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DEVOTED TO STAMPS, COINS AND CURIOSITIES.

OL. 1. LAKE VILLAGE, N. H., SEPTEMBER, 1882.

NO. 1.

NEW ISSUES.

[FROM LEADING PHILATELIC JOURNALS.]

ANTIGUA.—A 1-2 penny stamp has been issued. Color, green.

ANTIOQUIA.—Three new issues have appeared. 10 centavos lilac, 10c violet and 20c red-brown.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.—Three new values are now in use. 1-2 centavo brown, 1c carmine and 12c blue.

AUSTRIA.—An entire new set of adhesives are announced as in preparation.

BARBADOES.—A whole set of eight varieties, of new design, is expected for the use of this colony.

BAVARIA.—It is reported that a set of 12 new varieties of unpaid letter stamps have been issued.

BHOPAL.—A 1-4 anna, black, has made its appearance.

BOLIVAR.—Four new values are reported; 80 centavos, green, 1 peso, orange, 5 and 10 pesos, color unknown.

BRAZIL.—A new 80 reis post card, orange, on buff card, has been issued.

CANADA.—A 1-2 cent, black, adhesive stamp has been emitted.

CYPRUS.—Two new values are reported; 1-2 piastre, sur. black on green and 30 paras, lilac-rose.

DENMARK.—A new 5 ore wrapper has appeared. A 10 ore post card is so expected.

FERNANDO PO.—Five new values for 1882 have been emitted; 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20 cents de peso. Color, unknown.

GREAT BRITAIN.—Her Majesty, Queen Victoria, has lately issued a new £5 postage and telegraph stamp; color, orange. A 2 pence registered

envelope stamp also appears. Color, blue.

GREECE.—The color of the 20 and 30 lepta stamps has been changed. They are now, 20 lepta, carmine and 30 lepta, blue.

ITALY.—A 2 lire stamp is in use. Color, orange.

LABAUN.—A new 8 cent stamp is announced. Color, red.

LIBERIA.—Two new values have appeared; 8 cents blue, and 16 cents rose.

MADERIA.—A new surcharged 25 reis, brown, is announced.

MEXICO.—Two new values have been seen; 3 centavos, carmine, and 6 do. blue.

NEW ZEALAND.—An entire new set has been issued, as follows: 1d. rose, 2d. mauve, 3d. yellow, 4d. green, 6d. brown, 8d. rose, and 1s. dark red.

PORTUGAL.—A 50 reis, blue, of the new design has been issued.

QUEENSLAND.—The following are the new issues: 1s. violet, 2s. blue, 10s. brown, and 20s. rose.

SANDWICH ISLANDS.—There are six new issues, viz.: 1c. blue, 1c. green, 2c. rose, 5c. blue, 10c. black, and 15c. brown.

SAN MARINO.—Two new post cards are in use; 10 and 15 centesimo, blue.

ST. VINCENT.—There are three new adhesives of the following values: 1-2 penny, orange, 1p. drab, 4p. blue. A 1-2 penny card has also been issued.

UNITED STATES.—A five cent envelope stamp, with the portrait of Gen. Garfield, will soon be issued.

U. S. of COLUMBIA.—The present issue is now perforated.

Auction Sales.

H. G. Sampson sold at Bangs & Co.'s, New York, June 6 and 7th, a collection composed of a number of consignments. Fair prices were realized, and we quote a few: 1792 Pattern Disme, \$10.50; 1794 Dollar, Fine, \$106.00; 1788 Mass. cent. fine, \$3.00.

Chas. Steigerwalt sold at the Central Auction Rooms, Lancaster, Pa., the collection of John Rohrer, of Lancaster. Good prices were realized.

H. P. Smith sold at Bangs & Co.'s, New York, June 16th, a collection of coins and medals. As we did not receive priced catalogue, we cannot give prices obtained, but understand they sold very well.

Messrs. S. H. and H. Chapman, sold at Bangs & Co.'s, New York, June 20th to 24th, the collection formerly belonging to the late Chas. I. Bushnell, a New York lawyer. Nearly \$14,000 was realized from the sale. The collection cost Mr. Bushnell about \$20,000.

July Sales.

J. W. Haseltine sold in New York, July 5th to 7th, a part of Mr. Isaac Wood's collection of Medals, together with consignments of American and Foreign coins.

W. Elliott Woodward sold in New York, July 11th and 12th, the Montreal collection.

Geo. W. Massamore sold in Baltimore, July 11th, a collection of coins, medals and stamps.

H. P. Smith sold in New York, July 27th and 28th, a collection of coins and medals.

August Sales.

Chas. Steigerwalt sold in Lancaster, Pa., August 1st and 2nd, a collection of coins, medals, and curiosities. This was Mr. Steigerwalt's 7th sale. We have not received a priced catalogue, as yet, but doubt not that good prices were realized.

Ed. Frossard sold in New York, August 3rd, a collection of American coins and medals.

Newspapers.

There is a growing interest in Newspaper and book collecting, as, in fact, there is in all branches of curiosity collecting. Unlike stamps and coins, a good collection of Newspapers does not cost a fortune, and are, to many, fully as interesting. Among the papers most sought after by American collectors are those in mourning for our Presidents, also, for deceased editors, together with those containing news of our wars, describing battles in the same, with lists of killed, wounded, etc., papers with Presidential, Gubernatorial tickets, and "rooster" papers, crowing over the success of their candidates. Many young collectors care only to get one paper from each State and Territory, together with what foreign they can pick up. In a collection of papers and books one finds more of true merit, and gains more information of things and times past, than can be obtained by the study of history for years. Give a boy or girl a pile of papers published during the late war, to read when they wish, and they won't care to read any Dime Novels and cheap literature, for there is no fictitious story half as interesting as a detailed account of *real* battles and *genuine* heroes, which our country has witnessed. Success to the newspaper "boom."

Paul H. Jones, of Canterbury, N. H., has a powder horn which belonged to his great-great-grandfather, Henry Parkinson, who was a graduate of Princetown college, N. J., and served in the Revolutionary war. The horn is elaborately chased with figures of men, beasts, birds and flowers, and has the following inscription: "Henry Parkinson, made Jan. 15, 1776." Also the word, "Liberty," and "Success to America." The horn is consequently 106 years old.

We want reliable agents, to take subscriptions for this paper and sell our sheets of stamps. To such we will give a liberal commission.

Among Our Exchanges.

The *Postage Stamp Gazette*, Vol. 1, No. 1, was received last April. It is a 16 page monthly, published by Perry Williams & Co., England. It is well printed, on heavy book paper. It contains among other items a large list of new issues, and all the countries in the Postal Union. We think the publishers had better practice what they preach as regards "punctuality."

Wise and Otherwise, Vol. III, Nos. 1 and 2 received. It is an interesting amateur and deserves success.

The *American Journal of Philately* for July, is at hand. It contains nearly one page of new issues, and 31 pages of "ads." If Scott & Co. would publish a good Stamp paper, which they might, they could double their stamp trade, "killing two birds with one stone."

The *Philatelic Triumph* for June and July received. We thought the *Triumph* had gone "up the stump," but are glad to see it alive and in good spirits. It is a 12 page paper, got up in good style and full of interesting matter. Success to you, friend Illings.

The *Empire City Philatelist* for June comes right side up with care. It is neat, well-printed, has 7 pages of reading matter, and 1 page of "ads." It has as much reading as there would be in the *A. J. of P.*, in 3 years.

The *Stamp World* for August comes to hand illustrated with numerous cuts of new issues. Wonder what new improvement they will make next. Mr. Collins, its editor, enters Harvard College this fall, and the editorial duties will fall upon the "Co.," Mr. F. H. Mills, who will, we trust, be as successful as Mr. Collins has been.

The *New Jersey Philatelist* appears in a 24 page form, and is up to its usual standard. It contains many interesting articles, among which are the stamps of Spain, Heligoland and Transval, together with a very good history of Washington, Lincoln and Garfield, besides much other good reading. We hope to see a good big "Christmas Number," about January, 1st.

Our Stamps.

The portrait of Benjamin Franklin on the one cent stamp, in imperial ultramarine blue, is after a profile bust of Rubricht. The head of Jackson on the two cent stamp, in vermilion, is from a bust of Hiram Powers. The Washington head on the green three cent stamp is after Houdon's celebrated bust. The head on the five cent blue stamp is from that of Zachary Taylor. The Lincoln profile in red on the six cent stamp is after a bust by Volk. The seven cent stamp in vermilion, gives the head of Stanton, after a photograph. The head of Jefferson, on the ten cent stamp, in chocolate, is drawn from a life-sized statue by Hiram Powers. The portrait of Henry Clay, in neutral purple, on the twelve cent stamp, is after a bust by Hart. The head of Webster, on the fifteen cent stamp, in orange, is after the Clevinger bust. The portrait of General Scott, on the twenty-four cent stamp, in purple, is after a bust by Coffee. The head of Hamilton, on the thirty cent stamp, in black, is after the Cerracht bust, and the portrait of Commodore Oliver Hazzard Perry, in carmine, on the ninety cent stamp, is after Wolcott's statue.

The style in which the adhesive stamps are printed, and the clearness of outline of the several portraits, as well as the artistic excellence of the engraving, reflect credit on the head of the Post-office Department, Mr. Creswell, under whose authority they were executed. The seven, twelve and twenty-four cent stamps have been retired from use. The new five cent stamp is a portrait of Garfield, from a portrait of which the Queen had a copy, and which was approved by Mrs. Garfield.—*Boston Transcript*.

Publishers will please not omit to send a copy of their publications in exchange for ours.

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"Tocsin" Steam Power Print, Laconia, N. H.

SEPTEMBER, 1882.

With this number the PHILATELIST makes its bow to the curiosity collecting public, hoping to meet their approval and support. This is our first attempt, and we shall do all in our power to make it a successful and welcome visitor in the homes of American collectors.

If we succeed in publishing a paper worthy of support, it should, and probably will, receive it; but if it fails to accomplish its mission, it will be through our inexperience and incapacity, not through indolence and inattention to business.

We only ask for a fair trial, which, if satisfactory, our success is assured. The PHILATELIST is not published "simply as an amusement," but for two good reasons: to advance the cause of collectors, and put a dollar in the pocket of the publisher. We propose to mind our own business, and not tread on anyone's toes, and "with malice toward none, with charity for all," do our best for the cause; yet, if anyone lights on our ear, we shall endeavor to brush him off, and to defend our own and our patrons' interests. Kind reader, you now have our paper before you, if it is worth the small price we ask for it, send in your subscription, and help the "good cause along."

At the Belknap County Agricultural Society's Fair, held at Laconia, recently, we noticed a cabinet containing a number of rare and valuable relics, exhibited by Mrs. H. Q. Dalton, of Tilton. The

collection consisted of several articles, among which was a piece of the towel used by Hannah Dustin to tie up the scalps she took from the Indians when she made her escape from them on a small island in the Merrimack, near Fisherville, N. H.

The libraries at the New Hampton Literary Institute, at New Hampton, N. H., contain some rare autograph letters and ancient books. Among the latter we notice a book entitled "Explorations of the New World," by Louis Hennepin, a French Jesuit. In the introduction Father Hennepin claims and proves to have discovered the Mississippi river several years previous to De Soto. This led to a long controversy and he was finally expelled from France, when he went to England, where the book was published in the latter part of the 16th century. It contains a map of America and many illustrations, including some representing the cruelties of the Indians. It is a curiosity and well worth examining, as it relates in his own words the adventures of the first explorer of the "Father of Waters" and the "Great West."

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The Collector's Library Table,	40	45.
The New Jersey Philatelist,	25	35.

The first row is the regular subscription price of the papers, the latter, the price which we send their publications with ours, post free, if name is sent to us.

Two Cent Postage.

This is a matter that interests every person in the United States, from the girl who receives and answers regularly three love-letters a week, to the business man whose postage bill is from \$5 to \$50 per day. At the present time the Post Office Department pays, or very nearly pays for itself, while it always has been a big expense to the Government, thus showing the growing business done through the mails. In Great Britain, letter postage is only one penny, equal to two cents of our money, and their Postal System, including all their distant colonies, not only pays for itself, but brings a large amount of surplus revenue into the Government coffers. Then, again, "Queen Vic." allows 1 oz. weight, while "Uncle Sam" only allows 1-2 oz., which really makes our postage three times as high as it is in England. When the postal card was first talked of, many thought it would take just two cents each out of the Government, but, instead of that, it has brought an enormous amount into the Treasury, for the very reason that it is two-thirds cheaper than letter postage, and people will send a postal, at a cost of one cent, when they would not send a letter, which costs three cents. The same holds good in regard to two-cent postage, and the public would send *more* letters at two cents each, than would be required to make up the deficiency in price, and which would, we think, make the Department self-supporting, which is all that is required of it, and perhaps bring in a few dollars above expenses, which would be very convenient for the Government, to help pay the expenses of the "knit goods commission," at Long Branch, or other *necessary* expenses. If Congress could pass the "River and Harbor Bill," for the benefit of a few, comparatively, can't they afford two-cent postage, which will benefit millions? We honestly believe that within five years we shall have an established rate of two cents, where we now pay three, and that the Department will not only support itself but be a source of a large in-

come; at least, let us hope so, and use all our influence to that effect.

October Sales.

Messrs. Scott & Co. inform us that they will open the Fall trade with the sale of the large collection of stamps, formerly the property of the late Dr. Geo. S. Blackie, of Nashville, Tenn. This is a fine collection and collectors should not miss this rare opportunity of adding choice gems to their albums. The sale will take place on Monday, Oct. 2nd, at Eagle Hall, Eighth St., New York. This will be Scott & Co's. 46th sale, and they will send catalogues to any one on receipt of stamp for postage.

As we were about to go to press, we received a catalogue of Steigerwalt's Eighth coin sale, which takes place Tuesday and Wednesday, October 3 and 4. The collection contains 1,147 lots, and contains silver and copper coins, Foreign and U. S. paper money, stamps, Indian relics and curiosities. In our next number we hope to be able to give some of the prices, obtained.

We are glad to mention all auction sales, together with any items of interest about the collections. We are always willing to bid on anything in our line, and when priced catalogues are received, we shall be pleased to quote some of the best prices, which will be of interest to our readers.

We will send the GRANITE STATE PHILATELIST one year, and Hubbard's Premium Coin Catalogue for 20 cents.

Rogues' Corner.

We would like to have W. J. Ramsay, Farmdale, Ky., L. Barton, Baltimore, Md., and several others who have some of our stamps, settle for them before Oct. 15. Parties finding this notice marked will please take the hint.

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NEW ISSUES.

[FROM LEADING PHILATELIC JOURNALS.]

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.—A new 1 c. provisional is reported as in use; 2c. surcharged with ure 1.

BARBADOES.—A new 1d. envelope, pink, 10 newsbands, 1-2 and 1d., and several new stamps are announced as in preparation.

BRAZIL.—The 200 reis of the new type is in use; color, red.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.—The 3 pence stamp is surcharged "1-2 penny."

CYPRUS.—A new 1-2 piastre stamp is in preparation, to be emitted as soon as the present supply of provisionals is exhausted.

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Number 2.

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[FROM LEADING PHILATELIC JOURNALS.]

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THE SENTENCE OF DEATH PRONOUNCED AGAINST JESUS CHRIST.

The following is a copy of the most memorable judicial sentence which has ever been pronounced in the annals of the world, namely, that of death against the Savior—with the remarks which the journal *Le Droit* has collected, and the knowledge of which must be interesting in the highest degree to every Christian. It is the word for word as follows:

Sentence pronounced by Pontius Pilate, intendant of the Lower Province of Galilee, that Jesus of Nazareth shall suffer death by the cross.

In the seventeenth year of the reign of the Emperor Tiberius, and on the 24th day of the month of March, in the most holy city of Jerusalem, the pontificate of Annas and Caiaphas.

Pontius Pilate, intendant of the Province of Lower Galilee, sitting to judgment in the presidential seat of the Praetors, sentences Jesus of Nazareth to death on a cross between robbers, as the numerous and notorious testimonies of the people prove:

1. Jesus is a misleader.
2. He has excited the people to sedition.
3. He is an enemy to the laws.
4. He calls himself the Son of God.
5. He calls himself, falsely, the King of Israel.

He went into the temple followed by a multitude carrying palms in their hands.

Orders from the first centurion Quirrellis Cornelius to bring him to the place of execution, forbids all persons, rich or poor to prevent the execution of Jesus.

The witnesses who have signed the execution of Jesus are:

1. Daniel Robani, Pharisee.
2. John Zorababel.
3. Raphael Robani.
4. Capet.

Jesus to be taken out of Jerusalem through the gate Tournes.

This sentence is engraved on a plate of brass, in the Hebrew language, and on its sides are the following words: "A similar plate has been sent to each tribe."

It was discovered in the year 1280 in the city of Aquilla, in the kingdom of Naples, by a search made for Roman antiquities, and remained there until it was found by the commission of arts in the French army in Italy. Up to the time of the campaign in Southern Italy it was preserved in the sacristy of the Carthusians near Naples where it was kept in

a box of ebony. Since then the relic has been kept in the chapel of Caserta. The Carthusians obtained, by their petitions, that the plate might be kept by them, which was acknowledged of the sacrifices which they made for the French army. The French translation was made literally by members of the commission of arts. Denon had a *fac simile* of the plate engraved, which was bought by Lord Howard, on the sale of his cabinet, for 2890 francs. There seems to be no historical doubts as to authenticity of this. The reasons of the sentence correspond exactly with those in the Gospel.

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Barbados,	2,	.08
Cuba,	4,	.08
Denmark,	10,	.08
Egypt,	9,	.10
*Germany,	12,	.11
Gautemala,	4,	.08
Holland Newspaper,	5,	.08
*Heligoland,	8,	.08
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*Hamburg,	12,	.08
Hamburg, Env.,	7,	.15
Italy Segnatasse,	10,	.15
Italy, official,	8,	.12
Japan,	5,	.18
*Oidenburg,	5,	.15
*Paraguay,	2,	.12
*Porto Itico,	6,	.08
*P. E. Island,	12,	.08
Russia,	8,	.08
*Roman States,	7,	.11
*Sardinia,	10,	.18
Spain,	50,	.25
Sweden official comp.,		.18
Sweden, Losen, comp.,		.15
Servia,	7,	.15
Swiss, unpaid,	9,	.14
*Turkey,	8,	.11
U. S. War Dept.,	10,	.20
U. S. Treasury Dept.,	10,	.20
Victoria,	8,	.18

The first balloon ascent was made in 1793.

The first iron steamship was built in 1830.

The first lucifer match was made in 1829.

The first almanac was printed by George Von Furback, in 1460.

Among our Exchanges.

The *Philatelic Monthly* for October comes promptly to hand, filled, as usual, with the best of reading. Mr. Durbin informs us that about November 1st, he will issue his eleventh stamp catalogue, which will contain over 1000 illustrations, and the prices of all stamps to date. We are no prophets, but, judging the future by the past, the new catalogue will "take the cake."

The *Empire City Philatelist*, No. 6, for September received. We believe if any one issues a paper "simply as an amusement," it is Mr. Crouter, for he has six pages of interesting reading matter, to two of advertising, and prints his paper on the best book stock. When a man is on the "make," he uses newspaper, and takes all the advertising he can get. Our thanks are due Mr. Crouter for a file of his papers, just received, from which, at some future time, we may "clip" a few pieces.

The *Stamp World* for September received. This number completes Vol. II, and is the last number under the management of Mr. Collins, and is full, as usual, of good interesting matter. We think some of those who were honorably mentioned, must have smiled a sickly smile, and thought "cuss words," when they saw their names in so prominent a position. Let the "expose" go on. The *World* of the past has been a decided success, and we predict a continuance of the same.

The *Union Exchange List*, No. 8, for October, received promptly. Mr. Bogart, its publisher, has added much to the appearance of his paper by a tasty cover. The paper is devoted to the interest of exchanges, each subscriber being entitled to an exchange notice in each issue. It is also a first-class advertising paper, as we can testify.

The *Philatelic Triumph* for August and September received. It contains an illustrated list of new issues, together with other interesting reading, and also an illustration, which is nothing more or less than the smiling countenance of its publisher, Mr. Benj. Illing. Mr. Illing informs us that he will publish a new paper, *The Stamp Leader*, a monthly advertiser, about Nov. 10.

The *Collectors' Library Table* for September came duly to hand. This number winds up the first volume. Mr. Smith has made a success of his paper so far, and with Vol. II he will issue a new paper to be known as the *Rogues' Gallery*, devoted exclusively to showing up frauds which is all one paper can well

do. Mr. Smith evidently has been cheated by some of the "never-received-your-letter" men, and is doing all in his power to show the world what they are, and should be supported by honest parties every time.

We have also received the *Microgram* Nos. 10 and 11; *New Moon*, Nos. 1 and 2; *Critic*, Nos. 4 and 5; *Tiny*, No. 2; *N. J. Philatelist*, "X," No. 2; *Globe*, No. 3; *Grit*, No. 15; *Midget*, No. 3; *Sunflower*, Vol. 2, No. 1, and the *Guide and Friend*, No. 19.

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Poor coins are those which have only part of their designs visible.

Fair coins are those which are somewhat worn, but have the greater part of the designs plain and distinct.

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Uncirculated coins are strictly unused, being in the condition they were when first issued from the Mint, showing no signs whatever of the least rubbing or wear.

Proof coins are those pieces which have been coined at the Mint for the use of collectors, and are strictly unused, having a polished mirror-like surface.

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We have made arrangements with the publishers of the following first-class papers, so that we can supply their paper with ours, at a very little above their regular subscription price:

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NOVEMBER, 1882.

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We have a list of several thousand collectors, among whom, we distribute what extra copies we have left. Non subscribers please take the hint and subscribe for it, if you want it, as it will be sent but once free.

In our November number we shall start a Dealers' Directory, giving name, residence and business of collectors, printers, etc. Price per line, 1 year with copy of paper, 50c. One line in the directory will be free to advertisers as long as their advertising amounts to \$1 per month.

We have now settled down to business and propose to "grind out" our paper regularly once a month. We, alone, cannot make a successful paper, still we shall do our level best, and, with as good a corps of writers as we can secure, shall endeavor to make our paper one of the necessities of American collectors.

We would like a trial "ad" from every reliable curiosity dealer. Our paper has a large circulation among all classes of collectors, thus making it a first class advertising medium. The right to reject any advertisement is reserved, but we shall not refuse any reliable dealer all the space he desires, as the more advertising we have, the more reading we can afford

to give, and we can print a 24 page paper as well as an 8 page.

For any paper in mourning for Garfield, we will give 50 foreign stamps, do. Lincoln, 500, all foreign. We will also give 50 varieties of stamps for any "rooster" papers of the present or former campaigns, providing a 3-cent stamp is sent for postage. We receive letters nearly every day, from parties we never heard of before, saying they have the papers and for us to send on the stamps. We always send the pay as soon as papers are received, but never before.

We propose to issue a 16 or 24 page Christmas number, and shall have an edition of 2500 copies, one of which will be sent to every collector whose name is in Handford's 1883 directory. Dealers wishing foreign correspondence and patronage should not miss having an advertisement in this number. Although the expense will be very heavy, we shall not raise on our advertising, but insert ads for all reliable parties at our usual rates. All copy for ads. must reach us by Dec. 15th.

Numismatic Nomenclature.

In regard to the ownership of a few coins at a recent sale, a black Smith, Mason and a Miller got in trouble.

The latter challenged the Mason and then said: "I'll not medal with anything that is not Wright, but I'll lay Low some of you if you do not *Leave it* alone for I *Low* it."

At this the Mason seized a Stake and shouted, "I'll b Rand all of you as cowards," and then he called the Miller a Greany, Mercer, nary wretch, Gambler and a Lire.

While the black Smith sadly cried, "The die is cast and I must await the issue but if I go, I woodward the b Low and prefer to be bani shed." But he made no impression and the Miller shouted, "I coin side with you, but I have sent for a pistol e and if I do no (s) killing I shall sou him," while the black Smith once more cried: "It is real y centime ntal to feel so (s) ore now we are friends. Get a para sol and we will go."

At this they were glad to Make peace and all got off Scott free, while the Reis of the sun fell over their face as in a double beam.

X. Y. Z.

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But few people know the value of coins. The need of a good Coin Catalogue, has long been felt. To supply this want, I have just issued a complete 16-page Catalogue, of my buying prices of gold, silver and copper coins, relics, paper money, etc. Price, 10c. each, 3 for 25c., 7 for 50., 1 doz. for 80c.

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My object is to aid each collector in a way that will be of mutual benefit to all of us.

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DEVOTED TO STAMPS, COINS AND CURIOSITIES.

Volume I. LAKE VILLAGE, N. H., NOVEMBER, 1882. Number 3.

NEW ISSUES.

AUSTRIA.—The 2 kr. post card, for Bohemia, is now issued on rose card.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.—Two centavo cards, single and double, are now in use.

BAVARIA.—It is reported that the 3 pf. card has been issued in double form.

GT. BRITAIN.—The double cards, lately issued, are on thick buff and white card.

HAYTI.—The 5 Centimes green is now perforated.

LIBERIA.—A registered letter envelope is in use; color, black.

LUXEMBURG.—12 new varieties are in use, viz: 1 centime, lilac, 2 do. gray, 4 do. yellow, 10 do. green, 10 do. carmine, 12 1-2 do. blue, 20 do. orange, 25 do. blue, 30 do. green, 50 do. brown, 1 franc violet, and 5 do. brown.

NORWAY.—A 10 ore International post card has been emitted. Color, carmine on white.

PORTUGAL.—The 20 reis is now printed on buff paper.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.—Two new values are now in use: 10 c. d. peso, claret, and 25 do. bistre.

ST. CHRISTOPHER.—A penny post card is said to be in use; carmine, on buff card.

John C. Eaton, of Kingston, has a very fine collection of Indian stone implements. He has been a number of years collecting, and can now make quite a display. The variety consists of flint arrow heads and spear heads, hatchets, gouges, battle axes, pestles, with which corn was ground, wampum, tomahawks, &c. He also shows an old copper coin, bearing the inscription of King George II, and dated 1734, which he found in the soil of his garden. Mr. Eaton is a lover of such curiosities and never tires talking about them.

Among Our Exchanges.

The *Stamp World* for Oct. and Nov. at hand, with a one page supplement. This is the first number of Vol. 3.

The following papers have also been received: *Record, Collector, Bee, Dapa Press, Gossip, Budget, Agent's Star, Monthly Reporter, Mail and Blade.*

The *Old Curiosity Shop*, Vol. 1, No. 1, for December received. It is published monthly by Clemens & Co., Cleveland, O., and as its name indicates, is devoted to all kinds of curiosities.

The *Exchange Monthly* is the name of a new paper to be issued in December. It will be published by F. E. Thorp, of Norwich, N. Y., and, as its name suggests, will be devoted to exchanges.

