark blue	12	5
	Series of 1894		
45	½c black	2	2
*46	6c pink	10	10
*47	12c oran'-br.	20	20
	1896—Re-issue		
*48	½c oran'-red	12	12
*49	1c brown	12	12
*50	1c yell green	12	8
*51	2c green	12	12
*52	3c blue	20	20
*53	3c violet br.	20	12
*54	3c lilac grey	10	4
	1897—Cabot issue		
*55	1c green	6	6
*56	2c claret	6	6
57	3c light blue	6	2
*58	4c olive	7	5
*59	5c violet	10	6
*60	6c red brown	10	8
*61	8c orange	12	12
*62	10c grey-br.	15	12
*63	12c dark blue	18	18
*64	15c scarlet	20	20
*65	24c dk purple	30	30
*66	30c slate	40	40
*67	35c salmon	45	45
*68	60c black	80	80
Complete Set		2 80	2 75
	1897—Surcharged		
*69	1c on 3c lilac grey	45	45
	1897-98—Various portraits		
70	1c carmine	4	4
71	2c orange	6	6
72	½c olive	1	1
73	1c green	2	2
74	2c vermillion	3	3
75	3c orange	5	3
76	5c blue	8	8
Set of seven		25	20
	ENVELOPE STAMPS		
	Series of 1889		
*101	3c violet	6	6
*102	5c blue	12	12
*103	5c ultramar.	10	10
	NEWSPAPER BANDS		
*104	1c green	3	3
*105	2c carmine	5	5
*106	3c brown	6	6
	POST CARDS		
	1873 White Card		
201	1c green	15	12
	1879 do		
202	2c red	25	20
	1880 buff card		
203	1c green	8	6
204	2c red	10	10
	1889 surcharged		
205	2c on 1c green	*4 50*	*8 00*
	1890 white card		
206	1c green	3	3
207	2c red	5	5
	1891 no frame		
208	2c carmine	10	10
	1897 pale buff card		
209	1c yellow green	3	3

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NEWS OF THE MONTH.

With the beginning of this new year, the fact that we all begin our letters with 1900 instead of the old familiar figures we have all used since the first school boy missive we ever penned, seems to convince us, in spite of the facts of chronology, history, mathematics and astronomy that we are in a new century. It is at any rate, the beginning of a new era for us all, and it is bound to be so regarded by the great mass of humanity, philatelic and otherwise. This year promises to usher in many new stamps, and it may be regarded as certain that in future many collections will include only those stamps in use at, or issued since January 1st 1900. The novelties for December are mostly of a minor kind, such as changes of color, surcharges and so on, but with the beginning of this month many important new issues come into use. Germany is the most important so far announced, Austria and Hungary with a new currency follow, complete new sets for France and Turkey are now in preparation; what we are to expect from South Africa, Australia, and the Malay Commonwealth is still problematical, U. S. Colonials are almost certain, and the usual annual dose from the Central American Republics will surely be offered. That a physician is now the concoctor of the nostrum does not make it any the more palatable, but we trust that Dame Philatelia is now in sufficiently robust health to consign the whole to the gutter, where it ought long since to have been drained.

In Philatelic literature we are promised a new weekly from Cleveland, Ohio, the Stanley Gibbons firm announce a new edition of their catalogue for this month, and the other standard catalogues may be expected as usual.

Prices at auction sales continue fair, to be held during the year, — Brooklyn, N. Y., and Paris,—these cannot fail to prove beneficial.

On the whole the year opens with fair prospects, how they may be realized will be found told month by month in the MONTREAL PHILATELIST.

ENTRANCES AND EXITS.



ARGENTINE REPUBLIC. — We illustrate the new issue described by us in detail last month.

BELGIUM.—The entire set, commencing Jan. 1st. will be printed without the labels requesting non-delivery on Sunday. The 1 franc is now green instead of carmine.

BRITISH HONDURAS.—Of same type as the current set watermarked crown C. A. the following high values are reported:

50 c.	green	and red.
$1.00	"	"
$2.00	"	blue.
$5.00	"	black.

CEYLON. — Permanent high value stamps watermarked C. C. 1r 50c rose and 2r 25c. dull blue have been issued to replace the surcharged stamps of similar value issued in 1899, and the following watermarked C. A. are reported by the *Australian Philatelist* 2c red brown, 3c green, 4c yellow, 15c blue. The *P. J. of India* also reports a 5c bright purple.

CHINA. — *French offices.* It is announced by *Le Timbre Poste* that the 50c carmine and 5 fr. reddish purple, usually over printed "Chine" in black, have been surcharged in red by mistake.

COLUMBIA REP.—Owing to a revolution in progress since the middle of October, the postal authorities at Cartagena finding it impossible to obtain a supply of stamps from the capital, had imitations of the current 5c and 10c lithographed on cheap buff paper in red and blue respectively. Only 5000 of each were printed and as a guarantee of authenticity each specimen was surcharged with three stars with a rubber hand stamp in violet.

Antioquia. — We now give an illustration of the 2½ centavos, "too late" stamp of the commemorative set. It will be seen that it is of very similar design to the others described last month. The 10c registration is the only one of the set that omits General Cordova's portrait. It is a large rectangular stamp with the letter "R" in the center.



Panama.— The *American Journal of Philately* reports a provisional 5c blue registration return receipt stamp made by surcharging the regular 5c stamp "A. R. Colon Columbia." in three lines.

CUBA.—The 1c and 2c envelopes (profile bust of Columbus) have been printed on *oriental buff* paper to fill a special order from a local business house at Havana.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.—From several European journals we learn that in addition to the values of the commemorative set described in our December issue, the following are also to appear :

20 centavos (Toscanelli replying to the letter of Columbus)
50 " (Las Casas protecting the natives.)
1 peso (Columbus at the Junta of Salamanca.)
2 " (Tomb of Columbus in the Cathedral of St Domingo.)



We append an illustration of the 2 centavo stamp of this set.

ECUADOR. — The envelopes of 1894 issue (Scott E 7) seem to have printed in much larger quantities than required by the postal service, they were used in the following year surcharged 1895, then a new design (E 9), was issued in 1896. The 1894 issue was again current in 1897-98 with those dates surcharged, and now it comes with the surcharge "Emision Habilitada 1899-1900.' The 5c green and 10c carmine have been so treated, the surcharge being on the left side of the envelope in colors corresponding to those of the stamps. The 2, 10. 20 and 50c of the new issue have been printed in orange and black and surcharged "Official" in black.

EGYPT.—A 4 m. post card to replace the 4 m. surcharged on 5 m. has been issued. Color rose *French offices.* — The current stamps of France have been surcharged "Alexandrie" for use in the French offices in Egypt, in black ink on the 20, 30, 40, 50c, 1 fr and 5 fr and in carmine ink on the 5, 10, 15, 25 and 75c.

FINLAND.—Russian stamps only are to be used throughout Finland after June 1st. The 25 penni has already been suppressed, and the other values will not be available for postage after the above mentioned date.

FRANCE.—A complete set from 1 centime to 5 francs in commemoration of the exposition is now in preparation ; it is said they are to be of different shapes and sizes, oval, hexagonal, octagonal, etc. The design for the stamps of 10, 15. 20, 25 and 30 centimes, by M. Eugene Mouchon, representing the figure of the Republic seated, has been accepted by the Government. That of M. Luc Olivier Merson for the higher values 40 centimes, 1 franc and 5 francs, to be printed in two colors has also been accepted, but no decision has been arrived at in regard to the lower values. The set is to be placed on sale at every post office in France on the opening of the exposition in May.

GERMANY.—The designs and colors for the higher values have been selected, and the work is now being executed at the Imperial Printing office. It is not expected that they will be ready for issue before April 1st., at which date the new stamps for the colonies are also promised. The 1 mark rose will depict the Imperial Post office, Berlin. On the 2 m. stamp, color blue, will be reproduced Anton von Werner's allegorical painting the Union of Southern and Northern Germany. The 3 m. to be printed in violet, will reproduce W. Pape's painting of the inauguration of the monument to the

memory of William I. The 5 m. will be in two colors, centre carmine and frame black, it also reproduces a picture by W. Pape, the 25th anniversary of the proclamation of the German Empire. It is a stamp that requires the greatest skill on the part of the engraver, as there are fifty one figures in the picture which represents William II enthroned, addressing the princes and dignataries of Church and State.

GOLD COAST.—An envelope stamp of the design used in the West Indian colonies 1 p. carmine on white is reported by the *Australian Philatelist*.

GREAT BRITAIN.—The color of the 1 p. post card has been changed from vermilion to carmine, and the ½ p. card is now larger being the same size as that for foregn service 89 x 140 m. m.

INDIA.—*Cochin*.. The set of 1899 envelopes has been completed by the addition of the 1 p. red on white laid paper.

LABUAN.—A permanent 4 c. having a monkey for the central device has appeared in yellow brown and black. According to the *Metropolitan Philatelist* the surcharged "4 cents" stamps reported in our last number are of the 1894 type not the current issue, and all values (Scott Nos 49-57 and 63-65) twelve in all have been surcharged and specimens sent out for official collections as required by Postal Union regulations.

MACAO.—The surcharged stamps reported last month, under the heading "Macos" for which our printer is to blame have been put in circulation.

MAURITIUS.—A stamp in commemoration of the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of Labourdonnais has been issued value 15 cents, color blue, watermark Crown and C.C.

Bertrand F. Mahé de La Bourdonnais, born Feb. 11, 1699, was a naval officer in the French service. He was the first French Governor of Mauritius then known as the Isle of France. The first French settlement on the island wrs in 1721, thirteen years later, in 1734, La Bourdonnais received his appointment as Director General of the colony and on his arrival found it in a state of lawlessness bordering on anarchy. Under his administration fortifications were built, harbors constructed, and canals opened; he also introduced the culture of sugar, indigo [illegible] and developed generally a He is justly honored by the Mauritians as the father of their country.

MEXICO.—Our correspondent in forms us that he was mistaken in reporting the new stamps as made by the American Bank Note Co., he says they come from England. We presume the imprint will be found on the margins, but have not yet seen it, judging from the style of engraving we would say they are done by the Waterlow firm. We illustrate thehighest and lowest values of the new set also the envelope and post cards.









MOROCCO.—*French offices*. The 5 centimos now comes in the new light yellow green shade, surcharged in red on France 5 centimes.

NETHERLANDS.—The new issue is being surcharged for use in the colonies. The following have been received for the official collection of the Post Office Department: "Ned Indie" and value in black ink on 10, 12½, 15, 20, 25, 50c. and 2½ gld.: "Suriname" on 50 c., 1 gld. and 2½ gld.: "Curacoa" and value on 25c.: "Curacoa 1. 50 gld." on 2½ gld.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—The post office department of this province has been doing good deal of speculating in stamps of

late years, but have decided to retire from the business, get rid of their speculative stock by a quick forced sale which closes January 2nd and destroy what remains on hand after that date, as can be seen by the following official notice :

"The remainders of all obsolete postage "stamps issued before 1897 and comprising " ½, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 12 and 24 cents, are " now offered for sale, without restriction, " until 2nd day of January, 1900, when any " balance remaining unsold will be des- " troyed.

"The 1 cent, 2 cent, 3 cent and 5 cent of " the 'Cabot' series will be sold only with " full sets of 'Cabot issues,' until 26th day " December, 1899, on which day all restric- " tion will be removed.

"The remainder, if any, of 1, 2, 3 and " 5 cent 'Cabot' will also be destroyed on " 2nd January, 1900.

J. O. FRASER, Postmaster General, General Post Office, St. John's, Newfoundland, 8th November."

As this stock has been pretty well picked over by dealers for some time, the greater part of these remainders are badly centered specimens.

NICARAGUA.— Seebeck II alias Dr. Arsenjo has had his precious labels, we cannot call them stamps engraved by the American Bank Note Co., and they are ready for delivery to the Nicaraguan authorities. The design is a view of the island Momotumbo in Lake Nicaragua. A few are to be used for the limited requirements of the post office during the year but the majority are to be duly cancelled with Post office hand stamps and returned to the speculative Doctor for sale to those collectors who may be foolish enough to waste money on such trash. The contract which is for ten years provides that 3,000,000 stamps are to be furnished to the Government annually ; 400,000 cards, wrappers and envelopes, — free of charge—in consideration of having returned to him at once *cancelled* 50,000 sets, and all that remain unused at the end of each year, also *cancelled.*

NORTH BORNEO.—The new 4c. Monkey type is printed in green and black. The 4c. surcharge is applied to all values of the 1893 type 1c. to $10 (Scott Nos 59 to 73) 15 varieties. but only those mentioned last month were actually issued. The Postal Unioh however sends out specimens of all for the official collections.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.— The Revolutionary Government of Aguinaldo has issued the following stamps :

2c. (correos) carmine.
2c. (correo y Telegrafos) carmine.
8c. (certificado) green.
1 milesima (Impresos) black.

QUEENSLAND.—The 5 p. has appeared with figures in the four corners. Instead of enlarging the figures of the oblong ½ p. as was reported to be the intention a new rectangular stamp in dark green has appeared. Specimens have been sent us by Messrs Wilcox Smith & Co. of New Zealand. It is a local imitation of the De LaRue type and is about as wretchedly executed work as can be imagined.

SAMOA.— The 3 pf. German stamp surcharged, reported by us last month, turns out to be bogus, circulated as a "joke" by the Berlin Stamp Collector's Club, who had one hundred made and distributed amongst its members.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.— The 2½ p. with color changed from violet to blue is reported by our contemporaries. We have not yet seen the stamp but as blue is the Postal Union color for this value, the report is probably correct.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—This old title will, it is expected, soon become obsolete, to be replaced by the Confederated Malay States comprising Perak, Pahang, Selangor, Negri Sembilan and Sungei Ujong (? Johore,) when the issues for the separate States will be withdrawn. In the meantime a stamp of any one of the different states may now be used in any part of the Confederation.

Pahang. Previous to the issue of the 4 c. stamp chonicled in December the current 5 c. was surcharged " Four cents " in black.

Negri Sembilan. The tiger head set has been completed by the addition of a 1 cent stamp, green and violet.

TURKEY.—Two sets are to be issued March 1st, each to be of eight values 5, 10 and 20 paras, 1, 2, 5, 25 and 50 piastres, one for domestic or internal postage, and the other for the service of the International Postal Union.

UNITED STATES.—A set of stamps to commemorate the Buffalo Exposition to be held in 1901 has been agreed to by the U. S. Postal authorities.

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PHILATELIC JOURNALISM.

In one of our reviews last month we alstamp journals that reach us as exchanges. The character and tone,even the make-up of the press in any community is a sure indication of the habits, moral tone and characteristics of the majority of its readers ; thus we find the active progressive business centres supporting papers that by their enterprise tell that they represent enterprise. Educational centres produce papers indicative of the cultured tastes of their inhabitants, and the class papers of various kinds, generally by their tone, tell the standing of the class they represent, in the community. But the philatelic press seems to be an exception to this general rule, for if we were to judge of the standing of stamp collectors by the majority of papers that claim to represent their interests we would have to set them down as mostly children, or at least persons of immature minds or of very loose habits of thought, We are alluding to the great number of journals published in the North American Continent; for the English and Foreign papers (at a higher subscription rate) are of a much more serious character than the American. With the exception of the *American Journal of Philately*, the *Post Office*, *Mekeel's Weekly*, and one or two others, their columns are filled month after month with gossip, uninteresting personal items, and inaccurate assertions. It is an exception, to find in their pages, a solitary word about stamps, that is of the slightest degree instructive, to the average collector, or of any assistance to him, in the formation or arrangement of his collection.

How papers of this class manage to exist, we do not know ; they really do more harm to philately than good. If the change proposed by the U. S. Postmaster General in his last annual report, should have the effect of sweeping out of existence the large number of stamp papers whose circulation consists of "sample copies," it would prove a real blessing to three or four that would remain. ese could then secure large subscrip-

tion lists at a remunerative price from the best class of collectors, advertisers would be willing to largely patronize papers that would help their business, and thus publishers could afford to give their readers a paper that would be truly representative, of the standing in the community, of the class they serve.

If there is one department of the American Philatelic press that is worse than another, in respect to inaccurate statements, it is when we look for news from Canada. Even in a paper of the standing of *Mekeel's Weekly*, until recently, the items that were reported by their regular Canadian correspondent consisted of the veriest rubbish ever put into print. We say "until recently," for the Canadian correspondence of "Maple Leaf," which appears in the issues bearing dates of Nov. 9th and 23rd, is of a very different character, and we would wish that such communications were more frequent. The trouble appears to be that there are in Canada so many young amateur stamp dealers, who offer to furnish Canadian news in exchange for advertising space, and publishers eager to fill up their columns accept this cheap boyish correspondence as reliable news.

A Montreal lad lately informed the readers of the *Phi atelic Chronicle*, that "a certain Mr. Patterson" is the happy possessor of twelve 12p. Canada. This important bit of news is not only false, but it is calculated to depreciate the value of this rarity if allowed to pass uncontradicted. By the "certain Mr. Patterson" we presume is meant Mr. William Patterson of this city, a gentleman who is known, by every prominent dealer and collector, as a careful expert philatelist and an acknowledged authority on stamp values. He wishes us to say that he only owns one used specimen of the Canada 12p, and feels certain there are not 12 copies of the stamp in any one collection in the world.

The same writer and another youth who corresponds in exchange for advertising, seem to have struck a bonanza —a veritable Klondike—as space fillers to trade off for cheap advertising, in the subject of the doings of the late proprietor of the MONTREAL PHILATELIST and his connection with the Great Barrier forgeries. How they expect to benefit Philately or Philatelists by such news, even if true, they have failed to explain, and seeing that all attempt to dispose of the forgeries to collectors is now impossible, we fancy they would have some difficulty in giving such an explanation.

We have no mission to defend the actions of Mr Bach; we know much more of his doings than anyone else, and while frankly, we say that much that he has done appears indefensible and culpable, we cannot forget, that this young man is now far away, bravely fighting the battles of his country, and even as we pen these lines he may have expiated in his heart's blood any faults he has committed. We would indeed regret if any words of ours should more deeply wound the hearts of his anxious relatives at home on this for them sorrowful Xmas eve.

It is a principle of British justice, that a man is presumed to be innocent until his guilt is proved, and that he has always a right to be heard in self-defense. This elementary principle is overlooked by the cowardly writers we allude to, their craven souls would shrink in dread, and their spiritless forms would wallow in the dust at the feet of the young soldier, innocent or guilty, were he here to meet their charges. If he falls he will fall facing his foe, but if he survive the brunt of bloody war, he will surely return to his home, and meet his cowardly accusers face to face. When this moment arrives we may have more to say on the subject, but until then as far as we are concerned the unpleasant incident is closed.

We like to encourage our younger writers to the Philatelic press; the best advice we can give them is to try and real-

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weigh their words, and not to rush into print with reckless incorrect statements. We want to hear from all Canadian Philatelic centres, we want reliable news from all important points. We want facts that can be vouched for, not surmises, and thus with the assistance of our correspondents we can make of this paper a journal that will truly represent the interests of Canadian stamp collectors.

THE SOCIETIES AND PERSONALS

The auction sale of the Montreal Philatelic Association came off as advertised on Dec 14th. It was fairly well attended by local buyers, mostly members of the Association, but not nearly so well as was expected; this was probably due to the fact that every prominent collector in this city had been actively canvassed by a member, who was largely interested in the sale, for weeks in advance, and their bids taken in advance on such lots as they wished to purchase. Had these bidders been present in person, it would have made the sale much more lively and interesting, and no doubt better prices would have been secured. One of the objects, the principal one indeed, of this sale, was to bring collectors together at the rooms of the Association, to induce them to get into the habit of attending the fortnightly meetings; by the plan followed, of taking bids privately in advance from local buyers, this good intention has been defeated, which is greatly to be regretted.

The auctioneer, Mr. Barsalou, disposed of the lots, 263 in all, in a little over an hour. Prices averaged from one half to two thirds of catalogue, which considering the superior quality and condition of the lots, were extremely reasonable.

Amongst the prominent collectors present we noticed amongst others Dr. Burgess, Lt. Col. Labelle, Messrs. Lachlan Gibb, J. H. Chapman, Wm. Patterson, A. C. Roussel, C. A. Needham, N Huguenin, and James Sutherland.

The League of Canadian Philatelists is to be congratulated upon having secured as president Mr. W. Kelsey Hall of Peterboro. Mr. Hall needs no introduction to the world. Under his able supervision, seconded by the efforts of the indefatigable secretary Mr. H. Smith of Medford Mass. this young league should now receive a large acquisition of new members, and rival in popularity many of the older societies.

The January meetings of the Montreal Philatelic Association will be held at their rooms, Chateau de Ramezay on the 4th and 18th insts. Out-of-town collectors who wish to become corresponding members should address the secretary, Mr. G. W. Cornish, 393 Mountain St. Montreal.

AUSTRALIAN STAMP NEWS.

BY RALPH W. GOSSET.

Auckland N. Z. Nov. 30th. 1899.

At the present time in this city pretty well every thing in the Stamp Line is overlooked in the great excitement which prevails here on account of the Transvaal war: another thing which also diverts most of the conversation and time of many of our philatelists is the approaching General Elections which come off next month.

Consequently things philatelic, have been fairly quiet on the whole and as the Summer approaches no doubt they will be quieter as in that season the interest in the hobby of philately slackens considerably.

On account of the war the interest in Transvaal Stamps has naturally increased to some extent, and a great many people are consequently buying all they can lay hands on.

The Postmaster General of the Colony has definitely decided, as soon as the stock of the present 1d. blue postcards now on hand is exhausted, that all future cards are to be printed on paper 5½ inches by 3½ inches in lieu of 4⅞ by 3⅛ inches as at present.

It is a pity he did not also decide to have at the same time a 1½d. card for foreign use, the 1½d. rose card at present in use has no room whatever to write any thing on, on account of the pictures printed on the back advertising the Colony.

The issue of the much admired 1d. stamp in two colours, (viz blue and brown) has been stopped. The changes that were contemplated in the colours of the ow value stamps cannot be carried out ntil special inks arrive which will not be

till the beginning of the new year, so evidently the old 1d. rose will continue to be issued.

The two coloured 4d. which was only on sale for *one day* at Wellington, (the only city in New Zealand where it was on sale) is in great demand here amongst the collectors, but very few specimens are "floating around." The impression in America seems to be that they are still on sale here on account of numerous letters I have received requesting me to "send me a specimen of the new two coloured 4d."

I am informed by an officer of the department that the proposed *postage due* stamps (of which I wrote last month) are to be brought into use at the beginning of 1900 (the new year) what the colour of designs are is not yet officially known.

Up to the present between the United States and here, no "parcels post" whatever has existed, much to the inconvenience of a great number of business people, to say nothing of the public at large. Recently I was sending a parcel to United States which weighed 25 ozs, but on posting it I was informed that it could not be sent at all as it was over 12 ozs. which is the greatest allowed weight for sample post between here and the States, the only way that it could be sent was by letter post, which would be something like $1.50, as the parcel could not be split up into several smaller ones. Of course this is only a single example out of hundreds that are always occurring. However now the two Countries *i. e.* N.Z. and U. S. have come to an agreement over the matter and I learn that from about February 1900 a parcel post will be duly established which will for the future prevent much inconvenience.

£300 ($1,500) worth of Australian and other British Colonials belonging to a Sydney, N.S.W. firm were sold to an advanced collector in this town lately for £120 ($600). Some really good gems were amongst them. The Sydney views, the batch contained, were some of the best I have ever seen.

