

At a Regular Meeting of the

National Philatetical Society,



held at the Cooper Institute, in the City of New York, on the 19th day of May, 1875, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, It has been announced by the United States Post Office Department that it is prepared to furnish, at face value, specimens of all its obsolete issues of adhesive postage stamps, and,

Whereas, upon a careful examination and comparison of the stamps so furnished with original copies, it plainly appears that some of said stamps, as now offered for sale by the Government, are entirely dissimilar in type, style, dimensions, paper and color from said originals, and have every appearance of having been recently prepared from new plates, and are liable to mislead innocent persons into the belief that they are original impressions, and,

Whereas, this reprinting and reproducing (being ostensibly for the aid of collectors) is wholly uncalled for by such collectors, and entirely fails to meet the wants of any Philatetical Student worthy of the name, but can only result mischievously and to the detriment of those engaged in preserving genuine specimens of rare and obsolete stamps.

Therefore, be it resolved, that we strongly protest against this action on the part of the Post Office Department, as tending to throw discredit on collections already formed, and as destroying the interest and pleasure which all true collectors feel in gathering the Postage stamps of the different governments.

JESSE K. FURLONG, President.

R. R. BOGERT, Secretary.