The *Union Exchange List*, Nos. 9 and 10 received, enlarged to 16 pages, over 5 of which are devoted to exchange notices. Mr. Bogart has recently added a new department to his paper—"Philately."

The *Philatelic Monthly* for Nov. at hand. Mr. Durbin is always on hand with his paper the first of the month, which is more than can be said of any other Stamp paper. It contains good, sensible reading, without any trash.

The *Boys' Journal*, Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 received. The Oct. number is enlarged to an 8 page form, and contains, besides much other interesting reading, a Philatelic Department, under the management of Mr. W. F. Smith, of the *Library Table*.

We have received sample pages of *Illing's Philatelic Advertiser*. It is well printed on heavy paper, and will contain 54 pages. Ready Jan. 1st. No dealer should fail to have an advertisement in this book. Mr. Illing informs us that he will enlarge the *Philatelic Triumph* to 16 pages, next number.

We wish to buy large or small collections of stamps, coins, &c., for *CASH*.

Keep the Boilers Heated.

A reporter dropped into our largest retail establishment recently, when the following conversation took place:

"You have a great rush of business," remarked the reporter.

"Yes," replied the proprietor, "partly because it is a busy season, but mainly on account of advertising."

"How can you tell whether advertising pays or not?"

"I can tell that advertising pays by stopping it; I've tried it. Trade drops; the tide of purchasers flows some other way."

"Suppose you should give up advertising?"

"I should save a big pile of money, but should lose a bigger pile. You must keep the boilers heated if you want steam. If you bank your fires too long, it takes time to start up. Advertising is the steam which keeps business moving. I've studied the matter."—
[Exchange.]

No one knows the value of advertising better than a Stamp or Coin Dealer, who, perhaps, would never be known outside of his own city or village without advertising. To anyone wishing patronage outside of their own locality, we refer them to the PHILATELIST, which has a large circulation among all classes of collectors in every State and nearly every Territory in the Union, besides a large foreign list. Mr. J. T. Handford's Directory of Dealers and Collectors, is one of the best advertising mediums in the United States, giving the names of over 1,000 dealers and collectors from every part of the Globe. Besides our regular subscription list, we shall send a sample copy of our December number to every Dealer and Collector, both U. S. and Foreign, whose name is in Mr. Handford's 1883 Directory, which will, we think, make the best advertising medium in the country. Try it, and judge for yourself.

A curious collection of books is contained in the library of Warsteinstein, near Cassel, in Germany. These books at first sight appear to be logs of wood, but each volume is really a complete history of the tree it represents. The back shows the bark, in which a small place is cut to write the scientific and the common name as a title. One side shows the tree trunk in its natural state, and the other is polished and varnished. Inside are shown the leaves, fruit, fiber and insect parasites, to which is added a full description of the tree and its products.

AUCTION SALES.

Ed. Frossard will sell at Bangs & Co.'s, New York, on Saturday, Nov. 25, a collection of American and Foreign coins and medals.

Dr. Geo. W. Massamore sold at Wm. Seemuller & Co.'s, Baltimore, Oct. 31st, a collection of coins, medals, autographs, stamps, etc.

We received catalogues of above sales too late for mention in last number. We received catalogues of the following just as we are going to press.

J. Colvin Randall will sell at Bangs & Co.'s, Nov. 28th, a collection of American and Foreign coins and medals, including a fine New England shilling, proof sets of 1848, 1796 half cents, etc.

Bangs & Co. sold at their auction rooms, New York, Nov. 17th and 18th, a collection of medals, Roman and Greek silver and bronze coins, proof half cents, silver dollars, etc., belonging to the late Charles J. Steadman, of Brooklyn, L. I. The collection numbered 1,227 lots, and was catalogued by Mr. H. P. Smith, of New York.

When writing to advertisers, please say, "Saw 'ad.' in 'Granite State Philatelist.'"

We will pay from 5 cents to \$500.00 premium for coins. 16-page catalogue of our buying prices, and this paper one year for 3 3-cent stamps.

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W. G. KARPE, Plymouth, Wis.
STANLEY, GIBBONS & Co., London, Eng.
GRUAT & BONN, London, Eng.

Remember, all who send .15 for this paper one year, will receive a copy of Hubbard's new 16-page catalogue of coins, FREE.

A Newspaper on Wall-Paper.

During the siege of Vicksburg, the people living in that city were reduced to great extremity. Still, the editor of one of the papers managed to issue his journal regularly. The number for July 2, 1863, the eve of the surrender, was printed on wall-paper. A copy of this remarkable journal is now in the possession of a St. Louis gentleman. It is styled *The Daily Citizen*. Each sheet consisted of a twelve-inch section of eighteen-inch wall-paper, of cheap, dull, leaden-hued pattern, with fancy flowers along the edges. The letters were blurred in many places, and altogether, the paper must have been a sorry sight to its half-famished readers.

500 common U. S. or foreign stamps, pays for this paper one year.

A Quaker in a New England town, living some distance from the post office, one damp, windy day bought a dollar's worth of stamps, and placed them in his broad-brimmed hat. On his way home, the wind blew his hat off, and the honest Quaker got out and gave chase, finding his hat "battered side down" in a mud-puddle, with the stamps floating under the crown. The Quaker was wrathful, and seeing a boy laughing at his misfortune, his indignation knew no bounds, and he addressed the urchin as follows:

"Art thou a profane lad?"

"Once in a while," replied the boy.

"Then," said he, handing him a quarter, "thec may damn that hat the money's worth."

The Concord and Manchester Post Offices get salaries of \$2,600 a year; Nashua and Dover, \$2,800; Keene, \$2,700; Portsmouth, \$2,400; Exeter, \$1,900; Great Falls, \$1,900; Rochester, Lebanon and Laconia, \$1,700 each.

"Why did you hide, Johnny?" said one boy to another. "I hid to save my hide," replied the other, as he hied away to a secure spot.

The old saying that "you can't get a dollar for a cent," is knocked out of time by an 1804 cent that was sold for over \$200.

Who was the first person in history who had a bang on the forehead? Goliath.

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We have made arrangements with the publishers of the following first-class papers, so that we can supply their paper with ours, at a very little above their regular subscription price:

	Pub. Price.	Both.
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The Stamp World,	25	33
Philatelic Monthly,	25	28
The Collectors' Library Table,	40	45
The New Jersey Philatelist,	25	35

The first row is the regular subscription price of the papers, the latter, the price which we send their publications with ours, post free, if name is sent to us.

Crystals sometimes attain an immense size, one of quartz at Milan being three and a quarter feet in length and five and a half feet in circumference, and estimated to weigh over 800 pounds; while a great beryl at Grafton, N. H., is more than four feet long and thirty-two inches in diameter, and weighs not less than 5,000 pounds.

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NOVEMBER, 1882.

Until Jan. 1st, 1883, we will give as a premium to all cash-in advance subscribers, a copy of our new 16 page Coin Catalogue, or an exchange notice of not over 50 words in our December number.

Here we are, at No. 3, alive, well and growing. Our inexperience, of course, causes us to make some mistakes, but we shall try and improve with each issue. We do not claim to have "bought out several large dealers," receive and answer "1,000,000 letters a year," or to publish the "best" paper in the United States, but we do claim to give our subscribers and customers, their money's worth, every time. If we receive enough encouragement, we shall enlarge at some future time to a 16-page form, and devote several pages to exchanges, giving each subscriber an exchange notice, (not ad.) free, as often as he may desire.

An Ante-Bellum Relic.

M. W. Hazeltine, of this place, has in his possession a genuine autograph of the late President Franklin Pierce. It was cut from a letter addressed to Jeff. Davis, President of the late Southern Confederacy, then in the U. S. Senate, and appears to have been written about some of the great political questions which were then agitating the country. Unfortunately, there is no date, so we are unable to state the precise time of its being penned. The writing is a series of angles which is not particularly easy to decipher.

We want reliable agents to sell our stamps at 25 to 50 per cent. commission.

NOTES.

A window-shutter—The porter.

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Experience is the mother of science.

The postal card was first issued by Austria, in 1869.

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The first stamp ever issued, was the "mulready" adhesive stamp, which was issued by Great Britain in 1840.

We have heard it rumored that Sir Rowland Hill is the inventor of the postage stamp.—[Stamp Collectors' Companion.

Yes, and we have heard that Columbus discovered America.

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We have received a copy of N. F. Seebeck's new Illustrated and Descriptive Price Catalogue of U. S. and Foreign Postage Stamps, Envelopes and Postal and Money Order Cards. The book contains over 200 pages, and is illustrated with nearly 2,000 engravings of stamps, giving date of issue, value, color and the price at which they can be supplied by the publisher. It is one of the finest catalogues we have ever seen, and is well worth the price asked for it. Price, 25 cents. Address the publisher at 97 Wall Street, New York.

Postage stamps to the amount of \$18,339.05 were sold in the New York City general Post Office one day recently. Postmaster Pearson said that this was the largest sale of stamps ever made in a single day, and about fifty per cent. more than the daily sales.

WE wish responsible agents in every town and city in the U. S. to sell our sheets on commission.

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BY THE REV. R. B. EAREE.

Now collectors can be divided into several classes:—scientific, antiquarian, artistic, historical, sentimental,—and last, but certainly not least,—*fashionable!* To the scientific collectors are due our great museums of geology, natural history, medicine, &c.; to the antiquarians those collections of arms, coins, old books, manuscripts, and other relics of a half-forgotten past, which we find scattered about, more especially upon the continent; to the artists the world's grand galleries of pictures; to the historical collectors the many relics which are made interesting to us by their associations with personages and events of olden time. The treasures of the sentimental collector, are chiefly valuable to himself—or herself—alone; for we cannot say that old love-letters, locks of hair, &c., &c., are particularly precious to the world in general! And with regard to the fashionable collectors, things which they patronize, though so eagerly sought after at the time, soon go out of fashion again, and become valueless to their possessors.

But with regard to *our* favorite pursuit, *our* hobby, in which catalogue are we to place it?—are we to call it scientific or antiquarian, or artistic, or sentimental, or fashionable? Well, I think we shall not be going too far in saying that it may be placed in *all* these categories. For instance—the scientific man can find something to interest himself in the various machines and processes connected with the manufacture of postage stamps; the antiquarian can even now, or at any rate in a few years, will find that stamps possess a value for him; the artist must have been interested in them from the very first; the historian sees that they are a very accurate memento of contemporary history; the sentimental ones can look on them with interest for the sake of the persons who once handled them; and the

fashionable collectors value them because—well, *because* they are the fashion.

Now I think that the secret of the steady success of stamp-collecting lies in the fact that it may be made to interest all these various people, and this is why we find it in vogue in every class and every rank of society. And so, though one may get tired of it, another begins to take it up; in fact, we may safely say that there will always be found some to take an interest in our hobby. At first it was confined chiefly to children, but now we find the wisest and greatest are not ashamed to make a collection.—[Philatelic Quarterly.]

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Volume I. LAKE VILLAGE, N. H., DECEMBER, 1882. Number 4.

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AZORES.—The 5 and 10 reis are now surcharged with small type.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.—A 1-2 centavo newspaper wrapper is said to be in use; 1-2 centavo brown on buff paper. Also a 12c. envelope; color, gray and blue.

BRAZIL.—The 10 reis of the new type is in use; color, black.

BANGKOK.—Straits Settlements stamps are said to be surcharged with a large "B," in black, for use in this place.

CAPE COLONY.—The penny stamp of this colony, has been seen with a new watermark.

CYPRUS.—A 1-2 penny newsband, is reported.

CANADA.—The new wrapper is issued on two kinds of paper; manilla and straw.

DENMARK.—A new post card has been emitted; 10 ore, carmine or white.

FIJI.—A new 5 shilling stamp has appeared; color, black and rose.

FRANCE.—It is said that 12 more values of the *Chiffre* tax have appeared; 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 15, 20 and 40 centimes, and 1, 2 and 5 francs. A new 15 centime envelope, and 1 and 2 centime wrappers, have also appeared.

INDIA.—The design of the One Anna Stamp has been changed; (see illustration) color, chocolate.

MOZAMBIQUE.—Two new varieties have been emitted; 10 reis green, and 50 reis blue.

MEXICO.—"A curious envelope has been seen by us, of a peculiar design. On the right hand side, at the top, is a 5 centavos, chocolate stamp, and on the left, two centavos, green stamp, one at the top and the other at the bottom. The design is the same as the 1874 issue of envelope stamps."—[Empire City Philatelist.

NICARAGUA.—This country has entered the Postal Union and will probably issue a new set of stamps. Mr. Durbin chronicles the receipt of a new 10 centavos stamp, arms in the centre, enclosed in a triangle; "Union Postal Universal" above; "Republic De Nicaragua" below; value in each corner.

TRANSVAAL.—The 4d is said to have been seen, surcharged in black, "Een Penny," and the 3d, 1-2 penny.



U. S. OF COLUMBIA.—A One Peso stamp has just been issued by Cundinamarca; color, brown. Bolivar has issued a Five Pesos, blue and red, (see illustration,) and a Ten Pesos, brown and blue.

AUCTION SALES.

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Notes for Beginners.

BY WILL DICKINS.

The study of Philately is, or should be divided into three distinct parts: Adhesive stamps, Envelopes and Newsbands, and Post cards, while the first part may be sub-divided into three,—Postage and Telegraph, Local, and Fiscal stamps. Beginners, however, usually give their attention to two branches, United States and Foreign, collecting everything in the shape of Foreign stamps, and very often leaving the U. S. to take care of themselves.

In first starting a collection of stamps, if the collector cannot afford an album, I would recommend him to procure a large blank book, which will answer the purpose very well until the collection numbers four or five hundred varieties. I think the International album is the best for beginners for it is so simple that anyone who can read need make no mistake in arranging the stamps, and with the aid of a good stamp catalogue, they are doubly secure against blunders, and even a small collection, in a neat, clean album, looks well, if the pages are adorned with the flags, coats of arms and photographs of the rulers of the world, which improve the looks of the album wonderfully. Beginners however, I am sorry to say, very often take an old copy book, diary, or any old book, sticking them on with mucilage or paste which not only wrinkles the pages, and will, even spoil the stamps themselves if left for any length of time, but they cannot be removed without more or less injury, very often completely spoiling them. Many valuable collections have been completely spoiled by being stuck on with mucilage, which contains more or less acid, and in time discolors them, and then they are worthless. The better way, in my opinion, is to procure gummed paper, which can be obtained of any stamp dealer, or at any stationery store, which should be cut in strips 1x1-3 inch in size, folded in the middle, and one side stuck to the stamp and the other to the album, making a hinge so that the stamp can be lifted to examine the watermark, and when a better specimen is obtained, the old one can be removed to make place for the other, without injury to the stamp or album. When the book has been closed for a while, the stamps thus inserted will lay down as tightly as those stuck by mucilage or paste. The next thing on the programme is to fill your album, or, in other words, obtain as many stamps as your pocket book will allow, taking great care, however, not to let a counterfeit into your collection, as it mars the beauty of the genuine stamps which surround it, and it is a disgrace to the collector, as it shows carelessness or ignorance on his part. Look at your stamps before you put them in your album, and if you are not sure they are genuine keep them out of your collection until you find out, and never patronize a man who has once sold you a counterfeit. Buy only of reliable dealers who

have a reputation to lose, and you will be safe. To be sure, some dealers sell cheaper than others, but when a man offers you stamps for one-third or one-fourth of their value, you can make up your mind that they are frauds.

I think that the very best way is to obtain a collection is to buy some good, non-duplicate packet, and then by becoming agent for some dealer, you will have a good chance to take what stamps you do not have, from the sheets he sends you, and if you have a mind to work, you can make enough to pay for them by selling the rest, thus really obtaining your own stamps for your trouble. I do not think my collection up to 1,000 cost me a cent except my trouble in selling the stamps, as I sold for several dealers and took my commission in stamps. I would advise all collectors to have a priced catalogue, as then they can be posted as to the relative value of any stamp of which they may be the fortunate possessor, and to determine the worth of any offered for sale. Mr. Durbin and Mr. Seebeck both publish catalogues with a large number of illustrations, so, in case you should obtain a stamp you did not know what it was, you could easily tell by referring to them. They only cost twenty-five cents, and a great deal of benefit can be derived therefrom.

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Another idea which I like, and which I hope will sooner or later be adopted by all stamp papers, is the publishing of exchange notices for their subscribers. This enables collectors to exchange their duplicates, for which they have no use, with others, resulting advantageously to both parties. We know of but one paper, the *Union Exchange List*, devoted to the benefit of exchanges, although *Harper's Young People* and *GRANITE STATE PHILATELIST* have exchange departments.

In the above I have simply given a few hints to beginners, which I hope will be of some benefit to them, and I hope to see more "Notes" in the future, written by a more experienced and better writer than myself, and thanking my readers for their patience in reading these lines, and wishing them a "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year," I bid them adieu,

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Forged Stamps.

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[We reprint the above caution to collectors from the *Bazaar, Exchange of Mart*, and have every reason to believe that this is the same person we had occasion to caution our readers against about ten months back; he was then dating from Birkhead.—[Stamp Collectors' Journal.

Forged Cyprus Stamps.

In the current number of the *Philatelic Record* is a paragraph which we hasten to make known, advising collectors to be on their guard against forgeries of the stamps of this recently acquired British possession. The word "Cyprus" printed across the stamps is considerably smaller than on the genuine ones, and the obliterations are evidently those of London offices.—[Stamp Collector's Journal.

Beware.

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We now present our Christmas number, wishing our patrons and friends, not only a "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year," but a happy and prosperous year, as well. It will be remembered that last month we offered to publish an Exchange Department if we received sufficient support. We are happy to say we have received the encouragement asked for and will hereafter insert exchange notices for subscribers free. As will be seen, we have purchased the *Baltimore Philatelist*, thus uniting the two papers, and adding several hundred subscribers to our list; therefore, we have decided to raise our subscription price to 25 cents per year, to any address in the Postal Union, making no extra charge for foreign subscribers. However, as an extra inducement to subscribe, we will, until the first of February 1883, send the paper one year for fifteen cents; after that time, 25 cents, cash (or exchange) in advance.

The *Queen City Collector*, *Baltimore Philatelist* and *New Jersey Philatelist* have suspended. The *Stamp World* will be sent to the subscribers of the *Queen City Collector*, the *Granite State Philatelist* to those of the *Baltimore Philatelist*, while the *New Jersey Philatelist* will give back numbers and remit balance due subscribers and thus square accounts.

We are sorry to lose these papers from the ranks. The more the merrier. New papers spring up to take their places, but it takes a new editor some time to "learn the ropes," so that his paper will be as valuable to the

average collector as the older one. As the *Stamp World* observes, not long ago Cincinnati could boast of five Philatelic journals, while now, only one remains to tell the story. There is *one* cause and *only* one. They do not receive sufficient support. Not one collector in ten takes a stamp paper, for the reason that they think they *can* get along without it, and they had rather spend their money for *stamps*, little thinking that a few cents expended for a good paper may save them from being swindled out of as many dollars. They are "Penny Wise and Pound Foolish," and we can prove it. Not long since, a certain dealer in Montreal, wrote us to send him on approval a lot of U. S. coins worth about \$25. We supposed he was good and so assorted the coins, directed the package, and while waiting at the express office, opened our mail. About the first thing our eyes fell upon, (the *Library Table*,) was the name of our would-be customer, under the name of "frauds." It is unnecessary to say we "saved our bacon" that time. Twenty-five cents paid to the publisher of that paper saved us \$25. Collectors, think this subject over, and then subscribe for at least one paper.

To Whom It May Concern.

Having been compelled by force of circumstances to devote my entire time to my regular business, it becomes necessary for me to discontinue my paper, known as the *Baltimore Philatelist*. Therefore, I have transferred the right, title and good will of said paper, to John M. Hubbard, of Lake Village, N. H. Subscribers to my paper will hereafter receive the *Granite State Philatelist* until their subscription expires. I would like to notify all those who are in my debt that their accounts are now transferred to Mr. Hubbard, and he is authorized to collect all bills due me. In conclusion, let me say, I am very sorry to retire from the Philatelic world, because I think my efforts would have been crowned with success. I also thank my patrons and friends, for their kind support and encouragement, and wish Mr. Hubbard the success which I have every reason to believe would have rewarded me, had I been able to continue my publication.

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Gossip.

The *Union Exchange List* is now published only once a month.

Benj. Illing has enlarged the *Philatelic Triumph* to 16 pages and will hereafter publish it every month.

Mr. C. C. Simmons has sold out his approval business, and now, like ourselves, sells only sets and packets.

The *Empire City Philatelist* comes out in a 24-page form this month. Price, 50 cents per year. See "ad."

We have sold out our sheet-on-approval business to Mr. E. J. Cheever, of New Hampton, N. H. See "ad."

W. G. Karpe, of Plymouth, Wis., writes us that he intends to publish a paper to be called the *Badger State Philatelist*.

We have received the first number of the *Collectors' Guide*, published by C. B. Fernald & Co., Philadelphia. Contents and printing good.

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AUSTRIAN ITALY.—This country has emitted a new Postal Union card; value, 5 soldi.

AZORES.—The 2 1-2 reis has been surcharged "Acores" with much smaller type than usual.

BELGIUM.—It is reported that a 2 franc stamp is about to be issued.



BARBADOS.—We should say there was a postal "boom" in Barbados, judging by the number of new stamps. The following have been emitted: 1 penny envelope, pink; 1 and 4 penny envelopes, (see cut) rose and pink respectively; 1-2 penny wrapper, red-brown; 1 penny wrapper, magenta; and 1-2 and 1 penny post-cards.

CUNDINAMARCA.—A 50 centavos stamp is said to be in use; color, lilac.

CURACOA.—A double 5 cent card has been emitted; color, carmine, on buff.

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CEYLON.—Two new provisional stamps are said to be in use: "16 cents," surcharged on 24 cents, and "20 cents" surcharged on 64 cents.

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Here is another: A few days ago we received a sealed envelope, nearly as large as a canal boat, in which was a paper in mourning for General Garfield, for which the writer wanted 50 foreign stamps as we advertised. There was 9 cents postage on the paper, and he received 6 cents worth of stamps. How long would it take him to buy a railroad, at that rate?

We think it is about time for several of our agents to report. We sent stamps to L. Barton, Baltimore, Md., W. J. Ramsay, Farmdale, Ky., W. H. Farr, Greene, N. Y., and several others, about a year ago and have notified them several times but cannot hear from them. If this notice is marked, it means that you have some of our stamps which you have not paid for. Please pay up, at once, if you do not wish to see your name in above list.

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(Date here).....188 .

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JOHN M. HUBBARD, PUBLISHER.

Entered at the post-office at Lake Village, N. H., as second-class matter.

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JANUARY, 1883.

We are about two weeks behind time this month, which was caused by a rush of job work, but we hope our improved appearance will pay our readers for waiting. When we issued our 16-page Christmas number we expected to fall back to our old form of 8 pages, but advertising kept coming in and so we decided to not only appear in a 16-page form, but with the addition of a cover. Now, we should like to keep the paper at its present size, and shall, if we receive sufficient encouragement from collectors and dealers. We ask no one to subscribe until they have seen our paper, nor to pay for advertising until it has been inserted. All we ask is a fair trial; if your "ad" pays, continue it, if not, order it out, and we will be satisfied. We do not claim to have the largest circulation of all, but, judging by the way advertisements are continued, it is a *good* medium. Our February number will go to press on the 16th, and all copy for advertisements and exchange notices must be in by that time. We mean to be in season next time.

In several *amateur* papers, complaints are made that some of the older papers do not exchange with them, some editors even publishing the names of the "big I and little u" publications. Several Philatelic publishers use us in the same manner, therefore, our February number will not be sent to any publisher who does not send his January num-

ber. We are willing to exchange with all, but will not *give* our paper away. Another fault with some publishers is inserting "ads." without orders and then sending a bill for the same. That is what we call "check." For example: we sent a publisher our price lists, and were somewhat surprised at receiving a copy of his next issue with our advertisement in it. We paid no attention to it however, until about two weeks later, when we received a postal from the publisher saying he wanted the "pay for the ad, and you had better hurry up or you will wish you had." We sent the pay, but now wish we had not, as in the last issue of his paper he had in the *same* "ad." and *another* about twice as long. We did not order the ad. inserted, and when we receive the little *bill*, we shall face the music like a little man, and decline payment. We *will not* pay for any advertisement inserted without our orders, nor shall we insert for any one else, without orders. We file all letters and postals received, and copy those we send, therefore we know just where we are.

Another Judas Iscariot.

Some of our readers may have noticed the advertisement in *Harper's Young People*, of Ed. M. Hardie, East Boston, Mass., in which sets of triangular Cape of Good Hope and Virgin Islands were offered in exchange for stamps. A correspondent writes that his son sent a quantity of stamps and received in exchange the sets above mentioned. The answer was written by one Westron, who stated that he was an Englishman and that his ward, Hardie had sailed for Liverpool. That he had a large collection made in eight years travel, and through mercantile correspondence, which he was willing to sell cheap. He hoped his correspondent was a member of the same church as himself, and in two or three letters by such means gained the confidence of our correspondent and his son so far as to induce them to purchase a few stamps from sheets sent them, at a discount of 40 per cent. from catalogue prices. These stamps, it was soon discovered, were all vile counterfeits and we have to warn our readers against Hardie or Westron (for they are probably one and the same person). We have heard of many mean wretches who were ever ready to swindle collectors, but this is the first time, to our knowledge, that one has been so vile as to use religion as a means of gaining ones confidence in order to swindle them.—[P. M.]

The telephone has achieved a wide degree of usefulness in Cincinnati. One hundred and thirty villages within a radius of seventy-five miles are within speaking distance of the city.

Our Postal System.

BY T. COKE.

Prior to 1710, this country had no regular postal system. In that year one was established for the Colonies by the British Government, but it was not thoroughly organized until it came under the control of Benjamin Franklin. The latter was appointed postmaster at Philadelphia in 1733, when he was twenty-seven years old, and held the position until 1753, when he was made Colonial Postmaster-General, and the British Government guaranteed a salary of £600 "for himself and his assistant." After holding the office for twenty-one years he was turned out in 1774 because he would not be a tory. In 1789, the year in which the national constitution was adopted, Congress established a postal system for the United States. The first Postmaster-General was Samuel Osgood, of Massachusetts. In 1790, the whole number of post-offices was only 75; the total amount of postage received \$37,935, and the entire net revenue to the government \$5,795. On the first of June, 1880, there were 42,989 post-offices, which furnished work for 60,479 employes, and were reached by 11,112 post-routes, having an aggregate length of 343,888 miles. It is estimated that "during the year preceeding June 1, 1880, the aggregate amount of mail transportation in the United States would stretch out through 178,226,966 miles—about equal to one round trip to the sun, or 360 round trips to the moon." In the same year the Post-office Department paid out \$36,101,820.38 in the conduct of its affairs, and transported 866,593,572 letters, 276,446,717 postal cards, 695,175,629 newspapers, 53,472,276 magazines, 300,845,480 books, circulars, etc., and 22,634,456 articles of merchandise, making the large total of 2,215,168,124 pieces.