Some really scarce stamps are to be found in private collections here, for instance on looking through a gentleman's collection last week I noticed an unused specimen of the 3 Lire ochre Tuscany, original gum thereon. Stanley Gibbons & Co. some little time ago were offering a used specimen for £155, (in perfect condition). Scott catalogues this at £70 ($350). Two of these stamps used were recently sold in London as per the following cutting from the N. Z. Herald of Saturday. 25th Nov., '99 :—

"At a sale in London a used Tuscany "1860 three lire yellow stamp fetched £43 "10s, another used specimen, of a deeper "shade, realizing £35."

The Cook Island surcharged ½d on 1d blue is steadily increasing in price, in this town. By Scotts 59th catalogue which I received last mail, I noticed it is listed but not priced. There were two errors in these surcharges as I have before stated viz. full stop after the word penny,

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and also a double surcharge as noted in my August letter.



At one time it was impossible for our troops engaged on active service in a foreign land to receive and dispatch letters. But now all that is changed and no matter where he goes, or in what numbers, "Tommy" is almost as certain of receiving his letters as we are here in England. Every non-commissioned officer and man in the 24th Middlesex Rifle Volunteers is a postal employé, most of them being sorters or postmen in the London postal districts, each district having its own company. About 130 of these men have arrived at the Cape and more will follow if required. When a camp is moved, the post office is always one of the first away and the first thing "Tommy" does on arriving on the camping ground is to look for the red and white flag showing the position of his Post Office, the great link that connects him with his dear ones at home. The quantity of postal matter for the troops is already enormous, and to an ordinary observer it would seem impossible for a hundred men or so to deal with it, but so skilled is the London sorter or postman that it only requires some six of them to look after seven or eight battalions, besides this each man is a highly efficient soldier. Captain Treble is the Postmaster-General of the British Army, and is now on his way to take command of his men.

NEWFOUNDLAND OBSOLETE STAMPS.

From Evening Herald St. Johns, N.F.

As some discussion has taken place of late with regard to the matter of destroying the obsolete postage stamps we have made inquiries which have resulted in our obtaining the following information :—The reasons for destroying the obsolete stamps may be classed under three heads (1) to insure a thorough and accurate audit ; (2) to retrieve the reputation of our postal service which has greatly suffered abroad through questionable methods adopted in the past, and (3) to remove from postal officials the possibilities and inducements to stamp jobbing which now exist.

Newfoundland stamps may be divided into three classes :—(1) actually obsolete issues ; (2) the Cabot issue ; (3) the Royal issue. The Royal issue is taking the place of the Cabot series, as the latter becomes exhausted, and at present ½, 1, 2, 3, and 5 cent stamps are on sale.

Although postage stamps cost only a small percentage of their face value, yet the fact remains that in the colony they actually pass at face value, and may consequently be regarded as in a sense paper money. The unsatisfactory manner in which these articles had been handled caused the late government to remove all except those in immediate use to the vaults of the Colonial Building, but when an Auditor Ceneral was appointed it was deemed unnecessary to continue the system. Matters, however, called for interference, when it was found that several issues of the same denomination were on sale at the same time, advertised as such by the Postmaster General, and therefore under governmental sanction. Immediate audit became imperative. The vast quantities of stamps in stock rendered this almost impossible of performance. It was therefore the more necessary that the postage stamps of the colony should be confined to those issues actually in use. When we say that over half a million of obsolete stamps alone remained in the Post Office on June 30th last, the force of the Auditor General's suggestions will be very evident.

Writing to the Colonial Secretary under date September 20th, and Hon. Mr, Robinson has kindly furnished us with a copy of the letter, the Auditor says :—

"ance of stamps remaining in the Gen-
"eneral Post Office on the 30th day of
" June, 1899, I have the honor to state.

" 1. That for purposes of audit it is ne-
" cessary that the obsolete and unneces-
" sary stamps should be destroyed after
"reasonable notice. With so many issues
" of the same denomination it will be ex-
"tremely difficult to follow the withdrawals
" on mixed account, intelligently and cor-
" rectly.

" 2. The possibility of obtaining stamps
" of old issues at face value offers a
" chance to Post Office officials for spe-
" culation. It is highly undesirable that
" such an opportunity should exist.

" 3. All the denominations of obsolete
" issues have been replaced by either the
" 'Royal' or the 'Cabot' issues and are
" therefore of no use for purposes of
" postage or revenue,

" 4. The same applies to the 1c., 2c.,
" 3c. and 5. of the Cabot issue, which has
" been replaced by the Royal issue of the
" same denomination.

" 5. The 60c , 35c., 30c. and 24c. of
" the Cabot issue are practically useless
" for postage purposes, a fact evidenced
" by the large number of 24c. of the ob-
" solete issue remaining on hand, al-
" though the original stock (100,000) was
" obtained as far back as 1866.

" For the above reason I beg respect-
"fully to suggest the destruction, after
" reasonable notice, of all stamps of the
" Cabot issue of the following denomin-
" ations, i.e. : — 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 24, 30, 35
" and 60 cent. The 4 . stamp is very
" seldom used The retention of the
" Cabot issue of 6, 8, 10, 12, and 15 cent
" denomination, until replaced by stamps
" of another issue.

" I also beg to suggest that no stamps
" shall be ordered for Post Office account,
" either new issues or reprints of old
" issues, except on order of the Gov-
" ernor-in-Council or of the Colonial
" Secretary."

These recommendations are being carried out by the Government except so far as the destruction of the 4, 24, 30, 35 and 60 cent Cabot is concerned, as stamps of these denominations may yet prove of use, and the cost of new issues be thereby obviated.

It is high time that the purchase and sale of postage stamps should be rigidly guarded and a system of speculation, whether by the colony or its officials, and which is pernicious and demoralising, be frowned down. The obsolete stamps will be destroyed in the presence of witnesses and representatives of the press on uesday or Wednesday next.

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Let us have no drones in the hive, but, one and all, putting our shoulders to the wheel, aim to make our Society, not alone Canada's representative stamp body, but a power for the good of Philately throughout the length and breadth of the Stamp collecting world.

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Very sincerely yours,
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SALES DEPARTMENT.

This Department, so far, is working very satisfactorily, I shall be glad to receive the names of any Members wishing to be placed on circuit.

H. SMITH, Sec; Sales Supt.
42 Dudley St. Medford, Mass.
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Owing to a vacancy on the board of truatees, we have appointed Mr. James Wurtele, to fill this position.

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W. JAMES WURTELE,
Trustees.

AUCTION MANAGER'S REPORT.

Owing to the large amount of work, I now have on hand I wish to inform members that from Feburary next this office will be vacant as I cannot attend to it and will probably remain so, until the annual elections, unless someone would like to get the position.

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NEWS OF THE MONTH.

As we anticipated in our last number more new issues than ever are to be launched this year. Those already reported are rapidly coming into use, and are being purchased in enormous quantities for collections. A correspondent writing to *Ewen's Weekly Stamp News* from Frankfort states that 5000 of the new German post cards were placed on sale there Dec. 28th and in five minutes they were all sold. Besides our regular report of new issues this month we hear that complete new sets are now in preparation for Bosnia, Belgium and Crete. It is also rumored that France is to advertise its numerous small colonies by new issues of different designs for each. depicting scenery, history, native habits, resources, industries, etc., etc. Germany is now having a taste of how new issues *pay*, so the appetite once acquired, it would not be at all surprising to have similar German colonials in the near future. If this goes on the annual catalogues will soon be as large as a Family Bible. Old time Philatelists will kick and ignore all new issues, the younger generation will be in ecstacies of delight at the pretty pictures, shrewd dealers will reap a rich harvest from both, and in our estimation the true mission of stamp collecting,—that of an educator—will be greatly advanced.

ENTRANCES AND EXITS.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC. — It is announced that the colors of the new 10c. and 30c. are to be changed on account of similarity of color with the 1c. and 5c.

AUSTRIA. — The new stamps are announced, with value expressed in the new currency. In design. they are practically the same as the former issue, with the exception that the word " heller, " appears



above and below the Emperor's head in place of " Kreuzer," and on the higher values, " Kronen " is substituted for " Gulden." There are several new values in the set, which consists of the following:

1	heller, violet	30	heller, red violet
2	" grey	40	" light green
3	" brown	50	" blue
5	" green	60	" brown
6	" orange	1	krone, rose red
10	" rose red	2	" grey violet
20	" red brown	4	" light green
25	" dark blue.		

Unpaid letter stamps, 1, 2, 4, 6, 10, 12, 15, 20, 40, 100 heller, all in dark brown.

News-paper Stamps :

2	heller dark blue,	10	heller brown
6	" orange	20	" red

The 5, 10, 25 and 50 heller, and 1, 2 and 4 krone will be surcharged with their equivelent value in Turkish money, for the Austrian post offices in the Levant.

The value on all stamps on envelopes, post cards, letter cards, wrappers, telegram, and telephone cards, will also be changed to the new currency, and will be in the same colors as the corresponding values of adhesive stamps.

The design of the unpaid letter stamps remains unchanged, with the exception of the word " heller " instead of " kreuzer." The news-paper stamps however, bear the head of Mercury with figures of value in the four corners, they are of square shape.

The 1, 3, 5, 6 and 25 hellers are already in use. The other values will appear as soon as the old stock has been reduced.

The old stamps, will be accepted for postage, or may be exchanged for the new issue up to December 31st 1900.

BAVARIA. — The German papers annouce new stamps of the values 2, 30, 40 and 60 pf. of the same design as the current set. It seems the Bavarian authorities have declined to place their pos-

tal administration under the control of the German Imperial Post Office Department.

BRITISH CENTRAL AFRICA.— A 1d. news band in carmine on buff paper, and a ½d. post card green on white have appeared. Both are of the current type of the adhesives.

BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE. — A 4d. registration envelope printed in blue has been issued to supersede the temporary one surcharged on the Cape of Good Hope envelope.

CEYLON.—A 12c. stamp, olive green and carmine for double rate Imperial penny postage letters has been issued of same design as the rest of the current adhesives, also a 6c. post card carmine on white, single and reply with stamps of the 1895 envelope type (Scott E 10). *Ewen's Weekly Stamp News* states that a 6c. letter card is also to be issued, and that this new postal stationary is being manufactured by the Ceylon Government printing office.

COLUMBIA REPUBLIC.—In addition to the two provisionals chronicled last month from Cartagena, a set of four values has been issued of similar design, bearing a surcharge of horizontal wavy lines. They are very poorly executed by lithography and are pin perforated. The values and colors are :





1 centavo brown on buff
2 " black on buff
5 " purple on green
10 " red on salmon.

Mekeel's Weekly also reports another provisional from the same locality consisting of the Bolivar 1891 1 centavo black, of which it is said 4000 were used, mostly on newspapers, the wavy line surcharge was applied, after the stamps were affixed to the wrappers, by a rubber hand stamp.

DAHOMEY. — A 25 centimes stamp black on rose, and a 5c. envelope yellow green are reported, of the regular French Colonial type. They are doubtless the fore-runners of a complete set.

ECUADOR.—It is announced that the 1 sucre revenue stamp of 1896, has been surcharged 10c. for postal use. There are two varieties, a black surcharge and a double surcharge blue and black.

EGYPT.—*French offices.* The set of French stamps reported last month, surcharged "Alexandrie," turn out to be only for the French post office in the City of Alexandria. The *P. J.* of *G. B.* reports a similar set surcharged "Post Said" and it is stated that each French office in Egypt is to have a set, should this turn out to be a fact, the stamps would only find their proper place in a collection of "Locals." Local issues always are limited in quantity, as regards actual postal requirements, the authorities are constantly running short of one or more values and resorting to surcharged makeshifts ; hence the indifference with which most collectors regard them. The Post Said post office seems already to have run out of the 25 c. value for two varieties of surcharge are reported 25c. on 10c. in words only and also in words and figures. They were not old in that state but affixed to letters handed in at the post office, and 2000 are said to have been so used.

FRENCH SOUDAN.—This colony has ceased to exist as a separate administration, and the stamps in consequence have been suppressed.

FRENCH COLONIES.—The 5c. light yellow green is gradually coming into use in the various French possessions ; Martinique, Mayotte and Senegal are the latest places reported to havea dopted it.

GERMANY. — A new value for printed matter 2pf. gray is to be included in the new issue. A 5pf. post card of the new type was issued Dec. 28th for use only on and after Jan. 1st. but up to the time of our going to press no others of the new stamps had come to hand.



HUNGARY.—The stamps with values expressed in the new currency, reported in our December issue are now appearing.

The design consists of a large Imperial crown surmounted by an Eagle with outspread wings, in a circle. Above is the inscription "Magyar Kir. posta", with value below. The 1 heller grey and 25h. blue are the only specimens reported as yet.

MACAO.—A 1 avo post card made by surcharging the 2 avos card "Provisorio" and the new value, is reported.

MADAGASCAR.—A 5 franc stamp has been issued for this colony of the regular colonial type, violet color, name in blue.

MOROCCO. *German Offices.* — The stamps reported in our December number as expected, have made their appearance. They are the 1889 German stamps surcharged with "Marocco" and value in black. The set consists of :—

3 centimos	on	3 pf.	brown
5 "	"	5 "	green
10 "	"	10 "	carmine
25 "	"	20 "	blue
30 "	"	25 "	orange
60 "	"	50 "	brawn.

NEW ZEALAND.—Mr Gossett sends us specimens of the unpaid letter stamps, they are fully described in his monthly letter in this issue, also the new post cards 1d. color changed from blue to green ; ½, 1 and 2d. envelopes are also on the *tapis.*

PORTUGESE INDIA.—A ¼ tanga green on buff post card is reported.

QUEENSLAND.—The new ½d. stamp described in our January issue appears impressed on a news band.

RHODESIA.—The 1d current type is now used on single and double post cards, pointed in carmine on white.

ROUMANIA.—The 1 ½ bani black stamps surcharged in red 1 bani are now in circulation.

SARAWAK—The 3c. post card is now surcharged 4c, the equivalent of 1 penny. The current adhesives 2, 4, and 10c. have also been changed to Postal Union colors, green carmine and blue respectively.

SEYCHELLES.—A 15c. stamp blue for Postal Union rate to foreign countries has been received for the official collections.

SIAM.—We are informed by Mr. S. Hood Beng of Bangkok that a new set was issued in Sept. 1899 comprising the following values 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12 24 and 64 atts. We have not yet received full particulars, but hope to give further details in our next.

SOUDAN.—On account of Mahommedan objections to the cross the watermark on the "camel" set has been changed to a star and crescent.

TRINIDAD.—3 pence surcharged on 5 pence, lilac and violet has appeared in official collections.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.— In a recent consignment of postally used fiscal stamps from this colony we found several of the 1 shilling with the new watermark "Crown W. A.", and we notice that the *P. J.* of *G. B.*, also reports the 2s. 6d. with that watermark. The rest of the set will no doubt be printed on that paper when fresh supplies are required.

WURTEMBURG.—Since Jan. 1st. this Kingdom has relinquished its independence of the German Empire in postal affairs and will issue no more stamps, all post offices coming under Imperial rule will hence forth only use German stamps.

SAMOAN ISLANDS AND STAMPS.

BY RALPH W. GOSSET.

Lying between 13° 30' and 14° 20' South Latitude, and between 169° and 173° West Longitude, is a group of Islands called the "Navigators" or more commonly known as "Samoa." Of late some interest has been aroused in the Australian colonies as regards these islands, as by cable from home it has been announced that Great Britain has ceeded her interests in the group to Germany, so I will endeavour to give a few notes in regard to them.

On an old Dutch chart made in or about *1730*, in the latitude and longitude already mentioned, was a group of Islands marked "Baumann's Islands", which were discovered by a Dutch sea captain by the name of Roggeveen, in 1722. Nothing further was heard of them until a later date when a Frenchman—Bougainville—made them definitely known. He was so impressed with the skill by which the natives managed their boats and canoes, that it induced him to name them "*Iles des Navigateurs*", by which name they have been known since —Samoa being the native name of the group. Later on, the Islands were visited by that famous navigator, La Perouse. He took shelter in one of the Bays called *Asu*, or "Massacre Bay" as he called it, for there he lost two of his chief assistants De Lamanon and De Langle also a boat's crew. The Islands lie about 420 miles North East of the Fijian group : they are thirteen in number, and are all pretty well populated, although some of them are really nothing more or less than barren rocks. Out of the whole group, only three (3) are of any importance viz :

Savaü, Upolu and Tutuila. The largest of these three is Savaü, with an area of 700 square miles. The Island is barren ; and lofty mountains are scattered all over it. The soil is very dry and unfertile. On this Island no streams or rivers exist, the nature of the soil will not allow it, as all moisture is absorbed at once and hence none can collect. Very little trade is done with this island, the coastline is very bad there being only one harbour.

Upolu, the second largest (550. square miles), is—like Savaü—very mountainous but of quite a different character, the mountains being well wooded and watered, and the land very fertile, upon the island are several large streams. On a well protected bay on the north of this Island is the chief town of the whole group, i. e. —Apia—. It is a port of call for the mail steamers plying between Frisco and New Zealand. In 1879 a treaty was formed between United States, Germany and Great Britain, in connection with the governing of this Island, and consequently since then it has been controlled by a municipality organised and directed by the consuls of the three nations mentioned.

The area of the third Island—Tutuila —is *55* square miles, it being 17 miles long and 5 broad. A splendid harbour (*) Pango-Pango almost cuts the island in halves. Some people reckon this as one of the best and safest harbours in the Southern Pacific. In general character this Island resembles Upolu as regards fertility, etc.

The Samoans are of a very fine physique, very few of the natives of the other South Sea Islands coming up to them in that line.

In 1830, John Williams introduced Christianity in the group. The inhabitants of Upolu embraced the faith very quickly and on that island they are for the greater part, all Christians. The natives are indolent, lazy and by no means industrious or persevering. In fact in 1881, the various white planters had to import about 2000 labourers from the other Pacific Islands, (chiefly from the Line Is., New Hebrides and New Britain Is.) to do the work of planting, etc. as the Samoans were too independent to hire themselves out to work. The Samoans are warlike and for some considerable time past —since about 1860— the different chiefs have been engaged in a series of petty wars, which have decimated their numbers to a great extent, viz :— native population in 1840 was 56,000 ; in 1872—35,000 ; and in 1880—30,000.

The fertility of the two Islands of Upolu and Tutuila has induced numerous European, (mostly German,) and United States capitalists to invest money in these Islands, which has been the means of building up a large trade in the group, with New Zealand, Australia and the United States. Much of the land originally belonging to the natives has passed into the hands of foreign capitalists and residents. The chief articles of export are cotton, coffee, breadfruit, and chief of all, dried cocoanuts (copra) ; sugar maize, and fruit are also grown for local consumption. The Hamburg firm of J. C. Godeffroy and Son do the largest trade with these islands.

By the latest news from home it is stated that Great Britain and United States have relinquished their interests in the two large islands of Savaü and Upolu and have given Germany absolute possession of same. United States in return gets possession of the smallest of the three chief Islands viz :— Tutuila ; while Great Britain gets in return —as her share— undisputed possession of the Solomon group viz :— Ysabel, Choiseul and the smaller shortlands, and I believe the British protectorate is to extend over the Banks' and Santa Cruz groups also. Germany always claimed an interest in the Tongan group, certainly her interests there were as large as Great Britain's ; and now that she gets Samoa definitely ; Great Britain gets the German interests ceeded to her in the Tongan group. England will no doubt establish a protectorate over these Islands also. *Stanley, Gibbons & Coy.* always classified *Tonga* under British possessions in their albums and catalogues but by what authority, I know not ; however *now* they are right in doing so.

While Germany, Great Britain and United States had a protectorate over the Samoan group, each nation named controled a post office of their own, and only letters that did not pass through one of these three offices, found their way into the office of the "*Lo al Postmaster*," (a Mr Davis) who ran *his* postoffice as a

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(*) "Pango Pango", for description of this harbour see "New Zealand and the South Sea Islands" by Meade, 1870.

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Editorial.

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CANADIAN STAMP DEALERS.

An entirely unwarranted attack upon the honesty of dealers and collectors in this country has lately been inaugurated by a certain section of the American Philatelic press, fostered we have no doubt by the irresponsible correspondence from Montreal, to which we alluded in our last number. Exaggerated reports, based on a partial and superficial knowledge of facts, and false surmises stated as truth, we have no doubt have started this campaign. As long as such attacks were confined to the columns of the juvenile papers, unpleasant as they were, we considered them beneath notice, reminding us of the yelping of impotent curs. Unfortunately however an attack now comes from another quarter, which is more deserving of attention.

In the January number of the *Philatelic West* Mr. R. L. Payne president of the Nebraska Philatelic Society, addressing the members of that society, after speaking in deservedly complimentary terms of our friend Mr. W. Kelsey Hall as a reliable Canadian Dealer, adds. "I wish I could add more, but my experience with Canadian dealers has been unfortunate, and I am glad to be able to give one."

Mr. Payne is a man of mature age, a stamp collector for over forty years and is much respected by all who have had any dealings with him, and we are loath to believe that this is intended as a deliberate attack on the honor of Canadian dealers. However he may have intended it, any reader of the address can only extract one meaning, namely that Canadian dealers are with one exception unreliable. We are quite sure that the one excepted gentleman will be the first to repudiate such an aspersion. Mr. Payne is an Englishman, and as such born with the English love of fair play, no man educated at Eton could be without it, but he forgets his early principles, when because he feels sore over some unfortunate transaction with one Canadian dealer or more, he deliberately attacks, in an official communication to be widely read, the whole body of Canadian stamp dealers, than whom none stand higher in the Philatelic world for fair dealing and integrity. We have had our black sheep, one or two deliberate swindlers, a few who have without business experience or qualifications taken up the stamp business and failed, others

who not having sufficient ready capital have bought more than they could pay for and have had to ask an extension of time from their creditors, we have also had and still have our boy dealers who with youthful enthusiasm advertise more than they can supply ; but are not these classes to be found every where, and in proportion to population what country has been most prolific in their production? Does Mr. Payne and the horde of irresponsible scribblers maintain that it is Canada? Let them do so and we can name twenty such cases, in our own limited experience, of another nationality to every one of Canada.

We are aware that considerable dissatisfaction occured a couple of years back, over the supply of unused Jubilee stamps, but this was caused by circumstances entirely beyond the Canadian dealers' control, and affected dealers in other countries precisely in the same way; still even then we know of many cases, where Canadian dealers supplied these stamps at an actual loss in order to satisfy their customers, and after the brief period of reckless speculation had passed, orders were all filled at reasonable prices. Some who wished to speculate then, and were disappointed that Canadian dealers would not consent to a speculation at their own expense, have been since abusing us in Canada.

It would be out of place here and unnecessary to mention names, but there are in all our principal cities, from Charlottetown and Halifax in the East to Victoria and Vancouver in the West, responsible men who deal in stamps, of whose probity and honor it would be superfluous to speak, who are known the world over, who are in every way reliable, and by whom Philately is honored in counting them amongst its votaries. Let Mr. Payne or any other stamp buyer simply use a little common sense and business judgment, as to whom to deal with, not send money to unknown "*companies*" who advertise what neither they nor any one else can supply and he will find not one but scores of honest upright men who deal in stamps in Canada.

WITH OUR ADVERTISERS.

Collectors are requested to read over these notes carefully, as they are published for their benefit.

