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PREFACE.

NOTHER "long felt want" filled. Such were the words that greeted us when we announced the publication of this our Philatelic Handbook No. 2. Our Handbook No. 1, The Stamps of British North America, proved a success far beyond our expectation. Our series of Philatelic Handbooks have met the approbation and secured promises of support of the leading dealers and collectors in every portion of the globe. Dealers and collectors in Canada, and out-lying countries, have as a rule been but little acquainted with the state of stamp collecting in Canada, no reliable directory of Canadian collectors exclusively had ever been published, and the prominent Canadian philatelists are not as widely known as might be. Why? Owing to the scarcity of Philatelic publications in Canada. The foregoing condition of affairs resulted in the issue of this work. Referring to the directory of Canadian philatelists herein, it is the largest and most complete ever issued—the names have all been collected within three months prior to date of publication, and as a result they can be relied on as new and bonu-fide. In the sketches of prominent dealers, etc., it has been our endeavor to have the sketches brief and pithy, rather than complete, long and tiresome. A second edition of this work will be issued immediately on the exhaustion of the first edition, and although our directory is large we feel assured that there are ten times as many Canadian Philatelists as we have listed, we therefore request the purchasers of this edition to send us the name of any Canadian collectors whose names we have omitted, so that they may be inserted in the second edition. We extend our sincere thanks to our customers for their liberal patronage to this and previous publications, and we trust to have the same combined in our succeeding publications.

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STAMP COLLECTING IN CANADA.

Canada is a stamp collector's paradise in more ways than one. Firstly, because it contains many collectors; secondly, many of the collectors are the leading philatelists of the day, and thirdly, for the simple fact that thousands of collectors collect nothing but the stamps of Canada and her Provinces. Stamp collecting has not been a flourishing science here, of late years only, but if we go back as far as the "fifties," we find it established even then; of philatelic magazines, it is true we cannot at present boast of many, but what of that? Our U. S. brethren are only too well aware, that "power, and virtue do not al-ways come by number." Our stamps are well known to be desirable; perhaps this desire mainly from the fact of the rariety of some of them. There are two Canadian stamps that rank among the great rareties of the world. I refer to the Canada 12-pence, and the New Brunswick "Connell" stamps. The New Brunswick shilling is not to be despised, nor by any means the same stamp of Nova Scotia. So much for the stamps at present. Our societies play a most important part in the history of stamp collecting in Canada, not simply because of minor feuds that have arisen from rivalry, but because of their material usefulness. At the time of the publication of this work there are some four or five Canadian societies that command our notice. One of the oldest of Canadian societies, at present existing, is the Canadian Philatelic Association, which was organized in September, 1887, and is consequently in its fifth year. The membership is at present only about 90; these, however, are, on the most part, advanced collectors, and constitute a strong society, in material if not in numbers. The official organ of the society is the *Dominion Philatelist*, published by Mr. H. F. Ketcheson, of Belleville, Ont.; Mr. T. S. Clark, of Belleville, is the Secretary-Treasurer, from whom application blanks, particulars regarding dues, etc., may be obtained. Another of Canada's powerful, and progressive societies is the Philatelic Society of Canada, an incorporated organization, having between three and four hundred active members on its roll. The growth of this latter society has been phenomenal; organized only recently, September, 1891, and yet having a paid-up membership larger than any other society in British North America. It ranks as one of the only two incorporated philatelic associations in North America. The incorporation papers were carried through by Mr. J. S. Robertson, barrister, of St. Thomas, Ont., a leading organizer of the society. society, after a year of rapid progress, held their first annual convention at Ottawa, Aug. 18th, 19th and 20th, 1892. The newly elected secretary is Mr. H. F. Mooers, of Kingston, Ont. Application blanks, particulars as to the working of the various departments, will be cheerfully supplied on application to the Secretary, or by any member of the society. Local societies .- One of the leading local societies is the Montreal Philatelic Society, local only, one of the oldest local societies on the continent. The city of Ottawa (Canada's capital) supports two strong local societies, one consisting of only those collectors in the civil service, all over 21, and a strong junior society. Local organizations are also in operation at St. John, N. B., Kamloops, B. C., London and Toronto,

Ontario, and Halifax, N. S. Of the above local societies all are branches of the *Philatelic Society* of Canada, excepting only the Montreal Philatelic Society. As to the leading Canadian collectors, and matter of like similar significance, will be briefly dealt with under separate headings.