No postage stamps were issued in this country until the 1st of July, 1847. Before that time, postage was charged by the mile, and the postman received the price of the letter on delivery to the person to whom it was addressed.

From 1789 until 1816, the rates of postage were as follows: for a single letter (that is, one composed of a single piece of paper) under 40 miles, 8 cents; over 40 and under 90, 10 cents; over 90, and under 150, 12 1-2 cents; over 150, and under 300, 17 cents; over 300, and under 500, 20 cents; over 500, 25 cents.

The cost of carrying a letter from Boston to New York in 1790, was about 17 cents, and from Savannah to New York was 36 3-4 cents. The mails between the two latter places were carried on horseback and the journey took three days in winter and two in summer. In 1845 the rates were changed as follows: For a letter not more than half an ounce, and not more than 300 miles, 5 cents; over 300 miles, 10 cents. In 1851 Congress established by law that a letter weighing not more than

half an ounce might be carried 3,000 miles, if prepaid, for 3 cents, or for 5 cents if not prepaid. For over 3,000 miles 6 cents if prepaid, 12 cents if not; but in 1852 the 12 was reduced to 10. In 1855 the rates were made to be 3 cents for all distances under 3,000 miles; 10 cents for all over 3,000 miles. The present rates of letter postage was adopted in 1863. The postage stamps of 1847 were in denominations of 5 and 10 cents only. In July 1851, a series was issued, consisting of one, three, five, ten, twelve, twenty-four, thirty and 90 cents, and was used until 1861. The two cent stamp was first used July 1st 1863. In May 1870, the present series was adopted.

The number of ordinary postage stamps issued in 1881 was 954,128,440, and were valued at \$24,040,643.

Cheap Sets of Stamps.

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*Bergetorf,	5,	.09
Brazil,	4,	.05
Barbados,	2,	.03
Cuba,	4,	.05
Denmark,	10,	.07
Egypt,	9,	.15
*Germany,	12,	.11
*Gautemala,	4,	.33
Holland Newspaper,	5,	.07
*Heligoland,	8,	.20
Heligoland Wrappers,	3,	.68
Hamburg, Env.,	7,	.15
Italy Segnatasse,	10,	.15
Japan,	5,	.10
*Oldenburg,	5,	.15
*Paraguay,	2,	.12
Russia,	8,	.08
*Roman States,	7,	.11
*Sardinia,	10,	.10
Spain,	50,	.35
Servia,	7,	.20
Swiss, unpaid,	9,	.15
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All persons making purchases from the above list to the value of \$1.00, will receive this paper one year free.

We appear this month with 16 pages and a four page cover, together with several more illustrations. Our paper must be a pretty good advertising medium, as several parties are having three or four ads. in each issue, but we shall not be satisfied until we have a 24 page paper and three or four thousand circulation. We are very well satisfied with our progress so far, and hope for as good success in the future.

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To Stamp Collectors !—We would call attention to the fact that we are using the most strenuous efforts and money unstinted to establish a paper devoted to their interest. Not a "tawdry," "namby," "pamby" sheet, but a first-class, intelligent journal, wherein and whereby they may make known their wants, and find that intellectual pleasure that the great reading public get in the higher order of general literature. We trust—judging from our success in the past—that our labors are appreciated; but, as a further and substantial proof thereof, request them to subscribe.

To Parents !—We would say if their little boy or girl have commenced their little collection, and tire you of an evening with their numerous questions on the subject of Philately, do not dampen their ardor by saying "you don't know," or "wait until some other time;" but put them in the way of getting the information by subscribing for this paper. Having the address of all reliable dealers and prominent collectors, we shall deem it a pleasure to give same through our columns when it is required, thus putting the amateur in the way of getting rare stamps or information concerning them. Further, we pledge our word that nothing in these columns shall meet their gaze that the most refined cannot peruse with impunity.

To Dealers !—We would briefly say that we shall make it to their interest to patronize our columns. After the issue of March, 1883, we shall enlarge this journal permanently, when our advertising space will be at the rate of *One Dollar* per inch. We are ready, however, to contract for long periods in our advertisement columns at present prices.

N. B.—Parties having No. 1 or 7 of this paper, in good order, will receive in return for either any other three copies of this paper.

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The Numismatic World--1882.

BY X. Y. Z.

The year 1882 chronicled many strange events in the Numismatic world, many new collectors having sprung up all over the country, consequently increasing the value of those interesting coins which every collector makes a point of procuring first. Our Numismatic journals have all prospered this year, I believe, with the exception of the *Coin Journal*, which has not appeared for several months. Scott & Co. gave the subscribers of the *Coin Collector's Journal* a New Year's present of almost a new paper, printed on heavy paper, and containing most interesting articles on all subjects pertaining to our science, and now, after an experience of seven years, promises to become one of the most important publications of America. Mr. Frossard, of *Numisma*, has bettered his sheet in many ways during the past year, and though only published bi-monthly, occupies an important place in Numismatic literature. One feature of his paper is a list of fine coins, which gives many chances to collectors living at a distance to secure rarities at a reasonable rate. Mason & Co., have altered their monthly paper, the *Coin Collectors' Herald* to a quarterly magazine, and have added many new features. The *American Journal of Numismatics*, is one of our best publications, and comes up to the expectations of all. Among minor books, we have a catalogue published in March, by John W. Haseltine of Philadelphia, which is a good guide as to what coins a collector needs and what to buy.

Mr. A. M. Smith, of Philadelphia, has published an interesting little book, *Coins and Coinage*, giving the history, biography of officials, statistics, the work and machinery of the United States mint with all U. S. coins accurately described. Jos. Le Roux M. D., of Montreal, has compiled a *Complete Canadian Copper Coin Catalogue* which is of much interest and value to collectors of that branch of numismatics. Coin Sales have been very active, nearly every dealer holding at least one a month and many having two or even three. Perhaps the most important, and causing the most interest of these was the sale by auction of the collection of Chas. I. Bushnell, held the 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24th of June, which was catalogued by Chapman Bros., of Philadelphia, who however, on account of the short time allowed did not do themselves justice, and as the collection contained many unique and very valuable pieces which perhaps may never again be seen together as one collection, a catalogue ought to have been given that would have been a work of reference and art. Among other sales was the collection of John Scott of New York city, sold March 13th, which contained a few unique and rare specimens. Part III of the beautiful collection of Prof. Chas. Anthon was sold Nov. 9 and 10th, also the American coins of Prof. J. Grier Ral-

ston, late of Norriston Pa., sold Oct. 16, 17 and 18th.

We have lost a few dealers the past year, Wm. P. Brown being burned out in the fire on Park Row and has retired from business, and S. K. Harzfield who has left the coin field for a short time. Death has taken from us many friends to our science, among the most prominent of whom were Chas. I. Bushnell, Prof. Grier Ralston and Dr. M. A. Dickinson.

Last but not least, a few of our *shrewdest* coin dealers have been actually *swindled*. A John Igo, of whom some Philadelphians perchance may remember, left the city suddenly with a few dollars worth of coins, collected from different persons who are now bewailing their losses, but, as I have said, with few exceptions the year 1882 has been prosperous alike for collectors and dealers.

What They Say About Us.

Many thanks for the "ad" you inserted for me in your last. Have received many letters from it. Surely your circulation must be immense.—[F. F. Fletcher.

Let me compliment you upon the neat appearance of your paper, and the originality of contents. You would greatly improve it, however, by publishing a list of "frauds."—[J. W. Milnes.

Allow me to thank you for so kindly thinking of me in my present residence. The paper is a fine start, and hope that you will remember me often. A philatelic ray of light will never fail to interest me.—[Clinton Collins.

The fourth number of the *Granite State Philatelist*, just issued from the DEMOCRAT job room, appears in an enlarged form and contains a large amount of information in regard to stamps, coins and curiosities. The *Philatelist* has "absorbed" the subscription list of a Baltimore, (Md.) paper, and now boasts of a circulation of 2,500. Address J. M. Hubbard, editor, Lake Village, N. H.—[Laconia Democrat.

The first number of the *Granite State Philatelist*, published by John M. Hubbard of Lake Village, came into our sanctum last week. It is an eight page sheet devoted to stamps, coins and curiosities. It is indeed a clean, attractive and instructive journal, replete with facts and figures advancing the interests of collectors. We can safely predict a flattering success for this new visitor, if the position taken in the first number is maintained in succeeding ones.—[Meredith News.

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THE SCIENTISTS' GUIDE—This is a new publication just issued by F. M. Farrell, of Cobden, Ill. It is a 40-page book and contains a directory of the leading Curiosity collectors, besides numerous advertisements. Every collector should possess a copy.

DIRECTORY—Just as we are going to press we receive J. T. Handford's International Collectors' Directory for 1883. The first edition of the directory was good, the second better, and the third is the best one of all. It contains the names and addresses of over 1,000 dealers and collectors in all parts of the world, and a copy should be in the hands of every dealer and collector. 50 pages of fine printing. Mr. Handford has been in the stamp business for the last eight years and knows just what is needed by every collector, and his directory completely "fills the bill." Price 25 cents. In order to increase the circulation of our paper, we will send the GRANITE STATE PHILATELIST one year, the above directory, and Hubbard's Premium Coin Catalogue, for only 50 cents.

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Ed. Frossard sold at Bangs & Co.'s, New York, January 27th, a collection of American and Foreign Coins, Early Crowns, Masonic and War Medals, Siege Coins, Rare Pattern Pieces, Numismatic Works, etc.

Ed. Frossard will sell at G. A. Leavitt & Co.'s, Feb. 8, 9, and 10th, an extensive collection of coins, medals, currency, stamps, autographs, fine porcelain, bric-a-brac etc., the property of the former Consul of Ecuador, in New York.

H. P. Smith will sell at Bangs & Co.'s, January 30th and 31st, the Clement Ferguson Numismatic collection, including some very fine English Coins and Medals, Greek and Roman pieces, etc., with only one U. S. Coin in the entire lot—Eagle, 1799.

Chas. Steigerwalt sold on Friday, January 19th, at Bangs & Co.'s, New York, the collection of G. T. McCombe, of Lockport, N. Y., consisting of a fine line of U. S. and Foreign Gold, Silver and Copper Coins, Numismatic Books, and Paper Money, War Envelopes, etc.

As we go to press we receive a catalogue of Dr. Geo. W. Massamore's 18th sale of Gold, Silver and Copper Coins and Medals, to be sold Tuesday, Jan. 30th, by Wm. Seemuller & Co., Baltimore. The sale also includes quite a lot of rare stamps. Priced catalogues can be had after the sale, for 35 cts. each.

Mr. C. P. Wilcomb has kindly shown us a priced catalogue of a sale held in New York, in January 1863, by Bangs, Merwin & Co. The collection was the property of Benj. Haines, of Elizabeth, N. J., and contained American and Foreign Copper and Silver Coins, Medals, Tokens, etc. There were 2,382 lots, and it took five evenings to dispose of the same. We quote a few of the prices obtained, and would like to quote many more, but space forbids. Lot 1,794, a 1794 dollar, brought \$32, an 1851 do., \$30, and an 1852 do., \$26. Of Half dollars, the best prices obtained were, for the 1796, \$25 and 1797, \$18, while the balance went for 75 cts., to \$4 each. An 1822 Quarter dollar was sold for \$10 and an 1804 Dime brought \$10.75. The highest price obtained for half dimes was \$8.50 for the 1794. The Cents, as a rule, brought very good prices, a 1793 cent bringing \$16, a 1795, \$11.25, while a 1796 Liberty cap brought \$35, the 1799 bringing \$12.50 and an 1804, \$36. Lot 2,065 was a "1785 Confederatio," and brought \$125, which was the highest price obtained for any one piece.

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AZORES.—The 20 reis is now surcharged "Acores" with smaller type.

BELGIUM.—A new post card has been emitted; value, 10 centimes, "Letter Card."



BOLIVAR.—A new series is now in use; design, similar to the cut here shown.

CHILI.—There is a new post card now in use; value, 2 centavos, in both single and double forms.

COSTA RICA.—A new provisional has appeared; "1 centavo," in red, on the 1-2 real.

LUXEMBURG.—The stamps for official use are now surcharged "S. P."

SWEDEN.—The 24 ore unpaid letter stamp has been surcharged "10 ore," and the 50 ore, "20 ore."

UNITED STATES.—Chicago has a local post lately opened. The authorities are trying to suppress it, and they have only to succeed, to make the only stamp they have issued rare. We have been favored with a specimen of the stamp through the kindness of Mr. C. H. Meekel. Father Time is seen in the centre, with mail sack in hand, on which is inscribed, "A. C. D." At the top, in quarter circle, is the word, "Allen's;" at the bottom in quarter circle is "Dispatch." At the bottom in straight line is the address; "125 Clark St." Under Father Time is the word "City," in red letters. Perforated. One cent, rose.—[Empire City Philatelist.



FARIDKOT.—This Indian province can boast of two stamps. Value of each, 1 anna; color, blue; design, the same as here shown. The smaller one is supposed to be obsolete.

NEW CALEDONIA.—Two new provisionals are about to appear; "5 centimes" on 40 centimes of France, and "25 centimes" on 75 centimes.



RUSSIA.—The annexed cut is of the high values announced in our January number.

SHANGHAI.—A new unstamped card has appeared. The inscription reads as follows: "Shanghai Post Card, Office Card—For use of volunteers only." Color, green on white.

SEYCHELLES.—The 4 and 6 cent cards of Mauritius have been surcharged "Post Office, Seychilles, V. R.," for use in the Seychelles Islands.

TRINIDAD.—"I received a letter from Trinidad, yesterday, bearing a new 4 pence stamp—color, slate, and very much like the other W. I. Br. Colonials lately issued."—[I. W. Risdon.



VENEZUELA.—The annexed design is of the new series, which we described some time ago, 5 centavos; color blue.

URUGUAY.—The 1 and 2 centesimi stamps have been surcharged "Fuera de Hora," and are used as unpaid letter stamps.

We have received Vol. 1, No. 1, of the *Philatelist's Journal*, a large 4-page stamp journal published by W. G. Karpe of Plymouth, Wis. So far, so good. Success to you, Brother Karpe.

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This number completes the first half year of the existence of the GRANITE STATE PHILATELIST. We are sorry to appear with only twelve pages, but as our printers are very busy with town reports besides printing two weekly papers, it was impossible for them to print a larger number and as we do not propose to be late we leave out several pages of advertisements and appear on time. Hereafter all copy must reach us by the tenth of the month to ensure insertion in the next number, as the last of the copy will go to the printer on that date. Being two or three weeks late every other month is played out.

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Short Talks about Stamp-Issuing Islands.

I.—MALTA.

BY T. COKE.

Malta, one of the British possessions, is an island in the Mediterranean Sea, lying about 60 miles south-west from Cape Passars, the southernmost point of Sicily. Its length, from north-west to south-east, is 20 miles and its average breadth 9 1-2 miles: the area being 115 square miles.

The population is about 150,000, including nearly 6000 English and 4000 other foreigners, the remainder being natives of Malta. The island is of an irregular, oval shape. The substratum consists of soft calcarious sandstone only thinly covered with soil, much of which has been carried there from other countries, chiefly from Sicily, and brought under cultivation by the natives, who are remarkable for their bodily strength and energy. There are neither lakes nor rivers in the island and no forests or brush-wood; the verdure is scanty and most of the surface is an arid rock, exposed to the winds blowing from the African deserts. The eastern part of the island contains most of the villages and towns, among which is Valetta, the present capital and residence of the British Governor and Commander-in-chief. It is said to be one of the best fortified cities in the world. Cotton is the chief product of the island and gives rise to an extensive manufacture of cotton goods. Soap, leather and macaroni are manufactured to some extent. The national religion is Roman Catholic, yet there are a few Protestants. As regards its settlement, I can only say that Malta was important as a commercial station among the nations of antiquity and it was occupied probably at a very early period by a Phoenician colony; however, in 1798 it fell under the rule of the French, who held it until 1880 when it was captured by the English. The island has since remained under the rule of Great Britain.



Malta issued her first stamp in 1861, viz: 1-2 penny, buff, for all letters circulating on the island. The design was as follows: The profile of the Queen, to left, in an octagon, with wreath below, in an oblong erect frame; Malta above and value below. In 1875 a second stamp appeared, resembling the first both in description and value, but not in color, the color being orange.

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Some Queer Money.

BY "DOC."

Among the thousand and one hobbies with which so many people of the 19th century are possessed, none is more amusing or instructive than that of numismatic collecting. Coins always attract attention, as few persons ever see a strange coin without having some slight curiosity as to its history. Works upon coins are generally too high priced to come within the reach of our young collectors, and even if they were not, are too deep to be easily understood. In this series of articles we shall endeavor to give a brief description of some of the particularly rare and interesting pieces of money in all ages of the world's history.

During the early ages, all business was transacted by barter or exchange; one giving the skill of his handiwork for that of his neighbor. Homer makes mention of values given in cattle, and we find in the Book of Books mention of tributes paid in lambs. This kind of money possessed one natural advantage—being very bulky it had legs and could be driven about from place to place. In India and certain parts of Africa a kind of shell called the cowry has been used for centuries. At Calcutta eight thousand are required for a dollar, and at Bankok, ten thousand. The North American Indian used for money a kind of beads called wampum, which were made from the thick part of the clam shell. This was made into belts, etc., and was valued by the fathom. A little patient research in the vast shell heaps along our coast will not fail to turn up some fine specimens of this bead money.

Probably in the great mineral regions of the New World the metals were used for money, as many such specimens have been found among the ruins of Mexico and Peru, but the Mexicans had something valued higher than gold or silver. It was a kind of hard, greenish stone called *chalchihuitl*, and was so highly prized that several were among the presents of gold and silver sent by Montezuma to the King of Spain. "Each of these," he said, "is worth two loads of gold." Ring money and bracelets made of a certain weight were early used as we see in Genesis xxiv, 22, also in the walls of the tombs, near the Pyramids, we find paintings representing men weighing out ring money as Abraham weighed it out when he purchased the cave of Macphela. Cæsar found this money in use in Britain when he invaded that country.

The first coined money was probably the silver *didrachama*, struck at the island of Ægina, in the Grecian Archipeligo, about 800 B. C. This bears on one side a raised tortoise, the emblem of the island, and on the other four rude punch marks. The oldest gold coin is the *sater* of Miletus, struck the same way, and bears a lion's head on one

side and the punch mark on the other. It seems that the earliest coins bore the portrait of some favorite god, and we find the same thing on our coins of to-day, namely the Goddess of Liberty, as a relic of the dark ages.

(To be Continued.)

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Number 7.

NEW ISSUES.

AZORES.—The 25 reis of Portugal is now surcharged "Acores" in small type. We hope they will keep on, as they are doing well. This is the fourth number in which we have mentioned new "surcharges."

BOLIVAR.—The new issue which we illustrated last month is as follows: 5, 10, 20, 40 and 80 centavos, and 1, 5 and 10 pesos.

CHILI.—Two new values of post cards have appeared; 1 centavo, green, and 2 centavos carmine on green.



COSTA RICA.—A new series has been emitted; (see cut) 1 cen. green; 2 do., carmine; 5 do., purple; 10 do., orange; 40 do., blue. They evidently want every one to know that they are in the "Postal Union."

CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA.—We have seen the advertisement of a *reliable* (?) dealer, who offers "100 varieties of Confederate States Stamps for 21 cents." According to this, the "Confederate States" must have issued about 50 stamps within the past year. Strange we didn't hear of it before, isn't it?

DOMINICA.—The penny stamp has been seen cut in half, perpendicularly, and surcharged "1-2 d." in red.

HAYTI.—The *Stamp World* says, "A perforated 7 centimes stamp has made its appearance from Hayti."

PORTUGUESE INDIES.—Two new post cards are said to have been emitted: 1-2 tanga, blue on buff, and 1 tanga, red on gray.

QUEENSLAND.—A new sixpenny stamp has been emitted: color, green. The design is the same as the illustration.

ST. CHRISTOPHER.—We lately saw the half of a penny stamp which had done duty as a 1-2 penny stamp.—[P. M.



TRINIDAD.—Two new stamps have been emitted: 1-2 penny, green, and 1 penny carmine; we annex the design.



UNITED STATES.—Local stamps appear to be all the rage, just now. A local package and delivery company, doing business in St. Louis, has just been suppressed, and it is said the same company have a "post" in Cincinnati. We should think some enterprising stamp dealer would start a "local" business, issue a dozen stamps and then suspend operations, and sell his stamps. There is "millions in it," (in your mind).

INDIA.—It is reported that an entire new set of stamps is in preparation.

AUCTION SALES.

John W. Hazeltine sold at Bangs & Co.'s, New York, Thursday and Friday, March 1st and 2nd, a collection of United States and foreign copper and silver coins, autographs, newspapers, fractional currency, stamps, etc. This was Mr. Hazeltine's sixty-fifth sale.

S. H. & H. Chapman sold at Bangs & Co.'s New York, Tuesday, March 20, a fine collection of coins and medals of the United States, Confederate and Colonial notes, numismatic books, etc. 639 lots, in all. Messrs. Chapman certainly send out the best looking catalogue we have yet seen.

Chas. Steigerwalt's 13th coin sale will occur at the Central Auction Rooms, Lancaster, Pa., Wednesday, March 28th. The collection contains U. S. and foreign gold, silver and copper coins, paper money, Indian stone implements, etc., and is the property of Mr. Benj. Schmauk, of Kittanning, Pa. Mr. Steigerwalt informs us that his recent sale in New York amounted to \$1,760.

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3 " Dominica.....	.15	3 " Transvaal Republic.....	.15
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On the reverse, as will be seen by looking at the illustration, is the Roman numeral "V" surrounded by a wreath of cotton, corn and wheat, the three principal products of the United States. The wreath, in turn, is surrounded by the words "United States of America," at the top, and "E. Pluribus Unum," at the bottom. On the obverse is the head representing the Goddess of Liberty, with the inscription of "Liberty" on the tiara, and surrounded by the usual thirteen stars, which represent the original thirteen colonies, and the date, "1883" under the head. It has a plain edge, and is exactly the same size as the five-dollar gold piece.

There is nothing on the coin to denote its denomination except the "V," which stands for dollars as well as cents. Counterfeiters seem to have decided that the new nickel was a windfall for them, as they could easily give them an electrotype bath, and they would come out looking so nearly like the five-dollar gold piece, as to deceive anyone, unless they took pains to examine the piece, or were accustomed to seeing five-dollar pieces. Any sharper could buy an electrotyping machine and convert nickels into gold pieces, and palm them off on the unsuspecting public, as easy as rolling off a log, and thus make money hand over fist. Fortunately, however, the authorities were made aware of the "bright" prospects of the new piece, and

ordered the coining of the same to be discontinued forthwith. These pieces are destined to become "rare" in every sense of the word, as there were only 2,224,000 of them coined, or one to about every twenty-five persons in the United States, and as the Government will redeem them as fast as they possibly can, and every man, woman and child wants one or more of them for curiosities, they must command a high price. It is reported that Secretary Folger has ordered the word "cents" to be placed on them, and the issue continued, but it is very evident there would have to be some crowding to get any more on them, unless the motto or wreath were omitted.

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GOSSIP.

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The latest addition to the Postal Fraud list, is B. F. Pritchard, of Washington, D. C.

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Mr. M. H. Lewis of Derby, Iowa, informs us that he has sold his stamp business to Mr. C. C. Simmons, of Chariton, Iowa.

Mr. W. G. Karpe, publisher of the *Philatelists' Journal*, of Plymouth, Wis., has moved to Los Angalos, Cal., and his paper will hereafter date from that place.

James Gilfillan, Treasurer of the United States, has tendered his resignation to the President, through the Secretary of the Treasury, to take effect April 1st.

The Secret Service authorities have decided that the printing of imitation stamps, which are extensively used on the backs of cigar boxes as advertisements, is unlawful.

Mr. F. H. Schwartz, of Philadelphia, informs us that he will publish the *Philatelic News*, about April 1st. Send for sample copy to 1407 N. 12th St., Philadelphia, Pa.

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It is reported that an electrotype plate for printing Confederate ten cent postage stamps was discovered at Atlanta, recently. If that is a fact, collectors can buy "stamps" (?) of that denomination cheaper, before a great while.

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Mr. W. F. Smith is again to the front, this time with the *National Philatelist*, number one of which we have just received. It is published by the National Philatelic Society. Contents and printing, first-class. May thy "shadow never grow less," brother Smith.

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"Origin of Postage Stamps."

BY X. Y. Z.

Few of our kindred, (not the *genuine* Philatelist but that class known as *collectors*.) trouble themselves as to when and where the course of their hobby originated. For this class then, and perhaps others may find something of interest, a few words been written.

The first mention we have of the use of postage stamps or their equivalent is found published in a pamphlet entitled "*Der servier des portes et de la Taxation des Lettre ou Moens d'un timbre*," published in 1838 by M. Piron, of Paris, in which we find that the idea of postage paid letters originated early in the reign of Louis XIV with M. De Velaye, who established a private penny post in 1653, placing boxes at the corners of the streets for holding the letters which were duly deposited having a slip of paper tied around them with the inscription, "post-paid—day of—1653. M. De Velaye had also caused to be printed, certain forms of notes, applicable to the ordinary business among the inhabitants of the town. One of these notes is still preserved in Paris and is one of the oldest penny post letters extant, and a curious example of a pre-paying envelope. They fell into disuse very soon, and in 1658 a M. De Chamouset under Louis XV established a post for the city, charging 2 *Sols* for single letters under an ounce, which were prepaid by stamps similar to those now in use. The government perceiving the gains thus to be realized from the new enterprise took it from him, compensating him by an annual pension of twenty thousand francs, but so few and poor were the arrangements made by the government that the stamps were seldom used and were soon entirely forgotten.

Spain followed next, having authorized an issue by a royal decree of Dec. 7, 1716, which stipulated that the secretary of the crown, etc., will have the privilege of putting on letters addressed to other authorities the seal impressed in ink bearing the royal arms of Castile and Leon which will pass them free. These official stamps remained in use until the beginning of the present century, and were then abandoned. On the 7th of November, 1818, the emission of stamped postal paper was announced in Sardinia. This paper could be procured at post-offices and from vendors of tobacco who received a commission upon their sales. There were three values, 15, 25 and 50 centesimi all bearing the same device. The stamps were in the shape of an octagon bearing a horse at full speed, on whose back was mounted a nude boy blowing a trumpet (possibly meant for a post horn?) and under the steed, C. 50. (50 centesimi.) In March, 1836, they were finally withdrawn owing to a modification in the postal laws.

Sweden also attempted issuing stamps, brought forward by a Swede at the *Assembly of the Swedish Nobles*. The measure was

largely supported but was defeated at last by a large majority.