In this number will be found a page ad. of Alfred Smith and Son one of the oldest and most reliable firms in the world. They advertise the famous "Rowland Hill" packets (Rowland Hill, you will remember was the founder of Postage Stamps). These packets, or rather collections, we once had the pleasure of examining and we must say that no dealer can equal them in quality and cheapness. Alfred Smith and Son issue a neat booklet giving full description of these famous packets, which will be sent to any address on receipt of stamp.

In this number, will also be found an ad. from F. R. Ginn, one of England's champion dealers, they also have a line of splendid collections, which many a dealer could not sell for double the money. Try them and be convinced English dealers have better facilities for buying cheaper than any others, hence the reason for selling cheaper.

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purely speculative and commercial concern without any Government control. Certainly he possesses an eloquently worded "concession" from the late "King" Malietoa authorising him to establish a post office, but the native government of the island does not include the post offices. However the King's concession enabled Mr Davis to carry on a private post office and to call himself the "Local Postmaster." Every possible pretext he has had for making changes or issuing a new stamp, he has taken advantage of. When he started this post office in 1887, he began by issuing a set with "Palmtrees" thereon. Of nearly all the values of this palmtree set there exist several shades, especially in the 1d and 2d values; the shades of the latter value varying from the darkest orange brown to the lightest canary yellow. The stamps are printed by the New Zealand government printer at Wellington, which accounts for their being on watermarked paper (*Star and N. Z.*) This individual has made a "big thing" out of selling his stamps neatly cancelled to order in sets, at a discount off face and he has also "Rung the changes" on "Provisional" stamps with numerous overprints. One of his latest speculations was to change the ½d dull purple to green, and the 1d blue green to red brown, "in conformity with the rules of the Postal Union Congress." His stamps not being recognized by the Postal Union the said rules do not affect him any more than the man in the moon. On account of the recent troubles in Samoa a conference was held at Apia by the delegates of the three "protectorate" powers. who formed a "Provisional Government," until something definite was decided. This gave the "Local Postmaster" a chance to bring out something new and he accordingly issued the palmtree set with the surcharge "Provisional Government" thereon with no authority whatsoever from that government.

We may now, with safety, write "*Finis*" to all these speculative stamps sold by Mr Davis, as his issues will be abolished, and in —all probability— German stamps surcharged "Samoach", which is I believe the Teutonic form of the word, will be issued. The United States will, no doubt issue a series very likely after the style of the Cuban set of surcharged stamps, for the island of Tutuila. It now remains to be seen whether Great Britain will issue any stamps to advertise the islands, she has just acquired. At the present time, at the Islands Chisoeul and Ysabel, there are not many white residents, but now England has them, it might be an inducement for planters and traders to establish themselves there. All those collectors who go in for only Great Britain and her colonies, and who have been putting aside Samoan stamps, in case that some day Samoa should become a part of *Greater Britain*, have only been saving up in vain, as now Samoa is "German" and the stamps to be used hereafter will not be British articles, but will be "*Made in Germany*," and collectors will not want "Some more" (Samoa).

Samoa, farewell! — a *long* farewell!



Here is a good specimen of the ignorance sometimes displayed by the non-collector. This letter was actually received from Bolton this morning (Thursday).

"Mrs. X. has a penny red stamp sent through the post in November, 1869. It is not much marked by the post-office stamp and is in good preservation. Mrs. X. would sell the stamp for a *good price*."

The italics are ours.—*Ewen's W. S. News.*

LADYSMITH'S PIGEON POST. — It is entirely owing to the love of Natal Englishmen for the old-country sport of pigeon racing that the government has been able to organize a pigeon post to and from Ladysmith. M. Arthur Hirst, who has been asked to take charge of it, is a Yorkshireman who has settled at Durban and imported "homers." With several of his compatriots he last year established a society to encourage the sport, and he has won a prize in races from Johannesburg to Durban, a distance of 300 miles.—*London Leader.*

STAMPS USED BY TOMMY ATKINS.— It is interesting to watch the progress of our troops by the postage stamps they use. At first letters received at home bear the stamps of the Cape; then appear those of Natal, and in the first stages of the war, stamps of our own country.

Now, however, these seem to be exhausted and as the men are up country and most of them far away from any post-office, all that appears on their letters besides the address is the postmark described above, with "1d." to pay on delivery. *The deficient postage, in a case like this, is not, of course, charged double. —Ewens W. S. News.*

The attention of Canada's Postmaster General is respectfully drawn to the concluding paragraph of the foregoing item. Please take the hint.

AUSTRALIAN STAMP NEWS.

BY RALPH W. GOSSET.

Auckland, N. Z., Dec. 23th 1899.

The two chief items of conversation in this town at present are the "Elections" and the "Boer War." The former were held on the 6th inst. amid much excitement. Now they are properly over people are settling down again to their normal state of mind. The chief Philatelic news from New Zealand this month is the issue of "Postage Due" Stamps. It has been rumoured for some months past that these would soon be issued, but beyond that, nothing of a definite character was heard until the issue of the New Zealand Government gazette appeared on October 19th 1899, when regulations were gazetted authorising the issue of the above named Series of Stamps. The official proclamation in the usual form appeared on page *1,932* of the gazette just mentioned.

These regulations state neither the designs nor the values to be issued, but of course now that they duly appeared on the 1st of this month the designs are well known. They are printed in green, except the value which is red, on "Star N. Z." paper and are perforated 11 all round. At the bottom of the stamp are the words "Postage Due." The value is printed in red in a circle which is above the words "Postage Due", under the value in the circle are the initials "N. Z.". Around the inside of the line forming the circle is another circle of fancy work. Four triangles fill up the space in the corners of the stamp outside the circle. (I enclose you a specimen.) As far as I can glean the set comprises the following values : ½d, 1d, 2d, 3d, 4d, 5d, 6d, 10d (?) 1 sh. and 2 sh.. I have seen all the above except the 10d. I am not quite certain as to the authenticity of this value as yet.

Our 1d post card is printed in dark green *now*, instead of blue as *formerly*. It as also been made larger in size it is now 5½ x 3½ inches which is about half an inch larger all round than the old blue one. The green Cards have in the left hand lower corner a picture of some large town or other place of interest in New Zealand, I believe there are about a dozen varieties of views.

It is also rumoured that we are to have stamped envelopes soon. The correspondent of the "Australian Philatelist." in Wellington states that the values are to be ½d, 1d and 2d. But he does not say what the designs or colours are to be.

Recently I had an opportunity of seeing some high value unused duty stamps of this Colony. They went up in value to £500, (all adhesive stamps). Any amount over that figure if it is a large sum a special stamp is printed for the deed or probate, or whatever the document may be, (except annual licences). The high value duty stamps thus issued are always printed in gold.

In Christchurch some little while back some large estate was put through the court for probate, and the duty thereon was £60,000 for which amount a special stamp was printed in gold. In Nelson also a stamp for £12,000 was affixed to a deed of some large estate. Duty stamps of £500 value and downwards are always kept in stock ; over that amount they have to be specially printed in gold.

The following are the colours of the high values as kept in stock, viz :

£500 Blue	£400 Pink
300 Light Brown	200 Green
100 Lilac.	

I noticed in the £500 stamp three distinct shades and two in the £300.

The following is a list of all regular values now issued :

£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
500			9			1	5	
400			8			1	0	
300			7				15	
200			6				10	
100			5				9	
50			4	10			8	
45			4	0			7	6
40			3	10			7	
35			3	0			6	
30			2	10			5	
25			2	0			4	
20			1	15			3	
15			1	10			2	6
10								

There are several other values existing beside those in the above list, but these are the regular kinds used at the present time. Of course in some stamp offices some odd values may be found still such as 6s. 8d.. 13s. 4d., 2s. 10d., etc. On such Legal Documents as Licences, annual Licences, etc., the stamp on same is always embossed on the deed. I have in my possession a £200 embossed stamp off an annual Licence. On promissary notes the duty stamp is embossed also the same on Bank cheques —1d. value—.

Samoa.—Of the recent developments in this place I have written a few notes in another article. I had shewn to me a few days ago by one of our dealers here the complete set of the "Provisional Government" surcharge of Samoa. They comprised the following (all palm tree type except the 5d. which is the oblong horizontal one Flag type) :

Red Surcharge,	*Blue Surcharge.*
½d. green new colour	1d. It red brown new colour
2d. orange	5d. deep red
2d. yellow	6d. dk brown
4d. blue	1s, bright rose
2s. 6d. violet	

The post master at Samoa (Mr Davis) issued the ½d. green and 1d. red brown in "conformity with the Postal Union Congress Rules" !!

(The aforesaid post master is a private individual and he, no doubts conducts the post office as a commercial concern). The surcharged provisionals are of quite a different shade to the other "palm tree" type being of quite a brighter colour.

Cook Islands.—The surcharges at this place have been absolutely sold out and none whatever are now procurable at the post office. The ½d. dark blue bird (Torea) type is now on sale in its place, as previously advised in the "notes." It is probable that the ½d., 1d. and 2½d. will be changed into the postal union colors viz:—Green, Red and Blue. Considering the changes that have taken place here lately in the stamps viz :—1d. blue changed to brown, 1d. blue surcharged ½d., and the appearance of a new ½d. blue bird type, it is not improbable that the colours might be changed, at least I should not be surprised to see them come out in the colours mentioned, as in some of these small places the "sale of postage stamps" has much to do with the making up of the Revenue.

Tonga.—The surcharge I advised you of last mail is not much in demand in this town, as no doubt a *good* stock of them exist.

South Australia.—The ½d., 1d. and 2½d. are now on sale in the postal union colours and are perforated 13. and watermarked "Crown and S. A." The 2d. has been changed in colour from brown to deep mauve, which colour makes it look a fine stamp, it has the same perforation and watermark as those just mentioned.

Some varieties of perforation have appeared here lately in the high values viz :

10 s. perf. 11½ x 12½

2 s. 6d. }
5 s. } perf. 11½ with large holes
£1 }

Victoria :—The ½d,, 1d. and 2½d. have all appeared in the postal union colours ; and the 1½d. has been changed from green to red on yellow (formerly the colour of 2½d)

New South Wales :—The government of this Colony lately destroyed most of the dies of the obsolete stamps. Mr Basset Hull of Sydney writes an excellent article (giving full particulars of same) to Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal, October number.

New Zealand :—Re. 4d. brown and blue, perforated 11, and unwatermarked I have had a great number of requests from U. S. A. and Canada for same. I may state that this stamp was on sale in Wellington only, *for one hour*, and was immediately withdrawn on account of similarity with the penny stamp, not many found their way to Auckland however. At the present time they are selling in this Colony for something like 3s. each unused. Collectors think that the next lot issued will be on watermarked paper, hence their reaching that figure. So those people asking me for them will see that they are by no means easy to obtain.

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I am pleased to report that since the announcement of the appointment of Mr. W. Kelsey Hall as our President, I have received several very encouraging letters which show the popularity of this gentleman and the satisfaction generally given by the appointment.

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H. SMITH, Sec. ; Sales Supt.

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At a meeting of the trustees., Mr. J. S. Dalton, was appointed to fill the position of Auction Mgr., left vacant by the resigning of Mr. James Wurtele. Mr. Dalton is experienced in this line, his business being a mail auction one.

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AUCTION MANAGER'S REPORT.

488 McLaren St.
Ottawa, Can., Jan. 25th 1900.

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I must ask, all members to please send their stamps immediately.

Hoping to receive the required aid of all members. I remain

Fraternally yours, J. SYDNEY DALTON.
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FIELD NOTES.

BY RUDOLPH C. BACH.

The field postal service is conducted by the Military P. O., Battalion from England, which is made up of P. O. Employés only.

Military Field Post Office No. 1 is situated at DeAar Junction, 501 miles from Capetown and the advance base of supplies. No. 2 is at Orange River, also a supply depot. The delivery of home mails to the troops in the field is made with wonderful despatch and accuracy. It must not be forgotton, that there are not only a large number of regiments in the field, but that they are scattered in battalions all along the front.

English stamps are used by the Military Field P. O. and stamped entire covers with readable cancellations will surely become rare, as the supply of English stamps is already exhausted. Only ½d. 1d. and 2½d. stamps are used.

I am making a collection of Army Telegraph Cancellations. These are very interesting on the entire active service envelopes.

We can expect new stamps for the Transvaal and Orange Free State soon, and probably there will be more surcharges. Amongst a Boer convoy captured at Modder River were over 10,000 stamps, unluckily they were destroyed before I got wind of the affair, I got the news from a wounded man, who was in the capture. I then spoke to a Field P. O. man, with whom I had become acquainted, and who was going up, and he promised to do all he could for me, but I receive a letter to-day, stating that they had been destroyed.

I expect we shall go to the actual front soon. We have had two or three little skirmishes and out post firing and I have heard the "blue beans" sing about my ears but—never touched me. We work a lot, build railroads trenches, forts, etc. The grub is good, better than we got in Canadian camps.

I have to thank many U. S. and Canadian friends from the bottom of my heart for their kind letters, it is pleasant to think that all have not turned against me on account of the misrepresented G. B., Is. affair. When I get back I shall refund every cent on them. It is not much any way, and all my creditors will be satisfied in full.

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Dutch Indies 10c king	5c per 10	Trinidad 97 2½p	10c per 10
Japan 20 sen yellow	8c per 10	Straits Setts. 8c blue	12c per 10
" 50 sen brown	8c per 10	South Aust 4p blue	12c per 10
Guatemala 1c blue	8c per 10	" 6p violet	15c per 10
" 5c purple	8c per 10	Malta ½p green	10c per 10
Ecuador 1c, 2c and 20c	10c per 10	Grenada 1p lilac	10c per 10
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NEWS OF THE MONTH.

We again present a long list of novelties this month, most of them of considerable interest. We have decided in future to chronicle, under a separate heading, new counterfeits that we hear of, and those stamp emissions which are plainly of a purely speculative nature, that is, designed to take advantage of the Philatelist's collecting instinct by turning it to a source of pront for impecunious postal administrations. It is not always easy to draw the line between speculative and legitimate issues. Many persons consider all provisional and surcharged stamps speculative, experience however, and a careful consideration of each individual case plainly show that the opposite is generally true. The stamps for most countries are manufactured elsewhere than in the country where they are used, consequently an unusual demand for any particular stamp, a change of postal rates leaving a large stock of a useless value on hand, or other similar legitimate reasons, are the ordinary motive for surcharges, which can be made in the local printing office. Where these valid reasons exist a provisional stamp becomes of prime Philatelic interest, as marking some event of historical importance, which as we have so often insisted is what gives to our pursuit a real value. Others condemn commemorative issues because not necessary for actual postal requirements; to this we do not agree, for there is no reason why historical events, so often commemorated by coinage and medals, should not also be marked in the minds of a nation by an object of such popular use as a postage stamp.

We hope to treat of this subject more at length at an early day.

ENTRANCES AND EXITS.

AUSTRIA.—We have now seen most of the values of the new set of adhesives, also a post card 5 heller green. The type illustrated in our February number is used for the values from 1 to 6 heller, the 10, 20 and 25 heller have the numerals of value in squares instead of circles, while the higher heller values resemble the old type (A 14).

BAVARIA.—The new stamps of the current set have appeared. The values and colors are:

2 pf. gray, 40 pf. yellow.
30 " olive, 80 " lilac.

Watermarked wavy lines, perforated 14½.

BELGIUM.—Our Antwerp correspondent informs us that the changes he advised us of in December and reported by us in our January issue, have been postponed till a later date, probably some time in March, as the supply of stamps on hand with the Sunday label is sufficient to last till then. It is reported from another source that the new stamps will be of different designs to the current set.

BRAZIL.—In order to conform with U. P U. rules the colors of the 50,100 and 200 reis have been changed to green, rose and dark blue. Four pictorial stamps, commemorative of the 400th anniversary of the discovery of Brazil were issued January 1st for domestic postage only and available only up to February 28th. The values and colors are as follows:

100 r. red (Discovery of Brazil)
200 r. dark green (Independence or Death)
500 r. blue (Abolition of Slavery)
700 r. green (Statue of the Republic)

BRITISH NEW GUINEA.—The *Monthly Circular* reports "that this possession which now uses Queensland stamps is to have an issue of its own."

BRITISH HONDURAS.—Stanley Gibbon's *Monthly Journal* reports a provisional 2c. post card formed by over printing the 3c card, carmine on buff, of 1891 with the new value.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.—A 1d. stamp, carmine red, commemorative of the adoption of Imperial penny postage was issued at the beginning of the year. A press despatch says: "it is neat in design but is unfavorably criticised, because of the entire absence of any indication of Im

perial connection." The upper half of stamp depicts the colonial arms, below is a view of Table Bay with Cape Town and Table Mountain in the back-ground, figures of value, 1d. occupy each corner.

CHILI.—As announced in our December number the "Postage due" stamps have been withdrawn from use. The stock of remainders was sold at auction September 23rd. The following are the quantities sold and prices realized as reported by the *Philatelic Journal of G. B.*

830,000	1c.	carmine (U 4)	1700	pesos
240,000	2	" "	800	"
790,000	4	" "	1500	"
1,800,000	10	" "	1605	"
480,000	20	" "	3240	"
80	1c.	red on yellow (U3)		
787	2	" " "		
6,640	6	" " "	2305	"
2,000	8	" " "		
6,079	10	" " "		
9,443	20	" " "		
			11150	pesos

This sum at 30 cents to the peso would equal $3,345.00 Canadian money. With the exception of the five first mentioned values in the foregoing list an advance in catalogue price may now be looked for in unpaid letter Chilian stamps.

A complete new series of Chilian stamps and envelopes, including news bands of 2, 4, 6, 10 and 20 centavos has been contracted for with Waterlow & Sons of London. The *Philatelista Brazileiro*, which first reports this news, states that the design will remain the same as heretofore but the colors and values will be changed. *L'Essor Philatelique* reports that the new set will comprise the following adhesive stamps.

1c	green	10c	violet
2c	carmine	20c	black
5c	blue	50c	brown.

Also registration envelopes of 15c violet and 20c black, but only two news bands 2c and 20c.

CHINA.—The 5 cents (London print) has been changed in color from salmon to a bright orange red.

Japanese offices.—The *Metropolitan Philatelist* reports the establishment of Japanese post offices in China, and the issue of stamps, surcharged in black or red with Japanese characters on the curren issue of Japan. The red surcharge is on the 5r, 1s, 2s, 5s, 8s. and 25s, and the black on the remaining values of the cnrrent set.

COREA.—This country has joined the Universal Postal Union and a set of 4 stamps, similar in design to those of Japan is to appear,

Japanese Offices,—L'Essor Philatelique reports the new issue ofJapan 5 rin, 1, 2 and 3 sen, surcharged with the word "Corea" in Japanese characters, as in use since January 1st, at the post office at Seoul.

CRETE.—The new permanent issue is in preparation. It is printed in London and consists of 9 stamps of various designs, including a portrait of Prince George, in value from 1 lepton to 5 drachma.

FINLAND.—It is reported in the press that there is a conflict of authority between the Russian Government and the Senate of Finland, which has refused to sanction the decree abolishing the use of Finnish stamps, meanwhile the report comes to hand that all the Finland remainders have been bought up by a Parisian dealer.

FRANCE. — The government has accepted the design drawn by M. Joseph Blanc for the lower values of the set to be issued in May, 1 to 5 centimes. In the central oval, at the right side, is a female wearing the Phrygian cap representing Liberty, she holds a balance representing Equality, upon the scales of which two cupids embracing symbolise Fraternity. The work of the engravers on the three new designs of MM. Mouchon, Merson and Blanc is now in progress.

FRENCH CONGO.—*Le Philateliste Francais* illustrates a new type for this colony. It represents a Congo woman armed with a lance, standing in a crescent formed of two elephants tusks. No particulars are given in regard to values and colors, but only one type is to be employed for all values.

GREAT BRITAIN. — Messrs Stanley, Gibbons advise us that the contemplated issue of ½d and 1s stamps in new colors will not appear for some months to come.

HUNGARY. — We illustrate the new stamps which are now freely arriving on mail matter. It will be noticed that the new coinage in the land of the Magyar is the "filler," equal to the Austrian "heller."



The change of currency has according to press reports, been the cause of much confusion and annoyance at the post offices, and profanity we have no doubt.

The Austrian name for the coinage was perhaps modified to avoid this on the part of the fiery Hungarians. The complete corrected list of values and colors is as follows :



1	filler gray	25	filler blue
2	" bistre	30	" orange brown
3	" orange	50	" maroon
4	" purple	60	" olive
5	" green	1	korona red brown
6	" claret	3	" blue green
10	" carmine.		

Newspaper stamp.



(2 f.) No value expressed, red.

MARIANNE ISLANDS. — These islands commonly known as the Ladrone group were with the exception of Guam included in the sale of the Caroline group by Spain to Germany and it is now said that an issue is in preparation surcharged "Marianen-Inseln" on German stamps.

NEW ZEALAND.—We illustrate the Postage Due stamps described at length in our February number, by our Australian correspondent.



PHILIPPINE ISLANDS. — U. S. post cards, of 1c and 2c, and 2c reply with the name surcharged below the stamp are reported, also a 1 cent envelope green on white paper.

SALVADOR. — The *Monthly Circular* reports the following new post cards :

1 centavo olive on salmon
2 " brown on green, single & reply
3 " blue on blue grey " "

SARAWAK. — The *Era* is the first to record two new adhesives of the current type—8c. yellow value in ultra-marine, and 16c. brown value in light green. The *A. J. of P.* also reports the following: 12c. violet, 25c. brown and blue, 50c. olive and carmine and $1 carmine and green, and from the *M. C.* we learn that a 4c. surcharged in red on the 6c. green has appeared. (Type A 2.)

SIAM. — Further particulars and specimens, have arrived of the set reported by us last month. The design is a profile of the King to left and values and colors are as follows :

1	att olive	10	atts blue
2	" green	12	" lilac & carmine
3	" red & blue	24	" lilac and blue
4	" carmine	64	" lilac and brown
8	" green and yellow		

SOUTH AUSTRALIA. —We illustrate the new ½d stamp reported in our December issue. The design represents the General Post office at Adelaide. Our special correspondent Mr. Gosset reports a 1d. reply card rose on buff, and the *M. C.* lists a ½d band similar to Scott type W 2 but inscribed with the name of the Colony.



TASMANIA. — We illustrate the 1d. stamp of the long advertised pictorial issue for this colony. The view represented is, as indicated on the stamp Mount Wellington, it is of carmine color, watermarked "TAS"; The 2d. stamp is the only other value of the set yet issued, is has a view of Hobart and is printed in violet. They are made by Waterlow & Sons of London. Further details and comments of the local press will be found in our Australian letter in this number.



TURKS ISLANDS,—The *Virginia Philatelist* is the first to report a contemplated new issue, having the coat of arms of the colony for device, to appear about the middle of the year. 2s and 3s stamps are to be added to the values now in use, when the new set appears.

URUGUAY.—The *Metropolitan Philatelist* announces that the 1899 5c. steel blue, and 10c. red lilac have been surcharged "Oficial" for official correspondence. and from the European Journals we learn that the current 2c orange is also so treated, the 1899 5m and 1c will probably appear similarly decorated.

VENEZUELA. — *Mekeel's Weekly* reports surcharges of the word "Resellada" "R. F. M." on the current 5c, 10c, 25c, 50c, 1b. 2b, and 25c registration stamps, but is at a loss to understand the meaning of the surcharge.

VICTORIA.—Two of the new pos cards reported in our Dec. number are now in use, 1d rose and 1½d brown rose on bluish green.