PERSONAL ITEMS.

Mr. A. Harrison Milligan is among the rising Canadian dealers. He devotes his time exclusively to the stamp business; he is a member of the *Philatelic Society of Canada*, and resides in London, Ont. He has a office in the western part of the city.

Mr. W. Kelsey Hall, of Peterborough, who is known, owing to his somewhat extensive advertising, is a law student. He deals in stamps as an outside venture, and is a member of the Canadian Philatelic Association, and charter member of the Philatelic Society of Canada.

Mr. W. J. Beatty is one of the "old time collectors," probably the oldest of the Ottawa "boys," of whom he forms a part He is a collector only, and possesses one of the best collections in the capital He was a member of the Organizing Committee of the P S. of C He has for two years been chairman of the Philatelic Society of Canada Executive Committee, and as Secretary of the Civil Service Branch of the Ottawa Philatelic Society he has done efficient service.

Mr. T. S. Clark, of Peterborough, Ont., is teller in the Bank of Montreal of that place. He deals extensively in Canadian and foreign stamps, making the former his specialty. Mr. Clark, also has a connection with the Dominion Philatelist. He has, during the past few years, held several large auction sales of stamps, which have proved a success. He has been, for the two past years, Secretary-Treasurer of the Canadian Philatelic Association, and during his administration the association has experienced a fair degree of prosperity.

Mr L. M. Staebler, the publisher of the Canadian Philatelist and The Canadian Philatelist Handbooks, occupies the leading position among Canadian stamp dealers. He started dealing on a small scale in 1885, and from that small beginning has worked up his present large business, which is one of the largest on the North American continent. He makes a specialty of Canadian stamps, his stock of which is second to none. He is as yet young in years, but by no means so in his knowledge of philately. He was the founder of the Philatelic Society of Canada.

Mr J. R. Hooper, of Ottawa, is one of the philatelic lights of Canada He was a prominent member of the Organizing Committees of the Canadian Philatelic Association and Philatelic Society of Canada. He began as a collector some twenty-three years ago Sixteen years ago he published a stamp magazine called The Gazette. Mr Hooper makes a specialty of British North American, and an especial study

of counterfeits and watermarks. He is a permanent Government official in the saving bank branch of the post office department at Ottawa. He is also well known as a contributor to the philatelic press under his familiar nom de plume, "Canadensis."

Mr Walter McMahon, of Toronto, is another Canadian collector whom we feel in duty bound to mention. Mr. McMahon at one time dealt largely in stamps, and is as a result widely known. He has for several years been prominently connected with the Canadian Philatelic Association, and has for two terms been vice-president for Ontario of the Philatelic Society of Canada. As to collecting Mr. McMahon is a specialist of British North American stamps. He at present is a collector only, and is engaged in the dry goods and gents furnishing business at 1300 Queen street.

Mr. H. F. Ketcheson, the publisher of the *Dominion Philatelist*, is a young man of about 30 years of age, prominent as a dealer, and as publisher of the *Dominion Philatelist*; Mr. Ketcheson is engaged as mail clerk on the Grand Trunk Railway between Peterborough and Belleville, at the latter of which places he resides. He has been engaged actively in stamp dealing during the past five years, and has dealt in little outside of Canadian stamps, which he makes a specialty of. The *Dominion Philatelist* is published by him, and is now in its fifth volume. His catalogue of Canadian stamps is favorably known, and has just reached its third edition. Mr Ketcheson is one of the first organizers and strongest *props* of the *Canadian Philatelic Association*.