But to Rowland Hill we are indebted to that postal reform which was introduced by him into British Parliament in 1837, which, among other reforms, proposed that letters should be prepaid by means of means of stamped covers or envelopes. His proposition met with much opposition. Fortunately, thousands of petitions poured in for the furtherance of this bold project and Parliament being moved by such a great manifestation, caused a commission to examine the plan. After many stormy debates it was adopted on May 6, 1840. To Mr. Hill then do we owe the adoption of the idea and practical development. After many designs were noticed, the most simple was selected, a one penny black, the same design as the common one penny red, 1841, which followed soon after. From this step other nations soon followed, Brazil issued stamps in 1843, Russia, 1845, United States, 1847, France, 1848, Belgium, 1849, Spain 1850, and now, nearly every country on the globe has its yearly issues of stamps, thus bringing in closer union the bonds of human brotherhood.

War Department Envelopes.

"REAY."

The "Reay" series of War Department envelopes were first issued in 1870 by the Reay Co., contractors, who printed all of the United States Envelopes till 1874, when their contract expired. The following is, we believe, a complete list of these envelopes and wrappers: Wrappers, 1 and 2 cents, Manila paper; Envelopes, Ordinary Letter, 1, 2 and 3 cents, white paper; Full Letter, 3 cents, amber and orange paper; Extra Letter, 3 and 6 cents, orange paper; 3, 6, 10, 12, 15 and 30 cents, white paper; Extra Official, 6, 12, 15, 24 and 30 cents, white paper.

The envelopes are very rare and are seldom found entire even in large collections, although they are frequently seen "cut." The 1 and 2 cents were in circulation but a short time, while the 10 and 24 cents were used only by the Engineer Bureau, and the 15 and 30 cents by only the Signal Corps, hence their rarity.

"PLYMPTON"

When the contract with the Reay Co. expired in 1874, the Post Office Department advertised for proposals for supplying them for another term of years. The lowest bid from any responsible firm was from the Plympton Manufacturing Co., of Hartford, Conn., consequently the contract was awarded them, and as the former contractors seemed to think they had a mortgage on the job, they were slightly riled and sought to break the contract, therefore they engaged the best die sinkers to do nothing for one month, so when the Plympton

Co. were ready for work they could not nire any first-class help, as they were all bought up. The envelopes were to be ready at a given time or the contract would be void, so they hired second-class die sinkers and thus saved their contract. Of course the dies were inferior to those made by first-class workmen, but the Post Office Department, on being informed of the facts, accepted them until better ones could be prepared. After the time the first-class workmen were paid to "loaf," the contractors had just the help they wanted and their envelopes then compared favorably with any previous issue. A large part of the 1874 issue were called in and destroyed, therefore they are very rare.

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BY "DOC."

(Continued.)

With the introduction of the portraits of rulers, the greatest interest begins, as from that time they become a record or history. For instance, when the Roman Empire was put up for sale and knocked down to a rich Senator by the name of Didius Julianus. The purchaser did not enjoy his bargain long. He reigned but two months, and our readers may think it pretty hard to get a specimen of this short reign, but on the contrary this is one of the easiest to be procured in the series of Roman Empires. Very industrious must they have worked to have flooded the markets eighteen centuries later. Coins mentioned in the Bible are also of great interest, but the Bible goes back so far in the early history of the world that the oldest ones which we have mentioned come at a comparative late period of the Jewish era. The first coins bearing the portrait of the ruler are as late as the time of Alexander the Great—after the fall of the kingdoms of Juda and Israel. The Jewish shekel is probably the earliest one mentioned, and the date of its earliest coinage is not known. The only allusion to it is in I. Maccabees, (xv. 6) where Antiochus grants the high priest permission to coin money.

The silver shekel was valued at 51 8-10 cents of our money. The gold one was half the weight of the silver, and worth four dollars. On one side was Aaron's rod blossoming and on the other the pot of manna. This vessel bears a remarkable likeness to the ciborium in Catholic churches. The inscription was "Shekel Israel," "Jerusalem the Holy," "Simon, Prince of Israel." The earliest known is that of Simon Maccabees, the pontiff king, "who encircled the tira of Aaron with the Crown of David." Brass coins of the Herods and Agrippa are, with these, the only coins of Judea known. Both as weight and money the shekel was divided into the beka, or half-shekel, the reba, or quarter-shekel, and the gerah or twentieth part of a shekel.

In our Savior's time the Roman coins were the general currency. Hence when he was tempted by the Pharisees asking him whether it was lawful to pay tribute to Caesar, they hoped to entrap him by whatever answer he made. But our Lord said, "Show me the tribute money." Looking at the coin, he asked them: "Whose image and superscription is this?" and they answered "Caesars." Then by a single sentence he silenced them and defeated their malice; "Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and unto God the things that are God's."

This coin was issued during the reign of Tiberius, who was born B. C. 42, and murdered A. D. 37. The obverse bore the head of Tiberius to the left, laureated with the inscrip-

tion. "TI CAESAR. DIVI AVGVSTI. F." Reverse a four-horse chariot and underneath, "IMP. VII." Next month we shall describe a few of the coins of the Roman emperors.

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NEW ISSUES.

CHILI.—“Three new cards have been prepared by the American Bank Note Co., of New York, two single and one reply paid card; 2 centavos, blue, 3 do, red on lilac, and 3x3 do, red on lilac.”—*National Philatelist*.

COSTA RICA.—There are said to be three new provisional stamps: 5 centavos, red, on 1-2 real; 10 do. black, on 2 reals; and 20 do. red, on 4 reals. They are also surcharged “U. P. M.” meaning Universal Postal Union.



DOMINICA.—A new provisional has appeared recently; this time it is the penny stamp divided perpendicularly in the centre, and surcharged “1-2” in black. The illustration annexed is of the provisional we mentioned last month; the penny stamp divided and surcharged “1-2” in red.

ECUADOR.—It is said that the 1 real issue of 1872 has been surcharged “4 centavos” in black. Seems as if stamp-issuing countries are getting to be very economical; wouldn't be surprised to see the U. S. 3 cent stamp surcharged “2,” when the new law goes into effect. The Government might save seventy-five cents,—possibly a dollar—for a “penny saved is as good as a penny earned.”

GREAT BRITAIN.—The double half-penny card, brown on white, are issued without perforation between the cards.

GRENADA.—It is reported that a 1 penny, red, of the De La Rue type is in circulation. The “P. R.” notes an error in the current one shilling, the last word being spelled “Shillins.” It also states that the one penny orange, fiscal stamp, has been surcharged “Postage,” in Roman “caps.”

MARTINIQUE.—Mr. Durbin says “this French possession in the West Indies rejoices in an unstamped postal card, black, on pink.”

ST. DOMINGO.—The old issue (1880) became obsolete on February 1st, and the stamps that take their place are identical with the former issue, with the exception of being surcharged with the value, and the word “centimos” below. Evidently a change has been made in

their currency, as “centimo” is one-fifth of a “centavo.” Adhesives; 5 centimos on 1 centavo; 10 centimos on 2 centavos; 25 centimos on 5 centavos; and 50 centimos on 10 centavos.



RUSSIA.—In our February number, we gave an illustration of the high values, soon to appear, but it seems that they have decided to have them of the design here shown instead. We also give the illustration of a stamp, which will adorn 1 and 2 kopeck, newspaper wrappers, and 5 and 7 kopeck envelopes. “Kopeck;” what a name! Why didn't they have it *kenpeck*, and done with it?

SAN MARINO.—Two new postal cards are in use; 10 centisimi, and 15x15 centisimi, blue, on blue.



SUNGEI UJONG.—The following Straits Settlements' stamps have been surcharged “Sungei Ujong,” in two lines; 2 cents, brown; 4 do. rose; 8 do. orange; 10 do. black. The 4 cent rose, watermarked “C. A.” is surcharged “S. U.”

TRINIDAD.—Two new stamps of the design which we illustrated last month have appeared; 2 1-2 pence, blue, and 4 pence gray.

TASMANIA.—The following fiscal stamps have been used for postage: 1 penny, blue-black; 3d. brown; 6d. mauve; 1s. carmine; 2s. 6d., red; 5s. sage green, and 10s. red.

U. S. OF COLOMBIA.—The “P. R.” chronicles a new provisional. It says the 10 centavos of the current issue is surcharged “2 1-2” centavos, black, on violet.

URUGUAY.—The *National Philatelist* says the 7 centavos, blue, is surcharged “Officiel,” in red.

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Stamp-Collecting began as soon as there were stamps enough to collect. Counterfeiting began as soon as there were collectors who could be swindled by unscrupulous dealers. Philatelic journals were first issued when there were collectors who would support them. The oldest Philatelic paper we ever saw had a long article on "forgeries" and we read of new forgeries in almost every issue of the leading stamp papers, which have always made it a practice to expose all fraudulent dealers, much to the latter's disgust. Up to within a short time we have had to fight this great evil alone, but now it appears that "Uncle Sam" intends to have something to say about it, and proposes to stop the sale of counterfeit. We say: Hurrah for Uncle Sam! So far, so good. It is said there is no great loss without some small gain; it is also true that there is no great gain without some small loss. It looks like a very great loss, in this case, as well as an improvement, as will be seen by the following, which we clip from the *Boston Globe*:

"The practice of manufacturing counterfeit United States postage stamps, even of obsolete issues, is a criminal offence under section 5464 of the Revised Statutes, which provides that any person who shall forge or counterfeit, or knowingly utter forged or counterfeit stamps, shall be fined not more than \$500 or imprisoned not more than five years, or shall receive both punishments. The next following section provides that any one who forges or counterfeits foreign stamps shall be liable to imprisonment at hard labor for not less than two years nor more than ten years.

Complaints have been made to the solicitor of the treasury regarding the matter from various sources and at different times, and the business of making or selling counterfeit stamps in any country has in every instance been declared illegal. Stringent measures to suppress the trade have not been made, however, until quite recently. The district attorney for this district has recently instructed the officers that it is unlawful for any person to have counterfeit dies for printing stamps in their possession or to make or sell such counterfeits, and they are instructed to see that the law is no longer violated. In accordance with these directions all the dealers in foreign stamps in Boston have been visited by a government agent and summoned to deliver up all counterfeit plates and dies in their possession. In some cases the dies have been surrendered and in others the dealers have been granted delay until they can consult counsel or communicate with the officials at Washington. There are understood to be no cases in Boston of the counterfeiting of stamps for the purpose of defrauding the Post Office Department of this o

any other country, but nearly every dealer in stamps has in his possession counterfeit electrotype plates used in printing fac-similes of stamps for catalogues or advertisements, and the plates are counterfeits within the meaning of the law. These cuts are not ordinarily printed from in the colors of the genuine stamps, but they nevertheless are held to be unlawful. The government has no intention to inflict punishment in these cases, for there has been no intention to violate the law, but it is determined to abolish the business.

A *Globe* reporter called upon Mr. F. Trifet the oldest postage-stamp dealer in Boston, Saturday, and made some inquiries regarding the action of the government officers in the matter of fac-similes of stamps. Mr. Trifet admitted that the law forbids the counterfeiting of stamps in certain cases, but he said he should not give up all of his electrotype plates of stamps without a contest.

"The law," he said, "forbids counterfeiting the stamps of this or any other government, but in the case of a good many of my cuts the governments do not any longer exist. There is no law against my keeping cuts of Confederate stamps, for instance. When Major McIlrath called on me about the matter I said I was willing to give up the United States cuts and those of existing foreign governments, but he said he was willing for me to keep the cuts for a time, until the question is settled. I then wrote to Washington, making a similar offer, but I have not yet received a reply."

As every one knows, it greatly increases the value of a paper, catalogue, or an album to have illustrations of the stamps therein, and if their use is prohibited by law it will be a very serious drawback to the advancement of Philately. Messrs. Scott, Seebeck, Durbin and Trifet have from one to two thousand cuts of stamps each, and as they are only used as above stated, we fail to see the harm. But if the manufacture and sale of counterfeit stamps can be stopped, we say let it be stopped, even if the use of "cuts" has to be abolished.

GOSSIP.

The *Collectors' Bureau* has suspended publication.

Illing's Annual is coming.—*Stamp World*. So is Christmas.

During the month of March the public debt was decreased by \$3,344,826.27.

We have several good collections of stamps which will be sold cheap, for cash.

C. H. Garrett, of Kalamazoo, Mich., has bought out the Union-Stamp Co., of La Porte, Ind.

Since our last issue, we have purchased several fine collections of stamps and coins, among which was the collection of Justus Hawley, Esq., of Hornellsville, N. Y.

There is a very light demand for internal revenue stamps and the Bureau of Engraving and Printing is only working one half of the time.

We have a few sets of Copper cents, from 1794 to 1857 inclusive, with the exception of 1799, 1804 and 1809, which we sell for \$4.50, post-free.

Read the "Rogues Corner;" it may save your losing money. Perhaps they are not all "frauds," but if they are not, we are very much mistaken, that's all.

No. 1, of the *Philatelic News*, came to hand a few days ago. It is an eight-page paper, devoted to stamps, and is well gotten up, well printed and deserves success.

A new design has been adopted for the "new nickel." The inscription *E Pluribus Unum* has been placed above the wreath, and the word "cents" added below the "V."

Eighteen years ago an Atlanta man was given a letter to mail. He posted it a few days ago, but we haven't heard whether the person to whom it was addressed is now living, or not.

The stamps of Cashmere are printed from ivory blocks, which accounts for their indistinctness.—[National Philatelist. Glad we have found out. We always supposed they came through a copying press.

The *Stamp World* has enlarged to 12 pages. Oh no, Mr. Mills; we didn't mean to insinuate that the editor of the *World* was a hog, by any means. If we had intended to use pet names, we should merely have said you reminded us of one of those long-eared animals. However, no harm done.

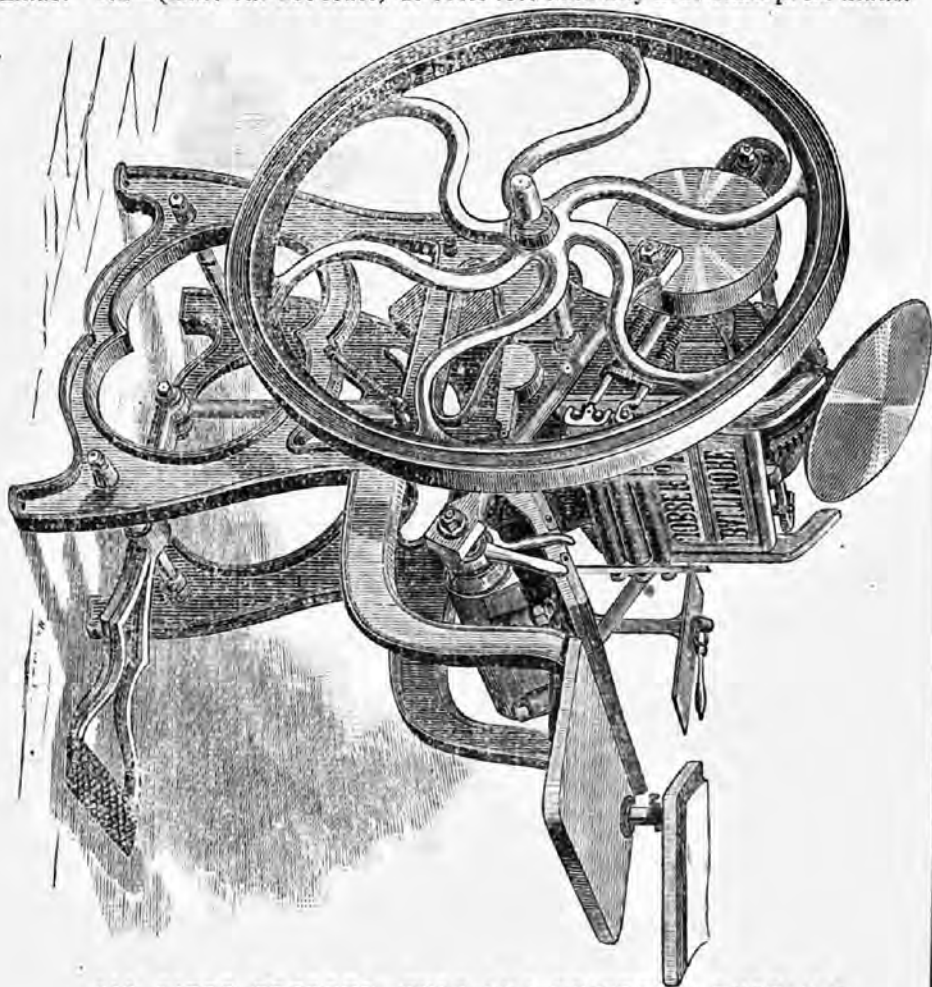
"Enclosed find fifty cents to pay for your paper two years. Like it very much. Would like to begin with Vol. 1, No. 1; can I?"—Ernest A. Hollenbach, Pittsfield, Mass. That is the way we like to take subscriptions. All those sending 50 cents for 2 years can have the back numbers and two premium packets.

The Postoffice Department has put W. M. Stanton & Co., The Comet Publishing Co., Bloomington; Weston Card Co., Normal; Union Novelty Co., Mt. Pulaski; Star Publishing Co., Atlanta; and The Agents' Guide Publishing Co., Lincoln, Ill., on the "fraud list." It is said they are all one man, under aliases. His latest scheme was to advertise the "New American Watch for \$1," which was simply a sun-dial, costing about five cents. They have also declared the Marion Trust Companies, of Chicago and Indianapolis, C. H. Rowan, representing the Excelsior Manufacturing Co., of Bever Dam, Wis., and J. N. Williams, alias "The Mystic Language Publisher," of Detroit, Mich., to be conducting fraudulent concerns, and will hereafter be denied registry and money order facilities.

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The New Postal Laws.

Since the withdrawal of fractional currency from general circulation, there has been a demand for a cheap method of sending small amounts by mail, without the bother of sending stamps, or the expense of procuring a money order or a registered letter. Numerous complaints have been made to the post-office authorities and the matter was finally referred to the General Superintendent of the money order system, Dr. McDonald, who devised a plan which is thought to fill all the requirements, and it was passed by the Congress just adjourned. The idea is to reduce the fee on \$5 and over, and in addition, issue a "Postal Note" for any amount under \$5, at the uniform rate of three cents, and to do away with the necessity of notifying the receiving post-master to pay the amount. There are 40,000 post-offices in the country, only about 6,000 of which are money order offices, therefore it will be very convenient to the public in general. The Notes are to be engraved on steel in a style equal to the National Bank notes, on which will be the rules and requirements, and at one end there will be three rows of figures, the first row, in large type, from 1 to 4 denoting dollars, and the other two rows in small type denoting dimes and cents, the numbers running from 1 to 9. When the note is purchased, the post-master will "punch" the amount paid; if for instance the amount paid is \$2.75, he will punch, out the figure 2 in the first row, 7 in the second and 5 in the third, which shows that \$2.75 is the amount the holder is entitled to receive. The post-office department does not assume any responsibility however, as one man can get it cashed as well as another.

The note is to be sent by mail in an ordinary envelope but will become invalid after three months unless renewed by making application to the authorities at Washington and the payment of another three cents. The new note will be issued about the first of July. This will be a great benefit to novelty dealers and newspaper publishers, and those remote from banks and money order offices, as it is both safe and cheap.

The bill also provides that money orders shall be issued up to \$100, and the fees shall be as follows: For orders not exceeding \$10, 8 cents; over \$10 and not exceeding \$15, 10 cents; over \$15 and not exceeding \$30, 15 cents; over \$30 and not exceeding \$40, 20 cents; over \$40 and not exceeding \$50, 25 cents; over \$50 and not exceeding \$60, 30 cents; over \$60 and not exceeding \$70, 35 cents; over \$70 and not exceeding \$80, 40 cents; over \$80 and not exceeding \$100, 45 cents.

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Rogue's Corner.

Below we give a list of those who are owing us. Each one has been notified three or more times. All those who *claim* to have returned the stands or paid for the same, we crossed off our list, as we do not wish to accuse any one unjustly. If any of these are *honest* and "pay up," we will gladly give notice to that effect.

W. J. Ramsey, Farmdale, Ky.; Ray Stanley, Toledo, Ohio; Henry S. Morris, Sisseton Agency, D. T.; C. F. Newell, Knoxville, P. Q.; John Hooper, Citadel, Quebec; Mose Baird, Sedalia, Mo.; B. W. Loomis, Watertown, N. Y.; C. Abel, Jr., Chicago, Ill.; Max Heap, Lindsay, Ont.; W. H. Farr, Greene, N. Y.; L. Barton, Baltimore, Md.; E. Caruth, Lynn, Mass.; F. B. Longley, Shirley Village, Mass.; Allie Glaze, Hooperstown, Ill. We have quite a number more on our list, but withhold them until our next number.

Mr. C. H. Garret complains of the following parties:

Palmy C. Campbell, Suisun City, Cal.; L. Barton, Baltimore, Md.; J. T. Nichols, Battle Creek, Mich.; J. G. Dohwe, Dayton, Ohio; F. W. Dewart, Cleveland, Ohio; S. F. Hewer, N. Y. City; Henry P. Sager, Washington C. H., Ohio; Fred E. Earle, Springfield, Mass., now in jail for robbing U. S. post-office; James Baird, Belleville, Ont., Canada; E. P. Miller, St. Louis, Mo.; E. A. Ramsey, Washington, D. C.; R. K. Cobb, Norfolk, Va.; A. E. Aylsworth, Belleville, Ont., Canada; Lewis Mason, Brighton, Canada; Thomas Hall, N. Y. City

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Short Talks about Stamp-Issuing Islands.

II.—FALKLAND.



BY T. COKE.

The illustration which accompanies this article will give the reader an idea of the postage stamps at present in use in one of the British possessions, off the coast of South America, namely, the Falkland Islands. It represents the uniform type of the whole series, which was introduced in 1878-81. The head on the stamp represents the Queen. The series consists of the following values and colors: 1 penny, claret; 4 pence, gray; 6 pence, green; 1 shilling, brown.

The Falkland Islands are a group in the South Atlantic, consisting of about 200 islands, lying 300 miles East from the entrance to the strait of Magellan, in lat. 51 to 53 degrees S., and in long. 57 to 62 degrees W. The area is about 6,000 square miles, and the population in 1881 was about 1,336. All the islands but two are very small. East Falkland is about 90 miles long, 40 miles broad, and 3,000 square miles in area; West Falkland, separated from the former by a channel from 2 1/2 to 18 miles wide, called Falkland sound, is 80 miles in length and 25 miles in average breadth, the area being about 2,000 square miles. The coasts are very irregular, in some places rocky and precipitous, in others low. Bays and inlets are numerous, and East and West Falkland are nearly divided by several deep indentations. There are few rivers, but many fresh water ponds and brooks. The surface of the islands is broken by ridges of bleak hills, the highest of which are in East Falkland, though the average elevation of West Falkland is greater than that of the former. The whole aspect of the group is dreary and uninviting. The commonest geological formation is quartz, which in some places is seen covering the bottom of the valleys, broken into sharp fragments and disposed in level sheets or streams like rivers of stone. Sandstone and slate also occur. The soil of such portions as have been explored is mostly sandy clay covered thinly with vegetable mould. The valleys of the streams are exceedingly rich. The climate is like that of England, but more uniform. Severe and destructive snow storms are occasionally experienced. There are no trees on the islands. The most im-

portant production is grass, which grows to a great length and possesses remarkable nutritious properties.

The common garden vegetables of England thrive; barley and oats are cultivated, but wheat is raised with difficulty. There is little commerce, the exports consisting of hides, tallow, salted beef, seal skins, and fish oil; and the imports of timber, lime, bricks, flour, sugar, coffee, and British manufactured goods. A British colony, called Stanley, has been established at the head of Port William inlet, on the north-east coast of East Falkland. It has an excellent harbor and is the only settlement in the whole group. The main object of the British Government in keeping up the establishment here is to afford ships a place to call for water and fresh provisions.

The Islands were discovered by John Davis, Aug. 14, 1592, and were visited by Strong in 1690, who called the sound mentioned above Falkland, and the islands afterward took the same name. The French planted a colony on Berkeley sound, East Falkland, in 1764 and the English established themselves at Port Egmont, West Falkland 2 years later. The French in 1767 ceded their settlement to the Spaniards, who drove away the English in 1770. They afterward restored Port Egmont to the British, and some time later the Islands were abandoned by both parties. Buenos Ayres took possession of East Falkland in 1810 and founded a colony there in 1833, but subsequently gave it up to the British.

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Volume I.

LACONIA, N. H., MAY, 1883.

Number 9.



MR. L. W. DURBIN.

We have the pleasure of presenting our readers with the portrait of Mr. L. W. Durbin, the enterprising stamp dealer of Philadelphia. What Washington was among generals, what Webster was among statesmen, what Vanderbilt is among capitalists, L. W. Durbin is among stamp dealers. All philatelists have more or less dealings with him, and believing a short sketch would interest our readers, we asked his consent to publish a brief biography of him. Being of a modest turn of mind, he hesitated, but by considerable urging we obtained his permission.

Mr. Durbin was born in Rising Sun, Ind., August 18th, 1849, and removed to Madison, in 1850, where he resided with his parents until 1861. When the Civil War broke out, he was attending the public school, and being too young to enlist, and too patriotic to stay at home, he secured the position of clerk in the Quarter-master's Department, and served through the Valley Campaign of 1862, that of Vicksburg in 1863, and was stationed at Fort Smith, Ark., thereafter, until the close of the war. At the age of 16 years, he went to St. Louis, Mo., and entered the banking house of Gaylord, Leavenworth & Co., where he remained until 1867, when he took a trip up the

Missouri river to Fort Benton for his health, and was wrecked, and narrowly escaped drowning. In 1869 he removed to Philadelphia, and purchased an interest in the firm of Mason & Co., Coin and Stamp Dealers, but dissolved partnership with them the year following, and has since carried on the business alone. Mr. Durbin resides at Burlington, N. J., 18 miles from Philadelphia, is married, and has two children. He belongs to Methodist Episcopal church, and is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Templars of Honor and Temperance, and in the latter order, served two years as Grand Worthy Templar of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Durbin has published the *Philatelic Monthly* for eight years, also *History of U. S. Envelopes*, eleven editions of the *Standard Stamp Catalogue*, and five editions of the *Post Card Catalogue*, besides several smaller works on stamps. He has a large private collection, and deals exclusively in stamps and philatelic goods, of which he carries a stock of over \$25,000. He has been a collector for about 17, and a dealer about 14 years, and as a writer on Philatelic subjects, has no superior on this continent.

NEW ISSUES.

ANGOLA.—The color of the 40 reis stamp has been changed from blue, to yellow.



CAPACIA.—We present the illustration of a new stamp of a new republic, said to be part of Bolivia, South America. The set is said to consist of the following: 1 centavo, green; 2 do. rose; 5 do. blue; 10 do. bistre; 20 do. violet.