SPECULATIVE STAMPS AND COUNTERFEITS.

The stamps described under this heading, we would advise collectors to avoid, as they are manufactured either by official authority or by private individuals for their own gain at the expense of Philatelists.

EGYPT.—*French offices*. As we surmised and hinted at when reporting the Post Said surcharges 25c on 10e in our last number, they turn out to be a speculation pure and simple on the part of the local post master. M. F. Marconnet a well know French specialist in *L Echo de la Timbrologie* exposes the affair, calls it a "Philatelic swindle" and states that the stamps "are simply the result of a second class post master's cupidity." *Verbum sap*.

LABUAN.—From the *London Philatelist* we learn that the company which controls the postal department of Labuan (and we presume North Borneo) has sent between 7,000 and 10,000 sets of 9 to 12 varieties to Sandakan to be surcharged *there*, thus making a local print and a London print of the recent 4c surcharges. After being over printed the stamps are to be returned to London and none sold locally. It is probable that a few of each variety will be allowed to pass through the mails, so as to satisfy the easy consciences of those who might hesitate about selling as postage stamps, the products of such a Philatelic swindle.

NICARAGUA.—The stamps engraved by the American Bank Note Co. for Dr. Arsenjo's speculation with the Nicaraguan Government at the expense of stamp collectors, have been issued. There are 13 varieties of postage stamps, 10 of Official stamps, 7 of Postage Due, and 8 of Telegraph, 38 in all ranging in value from 1 centavo to 5 pesos: our space is too valuable to list them in detail. The designs, workmanship and coloring, as might be expected, are good as the labels are intended to attract the pennies of the junior collector. Serious Philatelists we believe will ignore them, as we intend to do for the future. We wish that dealers generally would do the same, we fear however that the temptation of a temporary gain, will prove too strong for some, who would consider it dishonest to sell to unsuspecting boys counterfeits or reprints. This rubbish is no better, and if the large dealers would simply treat it as a bogus issue and refuse to handle it, Dr. Arsenjo's speculation would soon come to a disasterous end. As the Nicaraguan Government is to pay nothing for the stamps, the contractor depends entirely upon the gullibility of collectors to pay the engravers and make a profit. We shall do all in our power to prevent this and hope to be supported by all the Philatelic fraternity who have the interests of our pursuit at heart.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

THE ADHESIVE, *Henry A. Chapman, Rocky Hill, Conn., Vol. I, Nos. 1 and 2, January and February.*

When we say that Mr. Chapman's latest venture in Philatelic literature is from the press of the Stowell printing house, it is all that is necessary to prove that the mechanical part is executed to perfection. The contents of the two numbers before us are interesting and mostly well written, nothing of a scientific nature, not a great deal about stamps, but light, readable, notes mainly of a personal character. Not the least interesting are the biographical sketches, with portraits, of well known workers in the field of philatelic literature. Mr. Chapman states his aim to be to "furnish a clean magazine, made up of good, readable matter" of a "reasonably philatelic" character. In this modest effort we wish him every success and have no doubt he will attain it. If we might offer a word of advice, we would say do not fear to make use of the editor's blue pencil, correspondents too often write what they think will serve their own private ends, and unless the responsible editor freely cuts and slashes into all such matter the tone of the magazine must inevitably deteriorate. Of the articles on stamps the only one that calls for notice on our part is that in the February issue "about Canadian Revenues" and that is such a mass of contraditions and errors that we have taken a special column to review it.

THE BUCKEYE PHILATELIST, *Paul Cline, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, Vol. I, Nos. 1, 2, 3, Nov., Dec. and Jan.*

THE PHILATELIC POST, *Nunundah Stamp Co., Smethport, Pa., Vol. I, Nos. 1 and 2, Jan. and Feb.*

These two new aspirants in the field of journalism are typical exponents of the American Philatelic Press, well printed, readable, made up of short chatty articles, by the same writers for both, nothing scientific, and the inevitable "Review." Papers of this class we have no doubt

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"CANADIAN NOTES."

Our efforts to improve the tone and style of Canadian correspondence in the Philatelic press, are meeting with numerous marks of approbation. We have received a great number of letters from prominent Canadian and American philatelists congratulating us on the stand we have taken, and the only note of disa tisfaction, comes from one of the correspondents we more pointedly referred to in our recent article. This young gentleman, against whom we have not the slightest personal animosity, who is so thin skinned as to be unable to stand a fair criticism of his writings, talks about "uncalled for attacks" threatens libel suits, demands apologies and hints a vengeance dire, instead of making the slightest attempt to justify his sensational correspondence or show that the exaggerations he has published are of any benefit to Philately or Philatelists. Such a course is quite impossible as the writings we complained of are simply cowardly and unjustifiable for the reasons we pointed out. The gentleman if he consulted his own interests, would act upon the advice we freely gave him, and thus enhance his value as a correspondent. The other young man we referred to in our January article has taken a more sensible course, he cries "*mea culpa*" and promises to turn over a new leaf; we congratulate him on his wise resolve and hope he will yet make his mark in journalism. He possesses ability let him now direct it properly.

The following is from the February number of the *New York Philatelist*, and proves how timely our article was:

"We can use a few more regular or occasional contributors with *up-to-date* ideas."

The last few lines appeared in our January issue. We received quite a few selections of Mss. in response, but we also received at least a half dozen letters from youths residing in various parts of Canada who remarked that they found the *N. Y. Philatelist* very interesting, etc., but there is "something lacking—to make the paper of interest to the majority of philatelists" and that "something" they invariably state is that we have no "Canadian Notes."

These writers!! refer us to a number of papers to which they contribute. They are willing to accept most anything in payment for their services—from a year's subscription to an inch or two of space. We accepted their suggestions and asked

for a selection of "Notes" but as we find that the majority of these writers furnish the same material and very poor at that, we have decided to spare our readers from a "Canadian Correspondent" until we can secure a man who can really furnish a satisfactory Canadian letter.

CANADIAN REVENUES.

A writer in the *Adhesive* who advertises for sale, in the same issue, a selection of Canadian revenue stamps, is allowed by the editor, space to recommend his wares and does so by showing, that in the older catalogues of these stamps, the prices quoted were ridiculously high, while in the more recent ones, quotations somewhat nearer their true value are given. He accounts for this "drop" by the supposition that one of the publishers of the catalogues having "a large supply "of some of the listed stamps he puts "them away down in order to sell them" and goes on to say in contradiction to his previous remarks "the prices for these "stamps are going up steadily" and closes his article by the advice,—let us hope with the disinterested object of benefiting his readers and not to help his own sales—"collectors would do well to "get as good a collection as possible be- "fore they go up in price, which will not "be long."

This article is a fair example of the ridiculous stuff, American publishers accept as "Canadian Notes" from irresponsible writers, against which we protested in our January issue. Absolutely no reason is assigned why Canadian revenues should advance in price, and the facts reported would surely indicate an opposite tendency. If a stamp dealer has "a large supply" of any stamp and publicly offers to sell at a fraction of a previous catalogue quotation, and if collectors are willing to pay the price he asks, that price is most certainly the retail "market value" of the stamp, for only a person in ignorance of the facts would be willing to pay more.

A brief consideration of the facts in connection with Canada revenues, will we think convince any one, that with the exception of a few "errors," the tendency of market prices will be downward, not upward, for a long time to come. Revenue stamps, unlike postage stamps, are used on documents that are preserved—notes, receipts, wills, bills of sale, legal papers, insurance and shipping documents, inspection certificates etc.—little attention is given to the stamps until a demand arises for them; at the first demand they are scarce because stored away, but they exist in enormous quantities and as gradually unearthed the supply soon meets the demand and of course prices fall. Some Canadian revenues are used to represent inspection fees on certificates that are valid, *only if stamped*, for a term of years—five years for electric light inspection certificates—, until the term expires the stamps are scarce, but after expiry, they can be had, certificates and all. for the price of waste paper. Any one who knows how many years important lawsuits often last. can readily understand why law stamps long after they are obsolete become commoner than current issues.

Collectors of Canadian revenues, who buy the stamps,expecting they will"go up" in price, for many a day to come, will, except in a few special cases, be certainly disappointed. They are attractive and interesting stamps, and deserve the attention of Philatelists independent of any consideration of price.

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help the cause, by stimulating local interest in Philately, and so deserve encouragement, but how they can expect to have an extended circulation outside their own locality is incomprehensible. Out of the five numbers before us, but one article affords a topic for discussion, that by Amy L. Swift on "Commemoratives" in the Philatelic Post for February. We shall at an early date treat of this subject from a scientific stand point and review Miss Swift's very entertaining paper.

Since writing the above we learn that the *Buckeye Philatelist* has stopped publication, at which we are not surprised.

THE PHILATELIC SPECTATOR, *Geo. E. Mueller, Berlin, Ont., Vol. II, No. 1 January.* Although this is called the first number of Vol. II, we have never seen any of the numbers of Vol. I. We must congratulate ourselves on this if they were at all like the issue for January, for a more poorly printed trashy sheet it would be difficult to find. On page 5 the editor gives a column list of Philatelic journals received "since out last issue" from which the MONTREAL PHILATELIST is omitted. Whether a copy has been mailed to him or not, it is for our publisher to say, we do not know, but certainly the gentleman who occupies the editorial chair received one from somewhere, whether begged, borrowed or stolen we can only guess, at any rate he has stolen our reading matter to fill up his first page of "Interesting Notes" every line of which except the last paragraph is copied word for word from our December report of new issues. We have no doubt Mr. Editor you will often find "interesting notes" in our columns, and we give you full permission to use them with acknowledgement of their source, but if you have no brains of your own don't steal other people's ideas and pass them off for yours.

PHILATELY AT THE FRONT.

There is a certain amount of sentiment attached to the stamps used by our soldiers in South Africa. They can be distinguished by the postmark, already described in "E.W.S.N.." and consist of the ½d. and 1d. of Natal, the ½d. and 1d. of Cape of Good Hope and the current penny British. Apart from the sentimental interest, the most interesting stamp from a philatelic point of view is the 1d. British. This statement is based on the fact that the stamps of Natal and the Cape are only used within the boundaries of their respective countries, and as the postmark of the Field Post Office only indicates where the letters have been posted, that office only ranks with the other offices in Natal or Cape Colony, as the case may be.

On the other hand, British penny stamps. being used in a country other than the country of issue, should come under the denomination of provisionals.

Possibly there will be a few Cape stamps used in Natal, but it will be difficult to distinguish them, unless the envelopes also bear the postmark of a Natal transmitting office.

In the case of the British 1d., however, there can be no doubt, and, as most collectors reserve a corner of their albums for British stamps used abroad, they will probably give the place of honour to this one, recording, as it does, the greatest event that has taken place in British history during this generation.

A very interesting page in an album could be made up of the various stamps and envelopes connected with the war, and the following list will give collectors, who are interested in the matter, an idea of what to be on the lookout for. The stamps are the ½d. green of Natal, singles and pairs; the 1d. red of Natal, single; the ½d. green and 1d. red of Cape Colony, singles and pairs; and the penny British. All these stamps can be found with the British Army postmark. Turning to envelopes, we find specimens bearing no postage stamps at all, the amount of postage being collected on delivery. Other envelopes worth looking out for are those bearing Natal stamps, with the postmark of Chievely, Natal. These were used by the men of General Buller's force at Chievely Camp, and were forwarded to Pietermaritsburg. There they were stamped on the back with the mark of that office before being despatched to England. All the above stamps and envelopes should be fairly easy to acquire, but there is an envelope that will elude the majority of collectors. Part of a large mail was "commandeered" by the Boers at Dundee, Natal, and taken to Pretoria and examined. Every letter was slit open at one end and perused, the object being to see that no information of any use reached England. All letters to which no objection could be taken were afterwards closed with a label bearing an inscription to the effect that they had been officially examined by the "Z.A.R." They were then stamped with the postmark of Pretoria and resumed their interrupted journey to Britain.

Readers who have been expecting letters from Dundee and haven't got them yet, will know that their friends have been indiscreet.

The above mentioned letters only reached London last week.

The majority of collectors expect, in the event of the British Army entering the Transvaal (which we all hope will not be long now), that the stamps of the Republic will be surcharged V.R. as in 1877.

We must bear in mind, however, that the circumstances are very much different now to what they were then.

In 1877 a suzerainty was established, and although the Republican stamps were surcharged V.R., the revenue aris-

ing from the sale of them, went to the exchequer of the Transvaal, in the same manner as that of other British protectorates.

In the present instance there will be nothing less than annexation, and the only doubt that should exist in the minds of stamp collectors, on the matter of surcharging, is whether Natal or our own stamps will have the honour.—*Ewen's Weekly Stamps News.*

AUSTRALIAN STAMP NEWS.

BY RALPH W. GOSSET.

Auckland, N. Z., Jan. 22nd 1900.

During Christmas and the preceeding week a very heavy strain of work was placed on the postal officials at the post offices in this place, in receiving, sorting and distributing the thousands of Christmas letters, cards, etc., that were transmitted through the post. The daily paper here states: "that every credit must be given to them for the very prompt manner in which the requirements have been met."

One now sees a fairly good number of the lower values of the N. Z. postage dues, as they have all over the colony, been formally initiated into general use, all the various and miscellaneous letters and articles, insufficiently prepaid have them now affixed. They cannot under any consideration be procured unused.

The 1d. brown and blue stamp has now been formally withdrawn from all the post offices in the Colony, and none are now obtainable at those places. I am informed that the stamp office (which is a separate department from the post office) has not yet placed its stocks of 1d's on sale. So there might yet be a chance to obtain some more.

Tasmania. — I have received three letters from "readers of this paper" asking for information re the proposed new issue of Tasmanian Stamps, and when they are to appear.

In *Vol.* 1 *No.* 12 of this paper I gave particulars of the new set that were being prepared for use in this Colony.

Since then I have not heard anything definite until the last few days, when I was informed that two of the values had appeared. From the *Australian Philatelist* I cull the following letter which gives all particulars very fully:

"Hobart, Dec. 16th 1899."

"Dear Sir:—I herewith enclose you "specimens of the 1d. and 2d. values of "the new issue of Tasmanian Stamps. I "am sorry to inform you that they are "not up to expectation, especially the "one penny value. The view on it pro- "perly speaking is the "Mountain Lake," "whereas it is given as "Mount Welling- "ton" on the stamp, the name being "shewn in large capital letters, which is "quite unnecessary as it makes the stamp "look more like a picture than a postage "stamp. I have been informed by a "post office official that the 1d. stamp is "not what was ordered by the Depart- "ment, so no doubt there will be an "alteration in the design when the pre- "sent stock is exhausted. The 2d. "value is the better stamp of the two, "but it does not bear the view originally "given which was to be the "Cataract "Gorge," the present one being 'Hobart.' "The other values, I understand, have "not arrived in the Colony yet. The "1d. value was issued to the public on "the 13th inst. (Dec.) and the 2d. on the "15th inst. (Dec,)."

I also clip the following from a contemporary:

"The stamps are of large size 32 x 24 "m.m. printed apparently from engraved "copper plates similarly to the current "Tongan. The 1d. contains a large view "of the old dam used in connection with "the Cascade Brewery water supply and "grandiloquently termed the "Mountain "Lake," with snow clad Mount Well- "ington in the back-ground. A some- "what simple frame encloses the view, "and the name "Tasmania" in small "white Roman Capitals is placed In a "straight line at the top; "Mount Well- "ington" in coloured letters in an arch "below flanked by "1d." in white on "coloured shield at each side; shape: "up-right rectangular.

"The 2d. contains a view of "Hobart" "with "Mount Wellington" in the back "ground, taken from Rosny point, co- "pied from Captain Forrest's well known "and wonderfully accurate painting. "Name in white capitals above, value "in figures (2d.) in colour on white "shields in upper angles Hobart in small "coloured capitals below; shape; ob- "long rectangular, The watermark "consists of the abbreviation "Tas." in "sloping letters running diagonally in "rows, repeated through the sheet. This "watermark appears three times com- "plete, and four times partially on each "stamp. It is so marked so as to give a "stained or greasy appearance to the "face of the 1d. stamp wherever the "letters fall. The perforation is 14."

New South Wales.—In this colony lately a revised Bill was brought before

the parliament with regard to "Stamp duties." By the following cutting it appears that the said bill is put off for a time :

"By Telegraph.—Press Association.—
"*New South Wales Parliament.*"
Sydney, December 23rd.

The session has closed. The Council shelved the "Stamp Duties Bill."

A well known Sydney stamp collector recently made a big effort to get the New South Wales Government to issue a special 2½d. stamp ; the revenue derived therefrom to go towards the "Patriotic Fund" which is being raised in connection with the Boer war. So far the collector has not been successful in his venture, and I may add, I sincerely trust that the whole thing may fall through, as so many of these superfluous issues are now appearing that some effort ought to be made by all "right minded" philatelists to check them. In this colony badges are being sold to the public bearing the New Zealand colours, and the money obtained from the sales of same goes to the "N. Z. Patriotic fund." But the idea of issuing a special stamp in N. S. W. for the purpose mentioned ought to be "knocked on the head."

South Australia.—The 5d. at this place has appeared in a new design and colour. The design is a very inartistic production. It is supposed to be the General Post Office in Adelaide ; however across the face of the design run seven telegraph wires "disproportionately thick." Were it not for these wires something of the view might be seen otherwise it is an "abortion of a stamp;" the same term might be applied to the last ½d. Queensland. It is to be hoped that the new "Federal" issue will appear to supersede these *and other* sickly failures at postage stamps.

A new post card appeared here recently viz 1d. x 1d. rose on buff. The cards are joined at the foot and are per. 5½.

Cook Islands.—In the *Philatelic Monthly and World*, I notice a paragraph that the ½d. surcharged Cook Islands exists with the surcharge inverted. Although I have had sheets of these pass through my hands, I have never seen an inverted surcharge I have already reported the "double surcharge" and the error with the "full stop" I am making enquiries re the inverted surcharge as I have never seen or even heard of it until I noticed the paragraph in the paper mentioned.



An Important judicial decision has recently been given in Germany on the subject of the guarantees of stamp dealers. Mr. Franz Reichenheim purchased in 1895 an unused 2½ rap. Basle from Mr. Lowe a stamp dealer of Berlin. In 1897 the stamp being on exhibition in London, was pronounced a forgery by the judges. Later a German expert proved it to be not a forgery but a proof, upon which a demand was made on Mr. Lowe for a genuine specimen or the return of the money paid. This demand being refused the matter was taken to court, where a decision was first given in favor of the stamp dealer on the ground that a buyer must according to the German code, establish any defect in the merchandise sold within six months of the sale. In appeal this judgement was reversed because the seller had not delivered the article contracted for, a "stamp" but something quite different, a "proof." Hence the dealer was condemned to reimburse the money paid with interest and costs.

The old Mulready Envelopes can still be used for postage. A dealer recently posted one to himself to see what would happen. The postal authorities at first absolutely refused to recognise it, and made a charge of 2d—(being, so they said double deficient postage,) on delivery. The dealer then applied to the chief office, and on their inquiry into same, the dealer's 2d was returned and the Mulready envelope was officially superscribed with the words "*charged in error the stamped envelope being genuine.*"

The fact of tne earlier Reunion stamps being rare is attributed to the white ants. When a large amount of the remainders of these early issues (which would no doubt in due course have found their way to the stamp market) were lying aside in the post office, the gum on their backs attracted large crowds of white ants, who eventually devoured the whole stock. Many Philatelists have been lamenting their voracity ever since.

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February 15th 1900.

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Mr. Franklin Stearns jr., having resigned from our Society, some time ago, the Vice Presidency for the U. S. is now vacant, we will however have a good man to fill this position for next month.

Members will notice, that of late a great many changes have been made in the different departments of our Society but it is as Mr. Smith says we want no "deadwood." The new officers are all hustlers, who understand their duties. There remains but one thing and that is for the *members* to do their share, and procure more members.

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NEWS OF THE MONTH.

We have received so many letters from new and old subscribers, congratulating us upon the plan we have adopted in conducting this journal, abounding with such expressions as "my ideal of a stamp journal," "a truly representative paper," "most interesting" "excellent," etc., etc., that it is a relief now and then to receive a criticism, or a letter of less adulatory tone. We publish one or two of the congratulatory letters this month, and we take this opportunity of thanking the writers one and all for their very kind and even flattering remarks, we shall endeavor to maintain the standard so much appreciated by our readers. One of our critics asks what is the use of a chronicle of new issues in a monthly when the weeklies are always first in the field with such news. Is it true that the weeklies are always or even often the first? By no means, the first news, almost invariably is published in the English, Belgian and French monthly journals, not only as regards European issues but also Colonial, South American, Asian, and African stamps, and in the majority of cases the news reported in the weeklies is a reproduction of the reports of these European papers. Another point is that the monthlies are easier to refer to, they are more often preserved on file for future reference than the weeklies, and hence their record is valuable. We try and make our reports of new issues, more readable and entertaining than the bare chronicle style adopted by several journals, and we endeavor to instruct in true Philatelic science at the same time. However the matter rests with those who pay for the paper, we are willing to give them what they desire, and would be glad to hear from our readers on this point. A post card from each subscriber stating whether for or against our monthly record of new issues is therefore requested. To every paid up subscriber sending us such a card, we will present an interesting newly issued stamp, and the result of this post card vote will be announced in

ENTRANCES AND EXITS.

AUSTRIA. — We illustrate the new type of newspaper stamps. We have received the 2 h. newspaper and 1 h. and 2 h. unpaid letter stamps both with and without perforation.



BOSNIA.— We have received the 2 hellers grey of the new set issued in consequence of the change of the currency of the Austrian Empire. In design the new stamps are of the same type as the old, except that the figures of value are removed from the upper to the lower corners. The European journals also report the appearance of the 1 heller, black and 3h ochre.



BRAZIL. — The lowest and highest values of the commemorative set in use for two months, are herewith illustrated. They are cheap and poorly executed lithographs.



CAPE OF GOOD HOPE —We illustrate the new "Imperial penny post" stamp described last month.



CHILI.—Mr. Huguenin has shown us a 30 c. stamp of the current type, printed in carmine-rose.

COLUMBIA REPUBLIC.—*Mekeel's W. S. News* reports the issue of another provisional stamp, with the wavy line surcharge, 5 centavos red on buff.

COREA. — The new stamps for the "Imperial Corean Post" are arriving in the mails, as only three values have yet been received, we will have to defer giving a complete list of the values and colors till our next number. There are, we are informed, fourteen stamps in the set not "4" as our printers made us say last month by dropping the numeral "1."

Japanese offices. The stamps for the Japanese post office in Corea are similar to those for the offices in China, except in the two surcharged characters which indicate the names. The full set of Japanese stamps from 5 rin to 1 yen has been surcharged.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.—The color of the 1c. stamp of the recently issued commemorative set has been changed from claret to green the U. P. U. color.

ECUADOR.—In addition to the four official stamps reported by us in January, we learn that the 1 c., 5 c., 1 s. and 5s. have also appeared, thus completing the set of eight stamps, of current design printed in orange and black, and surcharged "Oficial."

EGYPT.—*French offices.* The set surcharged "Alexandrie" has been increased by the addition of the 1, 2, 3 and 4 c. values also 10 c. post cards single and reply and 25 c. letter cards.

FEDERATED MALAY STATES. — The first issue for the new federation consists of the tiger head, Negri Sembilan surcharged with a heavy black line obliterating the name of the State and the words "Federated Malay States". The 1 c., 2 c., 3 c., 10 c. and 25 c. have been reported so far.