Mr. Edward Y. Parker, of Toronto, also occupies a position of prominence among the leading dealers and collectors of Canada. As with the majority of our leading collectors, Mr. Parker's adherence to philately dates back to boyhood. He is a member of the Canadian Philatelic Association and American Philatelic Association, and has frequently held office in the former. Mr. Parker deals quite extensively in Canadian stamps, and enjoys a large European trade. His collection is among one of the finest. Some are exceedingly lucky in striking great "finds," but when compared with some of the finds "Ed," has made, they are left sadly in the shade. Mr. Parker is a genial dealer, ardent collector, and agreeable conversationalist, as his many philatelic acquaintances can readily testify

Major F. J. Grenny is at present fifty-two years of age. He has been engaged in post office work since 1852. When in the St. George post office, and in charge of the Morrisburg post office from 1855 to 1858, he sold large numbers of the old pence issues of Canadian stamps at face value, and is now regreting the lost opportunity. At that time no idea of stamp collecting was entertained by him or by any other member of his community. Since 1870 he has been employed in the Brantford post office. Mr. Grenny has formed and sold several large collections; his present collection only numbers some five thousand varieties, but it is very choice. He is also an enthusiastic

coin collector. His collection of proofs of Canadian stamps is complete. Mr. Grenny has been a member of the active militia since 1864, took part in the 1866 campaign, and holds the rank of major in the Dufferin Rifles of Canada.

Mr. George A Lowe, of Toronto, is prominently known both in philatelic and educational circles in Canada Philately has, for the last two decades, had a strong and able supporter in Mr. Lowe. During 1887 and 1888 he published one of the most successful philatelic journals that was known at that date—The Toronto Philatelic Journal It was discontinued owing to business duties. Mr. Lowe states, however, that he expects to issue another journal in the near future. At present he devotes most of his spare time, which is limited, to his collection, which, by the way, is a fine one Mr. Lowe has been exceedingly lucky in striking "finds." He is the sole proprietor of the Toronto Stamp and Coin Co, under which name he deals. In the educational field he is widely known for "Lowe's Commercial Academy," at 344 and 346 Spadina avenue, which is one of the widely advertised educational institutions in Canada He is principal of the above institution.

Mr W. H. Liddicoatt made his first collection of stamps about twenty-two years ago This was sold for about \$12, which was considered a good price for a boy's collection in those days; and yet it contained many single stamps worth almost that sum each to-day. His second and third collections grew in size and value, and were disposed of at better prices His fourth collection had reached about 400, when it mysteriously dis-This misfortune put an end to his colappeared lecting for nearly two years, although from 1872, when he commenced to deal in stamps, he had worked up a good mail trade, in buying, selling, and exchanging duplicates. One day the over-hauling of an old trunk discovered the long lost collection; investigation proved its greatly increased value, and renewed interest and activity were thereby awakened. He has been an active collector ever since, and his collection now numbers between six and seven thousand varieties. He is not a specialist, but collects world-wide, and enjoys particularly the stamps with designs taken from nature, and though opposed to Seebeck monopolies, would delight in more Seebeck issues to replace the world of heads and faces of the European countries. Professionally Mr. Liddicoatt is principal of the London West schools, is a member of several societies, and has been the honored president of several important associations.

One of the most prominent of Canadian philatelists is Mr. Jas. S. Robertson, of St. Thomas, Ont. Mr. Robertson is a member of the legal profession, and junior partner of the well known firm of McDougall & Robertson, who carry on one of the largest law businesses in Western Ontario. Mr. Robertson is a most enthusiastic collector. His first interest in the science dates back to his schooldays; he began as a general collector, but as time passed away he gradually

developed into a specialist. Mr. Robertson is a strong exponent of specialism, and an hour spent with him in argument will convince the most firm of general collectors, of the points of superiority that specialism has over general collecting. His collection is even more interesting that the man himself. His specialty is British North America, the United States and St. Helena, a strong trio. The collection itself rests securely in a Staten Island Album, where mounted on the black cards, they are excellently arranged, and present a de-lightful contrast and harmony of color. Mr. Robertson makes his specialty of specialties -British North American stamps, and of these he possesses many "gems of the first water," New Brunswick, "Connell" used, shillings, sixpences and threepences, in a profusion of shades, provisionals a magnificent lot on original envelopes. Of Newfoundland, British Columbia, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, he possesses nearly every variety, while his collection of provisionals of these countries is considered one of the finest on the continent. Canada-A fair idea of the range and magnificence of his collection may be obtained from the fact that he has between thirty and forty shades of the Canada sixpence. Mr. Robertson collects a single specimen, pair and block of every variety, in both used and unused condition. Mr. Robertson has a wide knowledge of philatelic affairs, especially pertaining to British North American stamps.