COSTA RICA.—Single and double 2 centavo cards are in use; color, black, on buff. All of the new set—see illustration in our March number—have been seen surcharged "Official."

DOMINICA.—We should judge every one in this country owned a printing office and surcharged their stamps to suit themselves. This month it is "Half Penny" surcharged in black, on half of a one-penny stamp. We predict the next provisional will be "1-2 Penny."

MAURITIUS.—The 17 cent of the current issue has been seen, surcharged in black, "16 cents."

NEW SOUTH WALES.—There is said to be a double 1-penny card in use.

ORANGE FREE STATES.—New provisionals have appeared: 1-2d. red-brown, and 3d. blue.

PERU.—The annexed illustration is of a provisional stamp supposed to have been used by the Peruvians. Color, carmine.



25 centavos.

GRENADA.—Two more of the De La Rue have made their appearance; 1-2 penny, green, and 8 pence, gray.

GR: LAND WEST.—Cape of Good Hope stamp of the value of 2 and 3 pence, have been surcharged "G" for use in Griqualand West.

INDIA.—The legend on the India, 1 rupee, has been changed to "India Postage."

ITALY.—Three new postal cards have been emitted, viz.: 15 centesimi (double) brown on rose, with "82" on the end to left; 10 centesimi, brown on blue; 15 centesimi, (double) brown on blue.

LUXEMBURG.—L. T. P., chronicles a new set of telegraph stamps, viz.: 5 centimos, gray; 25 do. orange; 50 do. green; 1 franc, rose; 2 do. ultramarine.

LABUAN.—A 40 cents, orange, is said to have made its appearance.

JAPAN.—The color of the 1 sen has been changed to green, and the 2 sen to rose.

UNITED STATES.—The design of the new two-cent stamp has been approved by Postmaster-General Gresham. The stamp contains a tablet upon which is the profile of Washington, surrounding this is an oval band, on the upper part of which are the words, "United States Postage," and below, a large "2," and at the bottom, "Two Cents." The design has been returned to New York for engraving, after which the color will be decided upon. The color approved is green.



PORTUGAL.—A new 5-reis stamp has appeared; color, gray. (see cut.)

QUEENSLAND.—A 1 penny, orange, of the design which we illustrated in our March number, has appeared.

ST. VINCENT.—A new 2 1-2 penny provisional is said to be in use.

TRINIDAD.—A new 4 penny stamp has appeared; color gray. For design, see March number.

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III.—CURACAO.



BY T. COKE.

Curacao is an island of the Dutch West Indies, in the Caribbean Sea, lying 46 miles north from the coast of Venezuela. Its length from north-west to south-east is 36 miles, and breadth 8 miles; the area is 212 square miles. The population in 1876 amounted to nearly 25,000, of whom about 20,000 are Roman Catholics, 2,000, Protestants and the remainder Jews. It has a hilly surface with rugged coasts and is exceedingly barren. The climate is hot and dry though tempered by sea breezes. Fresh water is scarce and is obtained either from rain or deep wells. Severe droughts frequently occur; the soil is so poor that provisions are imported and some of the products once cultivated, as indigo, cotton and cocoa, are now entirely neglected. Sugar, tobacco, maize, cochineal, cattle, horses, sheep and goats are raised; the tamarind, banana, cocoa palm, orange and various kinds of kitchen vegetables grow well and from the lime is made the celebrated "Curacao" liquor. Excellent fish are taken off the coast. The chief product of the island is salt. The principal harbor is that of Santa Anna, on the south-west coast, one side of the narrow entrance to which is defended by Fort Amsterdam, while on the other stands Willamstad or Curacao, the capital of the island and of a government which includes this and the neighboring islands of Buen Ayre, Aruba, and little Curacao.

Curacao was settled by the Spaniards in the 16th century, taken by the Dutch in the 17th, captured by the British in 1798, restored to Holland at the peace of Amiens, again seized by England in 1806 and finally given up to the Dutch in 1814.

In 1873 Curacao issued a set of adhesive stamps, viz: 2 1-2 cent, bright green; 3 cent, gray; 5 cent, rose; 10 cent, blue; 25 cent, light brown; 50 cent, violet. The design was as follows:—In the middle was a circle, inside of which was the head of King William III of Holland (see above cut), above the circle was "Curacao" and below the circle was the value. In 1878 the 2 1-2 gulden appeared, the color being violet and brown.

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It is a well-known fact that the stamp business is very dull during the summer, and it is too often the case with publishers of Philatelic papers to suspend publication through the hot weather; but instead of so doing we shall reduce the size of our paper and issue it regularly each month, which we believe will be more satisfactory to our readers. But in order to reduce the size we must exclude many advertisements which we have inserted and taken our pay in trade, which was just as good to us as cash, but for the next few months we shall be so busy we shall not have time to carry on the curiosity business to any extent, therefore we shall hereafter refuse all but cash-in-advance advertisements. This reduction in size will in no way affect the amount of reading contained in each issue. Mr. L. W. Durbin will hereafter contribute regularly to this paper, and with our other already efficient corps of writers, we think we can give our readers the *best* paper for the money.

The money-order system will be placed in 334 additional post-offices on July 1st.

16-page Catalogue of our buying prices of all American coins worth over face value, 10 cents.

The Exchangers' Guide and General Directory is the name of a pamphlet soon to be issued by W. L. Lewis, Rockford, Iowa.

Two historic aboriginal mounds containing an unusually rich collection of polished stone axes, clubs, and other Indian implements, were recently discovered near Mount Pisgah, N. C.

Some Queer Money.

BY "DOC"

NUMBER IV.

Rome began the coinage of brass in the reign of Servius Tullius in the year 578 B. C. The first known was called the *AS*, and like the English £ and French *livre*, which means the same, they originally weighed a pound, but by 191 B. C., it had shrunk to half an ounce. This was quite a shrinkage but was hardly what is called in our day "a contraction of the currency." Perhaps our readers may think this a rather bulky peice of money to carry, but there were larger ones still. The quadrasses or four *AS* peices weighed five pounds. It also had its divisions—the semis, or half-pound; gumcunx, or five ounce; triens, or four ounce, quadrans, or three ounce; sextans, or two ounce; and uncia, or ounce peice. The obverse bore for a design the head of Janus, the double-headed god of war, worshiped at Rome, and whose temple always stood open except in times of peace. Below the head of Janus is the Roman numeral I, to denote its value. On the reverse was the prow of a galley turned to the right, and I. again for value. The *AS* and its divisions are very scarce even in Europe and bring about \$5, according to condition. Although one occasionally turns up among a lot of old coins, unappreciated and unknown.

The first Roman silver coin was struck about 270, and the first gold about 207 B. C. Among the earlier gold ones are some called Campanian, probably struck at Capua, and some of them will compare favorably with the most beautiful designs of to-day. Obverse—Helmeted head of Mars, the God of War, and father of Romulus, the founder of the "Eternal City," and the Greek numerals for 60, meaning 60 sertes, its value. Rev.—ROMA, and an eagle bearing a thunderbolt in its claws.

During the Republican period there are also a large number of family coins, struck by the patrician families, especially those when a member became Consul. Cæsar, for example, was a member of the Julia family, his name being Caius Julius. Pompey was a family name, and coins of both these families are found. There are about 190 that are known by their coins, besides some that cannot be identified, although their coins are frequently met with to-day.

The *Stamp World* will hereafter be issued on the first instead of the fifteenth of the month.

We were very agreeably surprised a few days ago, by receiving a copy of the *California Philatelist*, published by Mr. E. F. Gamba. It is a continuation of the *St. Louis Philatelist*, and is a very interesting paper. Send your address on a postal, for a sample copy to 234 Montgomery St., San Francisco, Cal.

GOSSIP.

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Mr. Chas. Steigerwalt, of Lancaster, Pa., has been very ill for a few weeks past, but is much better and able to attend to business.

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We received a postal from Von Glahn & Busble, Chicago, Ill., saying they should soon commence the publication of the *Philatelic Headlight*.

S. H. & H. Chapman sold at Bangs & Co.'s New York, May 1, the collection of Foreign Coins and Medals belonging to Mr. A. Galpin, of Appleton, Wis.

Mr. W. F. Bishop, of Chicago, Ill., announces that on May 20 he will issue the *Lakeside Philatelist*, to be devoted entirely to the interest of Stamp Collectors.

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The P. O. authorities made a raid on Boyd's and Husey's Dispatch offices and seized several thousand letters, circulars, etc., which had been collected for delivery. The Dispatch Companies claim that their business is legitimate, and the outcome of the suit is awaited with interest.

"Among our daily mail we receive some very curious correspondence; the following is a sample of many letters lately received from one of our impatient juvenile collectors: 'ATCHISON, Kansas, 1883.

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We have been asked a thousand times,—more or less—the meaning of Philately. The definition given in Webster's Dictionary is as follows: Philately; "A collection of postage stamps of various issues." *Philatelist*; "One who makes a collection of postage stamps."

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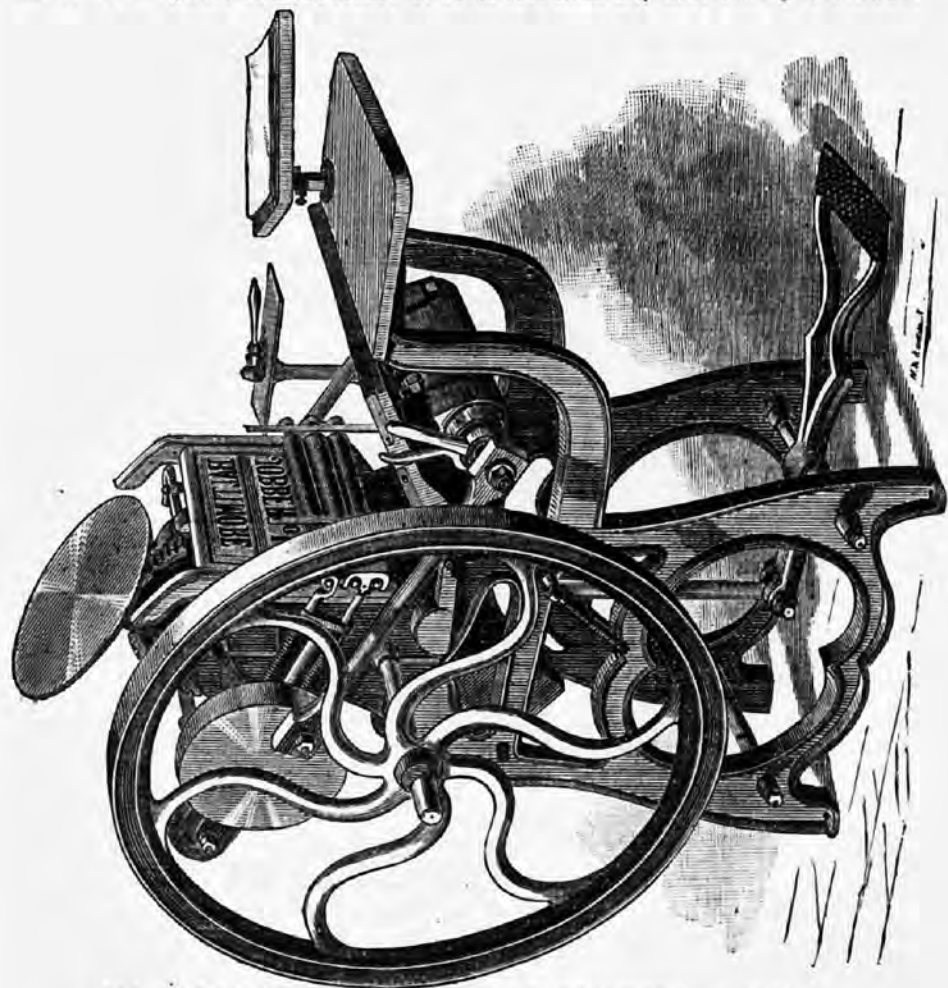
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LACONIA, N. H., JUNE, 1883.

Number 10.

NEW ISSUES.

We have but a few new issues to chronicle this month, but we give them, such as they are.

AZORES.—The new 5 reis Portugal appears surcharged "ACORES," for use in the Azores Islands. See illustration.



BAHAMAS.—The 6 pence Stamps have been surcharged "four pence" in black.

BRAZIL.—A new 100 reis stamp has appeared, of the annexed design. Color, lilac.



GRENADA.—We annex the design of the new Grenada half-penny stamp. Evidently their stock of one-penny stamps gave out, as some of



the yellow revenue stamps have been seen surcharged "Postage."

NORWAY.—The 2 ore stamps of the Tromsø local post have been seen surcharged in black, "5," showing there is a scarcity of the 5-ore stamps.

ST. VINCENT.—A provisional 2 1-2 pence is in use. It is made by taking impressions from the plate of the penny stamp, in carmine, erasing the value by a horizontal bar and printing "2 1-2 pence" across the face.—[Philatelic Monthly.

SWEEDEN.—Double 10 and 15-ore cards are said to have been emitted.

VICTORIA.—A double penny card is said to be in use.

More Humbugs.

Philadelphia is flooded with bogus Canada envelope stamps. They are the old and well-known forgeries on buff paper and should be rejected without question by collectors. The genuine come only on white paper.—[Philatelic Monthly.

Half Stamps.

De La Rue & Co seem to have been so absorbed in the preparation of the elaborate Grenada stamps, elsewhere illustrated, that they permitted a number of the West India islands to run short of half-penny stamps. In consequence the post-office officials were reduced to the extremity of cutting penny stamps in half and selling them at the price of half-penny. These "curios" are scarce and desirable, though it is advisable to get them only from reliable sources, and, if on the original envelope, properly postmarked, so much the better.—[Philatelic Monthly.

He Saved Them the Trouble.

BY E. E. HAYNES.

In 1846 when the postmaster of Providence announced that he had prepared stamps for the pre-payment of postage, there were but few of our citizens who had a correct idea of their use. There was, however, one enterprising merchant on Westminster Street who thought he realized the convenience of this new-fangled notion. He was the first to buy a sheet of the stamps, and he informed our postmaster that civilization had taken a forward step. At that time the only way of cancelling the stamps was with a pen and ink stroke. The merchant took the stamps to his office, and after showing them to his clerks and explaining their advantages, he proceeded to cancel each as he had seen them on letters. He soon had occasion to use one, when, much to his disgust he was informed that being cancelled they were worthless. It was in vain that he explained that he had cancelled them to save the post-office clerks the trouble; his generosity was not appreciated, and the old gentleman had to pay for his first lesson in postage stamps.—[Stamp World.

Hereafter no matter can be forwarded in the mails after it has reached its original destination without a new prepayment of postage, except letters which have one full rate thereon—three cents—and newspapers and other periodicals which are to be forwarded from one office to another in the same county where the paper is published.

Lubeck and its Stamps.

Lubeck is one of three free cities remaining in Germany. It enjoys the privilege of local self-government, but it is amenable to the laws of the German Empire. It is situated on the river Trave, a few miles from the Baltic. Lubeck was one of the Hanse towns and was the capital of a "circuit" of that famous commercial league, which was organized in the 13th century and continued for more than two hundred years. The city has existed since the 11th century, and was declared a free city in 1226. During the existence of the Hanscatic league, Lubeck was a very important place, and though it declined somewhat as the power of the league waned, it is yet a busy commercial centre. Postage stamps were first issued in January, 1859. The series consisted of five very neatly designed stamps, of the design here shown.



The set consists of 1-2 schilling, lilac; 1 s. orange; 2 s. brown; 2 1-2 s. rose; 4 s. green, on white wove paper, unperforated. A curious error is found on the plate of the 2 schilling, one of the stamps being engraved, "zwei ein halb" (two and a half). The colors do not vary much, though the 1 and 4 sch. may each be found in two shades. In 1862 the same stamps were impressed upon thin paper, water marked with small rosettes. The error, mentioned above, is also found on the same paper. Genuine used stamps of this series are rare, but unused originals are comparatively common. All of the series have been reprinted on white wove paper.



This series gave place, in 1863, to another of the annexed design, consisting of the following values: 1-2 schilling, green; 1 s. orange; 2 s. rose; 2 1-2 s. blue; 4 s. brown, on white wove paper, rouletted. In April, 1864, a 1-4 schilling, brown, similar design, but with the eagle in color instead of embossed, was emitted. It is on wove paper, unperforated. This was followed in January, 1866, by another value, 1 1-2 schilling, rouletted, on wove paper.

The design is here shown. The stamps of 1863-66, have all been re-printed, but can easily be distinguished from the genuine, as they are unperforated and the eagle, in those of 1863, is not embossed.



Stamped envelopes were introduced in 1863. They were of two sizes, 5 3/4 by 4 1-2, and 5 3/4 by 3 1-4 inches. The stamp was impressed upon the upper left corner with inscription printed obliquely, in brown, above. The values were 1-2, 1, 2, 2

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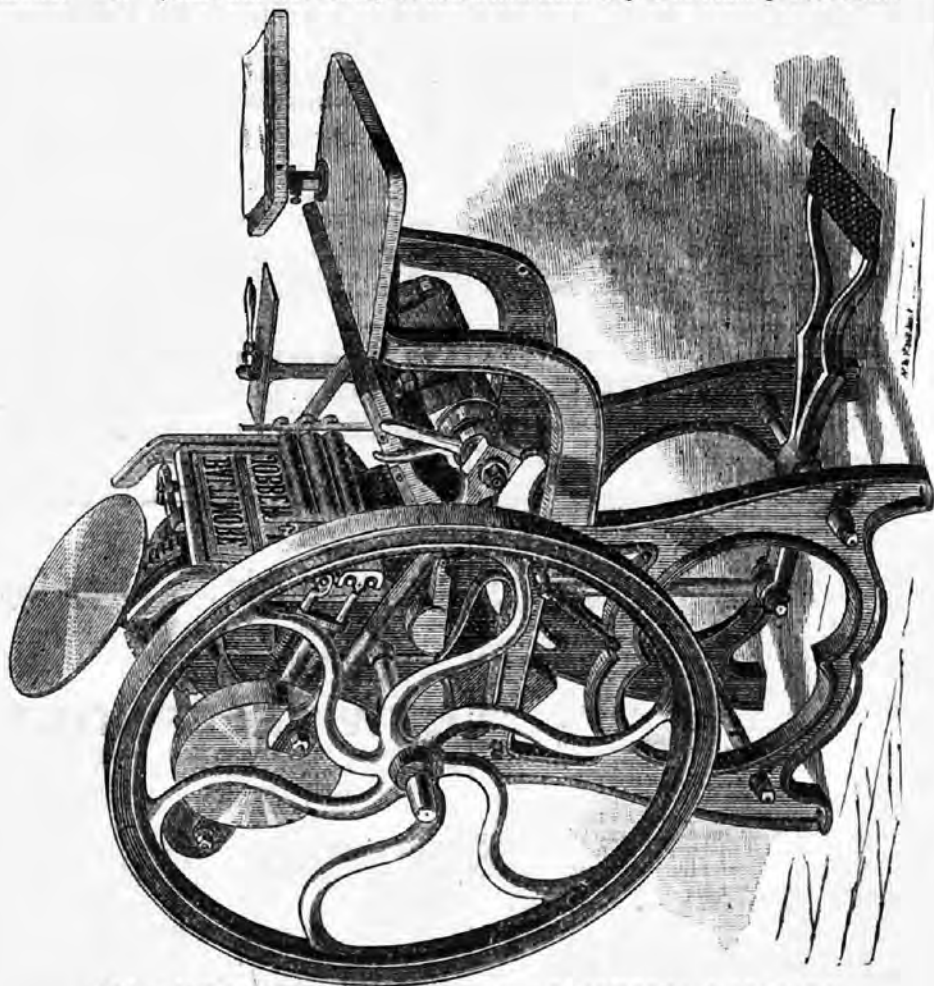
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Number 11.

NEW ISSUES.

CEYLON.—The 2 1-2 rupee is said to be surcharged "40 cents" and the 2-cent card, "12 cents."

FRANCE.—The color of the three highest colors of unpaid letter stamps will hereafter be brown.

GRENADA.—The complete set of the new series which we illustrated last month, is as follows: 1-2 penny, green; 1 do., rose; 2 1-2 pence, blue; 4 do., gray; 6 do., lilac; 1 shilling, violet.

NORWAY.—Two new issues have appeared. Design same as the 2 ore. They are 5 ore, rose, and 8 ore, grey.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—Two more "provisionals" are said to be in use; "Two Cents," on the 8 and 32 cents.

TASMANIA.—A new stamped envelope has lately appeared; value, 2 pence.

TOROGO.—Another provisional has been made by surcharging the 6-pence stamp "2 1-2 pence," in black.



URUGUAY.—A new series has been issued, consisting of the following values: 1 centesimo, green; (see first illustration) 2 centesimo, rose; 5 do., blue; (see cut No. 2) and 10 do., lilac. There are also 2 and 3 centesimo cards, (both single and double) of new design.



U. S. OF COLOMBIA.—We annex the design of a new series which has just been emitted; 1 centavo, green; 2 centavos, red; 2 1-2 do., violet; 5 do., blue; 10 do., orange; 20 do., brown; 1 peso, lilac.

Rare Coins.

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Nevis and Its Stamps.

BY L. W. DURBIN.

Nevis is a British possession in the West Indies, lying south of St. Christopher, from which it is separated by a strait two miles wide. The island is only about twenty square



miles in area and has a population of some 15,000. It is circular in shape gradually rising from all sides and culminating in a central peak 2,500 feet high. The soil is very fertile. The chief products are sugar and molasses which is principally exported to England. There is a mineral spring upon the island, the water of which is said to be beneficial in certain diseases. A representation of this spring in seen upon the postal stamps of Nevis which were first issued in 1861. There were four stamps in the series, viz.:

1 penny, lake; 4 pence, rose; 6 pence, lilac, and 1 shilling, green, illustrations of which are here shown. The stamps first issued were on grayish paper but in 1882 the 6 pence and 1 shilling came out on thick white paper.

In 1867 the color of the one penny was changed to vermilion and the 4 pence to orange. In 1879 the 1 penny lilac, of the usual De La Rue type came out, followed in 1880 by the 2 1-2 pence red-brown, and in 1882 by the 4 pence blue. The stamps of



Nevis are used for fiscal purposes with the word "Revenue" printed across their face. Some of the penny stamps of 1867 and of 1880, thus surcharged have been met with postmarked, showing that they have been used for revenue purposes without being surcharged and are

usually cancelled with pen and ink date marks. In common with other of the West India islands, penny stamps have been cut in half for use as half penny and when these can be had on the original envelopes properly post-marked they are very desirable for a collection. They should always be accepted with caution, however, as there are dealers who will not hesitate to make them to order as long as there is a demand for them. Genuine half stamps are rare, but it is easy to cut penny stamps in two



pieces and put some kind of an obliterating mark on them, and this has been done in the past and probably will be attempted in the future. The first issues of Nevis are always attractive by their unique design and it is like bidding an old friend good-bye to see them substituted by the common-place type supplied by De La Rue & Co., of London.

Short Talks about Stamp-Issuing Islands.

IV.—ST. HELENA.



BY T. COKE.

The above illustration is a fair representation of one of the stamps issued for the island of St. Helena. As may be seen, the design is a simple one, the profile in the centre of the stamp being that of Queen Victoria. The first series, which was introduced in 1857-63, consisted of the following values and colors: 1 penny, red; 4 pence, rose; 6 pence, blue. These stamps were all unperforated. In 1862-68 the above named stamps, together with the following, were issued on perforated sheets: 2 pence, yellow; 3 pence, purple; 1 shilling, green; 5 shilling, orange.

St. Helena is an island belonging to Great Britain and lies in the South Atlantic ocean, about 1,200 miles west from Africa and 1,800 east from South America in latitude 15 deg. 55 min. south and longitude 5 deg. 42 min. west. Its extreme length is 10 1-2 miles and its greatest width is 7 miles. The population in 1881 amounted to nearly 6,241. Rugged and precipitous cliffs from 600 to 2,000 feet high encircle the island, giving it the appearance from a distance of a mass of lofty rocks.

Occasional openings occur along the shore, forming inlets by which it can be approached; of these, the principal are James' Bay, forming an excellent harbor, on which is Jamestown; Rupert's and Lemon Valley on the North-west and Sandy Bay on the South-east, all strongly fortified.

Beside these, there are narrow ravines where landing is possible, which are also protected by forts. The island is divided by a lofty ridge of rocks, running nearly east and west with a bend to the south at each extremity. Of a total area of 30,244 acres, only 482 are under cultivation, and 7,652 devoted to grazing. The climate is by some stated to be temperate and not unhealthy to European constitutions, but by others this is denied. At Jamestown, which is 200 feet above the sea,

the temperature is generally about 80 deg.; and throughout the island, with the exception of the valleys during calms, it is very uniform and moderate. Iron, gold and copper have been found in small quantities. The island is evidently of volcanic origin, as there are said to be traces of a crater on the south side, from which lava and other volcanic matters have flowed in every direction, the other side having, it is supposed, sunk into the ocean. The island was discovered on St. Helena's Day, May 21, 1501, by Juan de Nova Castella, in the service of the Portuguese, by whom its situation was concealed until 1588, when it was visited by Cavendish in one of his voyages. Subsequently the Portuguese either abandoned it or were driven from it by the Dutch, who left it in 1651 on the establishment of their colony at the Cape of Good Hope. A short time after it was settled by the East India Company, who in 1665 were expelled from it by the Dutch; but regaining it in a few months, they kept possession till 1672, when it was again taken by the Dutch, who, however, were almost immediately driven off by the arrival of an English squadron.

Different Ways of Counterfeiting Coin.

There are hundreds of ways by which dishonest men make their living, and nearly every week some new methods are discovered, and the public is promptly warned through the newspapers, and of these great evils, counterfeiting coins is not the least, by any means. Gold coins are tampered with in a variety of ways, the most common of which are sweating, filing the edge, plugging and filling.

"Sweating" is done in several ways, all removing portions of the coin from all parts equally, reducing the value about one-twentieth: filing the edges, or "reeding," leaves the milling quite sharp, and subtracts as high as one-tenth of the value of the coin. In these cases the appearance and ring are very good, the weight only being deficient. In "plugged" coins holes are bored into the coins and the cavities are filled with base metal, only the orifice being covered with the genuine metal, and is then touched up with a file. In "filling" coins the reeding is taken off entire, the coin cut open, and the inside removed, leaving only a paper thickness of the original coin. Filling the cavity with platinum and covering the surface with the pure metal, the coin is outwardly a genuine one, and is of the correct size and has a good ring. By this process about four-fifths of the value is removed. The tests employed at the mint are weight, diameter and thickness, and it is almost impossible for counterfeiters to comply with these three tests, unless genuine metal is used.