FRENCH CONGO. — *Le Philateliste Francais* states that they learn from an official source that the new set for this colony will be in three types of two colors each. The colors have not yet been decided upon but the designs are chosen as follows:—a Tiger for the 1, 2, 4, 5, 10 and 15 c.; Native woman armed for the 20, 25, 30 and 40 c.; Avenue of Cocoa trees, for the 50, 75 c. 1 fr. and 5 fr.

GERMANY. — The *London Philatelist* reports that the stamps for the colonies have been sent out, consisting of the following values 3, 5, 10, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 80 pf. in colors corresponding with those of the same values of the new German stamps. This new Imperial issue by the way, may not last long. It has been very unfavorably criticised by the German press and does not do justice to the skill of German art or engraving talent.

GOLD COAST. — The 1 s. green and black of the current DelaRue type has been issued.

GUATEMALA.—The current 10 centavos red has been surcharged in black "1900–1–centavo."

HUNGARY.—The following cards have appeared of the new type:

4 fillers brown on buff single & reply.
5 " green " " "
6 " green on blue, letter card.
10 " red on blue post card & letter card.

Also a stamped envelope 10 f. carmine on white.

ICELAND.—A new value, 4 aur pink and grey has been added to the current bi-colored series.

LIBERIA. — Alfred Smith & Son's *Monthly Circular* is the first to report the issue of the current 1, 2 and 5 cents adapted to the colors of the U. P. U. green, red and blue, they come also in the same colors, with the surcharged letters "O. S." for official correspondence.

MALTA.—*Ewens W. S. News* reports the forthcoming issue of ¼ d. stamps for the purpose of prepaying local postage on newspapers.

PUERTO RICO. — It is reported from Washington that adhesives, envelopes and post cards are to be surcharged with the new spelling, adopted officially by the United States Government for the island known for centuries in the English speaking world as Porto Rico. If Spanish is to be the official language on the island we can understand the change of orthography, but in any case as unsurcharged U. S. stamps are as good there as any where else in U. S. territory we fail to see the necessity of a surcharge at all. Are they speculative?

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS. — We learn from *Le Collectionneur de T. P.* that the 5 c. stamp reported by us in December has been changed in color from brownish violet to black blue.

SOMALI COAST.—*Le Philateliste Francais*, reports the issue of a 40 c. green and yellow of the well known 1894 type.

SWEDEN.—A new value, 1 krona, has been added to the current set; it is of similar design to the other stamps of the set, but is printed in two colors, the central oval and portrait being in pale grey and the frame in deep rose.

TASMANIA.—We illustrate the 2 d. stamp of the new pictorial issue described last month.



TRINIDAD.—Applications to the postal authorities of the island for a supply of the 3 p. surcharged on 5 p., reported as appearing in official collections, have elicited the reply that the surcharges are not to be issued, as other arrangements have heen made, and the stock prepared is to be distroyed.

VENEZUELA.—The surcharges reported in our last number have been made on the entire current issue, to distinguish stamps remaining on hand, from those stolen from the Treasury, a large theft having occured presumably by the revolutionists. The surcharged word "Resellada" means "Re-issued." A new set has been ordered from the American Bank Note Co. to be executed "in the best style," which is to supersede the current set as soon as issued.

The new stamps ordered by an official decree dated January 15th, 1900 are to be as follows:—

5 c. yellow	"Escuelas" stamps
10 c. green	5 c. yellow
25 c. red	10 c. blue
50 c. blue	25 c. brown
1 b. grey	50 c. green
2 b. dark green	1 b. grey
Official stamps	3 b. brown
5 c. violet	10 b. red
10 c. yellow	20 b. violet
25 c. red	"Registration" stamp
50 c. green	25 c. dark green.
1 b. blue.	

The official and registration stamps are to have the national arms as central design and the others the head of the liberator Bolivar.

VICTORIA.—On account of similarity of color with the U. P. U. 1 d. the 4 d. is reported to have been changed to red brown.

WURTEMBURG.—There seems to be some doubt as to the correctness of the report noted by us in February, to the effect that this kingdom had placed its postal affairs under the control of the department of the German Empire, for we find Wurtemburg stamps still used on all letters coming from there, and now the *Philateliste Francais* reports two new values as issued March 1st, 30 pf. orange and 40 pf. claret of the old design but printed like the 2 and 5 marks, with the central figure in black.

SPECULATIVE STAMPS AND COUNTERFEITS.

The stamps described under this heading, we would advise collectors to avoid, as they are manufactured either by official authority or by private individuals for their own gain at the expense of Philatelists.

NATAL.—It is reported from London that a set of speculative stamps ½ d. to £50 is projected. They are to be ostensibly issued by the Natal Government for postal requirements, but the proceeds of their sale is to be for the relief of the sufferers by the Boer invasion. It is expected that £100,000 will be thus raised from philatelists. We can see no objection to the Natal authorities endeavoring to raise a charitable fund in this way, provided the stamps are sold on their actual merits; no one is obliged to contribute unless they wish, and many persons who are not philatelists will doubtless buy the stamps for the sake of the cause. These stamps, like any other speculative stamps, will be lacking in genuine philatelic interest, but if honestly offered on their merits it is nonsense to denounce the scheme as "an enormous swindle" as *Mekeel's W. S. News* does.

PERSIA.—We wish to put collectors on their guard, if thinking of investing in Persian stamps, very large quantities of which have recently been offered in sets. A large proportion of these stamps are purely speculative, and the majority of the used specimens are "cancelled to order." At one time, and we do not know whether the practice is still in vogue or not, the privilege of making and selling Persian stamps was given out by the Postal authorities to favorites of the administration, who worked their franchise for all it was worth, hence the numerous

changes and surcharges. But besides the genuine, speculative, cancelled to order, labels, we have discovered that a large number of forgeries are being mixed in, therefore collectors should be cautions in buying. The counterfeits are not hard to detect, but coming mixed in with the genuine are apt to be accepted without rigid scrutiny. We have recently received from S. Kiatibian, 43 Boul. St. Michel, Paris, samples of mixed lots he has for sale. Most of the commoner kinds are genuine, but all the 1882 5 and 10 francs are forgeries. Poorly executed as to details, the perforation not of proper guage, etc., but very deceptive on first appearance.

SOUTH AFRICAN REPUBLIC. — The *London Philatelist* gives the facts in regard to the Cape of Good Hope stamps which have been reported for some time with surcharge "Z. A. R." They were issued by the Boer post master at Vryburg, during the enemy's occupation. Only 2500 sets were printed of which the post master kept a supply to speculate with. The postal authorities of the Republic, suppressed them as soon as known and sent a supply of their own stamps.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

Stanley Gibbons Stamp Catalogue 1900, Part I, the British Empire. As the publishers of the Scott catalogue, before the issue of their 59th edition, candidly admitted that their prices for British and colonial stamps, were copied from Gibbons, there is naturally an unusual demand for the last edition of the latter which has just appeared. It is well known that the Stanley Gibbons firm do not lay any claim to their prices being the "Standard" of market values, but merely the prices at which they are willing to sell their own stock, still that stock being one of the finest and most extensive in existence, is a pretty good criterion by which to judge the relative value of stamps, and hence the importance of this catalogue to those who think more of the pecuniary value of their stamps than of their real worth. The tendency of the prices on the whole is downward, but in our estimation they are in most cases far too high yet, and must be further very materially reduced if stamp collecting is to re-gain and maintain fhe universal popularity of a few years ago,

The most noticeable features of this edition are the exclusion of all stamps prepared for use, but never issued to the public, a step in the right direction, and the improvement in the illustration of minor varieties and surcharges. The enlarged photographic illustrations of the types of stamps such as the India ½ anna blue, Great Britain 1d. red are most useful. While many stamps are cut out, which were formerly listed because never really used as postage stamps, there are some things inserted which have less claim to a collector's attention ; prominent amongst these are the so called fractional provisionals of Canada 1899. We heartily recommend this catalogue as the best philatelic guide and hand book in the English language, and would advise our readers to become the owners of one forthwith.

MONTREAL PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Montreal Philatelic Association, was held at their rooms on Thursday evening, March 29th. The secretary read the annual report, after which the election of officers took place. Mr. E. W. Stanton, who has been exchange superintendent since organization in 1893, declined re-election on account of ill health, and Mr. F. W. Wurtele, one of the founders and first president of the association, was unanimously chosen to fill the position, Mr. Stanton taking Mr. Wurtele's place on the Board of Trustees. Another vacancy on the board, that caused by Mr. P. N. Breton's removal to France, was filled by the unanimous election of Mr. A. R. Magill. All the other officers were re-elected. Corresponding members residing outside of Montreal, can be admitted if qualified, and share in the advantages of the exchange and purchasing departments. The annual fee is $1. Full particulars from the secretary, Mr. G. W. Cornish, 393 Mountain St. Montreal.

New York, March 13th 1900.

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Editorial.

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COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS.

It has become the fashion of late years by many writers to abuse all new issues of stamps, and to be particularly severe on what are called "commemoratives." Such writers evidently lose sight of the one, great, grand end of stamp collecting the end that makes it superior to all other objects of collection, namely the fact that a collection of stamps is COMMEMORATIVE of the important historical events of the world, that it is a record of the progress and civilization of nations, and that the information to be gleaned from a carefully studied collection, be it large or small, can be learned *and held in mind* in no other way so easily and at so little expense. This is scientific Philately, this is the end and object the true Philatelist should ever keep in view. The study of minor varieties such as the guage of perforations, texture of paper, varieties of watermark, the size and shape of envelopes, etc., etc., are too often considered to be the scientific part of stamp collecting, but useful and interesting as these things may be, they have no scientific value in themselves, they are only a means to an end ; they serve to fix a date perhaps, or they illustrate some step in progress, but all such minor varieties might be ignored without really affecting the scientific value of Philately.

Do not all or nearly all stamps serve as the vehicle to commemorate some event or person ? What are the various portraits on the stamps of the United States, but a commemoration of the great men, whom the nation delights to honor ? When the United States government issued in 1866, in the color of mourning, the 15 c. stamp with portrait of its assassinated president, that grand patriot Lincoln, was it not an appropriate commemoration ? Should we sneer at the action of the Government, and attribute to speculation what was purely a noble thought, to honor the illustrious dead ? If such a sneer would be unpardonable amongst people of taste and culture, why should it be permitted to sneer at the people of the far off island of Mauritius, because at the 200th anniversary of his birth, they honor the man who was to their native land what Washington or Lincoln was to the American republic ? —Miss Swift's articles are usually kindly in tone, so that it surprised us to read

the following remarks from her versatile pen : "Mauritius has put into circulation a 15 c. adhesive in commemoration of the two hundredth birthday of an individual named Labourdonnais who did great things for the island's prosperity when he was alive, so of course it is full time they did something to show a bit of gratitude to him." One has only to substitute the name Lincoln and change the time in this sentence to apply it to the United States 15c. commemorative of 1866, and what patriotic American will not resent the slur cast upon the martyred president's memory?

In Miss Swift's article there are two curious blunders in giving the United States centennial envelopes the position of the first acknowleged commemoratives, and in placing the Great Britain 1 d. black as the first actual commemorative. A slight change in Miss Swift's wording will rectify both mistakes ; — in 1840 Great Britain issued, to advertise, celebrate and commemorate the establishment of penny postage two envelopes and similar letter sheets, one valued at one penny printed in black, the other 2 d. in blue ; they are alike in design and are known to all as the Mulready envelopes, they represent Britania dispatching angels to benighted beings at the uttermost parts of the globe. This was the first commemorative, the 1 d. black postage stamp, can not fairly be considered such, as in its issue the motive of practical utility was evidently uppermost.

Taking these two first issues of Great Britain we have the clue that will solve the difficulty whether a scientific philatelist should collect commemoratives or not. The Mulready envelopes were not a necessity, neither are the stamps of the present day which celebrate some national or local event. If we reject the latter, on the same principle we must reject the time honored Mulready. What true philatelist will agree to lop off the parent of all postage stamps? We are sure not one. Commemoratives are the truest friends of philately, how often have they revived a waning interest, or originated a new born desire to collect stamps. Like all good things, they have been put to unworthy uses, they have been objects of speculation not so much by the issuing authorities, as by professional speculators in stamps. This drawback soon corrects itself, for however successful cornering the necessities of life may be, attempts to corner luxuries usually end in disaster to the speculator. The Governments who issue the stamps do not as a rule derive an enormous revenue from their sale, and if it is proper to celebrate important events on the coinage of a nation, why not on its stamps? All honor then to genuine commemorative stamps, may their shadow never wane, may they continue to be the means of honoring the illustrious departed, of enthusing the younger generations to emulate their deeds of greatness, and thus perpetuate for all time the fact that our favorite pursuit has a lofty and a noble mission, and the Science of Philately will by these means achieve that place and recognition that its aims and ends deserve.

THE CANADIAN PROVISIONALS OF 1899.

Mr. W. Sterling Purvis in the *Philatelic Advocate* for March urges the collection of "the split-provisionals used by some "postmasters when the 2 cent letter rate "came into force" Jan. 1st., 1899. These fractional stamps are also listed in the new edition of Stanley Gibbons' catalogue, so that it is timely that their true character should be shown. No one terms them, as Mr. Purvis implies, "fakes" or the "result of collectors' genius," but for all that it is a simple matter to sho wthat they were absolutely unnecessary, were never sold to the public as stamps and cannot properly be called stamps at all. If their collection is advocated and a high price put upon used

specimens then look out for "fakes" and the results of the faker's genius, for we shall soon be flooded with such simply contrived trash.

It has been established, so far as we know, that only at one post office in the Dominion—Port Hood, N,S., during the temporary scarcity of 1 and 2c. stamps, the postmaster in direct contravention of the postal regulations affixed to mail matter and cancelled a few mutilated postage stamps which he had surcharged 1c. and 2c. with a hand stamp.

This postmaster must be a relic of the anti-confederation regime, when such mutilations were allowed as even an entire absence of the required values would not warrant under present regulations this antiquated process. In such cases the post master should forward the money to the office on which his mail is forwarded with a request to affix the necessary stamps, he can hand stamp or write the amount paid on each letter if desired, but that is not necessary. As these fractional provisionals of the Port Hood P. O., were never issued to the public, but were affixed by the post master and the amount paid stamped upon them, they are no more deserving of collection as postage stamps than the hand stamp or pen mark on an envelope would be if no stamp or portion of a stamp had been affixed. If it is asked why cut up and affix the stamps then? The answer is the post master knew no better and wanted to make his cash account correspond with the total of stamps sold and on hand. He tried to simplify his book-keeping—nothing more, —but went about it in an antiquated and unlawful way.

Keokuk, Iowa, March 17th 1900.

I enclose you 25 cents to renew my subscription to the M. P., also wish to take advantage of the exchange offer.

I wish to state here that your paper suits me. It is my idea of what a stamp paper should be aud I want to go on record as testifying to its merits.

Yours Truly, EDWARD S. CARTER.

AUSTRALIAN STAMP NEWS.

BY RALPH W. GOSSET.

Auckland, N. Z., Feb. 19th. 1900.

The stamp business here is very dull, but no doubt will pick up again in due course as the winter comes on. I have very little news to give this month but hope to be in a position to send something interesting next time. The *Australian Philatelist* suggests that all patriotic Australasian Collectors should give some of their duplicates to be sold the proceeds of same to go to the "Patriotic Fund" in connection with the Transvaal War. Stanley Gibbons in their *Monthly Journal* suggested this applyiug it to English collectors, and the *Australian Philatelist* extends the same suggestions to Australian collectors, the proceeds to swell the *Australian* "Patriotic Fund." *A very laudable projection.*

Cook Islands.—A rumor went round lately that it was likely that the lower values of these Islands, viz, the ½d., 1d. and 2½d. would change their color in conformity wtth the rules of the Postal Union Congress, but upon enquiry I find the rumor has no foundation whatever.

Fiji Islands.—The current 2d. of this place is now printed in a lighter shade of green. It is also reported that the current 6d. exists printed on both sides.

I have seen the ½d. printed in a much darker colour, viz:—greenish black and also it is perforated 11 x 12 instead of 11 as previously.

New Caledonia.—Two Surcharges have just come out at this place viz:—"N. C. E." in ornamental type and a large figure "5" in black on the *current* 4c.; and "N. C. E." in Roman Capitals and "15" in a single lined circle, in black on the 30c. I believe both exist inverted.

New South Wales.—On the various latter Surcharges of this Colony such as the 9d., 7½d., and 12½d. exist various type "varieties" such as Double Surcharge, broken letters and numerous other insignificant "errors" (?) if they can be termed such.

The Sydney Philatelic Society propose to hold a Philatelic Exhibition next August. I wish them all success.

The proposal in this Colony to issue a Special Stamp for the War Funds was knocked on the head, although it is pro

posed to be done in Victoria, (vide note under that heading.)

Queensland.—A new wrapper has just appeared bearing the new type of Stamp, "½d. green on manilla."

Samoa.—I hear that the Germans who acquired this place lately, have their Surcharged Stamps formally in use; although I have not yet *seen any* of them.

I see that the latest from this place is the 2s. 6d. mauve bearing the surcharge "2½d."; this addition will make the set of these objectionable 2½d. Surcharges as follows:

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2½d. " black " 1s. rose.
2½d. " carm. " 1s. "
2½d. " black " 2s. 6d. mauve.

And several varieties of course!

There is no doubt the Local Postmaster (Mr. Davis) at these islands made as many varieties and new stamps as possible before he got notice to quit on account of Germany acquiring Samoa. How ever all the palm tree set is now obsolete, also all stamps issued by this individual (Davls), as the German authorities have given Mr. Davis notice to discontinue his mail services; they having acquired the postal services on Britain ceding them the islands.

South Australia.—The new colors of this Colony are also in use now; viz:—the ½d. green; (new design, described last month), 1d. rose; 2d. deep mauve; 2½d. blue. It is very probable that one or two of the higher values will be changed so as not to confound the value of those stamps, which bear the same color. A new ½d. wrapper is also out viz:—violet on fine buff *manilla paper*.

Tasmania.—The 1d. and 2d. values of the new issue of this Colony have begun to come in use generally. I have seen a fair number of specimens of the two values mentioned, all of which were more or less invisible owing to the nature of the ink used in cancelling them. The officials of this Colony seem to take a fiendish delight in obliterating them very heavily to afford the collectors a little to *think* over. The engraving does not come up to the standard of the New Zealand stamps by any means.

The following I clip from a Tasmanian newspaper, viz:—

"*The New 2d. Stamps.*"

"The Secretary of the Post Office is in ommunication with Launceston people "on the subject of the new issue of the "two-penny (2d.) Stamps. It appears "that the engraver by some means at "present unexplained, substituted "Ho-"bart" as the design instead of the "Cataract Gorge." *It is understood that "the mistake will be remedied."*

The Home Engravers when engraving the New Zealand Pictorial Series also made a similar mistake; they mixed up the 1d. and 4d. designs; and also made a mistake in spelling the word "Wakatipu." (There's money in it!!!)

Tonga.—The *Australian Philatelist* says the whole series of the Pictorial Stamps of this place bear the Surcharge

T.——L., June, 1899.

The T.——L. stands for the names of the king and his bride viz:—Taufaahau and Lavinia. These stamps are of the most speculative type and should come under the eye of the S. S. S. S. if it has not succumbed.

Victoria.—It is stated that the Victorian Government are about to issue 60,000 War Postage Stamps with the object of raising money for their patriotic fund; although so far I have not heard anything of an authoritative nature.

CORRESPONDENCE

MR. PAYNE'S ADDRESS.

RE CANADIAN STAMP DEALERS.

Schuyler, Neb., 25th Feb., 1900.

Editor Montreal Philatelist:

Dear Sir,—In copy of MONTREAL PHILATELIST, received yesterday I notice your extended criticism of my address as President of the N. P. S. in Philatelic West. I certainly had not intended to reflect upon the great mass of Canadian dealers, but considered I had a right to air my actual experience and to recommend a man I found deserving in every way, both as a gentleman and dealer. I do not question the probable integrity of the majority, but still say, it was not my experience.

As an Englishman, loving fair play and with an exalted idea of the honesty of my countrymen and Canadians, it made me feel very sore to be cheated on several occasions and when I felt I ought to be confident of the exact reverse, still my individual experience does not, and did not imply that all your dealers are of the same stripe.

Will you tell me how one is to judge of the honesty of a dealer without dealing

with him? How is one to know his age and whether an enthusiastic boy, or a grey-headed man as this information is not advertised? The dealer usually takes care of his end, but the buyer can only judge, that if an ad. appears in a reputable magazine it is all right and he is perfectly safe in sending his money. Should not the papers that insert the ads. of swindlers feel somewhat to blame, for gross carelessness in allowing same, often from people in their own immediate neighbourhood.

I hope in time to be acquainted with more than one, of your better class of dealers. I would say that if anything would add to my regard for Canadians, it would be for their splendid loyalty to their Queen (God bless her) and their gallant behaviour in Africa. Wishing them success and your paper also,

I remain respectfully,

L. R. PAYNE,

Member P. S. of A., Neb. Phil. So
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ED. NOTE.—All reputable papers endeavor to protect their readers, by refusing the ads. of known swindlers, but publishers cannot be expected to *guarantee* the integrlty of every advertiser. "The dealer usually takes care of his end" by exacting references and not entrusting valuable property to unknown correspondents, and an honest reliable dealer is always ready and willing to furnish references about himself to those who ask them. Still after every precaution has been taken, the deliberate swindler is too often successful, amongst philatelists, as well as amongst the general public. In stamp matters, as in other business, ordinary precaution in trusting strangers must be observed.

Maryville, Tenn. March 19th 1900.

Since you have assumed the management of the MONTREAL PHILATELIST, it has been a welcome visitor to my "stamp den," but that editorial regarding Canadian Revenues, in last number was so timely and shows up the matter so plainly that I am compelled to "speak right out in meeting."

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AUCTION MANAGER'S REPORT.

I hoped to be able to have a sale last month (March) but the members, I am sorry to say, have not sent any lots. I

have only received *one* (*1*) lot since elected. I still had hope and decided to wait one month longer ; alas, it is the same, I have not received anything.

The usefulness of a society is shown by the members taking advantage of *all* its departments. Surely there are members in our society that have something to dispose of!

I must apologise to that member who did respond but hope to offer his stamps for sale *next* month.

Again I have to ask my fellow-members to send me some lots or Philatelic supplies for the auction I hope to have in May. All lots must be in by the 20th of April—for this sale *only*. We would like to make a change in rule 3 of Auction Department. Rules are in July—August number of O. O., viz :—

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J. SYDNEY DALTON,
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III. The Librarian would be pleased to hear from members desiring to read up special subjects and he will send a list showing where articles on such subjects may be found.

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A. R. MAGILL,
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CANADA.