THE SOCIETIES.

THE PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF CANADA.

Organized September, 1891. The officers for 1891 were as follows: President, J. R. Hooper, of Ottawa, Ontario; Vice-President for Ontario, Walter McMahon, of Toronto, Ontario; Vice-President for Quebec, J. Bernstein, jr., of Montreal; Vice-President for British Columbia, F Harding, of Kamloops; Vice-President for Manitoba, Charles A Allen, of Winnipeg; Vice-President for Nova Scotia, A B S. De Wolf, of Halifax, N. S.; Vice-President for Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Isle, Edwin J. H. Pauley, of Halifax, N. S; Vice-President for New Brunswick, R. W. Hanington, of Dorchester, N. B.; Vice-president for the United States, H. C. Beardsley, St. Joseph, Mo; Secretary-Treasurer, L. M. Staebler, of London, Ontario; Librarian, for first part of the term H. S. Dickson, of London; on Mr. Dickson's resignation he was succeeded by Edward H. Jacques, of Montreal; Exchange Superintendent, Mr. J. S. Robertson, of St. Thomas, Ontario; Purchasing Agent, R. P. Spooner, of 37 West 32nd street, New York; Assistant Purchasing Agent, E. W. Stanton, of Montreal; Counterfeit Detective, Robert F. Mc-Rae, of Montreal; Official Collector, this office was held by Mr. Lawrence Miller, of Toronto, until the latter part of the term, when a pressure of business duties compelled him to resign, he was succeeded by Mr. E. J. Phillips, of Toronto. The Executive was located at Ottawa, and consisted of Messrs, Cary, Beatty and Aube; Official Organ, THE CANADIAN PHILATELIST. The first annual convention of the Society was held at

Ottawa, August 18th, 19th and 20th, 1892, and the above officers were re-elected with the following changes. Mr. H. F. Mooers was elected Sec.-Treas.; Mr. S. M. Graves, of Summerside, P.E.I., elected Vice-Pres. for Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island. Orders issued to secure a new official organ, on account of the resignation of the Canadian Philatelist, and the contract given pro tem to an American paper. Any honest collector is eligible for membership to the Society whether a resident of Canada or not. The dues for the first year were 25 cents, but at the convention they were raised to 50 cents per annum, which is the current rate of dues. No initiation fee is charged. Members have the benefits of the Library, Exchange, Auction and Purchasing De-partment; also the services of the Counterfeit Detective; members receive the official organ free. Every collector should be a member of this Society. The benefits are many, and if you are not yet a member you are "behind the times." The constitution is given below, and is worthy of per-

CONSTITUTION OF

THE PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF CANADA. Organized Sept., 1891.

PREAMBLE.

The objects of this Society shall be to further the advancement of stamp collecting; to protect collectors from frauds; to expose dealers in counterfeits, and to take such steps as may be deemed important by the officers to perpetuate the postal history of the world.

ARTICLE I.

Name.

Section 1.-This Society shall be known as the Philatelic Society of Canada.

ARTTICLE II.

Dues.

Sec. 1.-The annual dues of this Society shall not exceed 50 cents per year.

Sec. 2.—At the annual convention a committee shall be appointed to set the dues for the ensuing

> ARTICLE III. Membership.

Sec. 1.—Applications for membership to this Society must be sent to the Secretary, and be accompanied by references.

Sec. 2.—The Secretary shall publish the names of applicants and references given, in the Official Journal, and if no objections are received within one month the applicant shall be considered elected.

Sec. 3.-Parties joining this Society shall be charged no initiation fee.

Sec. 4.—All dues to be paid in advance. Sec. 5.—Any member against whom a charge (written) of fraudulent dealing, sale of counterfeits, etc., is preferred shall be tried by a committee of four, who shall be appointed by the President. This committee may suspend or expel the said member, and their decision shall be final and binding to all parties concerned.

ARTICLE IV. Officers.

Sec. 1.—The Officers for this Association shall be: President and Vice-President for each Province; Secretary-Treasurer, Exchange Superintendent and a Chief Executive Committee.