Silver coins are seldom tampered with in the same manner as gold, as it takes as much

time to "fill" a silver dollar as it would a 20-dollar-gold piece, and it would only yield one-twentieth of the profit. "Struck" counterfeits, or those made from dies, are by far the most dangerous, as the lettering and milling is clear and distinct, but the weight is sufficient to betray it. A large percentage of counterfeiters are made by moulds. Common type metal is used, and the coins are then plated. Some very fair pieces are made in this manner, but if they are of the proper size, they are much lighter, and if of the same weight they must differ from the genuine coin in diameter or thickness. The outfit for moulding silver is very simple and inexpensive, consequently the number of moulds that have been made is very large. This class of counterfeiters are made in the following manner: A cast of a genuine coin is taken in plaster of paris, which makes a perfect mould, which is moderately baked and filled with whatever base metal is used. When the metal cast has cooled sufficiently, the mould is taken apart and the casting removed, polished, and washed in a solution of silver, or electroplated with the same metal. These counterfeiters are usually underweight, and lack the clear ring of the genuine.

Every year the government officials capture and destroy a large number of moulds, much to the disgust of their owners, who, if they escape the officers—as is not unfrequently the case—are compelled to seek new fields in which to carry on their business.

The New Stamp.

On the first of next October, 2-cent postage goes into effect, throughout the United States. As the time when this law goes into effect draws near, the sale of stamps by the Post-Office Department grows smaller each week. This decrease is most noticed in the sale of the "request" or stamped envelopes, the sale of which has fallen to almost nothing, but after October 1st there will probably be the largest sale of stamps ever known in this country. The color of the new 2-cent stamp is a beautiful shade of brown, or light chocolate. The bust of Washington has been re-engraved, being taken from the celebrated bust of the "Father of his Country," by Houdin. The design is one of the neatest ever issued by this government, being a great improvement over the 3-cent stamp of the present.

To fulfil the law for double postage, it is stated on good authority that there will be another new stamp, the value of which will be 4 cents, fulfilling the functions that the 6-cent stamp performs at the present time. It is said several designs have been received by the Post-Master General, none of which, however, have as yet been accepted. The 3 and 6-cent stamps will probably be abolished, as there is no need of them in the future.

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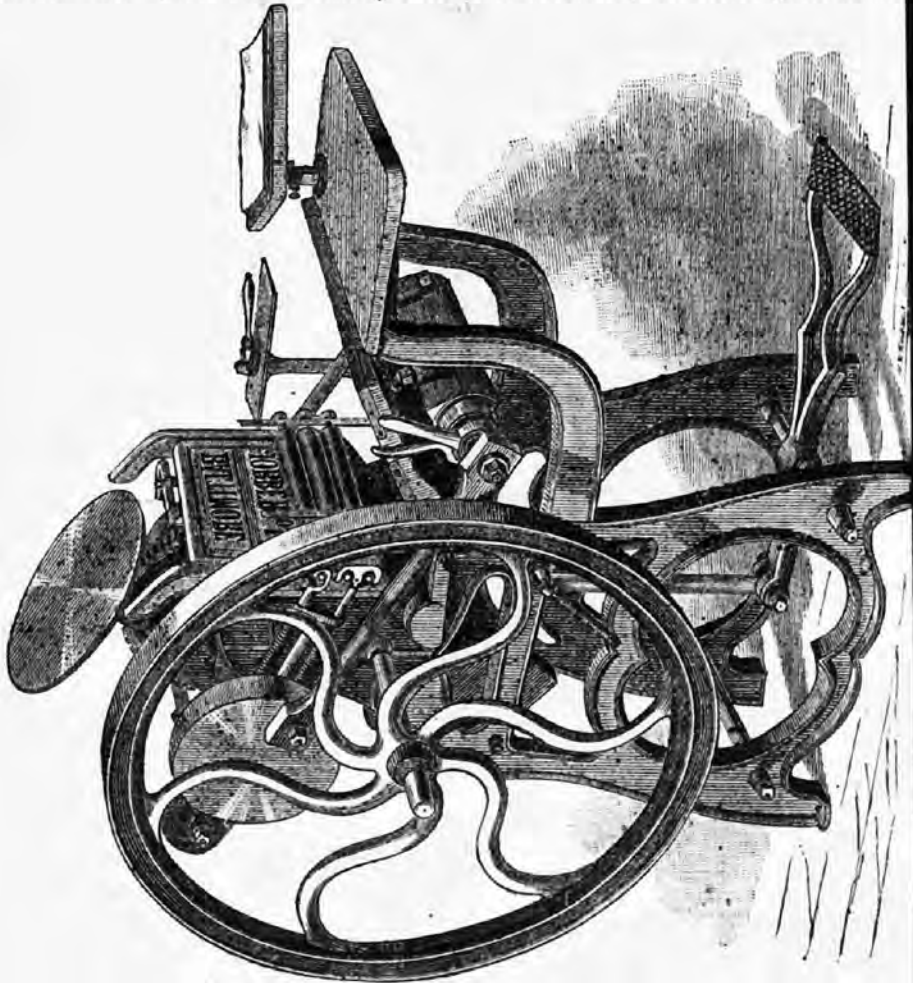
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Volume I.

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NEW ISSUES.

BARBADOS.—A new 1-2 penny, double card, is said to be in use; color, violet or buff.

NORTH BORNEO.—Evidently this British Colony is tired of being a "hanger on," as it has issued a new postage stamp, the design of which is here shown; value, 2 cents; color, brown.



BRAZIL.—The fifty reis card, with the new design which we illustrated in our June number, has appeared. Doubtless there will be more to follow.

CUBA.—The stamps of this island have been surcharged with a fancy pattern, in the centre of which is the figure, denoting its value. A large quantity of stamps were stolen from the Government office at Havana, a short time ago, and this is done so they cannot be used.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.—The 1 real and 5c. de peso have been surcharged "Habilitado," etc. We annex the design.



SALVADOR.—Two new postals have appeared; 2 centavos, red on buff, and 2x2 centavos, blue on white.

TASMANIA.—A new registration envelope has lately appeared; value, 4 pence; color, blue. We annex the design.

U. S. OF COLUMBIA.—Some more "half" stamps have appeared

This time it is the 10 peso stamps, cut in half and surcharged "Bueno Porcinco Pesos," meaning 5 pesos.

VIRGIN ISLANDS.—Another new stamp has appeared since our last issue; value, 1-2 penny; color, orange; type, De La Rue.

REVIEW TABLE.

POCKET MANUEL.—W. L. Thompson, 404 Arch St., Philadelphia, publisher. This is one of the best books for the "million" we have yet seen, containing nearly all the information needed in every day business life. It contains 224 pages of very useful information, and is a complete dictionary in itself, and as such should commend itself to everyone. Circulars will be mailed free upon postal application. A good chance for agents.

THE LAKESIDE PHILATELIST.—W. F. Bishop, 79 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill., publisher. This is the latest addition to the Philatelic journals, and is an excellent paper for the first number. Subscription 25 cts. per year; send for a sample copy.

THE BLACK LIST.—W. F. Smith, 399 West 126th St., New York, publisher. This is a new, but, nevertheless, a very important publication, giving the names of all fraudulent dealers and collectors, and should be in the hands of every collector. Price 6 cents. We hope the time is not far distant when there will be no need of such "Black Lists," when the dishonest Philatelist shall forsake the folly of his ways, repent, and become an honest and upright man.

NUMISMATIC ATLAS.—Dr. J. LeRoux, Montreal, publisher. Price \$1.50. This book contains illustrations of 225 coins and tokens of the different provinces forming what is now called the Dominion of Canada, and accurately describes the same in both French and English. American coin collectors, as a general thing, know but little, and care less, about Canadian coins, but all who have the least desire to learn something about them, should purchase a copy of the above work.

MEDALS.—Issued by W. H. Warner & Bro., 1123 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa. Our thanks are due the above named gentlemen for a copy of a beautiful medal of the Denver G. A. R. celebration. Ten thousand like the above medal were sent to Denver, Col., and 5000 to Santa Fe, N. M., for their celebration. They are now filling a large order for the Southern Exposition, at Louisville, Ky.

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COIN SALES.

MAY—JULY.

May 2, 3, 4. Collection of Dr. Winslow Lewis, 2,094 lots. Catalogued by W. E. Woodward.

May 15. Collection of Indian relics, postage stamps, etc., 438 lots. Catalogued by Dr. George W. Massamore.

May 16, 17, 18, 19. Collection of R. H. Stuart, of New York, 2,045 lots. Proceeds of the sale, \$5,532. Catalogued by George Cogan.

May 23, 25. Collection of O. H. Berg, of Baltimore. The highest price realized was lot 568, the 1804 dollar, which sold for \$740. Catalogued by John Haseltine.

May 28, 29. Collection of Charles Spaeth, Esq., and the late S. H. Remsen. Catalogued by Scott & Co., (50) and sold by Leavitt & Co.

June 2. Collection of coins and medals, 642 lots. Catalogued by Ed. Frossard. A 1793 liberty cap cent, the finest one known, sold for \$107. Proceeds of the sale, \$1,582.

June 5. H. G. Sampson sold at Bangs & Co.'s a collection of war and Russian bronze medals.

June 6. John W. Haseltine sold the collection of Wm. J. Jenks, of Philadelphia, 677 lots.

June 12, 13. A collection of coins, medals and proclamation pieces were sold at Bangs & Co.'s, 1,114 lots. Catalogued by W. E. Woodward.

June 14. W. E. Woodward sold the Crepy collection of stone relics, arms, Masonic bric-a-brac, guns, swords, &c., 520 lots.

June 14. A collection of coins, 199 lots, catalogued by C. L. Stake, of Dayton, Ohio.

June 18, 19. Charles Steigerwalt sold a collection of coins, relics, etc., 1,010 lots. This was Mr. S.'s 14th sale.

June 25, 26. W. E. Woodward catalogued a sale of coins containing 1,407 lots. An 1815 5-dollar gold piece sold at \$300.

June 27, 28, 29. Mr. John W. Haseltine sold the famous collection of S. S. Crosby. This was his seventieth sale. A more continued sketch of this sale, with prices, will be given in the September number of this paper.

June 20. The collection of F. F. Knithan, of Burlington, Iowa. Catalogued by Ed. Frossard.

NOTES.

Steigerwalt's Coin Journal, is the title of a new magazine edited and published by Chas. Steigerwalt, of Lancaster, Pa. The first number appeared in July and is to be followed bi-monthly. This is one of the neatest and best looking papers, both in appearance and make up. It contains 20 pages full of interesting notes and price-list of coins needed by all collectors, at low prices.

Mr. Lyman H. Low appeared late in June

with a new price-list of copper, brass and lead coins. Mr. Low only deals in modern coins, and judging by his catalogue he has a large collection to select from. X. Y. Z.

GOSSIP.

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The following papers have been received since our last issue; their respective publishers will please accept our thanks. *The Stamp World*, *Empire City Philatelist*, *Lakeside Philatelist*, *The Black List*, *Union Exchange List*, *Old Curiosity Shop*, *Numisma*, *Our Home and Science Gossip*, *Philatelic Monthly*, *Philatelist's Journal*, *Monthly Echo*.

"The three-cent piece was coined from 1851 to 1873 inclusive, with the exception of the year 1857, and ranges in value from the coin of 1855 at \$2 for a fine specimen, down to merely nominal prices, which are not worthy of tabulation."—[Old Curiosity Shop.

If the editor of the above paper desires a three-cent piece of 1857, he should send 5 cents to some coin dealer for one. The fact is, there were nearly as many coined in 1857, as in any previous year.

A Rare Coin.

In the British Museum, among other rare and curious things, is a gold coin, said to be unique, not another like it having been found in the whole world. So valuable a coin from the numismatic point of view, was guarded with great care, and it could only be seen upon an order from a distinguished official, to the chief guard of the Museum. About this coin the following striking story is told:

A well-dressed gentleman visited the Museum, near the closing time in the afternoon and presented his order to see the coin to the functionary who presided over this department. He was escorted into the cabinet room accompanied by two officials, each of whom possessed a key to one of the two locks with which the case containing the coin was protected. The coin was taken from its case and handed to the visitor, who closely examined it with a magnifying glass, weighed it in his hand, and even smelt the coin; the eyes of the custodians never losing sight of it for a single instant; It was then returned to the principal official, who replaced it in its case. As the gentlemen were leaving the room, one of the officials found he had left something, and returned to find it, and being near the case containing the rare coin, looked through the heavy plate-glass top, to see if the coin had been properly placed in its accustomed position, but *no coin was there*. He naturally thought the visitor had stolen it, and rushed after him, arriving at the outer door, as the chief guard was bidding adieu to the visitor. A hasty consultation was held, and the three persons returned to try and find the coin. They hunted high and low, but a careful search proved in vain. The chief guard then informed the visitor that he must be searched before he could leave the building.

That gentleman turned deadly pale, but protested strongly against the suspicions cast upon his character, and asked if a gentleman described as a friend to a cabinet minister, would be likely to steal a coin. He was told that no other course was open to them; he *must be searched*. Then with the expression of calm determination, he said, that while living, he would never be subject to such a gross indignity. The guards were gentlemen in every sense of the word, and sympathizing with the evident distress of the visitor, decided to make a more thorough search for the missing coin, aided by artificial lights, which had now become necessary by the waning of the day. Imagine the joy of the three gentlemen, the visitor in particular, when the junior official shouted that he had found the coin, where it had slipped down between the velvet covering and wooden case, where, in the dusky twilight of the foggy metropolis, it had not been discovered in the previous search. It was quickly replaced in the proper position, but explanations were in order, and full and complete apologies were made to the visitor for the treatment he had received.

Being a true gentleman he accepted the explanations, and as the chief guard was about to bid the visitor good-bye, he said: "Knowing you did not take the coin, why did you turn so ashy in color, and refuse to be searched?" "I will tell you," replied the visitor, "you, and the world, think your coin is *unique*; so did I, until lately, when I believed I had found its fellow, in an obscure Italian village; I sought to compare my coin with yours; I have done so; mine is a duplicate of yours; it is in my pocket; nay, look at it; here it is! Had you searched me, you would have thought my coin was yours, that I had stolen it, and very likely you would never have found your own, while I should have been forever disgraced. That is why I refused to be searched."

WISE AND OTHERWISE.

*"A little nonsense now and then,
is relished by the best of men."*

What is the difference between a post and a postage stamp? One is always stuck up and the other is always stuck down.

What is the difference between a bad boy and a postage stamp? You lick one with a stick, and stick the other with a lick.

When is a boy like a postage stamp? Give it up! When he is licked and stood in a corner to make him stick to his letters.

Master: (who has sent Dennis to catch the post at the pillar box):—"Well, Dennis, had it gone?" *Dennis:*—"What, sir?" *Master:*—"Why, the post, you blockhead!" *Dennis:*—"Divil a bit, sir; I lift it standin there."

"Has the cooking book any pictures?" asked a young lady of a bookseller. "Not one," replied the dealer in books. "Why," exclaimed the witty miss, "what is the use telling us how to make a dinner if you give us no plates."

"James, my son, take this letter to the post-office, and pay the postage on it." The boy returned, highly elated, and said: "Father, I seed a lot of men putting letters in a letter-place, and when no one was looking, I slipped yours in for nothing."

There is one man who is convinced that postal cards are a fraud. Pat McGongles purchased one and wrote: "Felix O'Connell—Come up this evening. There's going to be a dog fight at Barney Degan's. I'm going to bet on Hautehan's dog. Don't miss the fight." Pat then enclosed the postal in an envelope, and handed it to the post-office clerk, when there was a tableau. Pat says, "Be me soul, the post-office man made me pay 3-cents for the mean one-cent swindle."

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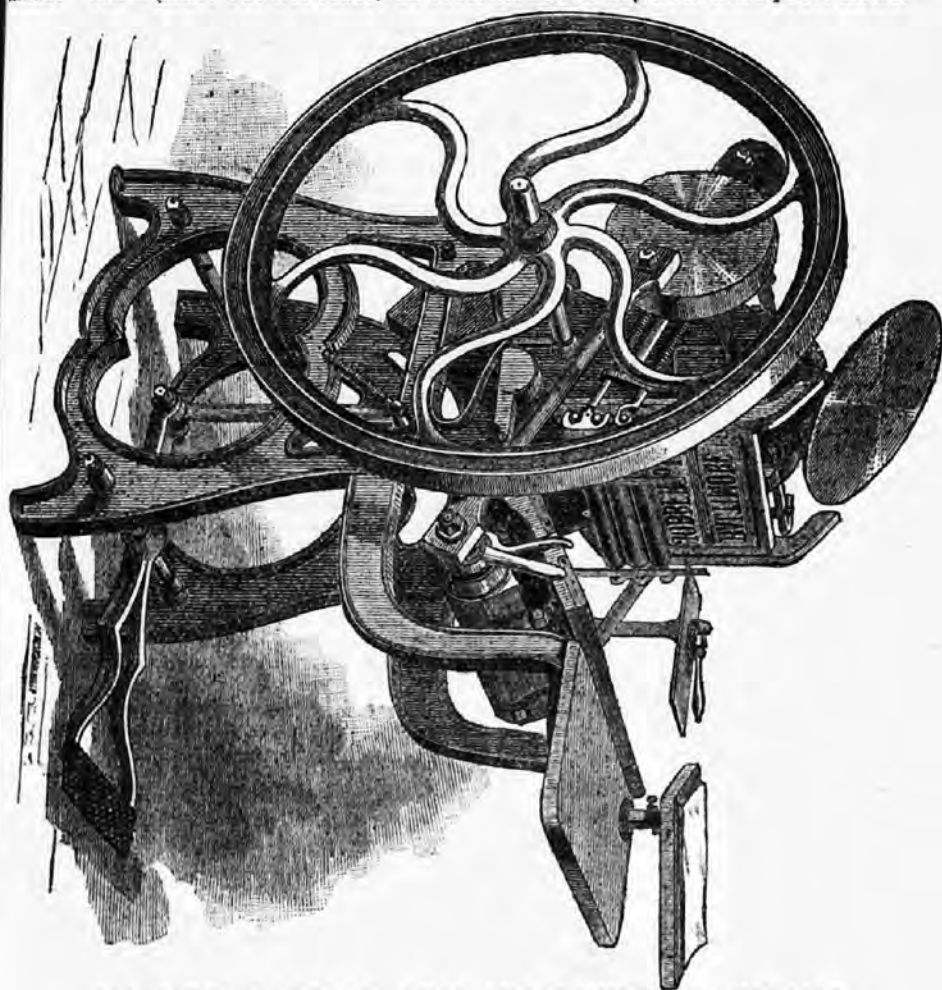
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San Marino and its Stamps.



BY L. W. DURBIN.

This oldest and yet smallest republic in the world is situated in the very centre of Italy, where the mountain (Mount Titan) juts out from the range promontory on the plain. It was founded in the time of the Roman Emperors Diocletian and Maximin, by one Marinus, a Christian flying from persecution. He hid himself in the fastnesses of the mountain and was gradually joined by fellow unfortunates. Subsequently the mountain was given to Marinus by a noble Roman lady who owned it. The San Marinans clung to their rock, fortified it and made it impregnable. In 1200, Count Montfeltre gave the republic a farm which enlarged its borders considerably. In the fifteenth century the San Marinans made a treaty with the surrounding states and their independence was completely recognized. The executive power on Mount Titan is vested in two Captain Regents, who are elected every six months from the Grand Council, which consists of twelve members. In the centuries which have passed since Marinus settled upon Mount Titan, new kings and crowns have appeared on Italian soil and all about the crags of San Marino. But all along, and to-day, the little republic has stood alone and independent. Postage stamps were introduced in 1877. Prior to that time Italian stamps had been employed and these, when postmarked "San Marino" are quite worthy of a place in the collection. They are rarely met with, however. The designs of the San Marino stamps are attractive, as will be seen by the illustrations annexed, and the colors are bright and contrast well with each other. The set is as follows:

2 centesimi, green; 10 centesimi, blue; 20 centesimi, red; 30 centesimi, brown; 40 centesimi, violet. Used specimens are rather scarce, the 20 centesimi being more common. Postal cards were introduced the present year. They are of the value of 15 centesimi. In the matter of a double card, the largest republic in the world might take a lesson from the smallest, but it is hardly likely that it will for a long time at least.

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A person who will order coins on approval and return them *unregistered*, deserves a place in the Rogues' Corner, which I notice you publish. It is a poor way of treating other people's property, and I have my suspicions that he has taken the coins to Europe with him. Yours Respectfully,

FERGUSON HAINES.

We are not a betting man, Brother Haines, but if we were, we would bet ten to one that this same "Holstein" never *went* to Europe, never *will* go there, nor was ever east of the Mississippi river. European business don't go down worth a cent.

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ADVICE TO YOUNG COLLECTORS.

Young collectors make many mistakes, large numbers of which are in relation to postage. If collectors would remember the following, it would save much trouble, both to them and those who have dealings with them.

When sending stamps by mail, tie them up in a stout package, and prepay the postage, which is one cent per ounce to any part of the United States. Write your name on the outside of the package, but no writing within. The postage on stamps to Canada, is first-class, that is, 3 cents per 1-2 oz., or fraction thereof; after October 1st, 2 cents.

When writing an order, or any communication, say what you have to say, in as few words as possible. The least said is soonest mended.

Do not send unused stamps of over \$1.00; send a dollar bill. All dealers accept stamps for the fractional part of a dollar, but always send 1 and 2 cent ones.

Amounts of over \$2.00 should be sent in a registered letter, money order, or postal note, (which will come into use September 3d).

Always inclose stamps for return postage, when asking information of a dealer, collector, or anybody else; if you do not, very likely you will never receive an answer.

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V.—REUNION.



BY T. COKE.

Among the most interesting and curious stamps are those issued for the island of Reunion. The series, which was introduced in 1852, consisted of two values, namely: a ten cent, represented in the above cut, and a 30 cent, having just as queer a design. Both of these stamps were printed in black on unperforated sheets. They are extremely rare, there being very few collectors or dealers who possess them. Reunion, or as it was called a number of years ago, Bourbon, is an island in the Indian Ocean, the southernmost of the Mascarene, lying about 360 miles east from Madagascar. It is one of the most important of the insular colonies of France. It has an area of about 950 square miles, being about 88 miles in length and 28 in its greatest breadth. The population, in 1873, amounted to nearly 193,362, including some hundreds of Chinese, 6000 negroes and about 34,500 Indians. It is said to be one great mountain mass, of which, among the highest peaks is the Pitonde Fournaise, 7,200 feet high, which is one of the greatest volcanoes in the world, and one of the most active, its eruptions taking place at least twice a year. This volcano occupies, perhaps 1-6 of the island and is surrounded by a district of more than 10,000 acres which is a dreary desert. Except in this part, however, the soil is in general, extremely fruitful. About 1-4 of the island is cultivated, chiefly along the coast. The scenery is very beautiful. Streams, although not large, are very numerous, and rush in cascades to the sea. The climate which was once mild and healthful, is now very unhealthful to Europeans. The most important export is sugar, although coffee, vanilla and dyewoods are exported in large quantities. The capital of the island and seat of government, is St. Denis, on the north-west coast. There is almost total want of harbors, the whole coast of the island possessing only two tolerable anchoring places, one at St. Denis and one at St. Paul, 18 miles further South. The coast is consequently very dangerous. Bourbon and Mauritius were discovered by the Portuguese navigator, Mascaren, and named after him the Mascarene Isles. After the French had begun their attempt to found a colony in Madagascar, they took possession of Bourbon in 1649, giving it that name, which was changed

to Reunion at the revolution. The name has been varied according to the political changes in France. The French having, in 1720, taken possession of Mauritius, which they named Isle of France, the Mascarene Isles were placed under Governor. In 1810 they were taken by the British, but Reunion was restored to France in 1814.

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But few people know the value of coins. Merchants, newsboys, and in fact, every one who handles money, often takes in and passes out in change, rare coins, the value of which they are not aware. The need of a perfect list of such coins has long been felt, to supply which want, Mr. John M. Hubbard, of Lake Village, N. H., has issued a complete catalogue of his buying prices of all American coins worth over face value. It is a neat little book, and should be in the hands of every business man. Price only 10 cents. We quote a few of the prices offered: "\$500.00 for an 1804 dollar, \$20 for 1858 do., for 1879, 1880, '81, or '82 trade dollars, \$1.40 each. For a copper cent of 1793, \$1.50 is paid; for one of '99, \$5.00; do., 1804, \$1.50. 75 cents each for 2-cent and silver 3-cent pieces of 1873, also \$2.25 for 20-cent pieces of 1877, etc." Thus it will be seen the oldest issues are not the rarest, by any means.

Mr. Hubbard deals extensively in stamps and coins, buying and selling large collections besides retailing in smaller quantities. He also publishes the GRANITE STATE PHILATELIST, a monthly magazine devoted to the interests of stamp, coin and curiosity collectors, for which all interested in any of these hobbies should subscribe, as it contains an illustrated list of new issues, interesting articles on the several branches of curiosity collecting besides giving a list of all dishonest dealers and collectors, in "Rogues' Corner." Send your address on a postal, for a sample copy, read it, then send 25 cents for a year's subscription.—[Laconia Democrat.

Eight varieties of Confederate bills only 50 cents.

Postage, Telegraph and Express.

The United States is far behind Great Britain, in postal, telegraph and express facilities. It is true, a reduction of one cent in letter postage takes place October first, and the postal note, a cheap way of sending small amounts by mail, went into effect September third, but there is room for a great improvement. Packages of merchandise sent by mail, are limited to four pounds in weight, for which one cent per ounce is charged; while in England, a package weighing not over seven pounds, is delivered anywhere in the kingdom for 25 cents.

The express business is done by the railway companies in England, who will carry a package weighing a pound, for 6 cents, or anywhere in the kingdom for 10 cents. Think of this, stamp dealers who pay a dollar to send five dollars worth of stamps from New York to Boston.

As to the telegraph and telephone, there is but little hope for relief from the present high rates till the government takes hold of the matter, and makes it a part of the post-office system, as in England. The Western Union controls nearly the entire business, and can do just what they please, as was shown in the recent strike; rather than pay their operators a fair price for so much responsibility, they allowed them to strike, took their messages, "subject to mailing, or other delay," put on a three-cent stamp and sent by mail, putting the balance in their pocket. The public are sufferers from these giant monopolies, but there is no redress until they are purchased and controlled by the government.

Exchange Notices.

Natural curiosities for the same. E. T. Hoyt, 1620, Ridge Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

Stamps for the same. J. L. Simpson, box 932, Schnecktady, N. Y.

Post marks and stamps for coins. H. G. Hodge, York, Ill.

Books for stamps. W. G. Whilden, Jr., Pelzer, S. C.

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Stamps for the same. N. W. Chandler, Jr., 3,015, Chestnut St., St. Louis, Mo.

Stamps for minerals. N. G. Rogers, Greenwood, Mass.

Books for stamps. W. C. Herriman, Lindsay, Ont.

Stamps for Indian relics. W. G. Merritt, Battle Creek, Mich. Box 2,015.