1851-7—*Various designs.*

No.		New.	Used.
*1	½p pink	*6 25*	3 00
*2	3p red	*3 00*	20
*3	6p purple	*50 00*	3 50
*4	7½p green	*50 00*	*15 00*
*5	10p blue	*40 00*	6 00
*6	12p black	*450 00*	*400 00*

1858—*Perforated.*

*7	½p pink	*11 50*	5 00
*8	3p red	*3 00*	2 00
*9	6p purple	*50 00*	*25 00*

No.		New.	Used.
1859-64—*Various designs.*			
*10	1c pink	*40*	5
*11	2c pink	*1 25*	65
12	5c vermilion	30	4
*13	10c violet	3 75	30
*14	12½c green	2 00	20
*15	17c blue	2 95	75
1868-69—*Queen's Head.*			
*16	½c black	15	15
*17	1c red	65	20
*18	2c green	60	10
19	3c rose red	30	3
*20	6c brown	*1 50*	10

No.		New.	Used.
*21	12½c blue	*1 15*	18
*22	15c red lilac	45	8
*23	1c yellow	1 25	20
1870-77—*Smaller.*			
*24	1c orange	*25*	6
25	2c green	6	1
26	3c red	8	1
*27	5c olive (large)	*2 00*	50
*28	5c olive (small)	25	5
29	6c brown	35	3
30	8c slate	20	2
*31	10c pink	75	8
*32	15c blue grey	75	10

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No.		New.	Used.
1882-93—*Colors changed, etc.*			
33	½c black	2	1
34	1c yellow	2	1
35	2c blue green	4	1
36	3c br. scarlet	5	1
37	5c grey	8	1
38	6c chocolate	10	2
39	8c lilac grey	12	1
40	10c lake	15	3
*41	15c slate lilac	25	8
*42	20c vermilion	30	10
*43	50c blue	75	25
Complete set		1 80	45
1897—*Jubilee issue.*			
*44	½c black	20	20
45	1c orange	2	2
46	2c green	4	4
47	3c rose	5	2
*48	5c dark blue	8	8
*49	6c brown	40	40
*50	8c violet	15	15
*51	10c red lilac	15	15
52	15c blue black	25	20
*53	20c scarlet	30	20
*54	50c ultramar.	75	30
*55	100 crimson	1 50	1 00
*56	2 00 purple	2 50	2 00
*57	3 00 yel. br.	3 50	3 00
*58	4 00 dk pur.	4 50	4 00
*59	5 00 yel. gr.	5 50	5 00
Complete set		17 50	16 00
Set	½ to $1 00	3 50	
"	½ to 50c	2 25	
1897-9—*4 Maple leaves.*			
60	½c black	2	2
61	1c green	3	1
62	2c purple	5	2
63	2c on 3c carm.	6	4
64	3c carmine	6	1
65	5c blue	8	3
66	6c brown	12	8
67	8c orange	15	4
68	10c violet	18	12
Complete set		70	30
1898-9—*numerals in corners.*			
69	½c black	1	1
70	1c green	2	1
71	2c purple	4	1
72	2c on 3c carm.	4	3
73	2c carmine	3	1
74	3c carmine	5	1
75	5c blue	7	2
76	6c brown	8	5
77	8c orange	10	4
78	10c violet	12	8
Complete set		50	20
1898—*Xmas*			
79	2c red and lavender	5	2
	2c red and greenish	10	5
81	2c red & blue	4	2
REGISTRATION STAMPS			
1875-89			
101	2c orange	12	2
102	5c green	15	2
*103	8c blue	2 00	2 00
*104	2c scarlet	35	15
*105	2c vermilion	30	10
1898—SPECIAL DELIVERY			
*106	10c green	12	8
ENVELOPE STAMPS			
1860			
*111	5c red	*1 25*	1 25
*112	10c brown	*2 50*	*2 50*
1877-95			
113	1c blue	4	4
114	1c ultramar.	4	4
115	2c green	4	4
116	3c red	8	2
117	2c on 3c red	25	25
1898			
118	1c green	3	3
*119	2c purple	60	60
120	2c red	4	4
121	3c red	6	4
122	2c on 3c red	8	8
NEWSPAPER BANDS			
1875-98			
*151	1c blue, scalloped oval		25
*152	1c blue, plain oval		25
153	1c blue, orna'ts above and below numerals		10
154	1c blue, quatrefoil before and after value		15
155	1c black	4	4
156	1c green	3	3
POST CARDS			
1871			
401	1c blue (Montreal and Ottawa)	8	4
402	1c blue (Montreal)	6	3
1877 to United Kingdom			
403	2c green	12	12
1879 Postal Union			
404	2c green	5	4
1882-5 Oval Stamp			
405	1c ultramar.	6	2
406	1x 1c Slate	20	20
*407	1x 1c Slate (stamp at the left side)	*5 00*	*5 00*
1887-8 Type of No. 153			
408	1c ultramarine	4	1
409	1x 1c Slate	10	10
1892-96 Type of No. 154			
410	1c blue	6	3
411	1c grey	6	2
412	1c grey large	4	2
413	1c grey small.	3	1
414	1c grey on straw	5	5
415	1x 1c Slate (reply is type of 408	30	30
416	1x 1c grey	6	6
1896 Postal Union			
417	2c red	5	5
1897 Jubilee			
418	1c black	3	2
1898 New design			
419	2c red	6	6
420	2c blue	4	4
421	1c green	2	1
422	1c red	2	1
423	1x 1c black	5	5
LETTER CARDS.			
1893-99			
451	1c black	3	3
452	2c green	5	5
453	3c carmine	10	10
454	2 on 3c carm.	20	20
1898 New design			
455	1c black	3	3
456	2c green	5	5
457	3c carmine	10	8
458	2 on 3c carm.	10	8
459	1c green	3	2
460	2c carmine	4	3

BRITISH COLUMBIA and VANCOUVER ISLAND

1861-5			
*1	2½p pink	*175 00*	.....
*2	2½p pk perf	*3 00*	*3 00*
*3	5c rose	*100 00*	*100 00*
*4	10c blue	*20 00*	*12 00*
*5	5c rose perf	*3 00*	*3 00*
*6	10c blue "	*2 75*	*2 00*
Series of 1866-68			
*7	3p blue	40	75
Surcharged; value in cents			
*8	2c brown	*60*	*1 00*
*9	5c bright red	*3 50*	*2 25*
*10	10c rose p'k	*15 00*	*15 00*
*11	25c orange	*1 10*	*1 10*
*12	50c violet	*4 50*	*5 50*
*13	$1 green	*20 00*	*20 00*

NEW-BRUNSWICK

Series of 1851			
*1	3p red	*12 00*	*2 50*
*2	6p yellow	*65 00*	*15 00*
*3	1s mauve	*150 00*	*75 00*

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No.		New.	Used.
	Series of 1860-3		
*4	1c brown	*1 25*	1 25
*5	1c violet	6	75
*6	2c orange	4	25
*7	2c brown	*125 00*	*500 00*
*8	5c d'k green	*1 15*	30
*9	5c green	2	8
*10	10c vermilion	15	40
*11	12½c blue	30	50
*12	17c black	12	75
Set of six		60	....
	NOVA SCOTIA		
	Series of 1857		
*1	p red br'n	*10 00*	*6 00*
*2	3p blue	*4 50*	1 00
*3	3p d'k blue	*6 00*	1 25
*4	6p green	*30 00*	*8 00*
*5	1s violet	*150 00*	*70 00*
	Series of 1860-64		
*6	1c black	40	*45*
*7	2c mauve	40	*40*
*8	5c blue	*3 75*	20
*9	8½ green	1 00	3 75
*10	10c vermilion	1 00	1 00
*11	12 ½c black	1 50	1 00
Set of six partly new			4 00
	PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND		
	Series of 1860-70		
*1	1p buff	1 00	*2 00*
*2	2p rose	12	40
*3	3p blue	12	40
*4	6p green	1 50	1 50
*5	9p lilac	75	*1 00*
*6	4p black	12	75
*7	4½p brown	*1 25*	2 25
	Series of 1872		
*8	1c orange	12	2 25
*9	2c blue	20	*3 75*
*10	3c rose	*75*	2 00
*11	4c green	20	4 00
*12	6c black	12	2 25
*13	12c mauve	12	6 00
Set of eight		1 00	
	NEWFOUNDLAND		
	Series of 1857		
*1	1p violet b'n	3 00	*4 50*
*2	5p " "	1 25	*4 00*
*3	3p green	1 25	*3 00*
*4	2p vermi'n	*6 00*	*12 50*
*5	4p do		*12 50*
*6	6p do		*12 00*
*7	6½p verm.'	*50 00*	*60 00*
*8	8p do	*4 50*	8 00
*9	1s do		*110 00*
	Series of 1863		
*10	1p violet	*1 25*	*4 00*
*11	5p reddish brown	*85*	4 50
*12	2p lake	6 00	*12 50*
*13	4p lake	50	3 00
*14	6p lake	45	2 00
*15	6p lake	1 25	8 00
*16	8p lake	1 25	*40 00*
*17	1s lake	85	*8 00*
	1866-73—*Perforated*		
*18	2c green	40	40
*19	5c brown	*6 00*	*4 00*
*20	10c black	*1 25*	75
*21	12c pink	35	35
*22	13c orange	75	75
*23	24c blue	40	40
*24	1c lilac	1 25	*1 25*
*25	5c black	*3 75*	2 75
*26	3c verm'n	*2 25*	2 25
*27	6c rose	15	15
*28	1c violet br.	1 25	1 25
*29	3c blue	1 00	40
	1876—*Rouletted*		
*30	1c violet br.	1 20	1 00
*31	2c green	*45*	*45*
*32	3c blue	*1 25*	25
*33	5c blue	*1 00*	25
	1880—*Perforated*		
*34	1c lilac br.	5	5
*35	2c green	10	10
*36	3c blue	20	5
*37	5c blue	20	12
	Series of 1887-90		
*38	½c red	3	3
39	1c green	3	2
*40	2c orange	5	5
41	3c brown	12	2
*42	10c black	20	20
43	3c slate	1 0	2
*44	5c dark blue	12	5
	Series of 1894		
45	½c black	2	2
*46	6c pink	10	10
*47	12c oran'-br.	20	20
	1896—Re-issue		
*48	½c oran'-red	12	12
*49	1c brown	12	12
*50	1c yell. green	12	8
*51	2c green	12	12
*52	3c blue	20	20
*53	3c violet br.	20	12
*54	3c lilac grey	10	4
	1897—Cabot issue		
*55	1c green	6	6
*56	2c claret	6	6
57	3c light blue	6	2
*58	4c olive	7	5
*59	5c violet	10	6
*60	6c red brown	10	8
*61	8c orange	12	12
*62	10c grey-br.	15	12
*63	12c dark blue	18	18
*64	15c scarlet	20	20
*65	24c dk purple	30	30
*66	30c slate	40	40
*67	35c salmon	45	45
*68	60c black	80	80
Complete Set		2 80	2 75
	1897—Surcharged		
*69	1c on 3c lilac grey	45	45
	1897-98—Various portraits		
70	1c carmine	4	4
71	2c orange	6	6
72	½c olive	1	1
73	1c green	2	2
74	2c vermillion	3	3
75	3c orange	5	3
76	5c blue	8	8
Set of seven		25	20
	ENVELOPE STAMPS		
	Series of 1889		
*101	3c violet	6	6
*102	5c blue	12	12
*103	5c ultramar.	10	10
	NEWSPAPER BANDS		
*104	1c green	3	3
*105	2c carmine	5	5
*106	3c brown	6	6
	POST CARDS		
	1873 White Card		
201	1c green	15	12
	1879 white card		
202	2c red	25	20
	1880 buff card		
203	1c green	8	6
204	2c red	10	10
	1889 surcharged		
205	2c on 1c green	*4 50*	*8 00*
	1890 white card		
206	1c green	3	3
207	2c red	5	5
	1891 no frame		
208	2c carmine	10	10
	1897 pale buff card		
209	1c yellow green	3	3

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NEWS OF THE MONTH.

One of the most important events of the past month, of interest to philatelists, is the sale of the stock of the celebrated Brussels house of J. B. Moens, and the retirement from business of this pioneer in stamp dealing. We learn that the stock which is the accumulation of forty years, has been purchased by Mr. Ruben of Copenhagen. There are few of the older stamp collectors, who have not, at some time, had dealings or correspondence with Mr. Moens, and none who have ever done business with him, but have been impressed with the business qualities, probity and courtesy of the veteran stamp merchant. But it is not only in commercial philately that Mr. Moens has set us so striking an example, for he surpassed *par excellence* as a student and as a master of the science. He is one of the old school who have made philately what it now is, and the oldest of that school. His paper *Le Timbre Poste* is the oldest stamp journal in existence, its Vol. I No. 1 appeared January 1863 and has never missed a month since. In the same year he brought out his illustrated "Album de Timbres-Poste." which has passed through many editions, and for many years was the only printed album, acceptable to advanced collectors. The "Manuel de Moens" was one of the earliest catalogues of stamps and we believe the first in the French language, the third edition appeared also in 1863. We are sure the younger generation of collectors, will heartily join with us, in extending to this veteran worker, our heart felt wishes of a peaceful and well earned repose.

The war fund auction in London is an interesting philatelic event. It was held on March 28th and produced over £1000 for the benefit of the "Patriotic fund." Many of Philately's sons are in the fight in Africa and some have fallen in the fray; this spontaneous contribution for the "absent minded beggar" is evidence of the generous good fellowship which animates philatelists all the wide world over.

Our voting contest is exciting considerable interest amongst our subscribers. If you are for or against the continuance of our monthly chronicle of new issues send us your vote on a post card. The vote will close June 15th and the result will be announced in our July number.

That issue will be the first number of Vol. III, and upon the result of this vote will depend whether we continue our chronicle in the coming volume. At the close of the contest we will distribute to all paid up subscribers who have voted a number of interesting newly issued stamps this will more than repay them for their trouble.

ENTRANCES AND EXITS.

AUSTRIA.—Two other values of the unpaid set, 3 and 5 heller, in addition to those listed in February, have appeared. It seems that the entire set was issued unperforated to certain post offices for a few days on their first appearance, owing to the extra rush of work entailed in getting out all the new issues on time.

BOSNIA—The following values, in addition to the 1, 2 and 3 heller reported last month, will on the authority of several European journals, complete the new set.

5	heller	green	25	heller	blue
6	"	brown	30	"	brown
10	"	red	50	"	violet.
20	"	rose			

The *Am. J. of P.* also reports the post card 5 heller green.

BRITISH CENTRAL AFRICA.—A 2s. value is reported in same design as the other high values, color olive green and black.

BRITISH GUIANA.—The 2 c. stamp has been changed in color from lilac and orange to lilac and rose.

BULGARIA.—*Le Timbre Poste* reports the 1 st. and 10 st. in new colors, grey and yellow, there will probably be other changes to adopt the U. P. U. color regulations.

CAROLINE ISLANDS. — The set of

stamps for this German colony reported by us last December, as in preparation, has now appeared. The name of the colony is surcharged on the old issue of Germany on all values from 3 pf. to 50 pf. and on the 5 pf. and 10 pf. post cards.

CHILI.—The first to appear of the new issue, reported in our March number as in preparation, is the 2c carmine, a specimen of which post marked March 21st. has been shown us by Mr. Huguenin. The design consists of profile head of Columbus to left "Chile" above, inscriptions at sides and figure "2" in four corners. As in previous issues the stamp is rouletted.

COLUMBIA REPUBLIC.- The *Am. J. of P.* reports the receipt of a new provisional stamp, 5 c. black on pink, issued by the revolutionary government at Cucuta. No particulars of design are given. Mr. Gregory in his letter from New York to *Mekeel's W. S. News*, gives particulars of the design of a type set 10 centavos stamp, coming from the same place, issued by the "Gobierno Provisorio" which government appears to have adopted the old title United States instead of Republic of Columbia.

Panama—A type set oblong registration label is reported, value 10 centavos, black on light blue.

CONGO FREE STATE. — To conform with U. P. U. regulations the 5, 10, 25 centimes now appear in green, carmine and blue respectively, the central part of the design being printed in black as heretofore. The 50 c. is also changed from green to olive.



COREA. — *Le Timbre Poste* is authority for the report that the stamps of the 1895 set have been surcharged in red with Corean characters signifying "Empire of Corea" the original inscriptions reading "Kingdom." We illustrate the 2 cn. blue, of the new set, full particulars of which are not yet to hand, philatelic correspondents being scarce in that Empire, we hope the new issues will give philately a boom there.

CRETE.—We illustrate two values of the handsomely engraved stamps of this island issued March 16th. The stamps represent the deities of the ancient Greek mythology as given herewith. The 10 and 25 l. bear the portrait of the reigning prince and the 5 d. St. George and the Dragon.





1	lepton	brown	(Hermes)
5	lepta	green	(Juno)
10	"	red	(Prince George)
20	"	carmine	(Juno)
25	"	blue	(Prince George)
50	"	violet	(Hermes)
1	drachma	grey	(Tallos)
2	"	yellow brown	(Minos)
5	"	green and black.	

The values above 20 l. are surcharged in red with the word "ΠΡΟΣΩΡΙΝΟΝ." meaning "provisional." This surcharge is to appear on the values which will be used for foreign postage when Crete is admitted to the Universal Postal Union. Our correspondent does not state if they can be used for postage at all before that time. We learn from the *Revue Philatique Francaise* that the surcharge was issued in red only for a few days and then changed to black; the first issue being bought up by speculators. It is said that the receipts of the first day's sale at Canea amounted to a sum equivalent to over $1200.00. After April 14th the stamps are to be used for fiscal purposes, perforated X, the inital of the Greek word "Xartosimon."

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.—We illustrate the 2p. stamp of the commemorative set. The four values reported in our January number have now appeared in the following colors:



20	centavos	brown
50	"	yellow green
1	peso	black on lavender
2	"	bistre.

We have been shown used specimens by Mr. N. Huguenin, president of the Montreal Philatelic Association.

FEDERATED MALAY STATES.—Three more values of Negri Sembilan are reported with the surcharge as described last month namely the 5 c. 20c. and 50 c. and the Perak $1, $2, $5, and $25 have also appeared decorated in a similar manner.

FRANCE.—A stamp of the value of 2 francs is to be added to the current set.

GERMANY.—The 1 mark of the new set has appeared of the design and color reported in January, the entire set of the new designs is now in use, except the 2 pf. 2, 3 and 5 marks. The 2 pf. which we reported in February as in contemplation, has since come to hand in the old design and the three high values it is now said will not be ready for circulation till the month of August.

GERMAN NEW GUINEA.—Stamps of the old German type of the 3 pf. and 25 pf. values have been seen with the surcharge "Deutsch-Neu-Guinea" in black. If this is not another "joke" on the part of the Berlin society doubtless the entire set will appear. A 5 pf. post card single and reply is also reported.

GOLD COAST.—The U. P. U. official collections have received the following stamps in new colors 5 sh. green and mauve, 10 sh. green and brown.

GREAT BRITAIN.—The promised new color of the ½ d. stamp is now in vogue. We have received specimens post marked April 17th with Mr. H. L. Ewen's compliments for which he will please accept our thanks.

The following notice was issued to post masters on March 27th.:

"A new halfpenny stamp (green in colour) will be ready for issue to Postmasters, etc., on requisition about the middle of April next. The new stamps should not be sold to any persons before the 17th April. On and after that day they may be sold, when specially asked for, at all offices where they are in stock; but the existing stock of the present (red) halfpenny stamps should be disposed of at each Post Office before the new green stamps are generally sold.

"A new one shilling bi-coloured postage and revenue stamp will also be issued about mid-summer next, when the stock of the present single-coloured one shilling stamp will be becoming exhausted. The stock of the present one shilling stamps should be sold out; but, as these stamps bear a considerable resemblance to the new green halfpenny stamps and as these two kinds of stamps will for some period to come be on sale together, care must be taken to prevent mistakes. A further announcement will be made stating when the new shilling stamp will be ready for issue."

GUATELMALA.—A German paper reports that the U. P. U. colors were to be adopted on March 15th. All remainders of the old colors to be surcharged "1900-1-centavo" in three lines, for inland use. *Mekeel's W. S. News* reports the receipt of a similar surcharge in two lines on the 5 centavos purple.

HONG KONG.—A news band bearing a 2 c. stamp impressed in green has been issued.

JAPAN.—A 3 sen stamp in red of special design is reported in commemoration of the wedding of the Prince Imperial.

LABUAN.—The 2 and 5 c. stamps have been issued in new colors yellow green and light blue. The design remains as before.

MARIANNE ISLANDS.—The set reported in our March number has appeared. It is the old German type 3 pf. to 50 pf. surcharged "Marianen."

MARSHALL ISLANDS.—The spelling of the surcharged name on the stamps for this German colony has been altered to "Marshall" instead of the incorrect Germanized orthography "Marschall" as it appeared on the 1897 set.

MOROCCO. *German Offices.* — The London Philatelist reports 5 pf. and 10 pf. post cards, single and reply, surcharged for these offices.

NEW ZEALAND—As will be seen by our Australian letter this month some changes have been made in the stamps of this colony. We have received the new 2d. stamp in violet the main features of the design remain as in the 1898 stamp, but the size has been reduced, which has necessitated slight changes in the details. Further particulars will be found in Mr. Gosset's letter.

NIGERIA.—The current stamps of the Niger Coast Protectorate are reported to be now surcharged "Nigeria" as a consequence of the territory passing under the control of the colonial administration.

NORTH BORNEO.—The 2c. now appears in yellow green and the 5 c. in light blue. Design as formerly.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.—The 1, 2, 5, 10 and 50 c. U. S. unpaid letter stamps have been surcharged "Philippines."

ST. VINCENT.—All the remainders of the old type, now replaced by the current DelaRue type, have been destroyed except the 4 d. yellow, 6 d. lilac and 5 s. lake.

SALVADOR.— The *Am. J. of P.* states that it has received "the 1 c. of 1898 surcharged "1900" in *sans serif* numerals" in black.

SAMOS.—*Le Timbre Poste* announces the forth coming issue of a series of type set stamps for this island of the Turkish Empire. The design consists of the coat of arms in a square, with an inscription in Greek characters on the four sides, and value at foot, the whole inclosed in a fancy "trefoil" border. The values are 5, 10 and 20 paras and 1 grosion printed in black ink on grey blue paper for the two lower, and on white paper for the higher values.

SEYCHELLES.— Four new values have been sent to the official collections, they are of the current DelaRue type watermark C. A. perf. 14.

6 c. rose
75 c. yellow and violet
1 r. 50 c. grey and red
2 r. 25 c. green and red brown.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA. — The new 1 d. stamp in carmine is to hand surcharged for official use "O. S." Our Australian correspondent predicts the other new stamps, recently issued similarly treated.

SPAIN.—We have been informed that a 15 centimos blue will shortly be issued, bearing the portrait of the King in the uniform of the Infantry Military College.

TRINIDAD.— It is reported that the color of the current 5 shilling has been changed from green and brown, to mauve, and that the 5 d. and 10 d. stamps have been withdrawn from circulation.

URUGUAY.— Another value is to be added to those listed in March, with the surcharge "Oficial" the 1 peso brown and blue.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA. — We have received the fiscal stamps postally used of the values 1 d. 3 d. and 6 d. with the new watermark "crown W. A." in addition to those noted in our February number.

SPECULATIVE STAMPS AND COUNTERFEITS.

The stamps described under this heading, we would advise collectors to avoid, as they are manufactured either by official authority or by private individuals for their own gain at the expense of Philatelists.

BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE. — As stamps for the post offices in the Protectorate are supplied by the postmaster at Mafeking, owing to the siege of that town the supply has been cut off, and one, and probably more, of the offices have been using the stamps of British South Africa. This has given the stamp faker a chance to make provisionals out of B. S. A. stamps surcharged "Bechuanaland Protectorate." This surcharged set is simply a fraud, as the B. S. A. stamps actually used in the Protectorate have no surcharge of any kind. *S. G. Monthly Journal* is our authority for this news.