Sec. 2.—The terms of all officers of this Association shall be for one year from their annual election until their successors are elected and qualified. The annual election of officers shall take place at the annual convention. The election of officers shall be made by ballot, a majority of the whole number of votes cast being necessary to a choice.

Sec 3.—Members unable to attend convention may place their votes in the hands of some attending member, whom they shall authorize to vote

for them by proxy.

ARTICLE V. Duties of Officers. PRESIDENT.

Sec 1 -The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society He shall sign all warrants and orders on the Treasurer for moneys required for the use of the Society. By and with the consent of the Chief Executive he shall call for a general vote of the Society upon any desired question. All voting shall be by ballot.

VICE-PRESIDENT.

Sec. 5 -The Vice-Presidents shall act in the absence of the President, according to seniority, and it shall be their duty to keep a Provincial roll of members residing in their Province, and they will be the Chairmen of any special committees appointed by the Society.

SECRETARY-TREASURER.

Sec. 3.—The Secretary-Treasurer shall receive all dues and applications, and shall grant applications after the same has been published one month in the official journal. He shall also preserve all documents and keep all documents and minutes of meetings on file,

LIBRARIAN.

Sec. 4.—The duties of the Librarian shall be: To receive and arrange the contributions made by the members to the Library of the Society.

OFFICIAL COLLECTORS.

Sec. 5.—The duties of the Official Collector shall be: To collect all accounts that shall be placed in his hands by members, to place the particulars in regard to fraud in the hands of the Post Office authorities, and to report on the re-cent and dangerous forgeries The Collector shall be allowed a commission of 20 % on all accounts collected. This officer to be appointed by the President.

EXCHANGE SUPERINTENDENT.

Sec. 6. - The duties of the Exchange Superinlendent shall be to receive exchange sheets from members and place them on circuits. A circuit shall consist of six members. No members may keep sheets in their hands more than 3 days Each member shall fully prepay postage to next person on the circuit. That the Exchange Superperson on the circuit. intendent shall be allowed a commission of 10 % on sales to cover expenses. Members must remit promptly for all stamps taken, when called to do so. The Exchange Superintendent shall be required to return sheets of members, with amount due them, at least once a quarter. The office of Exchange Superintendent must not be held by a Dealer, and he will be governed by such other rules as the President may decide.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Sec. 7.—The Executive Committee shall consist of three members. If possible, these members shall reside in our town or city. That the duties of this committee shall be: To try and report upon such matters as may be placed in their hands by the President.

ARTICLE VI.

Official Organ.

Sec. 1.- The official organ of this Society shall be the Canadian Philatelist.*

Sec. 2.—As a remuneration for publishing reports of the Society in the Canadian Philatelist, the Society shall grant the Publisher the dues of 25c per member as full payment for use of his paper for the first year, and thereafter as the

Society may determine Sec 3—All members shall receive the paper

ARTICLE VII.

Convention.

Sec 1.—An annual convention of this Society shall be held once a year, and at such a place as may be chosen by the members by ballot.

ARTICLE VIII.

Amendments to Constitution.

Sec 1 - This Constitution can only be altered or amended by the consent of at least two-thirds of the members of the Association, who shall elect and appoint a committee to revise said Constitution.

ARTICLE IX

Sec. 1.—The President has power to call for a vote upon all questions affecting the Society at all times, and to decide upon questions submitted to him.

*Note.-The Canadian Philatelist resigned the official organship at the end of its first term.

CONSTITUTION OF

THE CANADIAN PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION. Organized 1887.

PREAMBLE.

The objects of this Association are, to assist its members in acquiring knowledge in regard to Philately; to cultivate a feeling of friendship among philatelists; and to enable them to affiliate with members of similar societies in other coun-

ARTICLE J.

Name.

Section 1.—This organization shall be known as the Canadian Philatelic Association.

ARTICLE II.

Membership.