A collection of stamps for a photographing outfit. Calvin Reiman, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Coins for stamps. J. S. McHenry, Vauxhall St., Nashville, Tenn.

Stamps for the same. W. E. Skinner, Lynn, Mass.

ROGUES' CORNER.

The Nickel Stamp Co., of W. Winsted, Conn., complain of the following parties: J. C. Simpson, Strathoy, Ont., A. P. Brown, Jackson, Mich., Lon Casper, China Grove, N. C., Harry D. Lewis, Winona, Minn., Frank C. Bradley, Wisawauka, Ind., Nellie P. Fernandez, Concord, Mass., W. H. Graydon, Cambridgeport, Mass., W. Statea, Box 199, Strathoy, Ont., H. Smythe, Chas. Banghuit, E. Dingman, Strathoy, Ont., G. W. Jackson, Baltimore, Md.

We have published the names of many fraudulent collectors, but it now becomes our painful duty to publish the name of a dealer and publisher, who, until a few months ago, we should have been willing to have trusted for any amount. His name is W. G. Karper; he formerly lived in Plymouth, Wis.; he now lives in Los Angeles, Cal. His paper has suspended and he has suspended payment of debts. He owes us for advertising, cuts, &c., and probably always will; publishers, if he doesn't owe you, be careful that he never does.

The Earliest Known Coins.

It was about 800 years before Christ that the first money was actually coined. There is much doubt in the mind of antiquarians as to the precise spot where the custom had its origin. Herodotus ascribes it to the Lydians, but his authority is not conclusive. The oldest coins extant, and probably the first coins ever made, are from Asia Minor. Miletus, a city south of Ephesus, on the shore of the Icarian Sea, probably produced the first coined money, the gold stater. It is stamped on one side with a deep indentation. On the other it has a rude picture of a lion's head. A die was evidently used, and the lump of metal placed in it, and a punch struck with a hammer drove the metal into the die and left the rude mark of the punch on the reverse of the coin. What induced the adoption of the lion's head as a design is left to conjecture. It is supposed by some to refer to the regal power of the lion, while others think that it had some connection with the worship of Cybele, the great goddess of the Ionians. There is a somewhat similar coin which by numismatists is supposed to be of an earlier date than the Ionian. It is a Lydian coin, and is one of the first, if not the earliest. These coins were the first specimens of what we call money.—[Old Curiosity Shop.

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The first copper coins were coined by Charles II., in 1655.—[Old Curiosity Shop.

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BY HAVILAND.

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Mr. E. B. Sterling, of Trenton, N. J., will sell a valuable collection of U. S. stamps at auction, Wednesday, Oct. 24. See ad.

The stamp business has been unusually quiet for the past three months, but will, without doubt, be enough better this season to make it up.

Mr. Lyman H. Low, 838 Broadway, New York, is agent for this paper. Parties can step in his store and subscribe and save the trouble of writing to us.

We lately received a lot of letters, directed "Laconia, N. Y.," where they laid for several weeks, and were then forwarded to this place. Be careful and write plain.

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It is the custom with nearly all philatelic publishers, who survive the first year, to use up a page or two in spouting over their past year's work, and telling what they will do in the next volume, making promises which they never fulfil, and never expect to. We shall not publish the *best* paper in the world; we shall not have the largest *circulation* of all papers, but we shall do our level best to improve and give our readers their money's worth. Brother Philatelists, we thank you one and all, for past favors, and shall endeavor to merit a continuance of the same.

New Firm.

John M. Hubbard, for some time past a compositor in this office, has laid down the stick and rule for good, having to-day purchased the stock in trade of Mr. J. M. Ward, of Lake Village, and taken possession of the same. John is an enterprising, go-ahead young man, having plenty of business qualifications, and will no doubt make a success of his new venture. He will keep constantly on hand a complete stock of stationery, fishing tackle, fancy goods, newspapers, fruits, confectionery, cigars, etc., and will also deal in rare coins, stamps, etc. We recommend the young man to the people of Lake Village, and trust they will give him a liberal patronage.—[Daily Tocsin, Sept. 3.]

As will be seen by the above, we have changed our headquarters to Lake Village. Our paper will, for the present, be dated Laconia, but all mail matter should be addressed to Lake Village, as it will then reach us one

train earlier than if directed to Laconia, thus giving us time to answer all letters the day they are received.

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The Chicago Locals.

Chicago has a local post lately opened. The authorities are trying to suppress it, and they have only to succeed to make the only stamp they have issued, rare. We have been favored with a specimen of the stamp through the kindness of Mr. C. H. Mekeel. Father Time is seen in the centre with mail-sack in hand, on which is inscribed "A. C. D." At the top in quarter circle is the word "ALLEN'S" at the bottom, in quarter circle, is "DISPATCH." At the bottom, in a straight line, is the address, "125 Clark St." Under Father Time is the word "city" in red letters.—[Empire City Philatelist for January.]

Everybody knows that the authorities succeeded in suppressing this local business, and as but few stamps were issued, they are rare. We are informed by the publishers of the International stamp albums, that the next edition will contain spaces for these stamps, and every one should obtain them, while they are comparatively cheap. We obtained quite a large lot of these stamps from Mr. C. H. Mekeel, who lived in Chicago at the time, and we have a written guarantee that they are *genuine*. Price 15c. each or two for 25c. We have decided to give to each and every one who sends 25c. for a year's subscription to the GRANITE STATE PHILATELIST, within 60 days, one of these rare locals, as a premium. Say whether you want a *used* or *unused* stamp. Send at once, as when our present stock is exhausted it cannot be duplicated.

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COIN SALES.

JULY—AUGUST.—Crosby Collection.

June 27, 29. As stated in the last issue, a more continued sketch would be given in this number. This collection was owned by Mr. S. S. Crosby, author of that well-known work, "Early Coins of America." The collection comprised U. S. silver and copper coins, colonials, pattern pieces, American medals, store cards, etc. Catalogued by John W. Haseltine, of Philadelphia. 1817 lots; sold at Bangs & Co.'s, New York city. Among the more noted coins a naked bust Washington cent brought \$146; a 1792 one-half dollar in copper, sold at \$72; a Vermont's Res Publica, in very fine condition, \$17. The unique New Jersey Washington, No. 1165, brought \$620. This same piece, was found by Mr. Haseltine among a lot of old coins, from whom it was purchased by Mr. Crosby. A Mr. Barnabee was the successful bidder. A splendid half dollar, of 1796, 15 stars, sold for \$255; *Non vi vistute vici* New York cent, \$61.50. Total proceeds of sale, \$5,977.54.

June 30. A collection of rare Americana, belonging to E. F. Knithan. Catalogued by Ed. Frossard, Irvington, N. Y. 576 lots. Proceeds, \$1,831.19.

July 10. Collection of miscellaneous coins. Sold at Lancaster by Chas. Steigerwalt. 324 lots.

July 10. A miscellaneous collection of coins, stamps, etc. Catalogued by Dr. Geo. W. Massanore. 794 lots.

July 12, 13. Collection of coins, owned by Mr. W. R. Hubbard, of Montreal. A half pound, of Charles I., of England, brought \$19.50; a 1632 crown, of Gustavus Adolphus, of London, sold for \$10.37. Total proceeds, \$1,396.85. Catalogued by H. P. Smith.

July 16. A collection of coins. 324 lots. Catalogued by Chas. Steigerwalt. A set of Swedish plate money sold at \$33.25; 1858 dollar proof, \$41.00.

July 25, 26. Coins, stamps, medals, Confederate money, etc. 956 lots. Sold at Bangs & Co.'s. Catalogued by H. G. Sampson.

Aug. 22. John W. Haseltine sold at Bangs & Co.'s a collection of U. S. and foreign copper and silver coins, ancient Roman and Greek coins. 743 lots. This was Mr. H.'s 71st sale.

NOTES.

Owing to the vacation season, coin and bric-a-brac sales have partially dropped, but still, owing to the number of collections put on the market, July and August could hardly be called a dull season this year.

Nearly all the dealers are now cataloguing collections for the fall sales. The coming winter promises to be a brisk one, both as to dealers and collectors.

Sullivan Bros. & Libbie have dissolved partnership. The business will be carried on at

their new place, 7 Hamilton Place, Boston, under the name of C. F. Libbie & Co.

A catalogue of New England Town Histories and genealogies, is for sale at fixed prices, by G. D. Morse, Haverhill, Mass.

Part IV., comprising the ancient coins of the late Prof. Charles E. Anthony, is to be catalogued by Mr. Gaston Fenardent, of New York, and is to be sold at Bangs & Co.'s, sometime in January. Part V. is the last, comprising the American coins, and will be catalogued by Mr. George W. Cogan. Ready for sale in April.

Raymond & Sherman, Chicago, Ill., will publish in October, a directory of coin and stamp dealers and collectors in the U. S. and Canada.

July number of *Our Home*, published by Andrus & Illingworth, contains a list of numismatic works for sale at fixed prices.

X. V. Z.

The Executive Department Stamps.

BY T. COKE.

On the 10th of January, 1873, John W. J. Creswell, then Postmaster General, entered into a contract with the Continental Bank Note Company, of New York, for the engraving and printing of the Executive Department stamps. These stamps were furnished by the above named company until its consolidation with the American Bank Note Company, in December, 1878. Since then the stamps have been furnished by the latter company.

The below set was issued May 1st, 1873, all the stamps being the same color, namely, carmine: 1 cent, 2 cent, 3 cent, 6 cent, 10 cent.

The portrait on the 1 cent denomination of these stamps is that of Benjamin Franklin; on the 2 cent stamp that of Andrew Jackson; on the 3 cent stamp the ever familiar profile of Washington; on the 6 cent, that of Abraham Lincoln, and on the 10 cent, that of Thomas Jefferson. The price paid for the manufacture of these stamps, from 1873 to 1877, was eighty cents per thousand; from 1877 to 1881, it was eleven cents per thousand; the current price now being nine and nineteen-hundredths cents per thousand. They were originally provided to pay postage on official mail matter emanating from the office of the President of the United States. They are now, by reason of the introduction of the free official envelopes, seldom if ever used.

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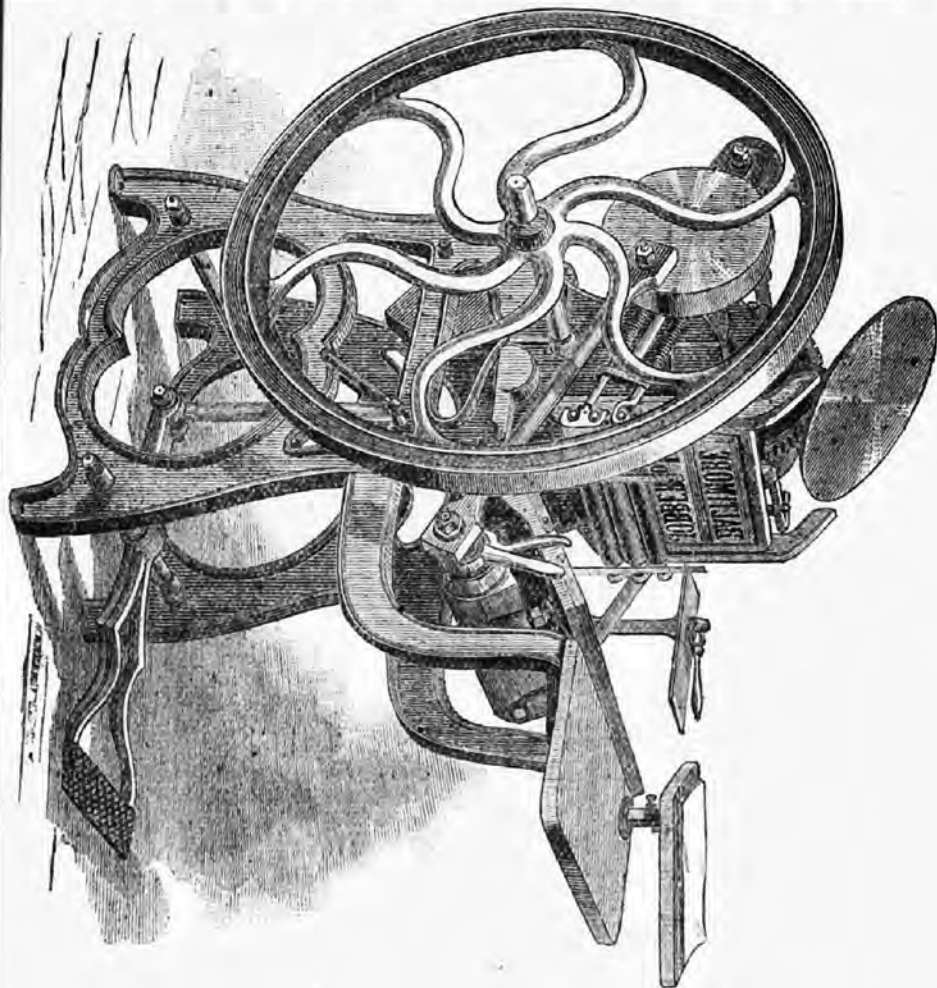
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Number 2.

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CUBA.—We annex the design of the surcharge on the 5, 10 and 20 cent stamps.

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SALVADOR.—Two postals have lately been issued; 2 centavos, carmine on buff; 3 centavos, blue on white.

TASMANIA.—We annex the design of a new envelope stamp; value, 2 pence.

There is a curious clock in Japan. This clock, in a frame 3 feet high and 5 long, represents a noon landscape of great loveliness. In the foreground were plum and cherry trees and rich plants in full bloom; in the rear, a hill, gradual in ascent, from which flowed a cascade admirably imitated in crystal. From this plant a thread-like stream glided along, encircling in its winding, rocks and tiny islands, but presently losing itself in a far-off stretch of woodland. In the sky turned a golden sun, indicating as it passed the striking hours, all marked upon the frame below, where a slowly creeping tortoise served as a hand. A bird of exquisite plumage, testing by its wings, proclaimed the expiration of each hour. When the song ceased, a mouse sprang from a grotto near by, and, running over the hill, hastily disappeared.

The real birth place of the Declaration of Independence was not the hall in which the Continental Congress met, but the room in which Jefferson wrote that document. That room was in a house at the southwest corner of Seventh and Market streets, Philadelphia, which has stood till this day, but is now being demolished to give place to a plebeian bank. Jefferson wrote from Monticello to a Philadelphia acquaintance in 1825:

"At the time of writing that instrument, I lodged in the house of a Mr. Graff, a new brick house three stories high, of which I rented the second floor, consisting of a parlor and bed-room, ready furnished. In that parlor I wrote habitually, and in it I wrote this paper particularly. So far I state from written proofs in my possession."

There is thus no doubt of the place. While the millionaires of the East are contributing thousands of dollars for the erection of a modern monument to French vainglory and American pride in New York harbor, one would think they might give of their abundance a sufficient sum to preserve this ancient and sacred landmark.

A curious exhibition has lately been on view in the north of London. It consisted of nothing but an array of cigar ends collected during several years' peregrinations up and down the metropolitan thoroughfares. The enterprising collector reckons that in this time he has traveled nearly 12,000 miles on foot, and he has picked up 600,000 pieces of cigars averaging an inch and a half each. He is said to have valued his stock, thus literally composed of odds and ends, at £1,800.

Talbotton, Ga., *Register*: Mr. J. W. T. Jones has a genuine madstone, taken from the intestines of a deer over 100 years ago. It is a calculous concretion, a genuine bezoar stone, and is an antidote for animal poisons. It is applied to the bites and stings of wasps and snakes by first dipping into sweet milk, then applying to the affected surface, when it absorbs the poison while adhering to the parts. The stone is valuable and would doubtless command a fabulous price in some countries.

16-page Catalogue of our buying prices of all American Coins worth over face value, 10 cents.

The Introduction of the Postal Service.

BY T. COKE.

Previous to the year 1839 the rates of postage, in England, had been both high and various. They were varying, both as to distance and as to the weight, and even the size and shape of a letter. The average postage on every chargeable letter throughout England was sixpence farthing. A letter from London to Brighton, a distance of about 45 miles, cost eight pence, and to Belfast, a distance of about 340 miles, one shilling and four-pence; or sixteen cents between the two former and thirty-three cents between the latter places, in U. S. Currency. If a letter was written on more than one sheet of paper, it came under a higher scale of charge.

Sir Rowland Hill is the man to whom all the civilized world owes the adoption of the cheap and uniform postal system. His plan has been adopted by every Country which professes to have a postal system at all. Mr. Hill when a little child, began to show great love for arithmetical calculations. As he grew up he became teacher in his father's school. Afterwards he was appointed Secretary to the South Australian Commission and rendered much valuable service in the organization of the colony of South Australia. His early love of masses of figures it may have been, which in the first instance turned his attention to the number of letters passing through the Post Office, the proportion they bore to the number of the population, the cost of carrying them and the amount which the Post Office authorities charged for the conveyance of a single letter. Sir Rowland Hill gradually thought out for himself a comprehensive scheme of reform, which he put before the world early in 1837. The public were taken by surprise when this scheme came before them in the shape of a pamphlet, which its author entitled "Post Office Reform; its importance and practicability." The root of Sir Rowland's system lay in the fact that the actual cost of conveyance through the mail was very trifling, and was but little increased by the distance which they had to be carried. His principal was the very opposite to that which had prevailed in the calculations of the authorities. Their idea was that the higher the charge for letters the greater the return to the Government. He started on the assumption that the smaller the charge the greater the profit. He, therefore recommended the substitution of one uniform charge of one penny to the half-ounce without reference to the distance the letter had to be carried. The Post Office authorities were, at first, uncompromising in their opposition to the scheme. The Government at length determined to bring in a bill which should provide for the almost immediate introduction of Sir Rowland's scheme. The bill declared, as an introductory step, that the charge for

postage should be at the rate of four-pence for each letter under half an ounce in weight. This, however, was to be only a beginning, for on January 10, 1840, the postage was fixed at the uniform rate of one penny per letter of not more than half an ounce in weight.

Justin McCarthy in his "History of Our Times," tells of an older institution than that which Sir Rowland Hill introduced, namely, the "Penny Post." "A penny post," says the writer, "had been set up in London, for the conveyance of letters, so long ago as 1683; and it was adopted by the Government some years after. An effort was even made to set up a half penny post in London, in opposition to the official penny post, in 1708; but the Government soon crushed this intrusive rival. Long before even this time of the penny post, the old records of the city of Bristol contain an account of the payment of one penny for the conveyance of letters to London.

It need hardly be explained to the reader, however, that a penny in that time, or even in 1683 was a payment of very different value indeed from the modest sum which Sir Rowland Hill was successful in establishing.

Special Premium Offer.



We have just purchased a large number of the celebrated "New Nickels,"—see cut, above—at bottom prices, and propose to give subscribers the best offer they ever had from any publisher, viz.: We will send this paper one year and one of the above nickels for 25 cents, and 2-cent stamp for postage. The nickels were only coined during the month of February and are quite rare. This offer holds good to both old and new subscribers, till Dec. 1st. Address, plainly, John M. Hubbard, Lake Village, N. H.

N. B. Letters directed to Laconia will reach us four hours later than if directed to Lake Village. All letters—as a rule—are answered the day they are received.

Five Dollars for One.

We advise every collector who has not already done so, to buy a set of Merchant Flags, (25 c.) Coats of Arms, (50 c.) and Portraits of Rulers, (50 c.) or the three sets for \$1.00. These sets will improve the appearance of an album, as much as \$5.00 worth of stamps. We also keep the International Albums, price \$1.50 \$2.50 etc., and to every purchaser we give this paper, one year free. Address, plainly, John M. Hubbard, Lake Village, N. H., and send money by postal note, or unused 1 and 2 c. stamps.

Communication.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.

Editor Granite State Philatelist:—

Enclosed please find 25 cents for Vol. 2 of the GRANITE STATE PHILATELIST. I think it is the "Boss Paper." I have been treated in exactly the same manner that T. Martin Wears speaks of in the October number of the *Stamp World*. I have, since January, 1882, subscribed for the *Collectors' Library Table*, *Stamp News*, *Stamp Collectors' Review*, *Lake-side Philatelist*, *Curiosity Collector*, *Old Curiosity Shop*, *Stamp World*, *Philatelic Monthly*, *Empire City Philatelist*, *Queen City Collector*, *N. J. Philatelist*, W. G. Karpe's Paper and your own. I sent my subscription for two years to the *Stamp News* and received Vol. 1 and have not received a single number of Vol. 2, yet,—and never will, either, I guess. The *Queen City Collector* having suspended, it was transferred to Karpe, and he also having suspended, (paying debts,) I am out another volume and a half. Of the *Stamp Collectors' Review*, (Rasmussen's paper,) I received one number, although I had subscribed for two volumes. Another thing I don't think is fair, in the publishers, is this: I subscribe for a paper that is published the 20th of the month, and do not receive that paper until the 15th or 20th of the next month. I can't see how it takes a whole month to send a paper about 1,000 miles. I would not say a word if I received a paper that was published on the 20th, and I received it about a week afterwards, but to keep a paper a month after it is published, and then send it, seems unreasonable to me. I only wish all publishers were as prompt as you are. I would then have no cause to complain. I hope "Haviland" may succeed in his undertaking, and I think every true Philatelist should at once step forward and help the project along. I enclose you my written promise, and if the paper will only be as the prospectus says it will, I would willingly pay \$2.00 for it. Yours truly,

GEO. L. HAGER.

ROGUES' CORNER.

We would like to have certain parties pay us their advertising bill, at once. We trusted them to accommodate them; we have requested payment several times, but have not received it. We give the names of a few who will please take notice. Any one finding this notice marked, will please understand that their names will appear in the same place, next month, unless they pay up at once:

Star Coin Co., Burlington, Vt.; W. G. Karpe, Los Angeles, California; G. Barnhart, Chillicothe, Ohio; F. Trifet, Boston, Mass.

A word to the wise is sufficient.

12 varieties of Philatelic papers issued before 1883 or 800 U. S. or Foreign stamps, pays for this paper one year.

Rare Coins.

But few people know the value of coins. Merchants, newsboys, and in fact, every one who handles money, often takes in and passes out in change, rare coins, the value of which they are not aware. The need of a perfect list of such coins has long been felt, to supply which want, Mr. John M. Hubbard, of Lake Village, N. H., has issued a complete catalogue of his buying prices of all American coins worth over face value. It is a neat little book, and should be in the hands of every business man. Price only 10 cents. We quote a few of the prices offered: "\$500.00 for an 1804 dollar, \$20 for 1858 do., for 1879, 1880, '81, or '82 trade dollars, \$1.40 each. For a copper cent of 1793, \$1.50 is paid; for one of '99, \$5.00; do., 1804, \$1.50. 75 cents each for 2-cent and silver 3-cent pieces of 1873, also \$2.25 for 20-cent pieces of 1877, etc." Thus it will be seen the oldest issues are not the rarest, by any means.

Mr. Hubbard deals extensively in stamps and coins, buying and selling large collections besides retailing in smaller quantities. He also publishes the GRANITE STATE PHILATELIST, a monthly magazine devoted to the interests of stamp, coin and curiosity collectors, for which all interested in any of these hobbies should subscribe, as it contains an illustrated list of new issues, interesting articles on the several branches of curiosity collecting besides giving a list of all dishonest dealers and collectors, in "Rogues' Corner." Send your address on a postal, for a sample copy, read it, then send 25 cents for a year's subscription.—[Laconia Democrat.]

Stamps Given Away.

In addition to the liberal premiums offered to subscribers, in another column, we have decided to make one more grand offer, viz.: To any one who sends 25 cents for a year's subscription to this paper, and 2 cents for postage, we will give as a premium, 500 mixed foreign stamps. Mixed foreign stamps retail for 32 cents per 1,000, so the paper one year, would only cost 11 cents. See other premium offers on another page.

Joseph Thompson of Simmons' Gap, Ga., has had nine wives and fifty-three children.

Although the Tennessee penitentiary at Chattanooga has been occupied for more than half a century, and many prisoners have been sent to it under life sentence, no person is now imprisoned there who was there in 1870.

A Frenchman has recently gone deeply down into statistics in regard to matches. His figures show that an Englishman burns eight matches a day, a Swede nine, a German eleven and a Frenchman fifteen. The number of matches consumed in Europe every year amounts to 2,000,000,000. Nobody is likely to dispute these figures.

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Please address everything, hereafter, to John M. Hubbard, Lake Village, N. H., instead of Laconia, as formerly. Mail will thus reach us several hours earlier than if directed to Laconia.

JOHN M. HUBBARD, PUBLISHER.

Entered at the post-office at Laconia, N. H., as second-class matter.

"Democrat" Power Job Print, Laconia, N. H.

OCTOBER, 1883.

About Ourselves.

When we commenced the publication of this paper, we confess we had a mistaken idea of dealers and collectors. Judging the multitude by a few reliable parties, led us to make a bad mistake. We not only lost quite a sum by trusting, but hurt the influence of our paper. Suffice it to say, we shall not receive any advertisements from *anyone* without pay in advance. Do not ask us to trust; for we will not. Our subscription list now pays the expense of the paper, and it will be continued, "without a line of advertising patronage." Those who do advertise, will pay for it; those who do not, will get no advertising. Please remember.

Good Luck to Him.

John M. Hubbard, publisher of *The Granite State Philatelist*, has opened a stationery and fancy goods store in Lake Village. He is a go-ahead young man and from what we know of his business qualifications are quite sure his cupboard will not get in the same empty condition as that of she of the same name, Mother Hubbard of cherished memory. We hope John will succeed in his venture.—[*Philatelic Monthly*.

Thanks, Bro. Durbin. Whether our cupboard ever gets into the mournful condition above referred to, or not, remains to be proved, but if it does, we have plenty of stamps—and are selling them very cheap for cash—with which to replenish it.

Premiums!

READ THE FOLLOWING OFFERS.

Anyone sending us 25 cents, in payment for a year's subscription, will receive one of the following premiums: "You pays your money, and you takes your choice."

No. 1. A used or unused Allen's Chicago Local. (Rare).

No. 2. One hundred varieties of foreign stamps, including, Mexico, Brazil, Ceylon, &c.

No. 3. One of the "New Nickels" (without the word cents). 2c. extra for postage.

No. 4. Hubbard's Coin Catalogue, giving his buying prices of all American Coins worth over face value.

No. 5. Anyone buying \$1.00 worth of stamps at one time, from our price list, will receive this paper one year, free.

No. 6. Anyone sending the names and address of 12 active collectors in their town, and 10 cents, will receive this paper one year, free.

Postage Stamp Flirtation.

We received the following from a subscriber "out West," who neither signed his name, or the town or state in which he lived, and the letter was postmarked, "N. Y. & Chi. R. P. O., Mid. Div." We print it for the benefit of "Lovesick Philatelists."

Upside down, left hand corner—"I love you."

Crosswise, left hand corner—"My heart is another's."

Straight up and down, left hand corner—"Good-by."

Upside down, right hand corner—"Write no more."

In the center at the top—"Yes."

Opposite, at the bottom—"No."