SURINAM.—In order to sell out the stock of the obsolete 40 c. 50 c., 1 g. and 2½ g. with head of the late king, the authorities converted the two lower values into 25 c. and the two higher into 50 c. stamps by means of surcharges, and placed them on sale March 7th. "But "the sale was not conducted on the "usual simple lines; persons desirous of "obtaining these interesting souvenirs of "the late king were to make written ap- "plication for them, stating the number "of each variety they wished for. If the "total number demanded was greater "than the supply, each applicant was to "receive a proportion only of what he "asked for, but in any case every one "who applied was to have at least one "specimen; unless, indeed, the number "of applicants should be greater than "the number of specimens, in which "case the fortunate candidates were to "be selected by ballot. It is something "to know that these precious relics are "not to be torn up and distributed in "fragments, in case there are not enough "to go round! we are not told whether "they are to be available for *postage*, but "doubtless very few will be put to so "base a use."—*S. G. Monthly Journal.*

VICTORIA. — The Postmaster General of Victoria has decided to issue 40,000 1 d. and 20,000 2 d. stamps of a special military design, to be retailed at 1 s. and 2s. The proceeds, after deducting the face value, is to be given to the Victorian Patriotic Fund. This has drawn out a vigorously worded protest from the Philatelic Society of Victoria. One of the clauses of this protest ascribes the proposed issue as an attempt to tax one

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Editorial.

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PERSONALITIES.

As it is contrary to the policy and principles of the MONTREAL PHILATELIST to engage in personalities, believing that the mission of a philatelic journal is to treat of stamps not persons, we shall we hope for the first and last time notice the personal attacks that have been made on the supposed author of our editorials. We wish it to be well understood, that this paper is not the organ of any individual, that while our editor takes the legal responsibility for the views expressed in its columns, it is in the strictest sense an impersonal journal, hence it does not necessarily follow that such views and opinions are the personal ones of any member of its staff. We have a settled and well defined aim and policy which we shall endeavor to carry out regardless of what the private opinions may be of any writer in our service. It follows from this that articles praising or blaming the editor by name are distinct breaches of journalistic ethics and would not be resorted to except by persons ignorant of the principles of journalism, and of the dignity of the profession.

We find in the *Adhesive* of April three different views expressed in regard to our paper, all have the same fault,—they are personal. The young man who contributes the Montreal news, as usual writes of what he knows nothing, and ascribes to the pen of an individual, matter, that for all he knows to the contrary, may be written by a dozen different persons. He makes an impertinent allusion to the private business of this supposed writer and tells him the paper is "dry and uninteresting." We have no doubt it is to one who knows as little about stamps or stamp collecting as this writer of Montreal news (?). The Review Editor is kind and complimentary for which we sincerely thank him ; he says our paper is "remarkably well conducted," that it contains "various short articles of interest" and quotes one for the benefit of the readers of the *Adhesive*. We would be better pleased if he credited our views to our journal not to the person whom he supposes to be the writer. We now come to the opinion of the editor-in-chief. He admits we were right in drawing his attention to a mis-use of his news columns to exploit private interests, he also admits

that he allowed an article to appear in his columns on a subject concerning which he was not familiar, and which aimed at the pockets of his readers, whom as responsible editor he is bound to protect, he fails to see the difference between an "irresponsible writer" (that is one who has not the responsibility of editorship) and an "irresponsible," that is an unreliable, individual, he is grossly personal in his remarks, and withal he resents our kindly hint to use the "blue pencil" freely. Was it needed before the publication of the April *Adhesive*? A jury of competent journalists, after reading the three contradictory articles in that number will say "Yea" most decidedly. Was it needed in the March issue, where a writer alludes to the Canada 2 c. purple envelope as a "minor variety" and an "error" while any philatelist knows it is neither. What the *Adhesive* lacks is a Philatelic editor, a man who has studied and knows at least a little of Philatelic science, otherwise it will remain a purely literary journal, with no pretensions to instruct or inform stamp collectors on the subject of most interest to them.

We pass over the personalities of the *Philatelic Spectator*, as merely the silly denials of a boy convicted of a theft, but determined to brazen out his fault by falsehood. Any person who will take the trouble to compare the article in the January number of the *P. S.* with our December report of new issues can see that it is copied word for word, without acknowledgement, just as the article on Transvaal stamps in the March issue is stolen *holus bolus* from Mr. Nankivell's London letter in the *Am. J. of P.* and the editorial in the same paper. This bad little boy should go to Sunday School and learn the Ten Commandments.

The *Nebraska Philatelist* rushes to the defence of its smart (?) young man who furnishes it with manufactured news from Montreal. If its readers enjoy reading fiction instead of stamp news that can help them in the making and arrangement of their collections "they pays their money and they takes their choice" it is no business of ours. We have tried to raise the tone of Canadian Philatelic news items, at the earnest request of a large number of prominent Canadian philatelists, who felt that they were misrepresented by the rubbish printed in the American papers as Canadian news. In this respect we have been wonderfully successful, as a comparison of such communications of last year with those now accepted by editors will show. But besides covering its Montreal chicken with its sheltering wings, the *N. P.* constitutes itself both judge, and prosecuting attorney, states what it "honestly" and "personally" believes, relates one or two little bits of hearsay evidence that have not been proved, sums up its case, and appeals to its jury of philatelists for a verdict, *without hearing the defence*, in the case "who was the *manufacturer* of G. B. Island counterfeits." The seller has admitted the fact of the character of the stamps, but claims he was himself deceived by them, we express no opinion on this point, it may or may not be true, but we like fair play. To appeal for a verdict when the accused is not in a position, from circumstances beyond his control, to produce his defence, may be Nebraska justice but it is not British justice and it was to the latter we appealed. Believers in British justice will say, that our position is simply unassailable, when we condemn as *cowardly*, attacks upon a man behind his back; with those who believe in any other form of justice we do not concern ourselves.

If Mr. C. E. A. Holmes who over his signature in the *Jubilee Philatelist* and the *Mount Royal S. News* indulges in personalities will take the trouble to read these lines, he will also find therein an

answer to his remarks. We are sorry to learn that this young man, takes back the advice he gave in the *Ohio Philatelist*, and again returns to his old ways of writing things about which he is not perfectly certain. We had hopes for him, but alas we fear he has fallen from grace! The publisher of this paper wishes us to deny that he told Mr. Holmes or any one else the name of the printer who printed the forgeries, for the very good reason that he does not know by whom, where or when they were printed, he merely knows who sold them, and that is all that is known or has been proved to date.

We must apologize for the trial to our readers' patience, in clearing up these various attacks, they were so many that it has taken somewhat more space than we expected, they were forced upon us, but we trust this is the last of them in our columns. In future no personal attacks will be noticed under any circumstances, and having now cleared the deck for action, we shall devote ourselves with renewed ardor to philately we trust for the benefit of our readers. Next month we hope to present an article we have had in preparation for some time on stamp values—who fixes them? dealer or collector? In the mean time those of our readers who would like to present their views on the subject, are cordially invited to make use of our columns.

RALPH W. GOSSET.

Most of our readers will join with us in sincere regret that, with this number Mr. Gosset terminates his very interesting letters on Australian stamp news. This young gentleman, who we believe is only about 20 years of age, is a model correspondent, careful and accurate in all he says, always interesting, never aggressive or personal, his "Australian notes" have been a feature of this journal, and were very frequently quoted, and some times appropriated by other papers. His news could always be depended upon, and it will be difficult to replace so valuable a contributor.

Mr. Gosset, who is a nephew of the Governor of Cook Islands, goes to that distant Pacific station, to fill a position in H. M. Customs service there, and he promises us news from the islands, as often as there is a mail steamer, which we believe is about once every six weeks. We, and those who have so long read Mr. Gosset's letters with pleasure, join in wishing him all prosperity in his new field, and we hope to soon hear from him there.

Arrangements are being perfected by which our Australian news will be continued by another correspondent.

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body of the community, viz.: Philatelists. We do not think the "tax" will fall on philatelists, as a rule they will not be the purchasers of these labels; if the stamp speculator is badly bitten most philatelists will rejoice; it must be remembered that there is nothing compulsory about buying the stamps so they are not a "tax," and purchasers will mostly be those who have never collected stamps before. If the purchase of these, awakes the desire to possess other stamps, the effect will be beneficial to philately rather than the reverse.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF THE TRANSVAAL, *by Charles Nissen, 106 High Holborn, W. C. London.*—This is a handy little catalogue of the South African Republic stamps, in which all the types and surcharges are illustrated, and described. It will prove a useful reference list to those who do not collect the minor varieties, being intended not for the very advanced but for medium collectors.

THE YOUNG STAMP COLLECTOR, *Fred. J Melville, 32 Ballater Road, Brixton, S. W. England, vol. 1, Nos. 1 and 2 March and April 1900.*—The junior philatelists of England will we hope extend a liberal patronage to this magazine established for the special purpose of fostering their interests. The two numbers before us are excellent, and contain just the right kind of matter to instruct the beginner, and by means of sketches and portraits of young collectors to encourage

emulation and perseverence. Master J. S. Higgins whose biography and portrait appears in the March number is the champion boy collector of Great Britain. He is but 15 years old, but possesses a collection of British stamps of over 5000 varieties including many rarities. He was awarded one bronze and two silver medals at the Manchester Philatelic Exhibition last August. "The Beginner's Guide" is a series of most useful simple, well written articles. We wish the new aspirant a full measure of prosperity and hope it may secure many subscribers in this side the Atlantic, where just such a paper is badly required in the interests of young philatelists.

THE PRAIRIE STATE PHILATELIST. *Prairie State Pub. Co., Chicago, Ill. Vol. 1. No. 2.*—No. 1. of this paper we have not seen, but the number before us is a very meritorious issue for a young journal. It contains items of real interest to philatelists, the kind that instruct and entertain, and in this respect it is far ahead of many of its older, better printed, and more pretentious contemporaries. The article "Stamps of the Far East" is to be commended, as containing just such information as is not generally known, and which cannot fail to excite an interest in these little understood but most instructive stamps. We wish long life and prosperity to the new comer.

AUSTRALIAN STAMP NEWS.

BY RALPH W. GOSSET.

Auckland, N Z, 8th March, 1900.

Things philatelic have been very dormant here lately, the outcome, no doubt, of all the interest of the people, (philatelists included), being centered on the war in South Africa. An immense deal of patriotism is exhibited by all classes of the community, hence philately has consequently been very dull.

The "Auckland Philatelic Club," (which adjourned for three months during the summer), will soon start its meetings again; resulting doubtless in a renewed interest amongst the Auckland Philatelists.

The following clipping I take from the "N. Z. Herald" thinking it might be of interest viz:

"A novel representation, on a large "scale, of a Victoria Cross, has been made by Sergeant-Major Bezar, of "Wellington, out of old British stamps. "It is 3 ft by 2 ft in size, and the vari- "coloured postage stamps have been "tastefully arranged in a most effective "manner."

Samoa. — I hear from an authentic source that the New Zealand Government hold all the dies of the Samoan palm set of stamps. So that Davis the late Samoan postmaster cannot have any more printed, nor has Davis any "*Star N. Z.*" watermarked paper. Whether the New Zealand Government will destroy the dies or not remains to be seen. However the fact is that Davis must have ordered before hand a good supply, as he must have had "news" that the Germans were to acquire Samoa.

Perhaps after all the "Palm Tree" set will be worth something in the 'philatelic market."

South Australia.—I have seen the 1 d. rose (new color) of this place over printed O. S. in thin letters in black, in all probability by this time the other values in new colors will be thus surcharged.

Victoria.—The "war stamps" which I mentioned in my last letter, the Government have definitely decided to issue.

Later—Since writing the above, the following telegram appeared in this morning's "Herald":

POSTAGE STAMP CHANGES.

(By telegraph,—Press Association.)

Wellington, March 8th, 1900.

"The following changes have been made in the postage stamps of this colony:—The ½ d. stamp is now printed in green. The 1 d. stamp has been re-engraved in the design of the 4 d. (White Terrace), and is printed in red. The 2 d. stamp will be printed in violet. The 4 d. stamp is now of the same design as the former 1 d. (Lake Taupo), and is printed in blue and brown. The 6 d. stamp will in future be printed in pink. In the case of the ½ d. and 2 d. stamps, although the design has been retained, several slight changes have been made by the engraver. The new ½ d., 1 d. and 4 d. stamps are now on sale, and the 2 d. and 6 d. will be ready in a few days."

NOTE.

For the readers of the *Australian News*.

As I am ordered on to Rarotonga,

Cook Islands, in the South Pacific, and will proceed there in a few days time, I will not be in a position to send any more Philatelic Notes relative to the stamps of Australasia, but any thing of an interesting nature in the Cook Islands I will forward it on to the Editor.

RALPH W. GOSSET.

March 19th, 1900.

Since my brother last wrote the new issue of ½ d., 1 d. and 2 d. N. Z. stamps have been issued. They are as follows : ½ d. yellow green, 1 d. rose lake, 2 d. mauve, which are printed on wove paper and watermarked Star and double lined N. Z. with perforation 11.

The following is a clipping from one of our daily papers : "The Postmaster-"General of Victoria has received 120 "designs for the special war stamps which "it is proposed to issue, and accepted "designs for two penny and penny stamps, "of which 20,000 of the former and 40,000 "of the latter are to be issued."

VIVIAN C. GOSSET.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Bridgeville, N. S. April, 20th 1900.
Editor "Montreal Philatelist,"

I have seen the article in your Apri number about the Canadian Split Stamps. I got one that came from Cross Roads Country Harbour, Guysborough County, Nova Scotia, the date on the envelope is January 9th 1899, there was only one half of a three cents stamp used and it was not surcharged. Thinking there must have been more of them issued from the same office, I wrote to the postmaster at the address mentioned and here is what he has to say about it :

Cross Road, Country Harbor,
April 17th 1900.

H. A. McDonald, Bridgeville,

Dear Sir,—Your enquiry re stamps to hand. At the time you mention the 2 c. postage was given us so suddenly that I was about out and all my neighbour P. M. was also out and as I could only charge the public 2 c I could not afford to put on a 3 c. stamp so cut 3 c. and 5 c. to about even the thing up and sent them along. 3 or 4 days letters were mailed in this way, but I do not know where they went to. Yours very truly,

E. S. SWEET, Postmaster.

So there are split 1 c. 3 c. and 5 c. provisional stamps which were issued for a few days. H. A. McDONALD

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

S. C. S. C. SANTA ANA.— It is not always possible to give full particulars in regard to size of perforation, quality of paper, meaning of commemorative designs etc., when first announcing a new issue, as such announcements are frequently made on the authority of correspondents, who very often neglect to enclose specimens for one reason or another. We always give all such information, and the reason of a new issue, when it is at hand, at the time the new issue is announced, but we would not feel justified to hold back a news item because we might not be able to make it as complete as we would like. The value of the Brazilian milreis is now about 20 cents.

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NEWS OF THE MONTH

The most important event, directly affecting stamp collectors that has occurred since our last issue, is undoubtedly the absorption into the "Greatest Empire that has been" of the Orange Free State, the capitulation of the Capital of the South African Republic, and the utter collapse of the Boers as an independent power in the Dark Continent. Several of the interesting stamp issues and postal makeshifts arising from the state of war are recorded in this number. Doubtless others will come to light in course of time. The political events that will now ensue as a result of the war, will certainly be recorded in the postal issues that will take place, once more proving that philatelical science is the surest and speediest barometer of historical events. Another step towards stamps for the Commonwealth of Australia has been taken by the introduction of the Federation bill in the British House of Commons. When this measure is completed it will mean the closing of the record of the stamps for six different colonies.

In commercial philately an event of first class importance has also occured, in the sale of Mr M.P. Castle's wonderful collection of unused European stamps. This collection is undoubtedly the finest of its class in existence, it comprises over 60,000 specimens, and has been purchased by an English collector for £30,000, the largest sum ever yet paid for a single philatelical purchase. The purchaser whose name has not been made public, will preserve the collection intact, and being desirous of adding to it, is now advertising through the agents who negotiated the sale, that he wishes to buy fine unused stamps, especially pairs and blocks.

ENTRANCES AND EXITS.

BAVARIA. — The German papers announce the issue of two high value adhesives 3 marks brown and 5 marks light green, of same design, perforation and watermark as the 1 and 2 marks, (A 4); also single and reply cards of 2 pf. value, printed in grey.

BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE. — During the siege of Mafeking runners were employed to carry correspondence through the Boer lines of investment. For this service it is reported that Cape Colony stamps were used, an extra tax for the special service being surcharged on each stamp. We have seen the current Cape ½d surcharged 1d, the 1d surcharged 3d, and the 3d surcharged 6d, with the words "Mafeking" above and "Besieged" below the added values. Whether these stamps were a private speculation, or whether they emanate from the post office, our correspondent does not inform us. It seems strange that Cape stamps should have been employed instead of those of Great Britain which have been regularly used in Bechuanaland since 1897, but stranger things happen during war time. *Ewen's W. S. News* also reports the British Bechuanaland 3d lilac (Scott 13) and 4d green and brown (Scott 35) surcharged 6d and 1 shilling respectively.

BELGIUM.—The color of the 1 franc stamp has at last been settled, it now appears in orange on white and the 2 fr. is now printed in lilac on white instead of on a rose back ground These changes are made by an official order of the Postal Administration dated April 17, and the new colors come into use with the exhaustion of the old.

BOSNIA.—The new series is now completed by the issue of 10 heller post cards, letters cards and envelopes in red, letter cards of 6 h. brown, and reply cards 5 x 5 h. green.

BULGARIA.— The adhesives are now printed on thin greyish paper and the colors are all changed in shade. Correcting the announcement made last month

on the authority of *Le T. P.*, we list those we have seen of these new varieties :

1 s lilac	10 s. red
2 s. slate	15 s. yellow
5 s. green	25 s. blue.

The 10 s. is of a different shade to that issued on pelure paper in 1894. (Scott 39).



CHILI.- We illustrate the new type described last month. The following values have now been seen 1 c. green, 2c. carmine, 5 c. blue and 10c lilac.



COLUMBIA (*Republic of.*)—We illustrate the 5 c. stamp issued by the Provisional government at Cucuta. The 5c and 10c are printed in black or pink paper, and as we go to press we hear of a 20c on yellow paper of same type. We have been criticized for listing the stamps of this country under a title which is a correct translation of the Spanish as used on the regular issues of the stamps. The title of the catalogues "Columbian Republic" is not correct and is not found in the Postal Guides or any official document that we know of.

CONGO FREE STATE.—The 10 centimes post cards of the Free State being now admitted to circulate within a zone of 300 marine miles from the frontiers, says *L'Essor Philatelique*, a change in the inscription has been made in the single and reply cards of that value. The new inscription, which is in French, indicates that the use of the cards has been extended to comprise the colonies of Gold Coast on the North and German South West Africa on the South.

CRETE.—The meaning of the surcharge on the new stamps is now satisfactorily explained. The unit of currency on the island is still the Turkish piastre worth 22 lepta, and will so remain for some months to come, until the law adopting the monetary system of the Latin union comes into force. In the meantime the 25 l. stamp is sold for 1 piastre, the 50 l. for 2 piastres, the 1 dr. for 4 piastres, and so on. This necessitates the provisional surcharge of all multiples of 25, which will be discontinued as soon as the new monetary law is promulgated



We illustrate the 10 lepta, the portrait as already announced is that of Prince George. Thesame design also appears on a post card of same value with usual inscriptions in Greek and French, color carmine on buff.

DAHOMEY.—The full set from 1 centime to 5 francs, for this French colony in the regular colors and of the regulation type, has been issued, as we anticipated in our February report.

DANISH WEST INDIES.—What is probably the fore-runner of a new set has just come to hand a 1 cent green of the same design as the current Denmark (Scott A 7) with the necessary alterations in the inscriptions.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.—By an official decree, March 30th 1900, the issue of 100,000 each of ¼c and ½c stamps, for the prepayment of printed matter, was authorized.

ERITREA.—The Italian government is not to be left behind the rest of the world in booming its colonial possessions. The *Franco-bollo*, informs us that an eminent Roman artist is preparing the necessary designs for an artistic set of stamps, at the request of the Governor of Eritrea.

FEDERATED MALAY STATES.—The 1, 2, 5 and 25 c. of Perak have been surcharged in a similar manner to the stamps of Negri Sembilan as previously described.

FIJI.—The *London Philatelist* announces the change of color of the ½d. from grey to dark green, U. P. U. color.

FRANCE.—The 2 franc reported last month, made its appearance on April 19th. It is printed from die 1 (N. below B.) in bistre on light blue. It was first reported that a very limited number of this stamp were to be printed, but our French contemporaries state that 600,000 specimens have been struck off so that it will not be a rarity. The new sets promised for the opening of the Paris exposition have been delayed in preparation. The design of M. Eug. Mouchon which was that first accepted by the government for the values from 10 to 30 centimes, as announced last January, is now ready in the following colors :

10 c. red	25 c. blue
15 c. orange	30 c. violet
20 c. brown violet.	

FRENCH COLONIES. — The yellow green shade for 5 centimes has been adopted for New Caledonia, French Oceania.

FRENCH CONGO.—If not yet actually issued, we learn from several of our French and Belgian exchanges, that the new set announced by us in April is now ready. The full list is as follows : —

1st Design—Panther. Watermark—Thistle.
1 c. violet on violet — 5 c. green on green
2 c. bistre on yellow — 10 c. red on rose
4 c. red brown on blue — 15 c. violet on green.
2nd Design—Female warrior. Watermark—Rose.
20 c green on orange — 40 c. bistre on green
25 c. blue on blue — 50 c. violet on mauve
30 c. red on yellow — 75 c lilac on orange
3rd Design—Palmtrees & warriors. Watermark—Olive branch.
1 franc mauve on green
2 " bistre on carmine
5 " yellow on blue.

We hope to illustrate this set in our next number.



GERMANY.—We illustrate the recently issued 1 mark stamp, which represents the post office building Berlin.

GREAT BRITAIN.—*Ewen's W.S. News* reports that a circular has been issued from the General Post office intimating that the issue of the 4½ d. stamp will cease with the exhaustion of the present supply. From the same journal we learn that the new ½d green has already appeared surcharged "Army Official" and that the supply of the bi-colored 1 shilling is ready for issue, printed centre in green, outer frame in lake, of same design as the current green stamp.

GREECE. — A complete new set of stamps to replace those now current has been ordered from an English firm, and are to be ready for use in September. We understand they are to come from the same establishment as furnished the Cretan stamps, so we may expect new and original designs.

GUATEMALA.—We hear that a new design is in preparation for a complete set of all values. In the mean time provisionals are numerous. The latest reported are a series of revenues which are being accepted for postage. We have heard of the following so employed :—

1c carmine. — 25c red.
5c lilac — 50c blue and red.
10c green.

HAWAII.—By an act of U. S. Congress approved April 30 "to provide a Government for the Territory of Hawaii" it is decreed that when the Act takes effect—forty-five days after its approval—"that Hawaiian postage stamps, postal cards and stamped envelopes shall not be sold." United States stamps are to take their place and Hawaiian stamps can be redeemed if presented within six months.

INDIA.—The 6 annas inscribed "India postage" prepared some years ago has just been issued. Color. light brown, star watermark.

JAMAICA.—We have received from Miss Emily Fraser a new pictoral stamp, representing Llandovery Falls. The value is 1 penny, printed in carmine red on paper watermarked Crown C. C. This would indicate that the stamp comes from the Colonial Government contractor's establishment,—De LaRue & Co.,—where all large sized colonial stamps are still printed on C. C. paper, Ceylon, Babados and Trinidad Jubilee, Mauritius and others.