Sec. 1.—Any stamp collector may become a

member of this Association by applying to the Secretary; such application shall be signed by at least two members of the Association and shall be accompanied by the sum of one dollar to be credited on account of annual dues if the applicant is admitted, and to be returned if admission The Secretary shall thereupon cause the name and address of the applicant and his references to be published in the next number of the Official Journal, or in an official circular, and if no objection shall be received by the Secretary within one month after such publication the applicant shall be considered elected, and entitled to receive the membership card of the Association. In case any member shall object to an applicant the application shall be submitted to the Trustees. The Secretary shall notify the objecting member that he must submit the reasons for his objection and proofs to substantiate them. applicant shall also be notified of the reasons for the objection and of the proofs offered and may submit his defence The Trustees shall consider the matter and shall accept or reject the applicant sending the papers in each case with their report to the Secretary as soon as they have determined the matter.

Sec. 2.—Only those members of the Association resident in Canada, Newfoundland and the United States, and who have attained the age of sixteen years, shall be entitled to vote, either in person or by proxy, in any Convention, at any election, or upon any question submitted to a general vote of the Association.

Sec 3—Any member of the Association against whom charges shall be preferred in writing, addressed to the Trustees, shall be tried by a court composed of one of the Trustees, acting ex officio as the presiding officer, and four members of the Association, appointed by the Trustees. The court may, in its judgment, suspend or expel such member, and their action shall be final and binding upon all parties.

ARTICLE III. Convention.

Sec 1 The Association shall meet in Convention each year, at such date and at such place as may have been designated by the last preceding Convention.

Sec 2—A quorum for the transaction of business shall consist of one-half of the voting membership there represented in person or by proxy.

ARTICLE IV.

Officers.

Sec. 1—The officers of the Association shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Librarian, a Superintendent of Exchange, a Purchasing Agent, a Counterfeit Detector, and three Trustees.

No member of the Association shall be eligible to any office who has not attained the age of twenty-one years

Sec 2.—The President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected by the Association. These officers shall constitute the Official Board, and appoint all other officers provided for by the Constitution, whose terms of office shall expire with those of the Official Board appointing them.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Sec. 3.—A general election for elective officers of this Association shall be held every year, and they shall serve until the close of the Annual Convention following their election, and until their successors shall have qualified; provided, however, that the officers elected in 1889 shall hold office until the close of the Convention in 1891. The elective officers shall be chosen by ballot under the direction of the Board of Trustees, and the polls for such elections shall close at noon of the first day of the Annual Convention At all such elections a plurality of the votes cast shall elect, but no vote by proxy shall be connted.

VACANCIES.

Sec. 4—In case of death or resignation of any elective officer during his term of office the Trustees are empowered to call a special election, unless such vacancy occur within three months of the general election, in which case they will temporarily fill the vacancy created.

In case any officer appointed by the Official Board is prevented by sickness or other cause from performing his duties, the Board may, in their discretion, appoint a substitute to act during

such incapacity.

IMPEACHMENT OF OFFICERS.

Sec. 5 —Whenever ten members of the Association shall support charges against any officer of the Association for dereliction of official duty, or violation of the Constitution, he shall be tried by a court composed of one of the Trustees, acting ex officio as the presiding officer, and four members of the Association, to be appointed by the Trustees.

The finding of such court shall be final and binding upon both the Association and the officer

tried.

ARTICLE V. Dutie of Officers. PRESIDENT.

Sec 1.—The President shall preside at al meetings of the Association He shall submit an Annual Report, to be printed in the Official Journal. He shall sign all warrants on the Treasurer for moneys required by the Association

Prior to every Annual Convention he shall appoint a Committee of Arrangements, and all expenses incurred by such committee in the performance of their duties, shall be defrayed from

the general fund of the Association.

By and with the consent of the Official Board, or at the call of twenty-five members, he shall call for a general vote of the members of the Association upon any desired question. The vote shall be by ballot under the direction of the Trustees, and a majority of the votes cast shall determine the question submitted.

But the Constitution can be amended only as hereinafter provided

VICE-PRESIDENT.