JAPAN.—Envelopes of two sizes have been issued impressed with the current type 3 sen violet on white paper. *Mekeel's W. S. News* is the first to illustrate the commemorative stamp we reported last month. We take the following description from our St. Louis contemporary. "The design in the centre is an "Orishiki" or box in which food is carried on the occasion of the marriage of distinguished personages. The translations of the inscriptions are as follows: Left side, "Imperial Japanese Postage"; right side "Crown Prince Wedding Ceremony." The value is in the lower right hand corner (3) and the denomination (sen) in the left. The ornaments in the corners are the wisteria, the crest of the Lady Sada-ko's family, The stamps will be available only for domestic postage, but this will include the offices in China and Corea." The stamp was issued on May 10th to commemorate the marriage of the Prince Imperial and Lady Sada-ko.

MALTA.—*Ewen's W. S. News* announces the issue on May 1st of 1 penny

envelope stamps in three sizes. Specimens have now come to hand and we find they bear an oval embossed stamp in carmine of the usual style of the De la Rue envelopes.

MAURITIUS.—The *W. P. Era* has received information from an official source, that an entire new issue is in contemplation including values of 1, 2, 5 and 10 rupees.

MEXICO.—The new issue is listed by several contemporaries with the surcharge "Oficial" We doubt if this can be called a surcharge, as it appears to be merely a handstamp applied, after the stamps are affixed to official letters. We have received several on covers, where one impression of the handstamp did duty for two stamps, part of the word appearing on each.

MOROCCO.—*British offices.* The 5c news band of Gibraltar is now in use surcharged "Morocco Agencies."

NEW SOUTH WALES. — Pictorial stamps are said to be contemplated by the postal authorities of this colony, in fact we hear that a 2d stamp is already in preparation depicting the scene of Captain Cook's landing at Botany Bay.



NEW ZEALAND. — We illustrate the recently issued 1 penny rose. It will be seen that the design of the 1898 4 d. has been considerably modified and reduced in size. As noted last month slight changes have been made in the design of the 2d. value and the new ½d green also arrives treated in a similar manner.

NORTHERN NIGERIA.—A new British colony, new stamps, but of the same old De la Rue type, now employed for so many of the Crown colonies. Watermarked Crown C. A., perforated 14 as usual.

½ d.	lilac & green	6 d.	lilac & violet
1 d.	" " rose	10 d.	green & brown
2 d.	" " yellow	1 s.	" & black
2½ d.	" " blue	2 s. 6 d.	" & blue
5 d.	" " brown		

ORANGE RIVER COLONY.—This is the new name of the former Republic, which has now been formally annexed by proclamation to the British crown, after Lord Roberts' triumphant campaign. Shortly after the occupation of Bloemfontein by the British troops, the stamps of the Republic, remaining in the post office, were surcharged "V. R. I." with the value in English, by the military authorities. Specimens have been sent to us by our so African correspondent, Mr. H. Rudd, of Oudtshoorn, Cape Colony. It was read out in the regimental orders to the troops that these stamps would not be accepted at army post offices, where English stamps only were to be used, but they could be employed at all ordinary post offices by soldiers as well as civilians. In spite of this regulation, however, we have seen quite a few, which have passed through the, "Field Post Office." This is not surprising, as soldiers letters are accepted without stamps of any kind. The 2 ½ d. on 3 d. blue (Scott No. 43) is surcharged with initials only, the old surcharge which is generally about the center of the stamp making a new one unnecessary. The other values ½ d. orange, 1 d. violet, 2 d. mauve, 3 d. blue, 4 d. blue, 6 d. rose, 6 d. blue, 1 s. brown and 5 s. green besides the "V. R. I." at the top have the value added in figures just above the value in the Dutch language at foot. The 6 d. blue is a new color for that value and had never been previously used. We hear also of the ½ d. post card surcharged "V. R. I." and there are a number of minor varieties caused by typographical errors, the most important seems to be the omission of the period after the surcharged letters.

PARAGUAY.—A new set of stamps is announced as in preparation, necessitated by changes in the postal tariff. Pending its issue several surcharges are expected.

PERU.—It is reported that the color of the 10 c. tamp has been changed from yellow to slate black. A new 3 c. letter card, having for stamp the bust in relief of the president and usual inscriptions, red on white, has appeared.

PORTO RICO. — The United States government has returned to the old way of spelling the name of this colony. The 1 c. and 2 c. adhesives, 1 c. post card, 2 c. and 5 c. envelopes had appeared surcharged "Puerto Rico" before the final official decision, and it has now been decided that in future only regular U. S. stamps will be used without any surcharge.

SEYCHELLES.— A change of color is reported, on the authority of a German paper, of the current 2 c. from green and carmine, to orange and green.

SIAM.—To the list, in our March number, of the new set with profile of King, is to be added Post cards of 1 ½ atts red

and 4 atts carmine, the latter single and reply.

SURINAM.—In our January number we reported the issue of current Netherlands stamps of 50 c., 1 and 2½ gld. surcharged "Suriname." We learn that in addition the 10, 12½, 15, 20 and 25 c. have been similarly treated, and the 2½ gld. also, with value reduced to 1½ gld.

TASMANIA.—The following values of the pictorial series have been issued :

½ d. green	(Lake Marion)
2½ d. blue	(Tasman's Arch)
3 d. brown	(Spring River)
4 d. orange	(Russell Falls)
5 d. ultramarine	(Mount Gould)
6. d. carmine	(Dilston Falls).

They are of large size similar to the 1d. and 2 d. which we have already illustrated, and are watermarked "TAS". These stamps are sold in sets at the office of the Agent-General for Tasmania in London.

URUGUAY.—The *Am. Journal of Philately* records the 5m (A 70) in orange 7c (A 35) in carmine and 20c (A 37) in light blue, new colors recently adopted for these values.

WURTEMBURG. — The *Timbrophile Belge* announces an addition to the set of official stamps, a 2 pfennig grey. We learn that the same value has also been added to the set used for Municipal Service (Scott O 1), and that 2 pf. grey post cards single and reply have appeared for both the official series and for regular use as well.

SPECULATIVE STAMPS AND COUNTERFEITS.

The stamps described under this heading, we would advise collectors to avoid, as they are manufactured either by official authority or by private individuals for their own gain at the expense of Philatelists.

BELGIUM.—*Le Timbrophile Belge* puts its readers on guard against a forgery of the 5 francs red brown, catalogued by Scott at $7.00. It is being offered in Brussels at 13 francs and both stamp and obliteration are said to have been very well imitated.

NEVIS.—*The Briefmarken Journal* reports the appearance of a faked 6d green (Scott No. 25) made by removing the value of the common ½d green and printing in "sixpence" in its place. The green 6d is catalogued at $40.00 used.

ORANGE RIVER COLONY.—We hear that an army order was issued to the troops warning them against any old obsolete stamps, surcharged "V. R. I." some of which were manufactured by local Speculators at Bloemfontein. What values were so fraudulently doctored has not yet transpired.

SPAIN.—*The Philatelic Chronicle*, (England) reports : 1853 issue, 2 Rcales, red. A very good forgery of the above stamp is abroad. The principal points of difference are as follows:—The 2 before Rs is leaning over too much and has a different foot, the R is too long and the S too small. The shading on the neck consists of single dots in the forgeries, whereas in the originals it consists of dots and lines. The paper is thin, but woolly and not so tough as in the originals.

URUGUAY.—We have been shown a counterfeit of the 1899 5 m. purple. It can be distinguished from the genuine by the liberty cap, which is a cap in the genuine stamp, but in the forgery looks like an Indian head dress. The perforation is also different being 12½ instead of 11½. Some of these counterfeits were found in the stock of the Dominion Stamp Co. (R. C. Bach) and were destroyed, by the trustee, when he came into possession ; we have since heard that from the same source considerable quantities were sold last year to New York dealers. This will be another matter to investigate at the close of the South African war.

VICTORIA.—Designs for the 1d. and 2d. war stamps have been accepted, after a competition of artists. They are of a military character and took 1st and 2nd prizes in the competition. Further particulars will be given when the stamps appear.

The Stamp Collector's Fortnightly, published by Percy C. Bishop, High Holborn, London, England, in their issue of May 12 (No. 135. Vol. V.) says :—"A Magazine from Canada. The MONTREAL PHILATELIST, a monthly, now in its second year, comes to us in very good shape. Evidently there is plenty of life in the Philately of the Dominion." They also quote our article on "Split Provisionals." Thanks.

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STAMP VALUES.

In answer to our request, for the views of our readers on the question whether stamp values are fixed by the dealer or the collector, a large number have written to us on the subject. We have only space to publish two of these communications, one on each side of the question.

From the perusal of the mass of correspondence that has come to us, we notice that a confusion of ideas is very prevalent in regard to two different matters i. e. value and price. There can be no doubt that the seller of any article, insomuch as it is his property, has an undisputed right to fix the price at which he will part with it, but it does not follow that the price asked is the true value. The value depends upon two principal considerations, the quantity in existence or which can be brought into existence, and the number of persons who wish to obtain the articles in question —in our case stamps. In other words the value depends on "supply and demand," and as a last resort, it is the "demand" that determines the value, for no matter how great or how small the supply may be, unless an article is in demand it is practically worthless. This universal law of values is very evident when it applies to things which have absolutely no value in themselves, such as stamps. Let it be supposed that no stamp collectors existed, and it is at once apparent that a stamp no matter how rare, would have no value whatsoever, simply because no one would be willing to pay any thing for it. This proves to a certainty that collectors alone fix the value of stamps ; whether the prices as quoted in the dealers' catalogues reflect their value is another question. In the great majority of cases we believe they do, in a relative degree. But stamp collecting has its ebb and flow ; at one time all the world seems bent on collecting stamps, again something else attracts the popular attention, and philately languishs, so that what may be the permanent value of any stamp it is impossible to say ; as the number of collectors increases or diminishes, the supply remaining stationary, in the same proportion values rise and fall. A remarkable example of the truth of this, is to be found by a comparison of prices given in the Scott Catalogue for the years immediately before and after the Columbian

exposition. The issue of the Columbian stamps directed universal attention to stamp collecting, its votaries seized the occasion to laud its benefits and merits, with the result that all the world caught the philatelic fever, and prices advanced to hitherto undreamed of figures. It was the era of speculation. Many of the new fledged collectors remained with us, but not a few dropped out in a year or two, and though prices are not likely to go back to the low figures of 1892, still there has been, ever since that Columbian boom, a gradual settling down of values in all cases, where some other unusual circumstances have not maintained them. Some dealers, who during the era of inflated prices, bought largely, have tried to bolster up prices by various means ; one of the most common is buying in at auction sales by the owners, at high figures, which go on record as the open market prices. Such efforts are of no avail however on the whole ; the inexorable law of supply and demand asserts itself, and forms the true level of prices.

Have prices now receded to the true value ? It is impossible to say, for in reality there is no true permanent value to stamps ; as we have shown above values fluctuate with the number of collectors, and as the number of newly issued stamps is increasing much faster than the number of collectors, we are inclined to think, that the collector of the future will find plenty of material with which to occupy his philatelic tastes in the new issues and commoner grades, and will leave the rarer varieties to the few who care to indulge in them. It this prove to be true the knell of high, inflated prices is rung, and we many expect to see stamp collecting regain that strong popular hold upon the masses, that it enjoyed in the early days, when dealers were almost unknown, and all acquisitions were made by exchange between collectors.

Can collectors regulate the selling prices of stamps ? If so, how ? How do finds, stocks of remainders, exclusive holdings owned by monopolists, etc., etc., affect values? These and many other cognate questions have been raised by our correspondents, and we hope to discuss them all as time and space will permit. As always our correspondence columns will be open to those who wish to write for publication.

OUR CRITICS.

The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain, Kirkpatrick and Pemberton, 202 High Holborn, London England, in vol. x No. 113 May 15th, reproduces our article on Canadian Provisionals of 1899, in full. The editor takes exception to our defence of "*genuine*" commemorative stamps, but makes no attempt to meet our argument. We are perfectly in accord with him that stamps issued "to replenish the State exchequer" are "indefensible." But has it been proved that any "commemoratives" were issued, avowedly for that purpose? The U. S. Columbians for instance, or the Omahas, or Canada Jubilees, or even the Mauritius Labourdonnais ? Incidentally they produced an extra revenue of course, but was that the reason of their issue ? There is no dispute about the object of the issue of "Charity" "Hospital" or War Fund" stamps, so they come naturally into the class of "Speculatives." The distinction is not so very "fine."

We must congratulate the present publishers of the *Philatelic Journal*, upon the many improvements they have introduced since assuming its management. Their reproductions of new issues are the best published any where, and are really magnificent specimens of photographic art.

Ewen's Weekly Stamp News maintains that "the *one* aim" of stamp collecting is "to provide pleasant recreation." In this

opinion that paper is opposed to all the great authorities of Philately. That it is a pleasant recreation is admitted but it is more, it is a useful recreation as well useful to young and old, useful to the student, useful to the sage, useful to the individual, useful to society, to the business man, as well as to the professional man, to the wealthy as well as to the less fortunate, to one and all who taste its pleasures, it leads on step by step the pleasant pathway of knowledge. It is not only a means to learn history, but it is itself a fact of history, monumental and commemorative of the world's most striking deeds, of mankind's progress in all that goes to make life better and happier. This is Philately and it is its wonderful combination of pleasure and utility that has enabled it to take and maintain with so firm a hold its recognized position in the world of science, and of art.

We regret that Mr. H.A. Chapman takes our remark about the *Adhesive's* lack of philatelic editing, as a personal allusion to himself. We pointed out only one or two of the philatelic mistakes made by the contributors to that paper, those of special interest to our readers, as relating to Canadian matters, and we drew the natural inference, that the editor, who would let such blunders pass, could have but slight knowledge of Philatelic science. As Mr. Chapman states he does not claim to be an expert, we presume he is not the philatelic editor, consequently our remarks can in no way apply to him personally, indeed that gentleman might have been a perfect mine of philatelic lore for all we knew to the contrary, previous to his admission, We have made no comparison between our humble efforts and those of the *Adhesive's* brillant "six," we have simply stated facts and drawn the obvious conclusions. If our facts are disputed and disproved we shall be glad to make the necessary corrections. Our rule is to state facts as we find them and criticize them fairly, never making covert allusions, which leave a loop hole to withdraw, as the *Adhesive* is given to doing.

It will be noticed that we have changed our date of issue from the 1st to the 15th of the month. There are several reasons for this, amongst others the fact that we are enabled at the later date to give news culled from our European exchanges, arriving about the 8th or 10th of each month, is of importance, but what determined us to make the change was the difficulty we experienced in getting out our paper on time on the 1st of each month. The printers who have the contract for our publication, have also several other monthly papers to produce, and as these are dated on the 1st, the pressure of work at that time often caused delay all round, hence we determined to diminish this pressure, and we think it will be of benefit to our readers by enabling us to present to them later and fresher news.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

Grant's Monthly Philatelist, W. C. A. Grant, Kansas City, Kas. Vol. I No. 1 June 1900. This paper, considering its large amount of preliminary advertising and promises, is hardly up to our expectations. It was announced as "an illustrated Magazine" but the only illustration we notice is one of a happy family of Bret Harte's jumping frogs. Does this indicate that it is to be a croaker? A circulation of 25,000 was promised and advertisements solicited at double the rates of most established papers, *cash with copy*, on the promise of that circulation figure. We notice that the publishers state they have postponed "the very large circulation" number till a future date. "What would Sheldon do" under such circumstances in regard to those who paid "cash with copy" for a 25,000 circulation? It is evident that the publishers were too enthusiastic, too sanguine of the frantic rush for reserved seats at 25c. extra, from benighted pnilatelists longing for a ray of Grant's celestial light. These little idiosyncrasies aside, and barring several bad proot-reader's oversights, the number before us is an

interesting paper of 14 pages of reading matter and two of advertisements. It opens with the good old philatelic tale in a new form of the lone widow who paid off that mortgage with the proceeds of a lucky find of old postmasters provisionals, we all know the story. Notes from various places, new issues, two poems, a philatelic and a religious one, short essays and publishers announcements make up the Magazine. There is not much about stamps in it, and the only article that professes to treat specially of stamps—those of Greece—makes a curious blunder by telling us that the recent issue of Crete is only a temporary one "until the proper issue is brought out" which are *all* to "have the head of Prince George as centerpiece." This is rather startling "news" or has it merely escaped the blue pencil. The Canadian correspondent is above the average and makes the most of the somewhat scanty amount of philatelic news to be gathered in Canada this season. He alludes to the MONTREAL PHILATELIST as if we depended upon local support for our existence We beg to draw the gentleman's attention to the device on our front cover. Montreal collectors to the number of over 200 are on our subscription list it is true, but they do not form the tenth part of the total list which comprises names in "all parts of the world." We wish our new contemporary all the success of its most sanguine dreams.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Editor "MONTREAL PHILATELIST.

Dear Sir. In reply to your question "Who fixes the prices of stamps? in my experience, I think the dealers fix and get the prices they want for their goods. Recently I went into a dealer's shop on Nassau St., I asked for a certain stamp, Cat'd at $2.00 I offered him 80 cents for it. He stared at me, and ducked his head under the counter and forked out something that looked like a gun, I ran and I would probably be running yet, if I had not come across a lamp post down near the Battery. We collectors are at the dealer's mercy.

Yours truly,

GOTHAM.

P. S. Your paper is a dandy. Your editorials give us something to think about and are most interesting, much better than the so called "articles" found in most papers. I like the way you take the responsibility for what you publish and I guess we can believe what the MONTREAL PHILATELIST says.

EDITOR M. P.—Dear Sir:—

In answer to your question, "who fixes the prices on stamps, dealers or collectors?" I beg to say that I think the collectors fix the prices of stamps, I mean of course, the better quality, anybody can fix prices on continentals. Take for example the auction sales that have been held during the past season, some stamps don't sell while others are bid up above catalogue; this shows that the collectors know whether a stamp is worth a certain value or not. The catalogue does not figure very prominently at auction sales. Again, say a dealer advertises a stamp at a good reduction from catalogue, he will probably receive no orders. This shows that collectors do not wish to pay his price. Say he advertises at a quarter less than his former price, he might be overrun with orders. This will show that the collectors are willing to pay his last figure because they know it is not worth any more and so on. J. A STUART.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J. G. L. Hartford:—Your friend is mistaken in saying that the word "unperforated" is not to be found in the dictionary. It is in Webster's, in as early an edition as that of 1861, long before it was used as a technical philatelic term. The discussion, whether the adjective "imperforate" or the participle "unperforated" should be used, has come down to us from the earliest days of stamp collecting. Many objected in those days to the word "perforation" preferring "denticulation" as a better descriptive term; the equivalent French word has always been used in France. Even if "unperforated" were not a dictionary word, it would be allowable, as all sciences invent their own technical terms before they are recognized by lexicographers. The English prefix "un" has the same meaning as the Latin "in" [im-,ig-,il-] and is frequently used with Latin words, for instance Shakespear uses "unproper" "unpossible" and many other similar words. To describe a stamp from which the perforations had been cut, "deperforated" though unusual, could be properly employed technically but never "unperforated" which simply means not perforated. Your friend in condemning the use of either word displays not only an ignorance of philately, but of English grammar as well.

CASUAL COOK ISLAND NOTES.

BY RALPH W. GOSSET.

Rarotonga, Cook Is., April, 20, 1900.

A new stock of stamps was recently ordered from the government printer at Wellington, N. Z., as he prints all the Cook Island stamps, and also holds the dies. These newly ordered stamps arrived the mail before last and are all of a different shade from the 1st lot printed, notably the 2½ d. value which was pink but in the new lot it is of a lilac-rose color; some very deep in color and others again very light · which only shews how carelessly the various colors were blended for the printing. Another notable feature of this new stock is the exceedingly careless manner in which they have been perforated, which of course spoils them for collecting purposes.

It was rumoured among a great number of New Zealand collectors lately that the 1½d. lilac Cook Island was likely to be withdrawn, as it was a useless value; but I find such is not the case, as it is used for postage between the various Islands of the Cook group, viz: Rarotonga, Aitutaki, Mangaia. Mitiaro, Mauke, Manuac, and Atiu. The rate of postage being (between the forogoing Islands) 1½ d. for every ½ oz. or fraction thereof. So the 1½ d. stamp is an indispensable value for the group.

Quite a number of large orders continue to come in to the Chief Post Office here for the surcharged ½ d on 1 d blue, but of course they are out of stock and have been for some considerable time past.

The regular line of steamers only connect with this place, Auckland and Tahiti, once a month, so the readers of this can well imagine the interest taken on the arrival of the steamer with the mails, war news, etc. Of course various craft trade with New Zealand, Australasia and Tahiti, etc., with Island produce, but one cannot rely on the regularity of these boats.

I am now installed as Chief Revenue officer and Asst. Postmaster here. I am preparing an article for you on the stamps of Cook Islands and as I have access to much valuable information, never yet published, it will be a lengthy one

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PUBLISHERS' NOTE—Those who have not yet renewed their subscription should do so at once, if they do not wish to miss the article on Cook Islands, [the best that will ever be published], The paper will with this number be stopped for all those who have not renewed.

SOUTH AFRICAN NOTES

BY H. RUDD.

Oudtshoorn C. C. April 30th 1900.

It is rumoured that some Natal Stamps, taken from the Newcastle Post Office, had the likeness of "Oom Paul" printed on them, and that a set of stamps, bearing the likeness of Baden-Powell, has been issued at Mafeking. I cannot however vouch for their authenticity.

I enclose specimens of the surcharged Orange Free State issue. I hear that the 2½d is already sold out.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

Dear Readers:—

It is not often that I have the pleasure of addressing you personally. This being however, the last number of Volume II, I cannot start on Volume III without first expressing my sincere thanks to all those who have helped along the paper by subscribing and advertising. You will kindly notice that since the M. P. passed into my hands, I have done my best to make it a first-class scientific paper. Read this number carefully, there in not another journal that publishes such a quantity of interesting and instructive news, at a subscription price less than 50c. and as high as $2.00 a year. We have an editorial staff of experts, both as philatelists and as journalists, composed of the best philatelic writers in Canada. Our editor prominent in philately for over 35 years, has held several high offices on the editorial staff of some of the largest newspapers published in Montreal, Boston and New York. Those who read our paper can unhesitatingly say "That is so, I saw it in the Montreal Philatelist." Now help to make our 3rd. volume even better than before, by sending 25c. for a year's subscription; every little helps and you could not lay out that small sum to better advantage for yourself. You will not regret it.

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Faithfully Yours, W. K. HALL.
President.

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Mr. Chapman sent the first twenty-six numbers of the " Perforator " a file of the Stamp Exchange (Tucker) and copies of the " Adhesive " to date.

Mr. Dalton donated two copies of the " Dominion Philatelist."

A number of members have sent in their want lists of papers to be put on file and filled whenever possible and quite a number of exchanges have been made.

As yet I have not received any answers to my appeal for the first five number of the official organ. Have you any papers that you do not want if so please send them along and they will be acknowledged in the official organ.

Yours respectfully, A. R. MAGILL,
42 Dudley St., Medford, Mass.

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The above speaks for itself and it is unnecessary for me to make any further report. It is apparent that the society is making rapid and most satisfactory progress

H. SMITH.
Sec.-Treas

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