Sec. 2.—The Vice-President shall act in case of vacancy in the office of President, or in the absence of the latter

SECRETARY

Sec. 3.—The Secretary shall keep a true record of the proceedings of the Association and

shall preserve all documents. He shall keep a general financial account of the balances, etc., reported to him by the Treasurer and other officers, as required by this Constitution and By-Laws, and of the warrants drawn upon the Treasurer, etc He shall receive all applications for membership and shall publish in the Official Journal, every month, the names of all applicants for membership and the names of new members, and all other news he may have gathered in his official capacity that may be of interest to the members at large. He shall issue cards of membership when notified by the Treasurer that the dues have been paid, and such cards have been signed by the President, and furnish a copy of this Constitution, and of all other publications of the Association, to each member in good standing. He shall furnish duplicate copies of the Constitution, Official circulars, and other publications of the Association in his charge, upon payment of the charges fixed therefor by the Official Board.

His compensation shall be at the rate of twenty-five dollars per annum, to be paid semiannually.

TREASURER.

Sec. 4 -The Treasurer shall receive and take charges of all moneys, property and securities of the Association, collect all dues from members and all other moneys due the Association, and shall report to the Secretary monthly the balance in his hands, with the names of all members who have paid their dues. He shall pay all warrants regularly drawn on him by the President and General Secretary, and submit to each Convention during his term of office a complete financial statement. He shall not hold in his possession more than seventy-five dollars, but shall deposit all above that amount in some bank to be designated by the Trustees

LIBRARIAN.

Sec 5.—The Librarian shall keep in trust for the Association all philatelic literature, albums, collections, etc., which may be purchased by or presented to the Association, subject to the provisions laid down in the By-Laws.

PURCHASING AGENT.

Sec. 6.—The Purchasing Agent shall conduct the purchasing business of the Association, subject to the provisions therefor laid down in the by-laws.

SUPERINTENDENT OF EXCHANGES.

Sec. 7.-The Superintendent of Exchanges shall conduct the exchange business of the Association, subject to the provisions therefor laid down in the By-Laws

COUNTERFEIT DETECTOR

Sec. 8.-The Counterfeit Detector shall pass upon the genuineness of stamps, subject to the provisions therefor laid down in the By-Laws.

TRUSTEES

Sec. 9.—The Trustees shall perform such duties as are required of them by this Constitution and the By-Laws, or the Association

SUPERINTENDENT OF LITERARY EXCHANGE

Sec. 10 -The Superintendent of Literary Exchange shall conduct the business of exchange of Philatelic literature, subject to the provisions therefor laid down in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VI.

Sec 1.-The revenues of the Association shall be derived from the dues of members and the revenues from the different departments, as provided in the By-Laws

Sec 2.-The revenues shall be used for defraying the expenses of the Association, including its publications

Sec. 3.—All dues shall be payable semi-annually in advance, on the first day of January and

the first day of July of each year. Sec 4—The fiscal year shall commence on the first day of January and shall be divided into quarters The dues to be paid by new members shall be computed from the beginning of the following quarter in which they shall have been elected to membership in the Association.

ARTICLE VII. Property.

Sec 1.—All officers shall, at the expiration of

their terms of office, deliver to their successors all books, papers, moneys, and other property in their possession, belonging to the Association; and they shall not be relieved from their obligations until this requirement be complied with

ARTICLE VIII.

Branch Societies

Sec. 1 - The establishment of Branch Societies shall be encouraged in every location containing five or more members of this Association, and shall be subject to the provisions therefor laid down in the By-Laws

ARTICLE IX

Amendments - Constitution.

Sec. 1 -This Constitution can be altered or amended only by the assent of two-thirds of the members of the Association voting on such alteration or amendment, and provided such twothirds shall constitute a majority of the voting membership of the Association.

The vote shall be by ballot under the direction of the Trustees, or in open Covention.

By-Laws.

Sec 2 - Any By-Laws of this Association, not in conflict with this Constitution, may be made or amended by the Official Board; but in case ten members shall object to the proposed by-law, or amendment, it must be submitted to a general vote in the manner provided in Article V., Section 1, of this Constitution

Sec 3 -It shall require the assent of a majority of all the voting membership of the Association to make, amend, or alter any By-law in Convention

Sec 4-In all cases where an election or a general vote of the Association becomes necessary under this Constitution or the By-laws, not less than 30 days shall intervene between the date of mailing the notice of such election or vote and the date of closing the polls; and the votes of such members only as were entitled to vote on the day of mailing such notice shall be counted or taken into consideration in determining the result.

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