Right hand corner, at right angles—"Do you love me?"

Left hand corner—"I hate you."

Top corner on the right—"I wish your friendship."

Bottom corner on the left—"I seek your acquaintance."

On a line with sirname—"Accept my love."

The same, upside down—"I am engaged."

At right angle, in same place—"I long to see you."

In the middle, at right hand edge—"Write immediately,—to John M. Hubbard, Lake Village, N. H., and send 27 cents for a year's subscription to the GRANITE STATE PHILATELIST, and 500 assorted foreign stamps. You will get a splendid paper a whole year, and 500 foreign stamps thrown in.

A stove made in 1828 in York, Pa., was recently sold for \$1,000.

GOSSIP.

You want a good stamp journal. Read our premium offers.

Just think of it! this paper one year for 11 cents! read special offer elsewhere.

Why is a postage stamp like an obstinate donkey? The more you lick it the more it sticks.

Advertising cards for postmarks or postmarks for advertising cards. F. George H. Osgood, box 384, Laconia, N. H.

Japanese large oblong coin of the 15th century, for U. S. Dept. stamps or for offers. J. G. Bingham, McGrawville, N. Y.

What is the difference between W. G. Karpe, of Los Angeles, Cal., and a beet? One is a *beet* and the other a *dead-beet*.

Petrifactions, minerals, coins, etc., for rare stamps and books. Postals not answered. O. A. Muller, 800 Van Buren St., Milwaukee, Wis.

Hubbard's Coin Catalogue, showing his buying prices of all American Coins worth over face value, 10 cts.; or with this paper, one year, 25 cts.

The person to buy stamps and albums of, is John M. Hubbard, Lake Village, N. H.; if you don't believe it, send him a trial order, and see for yourself.

Mr. E. B. Sterling, of Trenton, N. J., has the largest collection of revenue stamps in the United States. It is valued at over \$5,000, and is insured for \$2,000.

What is the difference between a certain class of philatelists and a counterfeit stamp? One is the imitation of an honest man, the other of a genuine stamp.

The *Bayonne Philatelist* is the name of a new paper from Bergen Point, N. J. It is small but is well printed, filled with good reading and deserves success.

We have received Vol. 1, No. 1, of the *Foreign Stamp Collectors' News*, Edwin England, Hull, England, publisher. It is well gotten up, should, and we hope will succeed.

Send a 1-cent stamp to J. M. Hubbard, Lake Village, N. H., for a catalogue of over 700 pieces of 5-cent music, or send 6 cents for a catalogue and sample copy. All the popular pieces. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Owing to the temptation to naughty ways which the Penny Postage Savings Bank system offers it has been suggested that there should be a Savings Bank stamp, and an ordinary stamp should not be received on deposit account.

The stamps of the Ionian Islands were suppressed upon the cessation of the English protectorate in 1864. They were used exclu-

sively for intersinular postage. The 4 oboli is water-marked with a figure 1, of which the explanation has never been given; and the 2 oboli with a figure 2.—[N. J. P.]

I will give 4 Mo. Defence Bonds for every 500 used U. S. stamps of any kind but 3-cent green. These bonds are sold at 10 and 15c. apiece by some dealers. Postmarks for stamps. Geo. L. Hager, box 6, Jefferson City, Mo.

ODD HAPPENINGS.

A silver dime was found in the yolk of an egg recently broken at the Plankinton house.

A Portland, Oregon, expressman put his overcoat over his horse as it stood in the street, while he himself stamped on the sidewalk to keep warm.

While seining in the river at Shippingport, Ky., a fisherman brought up a rubber overcoat containing a pocket-book, in which was a \$50 greenback and a \$20 gold piece.

"Just for fun," a scoundrel at Richmond, Va., gave a boy a pint of whiskey to drink. The boy died, and his murderer has been sentenced to twelve years' imprisonment.

In a certain part of Texas, many miles from the coast, lie the remains of a ship, high and dry in the prairie grass. She is of Spanish build, and supposed to be driven inland by a tidal wave.

Charles Clewell of Catawissa, Pa., upon cleaning up the old granary on the premises lately occupied by his deceased father, found \$700 in old gold and silver coin in a barrel of screenings.

An eight-day clock that had been given to the wife of Douglass Ottinger of Erie, Pa., as a wedding present by her husband, stopped at the very moment she died, and cannot be started again.

A California paper says: "In passing over the glassy surface of Truckee river, which is now frozen to the bottom, whole schools of trout are seen firmly fixed just where the cold wave struck them."

The oldest son of Farmer Saunders, of Richardson county, Neb., cut out the tongue of his youngest brother because he threatened to tell their father of some offense that the elder brother had committed.

A Lexington, Ky., doctor hangs out the following sign: "Dr. Tooles, scientific carver of toes and limbs; specialist and expert in removing rheumatism; corns and cramps extracted according to nature."

A well-to-do farmer living near Reading, Pa., created a sensation by bringing his three young and handsome daughters into court as the plaintiffs in three separate actions for breach of promise for marriage.

Alsace and Lorraine.

BY L. W. DURBIN.



From an historical point of view, the stamps which we call Alsace and Lorraine are exceedingly interesting. They were not only used in the two provinces whose name they bear, but also in all parts of France occupied by the German army, and that included the country as far north as Amiens and west to Le Mans. Hence, one could make a collection of those stamps which would show by the postmarks all the towns and cities occupied by the invaders, and it would not be impossible to form it so that it would give by the dates of the postmarks, pretty nearly a correct idea of the time the various places were held. The design of the stamps is very plain and inexpensive. The sheets were made as follows: the sheets of paper were covered with a network of fine lines and then broad bands of color were printed across and vertically. In the squares thus formed, the words "Postes" and "Centimes" with the numeral of value were printed.

It sometimes happened that the sheets, after the net-work was put on, were laid in the press upside down, for printing the value on, and thus varieties of all denominations are found with the points of the net-work up as well as down. Those with the points down are the errors and all are scarce, the 10 centimes being the oftener met with. There are also numerous varieties of type and color owing to different printings and settings of the type.

The illustration shows the style of the stamps, of which the following is the set: 1 centime, green; 2 centimes, brown; 4 centimes, gray; 5 centimes, green; 10 centimes, bistre; 20 centimes, blue; 25 centimes, brown. They were issued in August, 1870, except the 5 and 25 centimes which did not come out until January of the next year. As the territory of France was evacuated by the Germans the French stamps took the place of those of Alsace and Lorraine and after the cession of the two provinces, German stamps were alone used there. It is asserted that the people of Alsace and Lorraine are not contented under German rule, and it is certain the French cannot become reconciled to the division of their country which took place. Hence, these stamps may at some future time become still more interesting to the collector, by reason of the territory which they once covered, becoming again the battlefield of the two mighty nations.

Songs of the Times.

The above is the title of a new song book which contains 100 songs, words and music, among which are "Blue Alsatian Mountains," "Finger Prints upon the Pane," "Flirting on the Sly," "Going from de Cotton Fields," "I'm Going Home to Clo," "In the Gloaming," "'Tis but a Little Faded Flower," etc., price post free, 15 cents. Size of pages, 5x7 inches. You will never regret your purchase. Address, J. M. Hubbard, Lake Village, N. H.

124 PAGES OF MUSIC FOR 33c.—We herewith make our musical friends an offer, which they will do well to accept. The "Vocal Album," contains 124 pages of the very best songs and duets, including "Bridge," (soprano,) "The Bridge," (alto,) "Danube River," "Curfew Bells," "In the Gloaming," "In the Starlight," "Larboard Watch," "Little Maggie May," "Old Sexton," "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep," "What are the Wild Waves Saying?" "Over the Garden Wall," etc. Size of pages, 9 1-2 x 12 inches. Any one who buys a copy, and is not perfectly satisfied with it, can return it to us within three days of its receipt, and we will pay them back their money—deducting postage.

N. B. For 50 cents, we will give the Vocal Album, one year's subscription to this paper, and 500 foreign stamps, post free. Address, John M. Hubbard, Lake Village, N. H.

A queer present at a hog-killing was a handsome package of candies to each worker and visitor. Gideon Boggs of Port Elizabeth was the host.

The only bequest in the will of Morris E. Jones of Lancaster county, Pa., gave to Mary E. Whiteside his daughter Delia, to do with her as she pleases.

The first night on which Samuel Scott, of Warburg, Tenn., went into a bed to sleep, he died. He weighed 350 pounds, and by a physician's advice used to sleep by kneeling upon the floor, with his head resting upon a chair.

A man in Warren county, Ky., climbed a tree to shake down an opossum that his dogs had treed. The limb proved rotten, and Smith came down so rapidly that the dogs did not discover their error until they had nearly killed him.

Seven inches from the outside of a log in a Pennsylvania mill, the saw passed through a walnut which was imbedded in the solid wood. The shell and kernel of the nut were sound. The growth of the tree shows that the nut is at least 50 years old.

A man living near Lake Louise, in Manitoba, picked up an armful of sticks, and carrying them home threw them under the stove. In a few moments two of the sticks began crawling away, having developed into good-sized moccasin snakes.

The 3-Cent Stamp.

Good-by, old stamp, its nasty luck
That ends our friendship so.
When others failed you gamely stuck,
But now you've got to go.
So here's a flood of honest tears,
And here's an honest sigh—
Good-by, old friend of many years—
Good by, old stamp, good-by!

Your life has been a varied one,
With curious phases fraught—
Sometimes a check, sometimes a dun,
Your daily coming brought;
Smiles to a waiting lover's face,
Tears to a mother's eye.
Or joy or pain to every place—
Good-by, old stamp, good-bye!

You bravely toiled, and better men
Will vouch for what I say:
Although you have been licked, 'twas when
Your face turned t'other way.
'Twas often in a box you got
(As you will not deny)—
For going through the mails, I wot—
Good-by, old stamp, good-by!

Ah, in your last expiring breath
The tale of years is heard—
The sound of voices hushed in death,
A mother's dying word;
A maiden's answer, soft and sweet,
A wife's regretful sigh,
The patter of a baby's feet—
Good-by, old stamp, good-by!

What wonder, then, that at this time
When you and I must part,
I should aspire to speak in rhyme
The promptings of my heart.
Go, bide with all those memories dear
That live when others die—
You've nobly served your purpose here—
Good-by, old stamp, good-by!
—(Erie (Pa.) Advertiser.

The Granite State Philatelist.

BY W. G. W., Jr.

There is a lad of our town,
Who has stamps by the heap,
I always buy from him, you know,
Because he sells so cheap.

He publishes a paper,
The "Granite State" by name,
I always took it, from the first,
And you should do the same.

So every one that reads this piece,
Should send a quarter on,
For you will get your money's worth,
And will never be sorry it's done.

REVIEW TABLE.

MEDALS.—W. H. WARNER & BRO., 1123 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa. We have received from the above firm a medal of the Centennial Celebration at Newberg. It is a beautiful medal, on one side of which is the bust of the "Father of His Country," on the other side is represented the headquarters of Washington, with the inscription. It is surely a first-class job from a first-class house.

J. STRAUS,

122 Orange St., Cleveland, Ohio.

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Down With High Prices.

X. L. C. R. Scroll Saw, complete with blanks, patterns etc., mailed for seventeen 2-cent stamps. First-class work can be done with this outfit. Extra quality blades to fit any saw, 25c. doz. Mammoth sheets of designs, 10c., 15c., and 25c. each.

Boys and everybody wanted as agents for my goods.

Stamp Albums.

The International, is probably the most popular of all stamp albums, inasmuch as it is very cheap, and has many very excellent points, one of which is space for the Flags, Coats of Arms, and Portraits of Rulers, which when placed in position, add 100 per cent. to the looks of the Album. We are selling them at the following prices: No. 1, Boards, Half Cloth, \$1.50; No. 2, Cloth, Magnificently Gilt, \$2.50, and with each Album, we give a year's subscription to this paper. We also sell the Flags of all Nations, 25 cents; Coats of Arms, 50 cents; Portraits of Rulers, 50 cents; or the three sets for \$1.00. Everything sent post-free. Address, John M. Hubbard, Lake Village, N. H.

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We will insert your card like the following, in this directory one year, including a year's subscription to this paper, at the following rates: One line, 75 cents; 2 lines, \$1.25; for each additional line, 35 cents per year. TERMS: cash in advance.

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L. W. DURBIN, Fifth and Library Streets, Philadelphia, Pa.

JOHN M. HUBBARD, Laconia, N. H. Collections bought, sold and exchanged.

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NEW ISSUES.

FINLAND.—We annex the design of a new local for Helsingfors: value, 10 pennis; color, red green and brown.

SIERRA LEONE.—New 1 and 1-2 penny cards are said to be in use.



SALVADOR.—We annex the design of a new surcharge, "Contra Sello," on the stamps of the current issue.

VICTORIA.—A new 1-2 penny wrapper is reported.



SIAM.—We annex the design of a series of stamps said to have been issued in Siam. A postal card, carmine on yellow, is also reported.

BERMUDA.—A new 2 1-2 penny stamp has been



emitted.

Holiday Number.

We have decided to issue a grand holiday number of this paper, when it will be enlarged, to accommodate those who desire to patronize our advertising columns. Two thousand copies will be issued, and distributed among stamp and coin collectors throughout our own and foreign countries. To those who patronized our holiday number of last year we need say nothing; to those who did not we will simply say: you missed a grand opportunity, and should not let this chance slip by. Our space is positively limited—first come, first served. Send your copy early. Terms, cash in advance. Copy must reach us on or before December 10.

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REVIEW TABLE.

POCKET MANUAL No. 2.—W. H. Thompson, 404 Arch St., Phila., publisher. This is a neat little book, cheap in price, and worth four times the price asked for it. It is a "key to a profitable occupation, for any person," containing articles on how to become a short-hand writer, proof-reader, telegraph operator, book-keeper; and a copy should be in the hands of every merchant, news boy, and in fact, everyone who has to work for a living. Price post free, 50 cents.

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Communication.

PLYMOUTH, WIS., Nov. 7, 1883.

To Whom it May Concern:—

Having been in California all summer, and being sick at the time, I needed a great deal of money, and it was impossible for me to pay my bills at the time, unless those who owed me paid me. Not having seen any Philatelic papers for some time, I suppose there has been a great deal of talk going on, but it was through no fault of mine. All my old subscribers will be squared off in the best possible manner as soon as I can receive my account and subscription book from Los Angeles. To any dealers whom I still owe, I wish they would have the kindness to send me their bills; and all who may happen to owe me, I would be very thankful to receive an early remittance from them.

Yours respectfully,

W. G. KARPE."

Mr. Karpe has paid us his account, in full, and promises to do the same by all others. It will be remembered we exposed him in our September issue, and we feel that we were justified in so doing; but, if we had known all the facts, we should have waited a while longer. However, what is done cannot be undone, and we are happy to say Mr. Karpe has shown himself to be a gentleman, in our case.

Short Talks about Stamp-Issuing Countries and Their Stamps.

I.—BOLIVIA.

BY T. COKE.

Bolivia is an extensive republic of South America. It lies west of the Brazilian Empire and north of the republic of Chili and the Argentine Confederation. The greatest breadth of this republic is about 760 miles, and its average length is fully 1100 miles, of which 250 are sea coast. Bolivia, though comprising but a limited territory, possesses a remarkable variety of climate, soil and productions. Its south-western portion, lying on the Pacific is a gloomy desert, on which no rain falls, and which shows no traces of vegetation except where the mountain torrents have forced their way to the ocean and fertilized a few narrow valleys. The shore is high and rocky and the ascent of the Andes from this side is steep and difficult. The Andes themselves here spread out into a broad, elevated plateau, much wider than in any other part of their course. One of the most remarkable natural features is its mountain lakes. The largest of them is Lake Titicaca.

The vegetation of Bolivia is, of course, as varied as its climate. On the slopes of the loftiest mountains, and on the cold and elevated plains, it is scanty in character. The trees are very few. On the upper portion of the eastern slope of the Andes, grains of every description flourish. The low plains of eastern Bolivia abound in the richest tropical fruits and plants and the inhabitants raise, either for their own use or export, coffee, cocoa, tobacco, cotton, maize, indigo, the sugar cane, and, in their esteem, the most important of all, coca. This is a peculiar kind of leaf, which is chewed by the inhabitants as a stimulant. This is supposed to be the native country of the common potato and the plant is cultivated quite extensively by the Indians.

The inhabitants of Bolivia are divided into, I might say, three distinct classes: First, Indians of various tribes; second, Creoles of Spanish descent; and third, Mestizos, or mixed races, divided into cholos, or descendants of European and Indian parents, and Zambos, who unite European and Negro blood. There are, also, a few Negroes in the Republic. The Indians constitute nearly one-half of the population.

The foreign trade of Bolivia is not large, being confined almost entirely to the export of bullion, tin and alpaca wool, to Europe and the United States, and grain, cocoa, soap and silver to Peru, and the importation of furniture and manufactured goods from the former countries. There are but three short railroads, at present in Bolivia. If more railroads were built, I have no doubt that in a few years Bolivia would be one of the richest states of South America.

The early history of Bolivia is included in that of Peru, of which it was formerly a part. It was erected into an independent state by a declaration of its citizens, August 5, 1825, and received its name from the liberator, Simon Bolivar. A constitutional congress assembled August 11, decreed a republican government, called Gen. Sucre to the presidency, and requested the liberator to make out a constitution. He complied, and his constitution, which was a limited monarchy in all but the name, was adopted the succeeding year, but was soon abolished, and from 1829 to almost 1858, this unhappy country was the scene of constant revolutions. In 1879 a war broke out between Chili and Bolivia, in which the latter allied with Peru.

THE POSTAGE STAMPS.

Bolivia issued her first set of stamps in 1866. The set consisted of five values, viz.: 5 centavos, colors green, violet, mauve, lilac. (The plate of this stamp was retouched several times, making a large number of varieties.) 10 centavos, color brown; 100 centavos, colors blue and green; 50 centavos, colors orange, yellow, pale blue and dark blue; 100 centavos, colors black, blue. The design was as follows: A condor on a portion of a globe, in an oval bend, inscribed, "Bolivia," above, "Centavos," below, "Correos," on the left, and "Contratos," on the right; background of crossed lines, numerals of value in ovals in corners. These stamps are printed on perforated sheets containing 150 stamps, each stamp being a trifle different. The 5 violet, 50 blue and 100 green of the first style and both 100 of the second are extremely rare. In 1868 a second set was introduced, consisting of five values and bearing a different and much prettier design, which is as follows: A mountain landscape in an oval, on trophy of flags, surmounted by a condor, nine stars below, on a circular disk; "Correos de Bolivia," above in curved line, value below in straight line, ornamented spandels, numerals of value in ovals in upper corners. The values are 5 centavos, color green; 10 centavos, color vermilion; 50 centavos, color blue; 100 centavos, color orange; 500 centavos, color black. These stamps were printed on perforated sheets. In 1871 a set, having the same values and colors as that of the 1868 issue, appeared, with the nine stars changed to eleven. During the same year, 1871, a set of revenue stamps was issued, containing five values, viz.: 5 centavos, color black; 10 centavos, color green; 50 centavos, color brown; 100 centavos, color vermilion; 500 centavos, color blue. The design was as follows: Figure of Justice on pedestal on shaded oval disk, in frame inscribed "Transacciones Sociales Bolivia," Centavos below in straight line, numerals of value in corners; ornamented frame. On account of the limited stock of postage stamps at the time, these stamps were used frequently for postal purposes. Six years

later, 1877, a set of perforated stamps was introduced, consisting of four values, viz.: 5 centavos, color blue; 15 centavos, color orange; 20 centavos, color green; 50 centavos, color carmine. The design is described as follows: On a band in centre, "Correos de Bolivia," above mountain landscape, with llama and sheaf of wheat in the foreground, on trophy of flags with condor above; below an open book inscribed, "La Ley," value below on curved line, numerals of value in corners. These stamps were withdrawn from use a short time after they were issued.

*On these stamps, as well as many others, Correos means "Postage," and Contratos, "Contract Post."

Rare Coins.

But few people know the value of coins. Merchants, newsboys, and in fact, every one who handles money, often takes in and passes out in change, rare coins, the value of which they are not aware. The need of a perfect list of such coins has long been felt, to supply which want, Mr. John M. Hubbard, of Lake Village, N. H., has issued a complete catalogue of his buying prices of all American coins worth over face value. It is a neat little book, and should be in the hands of every business man. Price only 10 cents. We quote a few of the prices offered: "\$500.00 for an 1804 dollar, \$20 for 1858 do., for 1879, 1880, '81, or '82 trade dollars, \$1.40 each. For a copper cent of 1793, \$1.50 is paid; for one of '99, \$5.00; do., 1804, \$1.50. 75 cents each for 2-cent and silver 3-cent pieces of 1873, also \$2.25 for 20-cent pieces of 1877, etc." Thus it will be seen the oldest issues are not the rarest, by any means.

Mr. Hubbard deals extensively in stamps and coins, buying and selling large collections besides retailing in smaller quantities. He also publishes the GRANITE STATE PHILATELIST, a monthly magazine devoted to the interests of stamp, coin and curiosity collectors, for which all interested in any of these hobbies should subscribe, as it contains an illustrated list of new issues, interesting articles on the several branches of curiosity collecting besides giving a list of all dishonest dealers and collectors, in "Rogues' Corner." Send your address on a postal, for a sample copy, read it, then send 25 cents for a year's subscription.—[Laconia Democrat.

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Mr. W. v. d. Wettern, Jr., of Baltimore, Md., warns all dealers and collectors, and everybody in general, against B. M. Tincombe, Box 85, Strathroy, Ont., John B. Pevear, Lynn, Mass., Ned Zublin, Friend Boarding School Providence, R. I., I. G. Conklin, St. Louis, Mo., W. G. Brown, Lynn, Mass., E. P. Burnet, Newark, N. J., T. B. Emery, Chicago, Ill., Frank Jetson, Chicago, Ill., Frank Andrews, Amesbury, Mass., C. G. Scott, Jr., Norfolk, Va.

"The Lost Cause."

[We are enabled to publish the following poem, through the kindness of Mr. W. G. Whilden, Jr., who obtained the copy for us. It was found written upon the back of a Confederate bill, after the close of the war, but no one knows who its author is.]

"Representing nothing on God's earth now
And naught in the waters below it,
As the pledge of a nation that passed away,
Keep it, dear friend, and show it.
Show it to those who will lend an ear
To the tale this trifle will tell,
Of liberty borne of a patriot's dream,
Of a storm-craddled nation that fell.

Too poor to possess the precious ores,
And too much of a stranger to borrow;
We issued to-day our "promise to pay,"
And hoped to redeem on the morrow.
The days rolled on, and weeks became years,
But our coffers were empty still;
Gold was so scarce that the treasury quaked
If a dollar should drop in the till.

But the faith that was in us was strong indeed,
Though our poverty well we discerned;
And this little note represented the pay
That our suffering veterans earned.
They knew it had hardly a value in gold,
But as gold our soldiers received it.
It gazed in our eyes with a promise to pay,
And every true soldier believed it.

But our boys thought little of price or pay,
Or of bills that were over due;
We knew that if it bought our bread to-day
'Twas the best our poor country could do.
Keep it; it tells all our history o'er,
From the birth of the dream to its last;
Modest, and borne of the angel Hope,
Like our hope of success, it passed

Songs of the Times.

The above is the title of a new song book, which contains 100 songs, words and music, among which are "Blue Alsatian Mountains," "Finger Prints upon the Pane," "Flirting on the Sly," "Going from de Cotton Fields," "I'm Going Home to Clo," "In the Gloaming," "'Tis but a Little Faded Flower," etc., price post free, 15 cents. Size of pages, 5x7 inches, You will never regret your purchase. Address, J. M. Hubbard, Lake Village, N. H.

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That every one is going to have an "ad." in our holiday number.

That auction sales of stamps and coins are coming thick and fast.

That as cold weather approaches the number of collectors increase.

That it pays better to get cash for ads. than to trust, and take pay in promises.

That it don't pay a man to advertise an auction sale two weeks after the stamps are sold.

That Durbin's last shot apparently knocked the stuffing out of the "E. C. J. of P. and N."

That the *Philatelists' Journal* has "busted," and its publisher has paid us his little bill, in full.

That it has been many moons since we received a copy of either the *Curiosity Collector*, *Lakeside*, or *Empire City Philatelist*.

That the Lord helps those who help themselves; but the Lord help those who do not pay us their advertising bill before our next issue.

That if a few parties don't pay us what they owe us, pretty quick, they will have the pleasure of seeing their names in a very conspicuous place in our holiday edition.

Lagos.



BY L. W. DURBIN.

Lagos is an island off the coast of upper Guinea, colonized by the British. It lies at the entrance of a lagoon of the bight of Benin, near the mouth of the river Oun. The chief town also named Lagos, is at the north end of the island. The population is about 65,000 native and European. The town of Lagos was formerly a notorious seat of the slave traffic, its position offering unusual facilities for carrying on the iniquitous trade. It was captured and destroyed by the British in 1851, and a treaty concluded by which the ruler guaranteed the freedom of commerce, the protection of Christianity and the abolition of human sacrifice, which revolting practice had, up to that time, obtained amongst the natives.

In 1861 the island came into full possession of Great Britain. Postage stamps were introduced in 1874. The design, which is the same in all, is above shown, the set consisting of six values, as follows: 1 penny, lilac; 2 pence, blue; 3 pence, brown; 4 pence, rose; 6 pence, green; 1 shilling, orange. Those first issued had the watermark C. C., and crown in the paper, while the later impressions are watermarked C. A. and crown. Lagos also boasts of a postal card, 1 1/2 pence, brown, on buff, issued in 1879.

The colors of the Lagos stamps are bright and they make a pleasing addition to the album. Fortunately they are comparatively common and within the reach of all.

Just Think of It.

We have decided that all the premium offers in our October number shall hold good till January 1st. Just think of it! This paper one year, and five hundred mixed foreign stamps, for twenty-seven cents; or, if you prefer, you can have a copy of Handford's 1883 Directory, or Philatelic Frauds, or our Premium Coin Catalogue, or one of "new nickels" without word "cents." If you do not take our paper, you should subscribe at once. If you do take it, renew it, and get a premium.

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Current Notes.

BY T. MARTIN WEARS.

Some will regret it, others will chuckle over the moral backsliding of Gruat and Bonn, of Tavistock Street, Bedford Square, London. This firm, one of "some respectability and reputation," has been openly accused of selling forged Reunions, French Chiffre Taxe, Newspaper Express, and "Balloon Letters." The most important of these is the Reunions. They are not sold as the originals of 1852, but as reprints of them. The originals were intended to prepay postage, but very few were used for this purpose; reprints, as every one knows, are fresh impressions of obsolete stamps taken for the benefit of stamp collectors—or dealers, one or other of them—and not intended for postal purposes. To a collector of a little experience it should not be a difficult matter to be able to distinguish between copies of the Simon Pure, that is either the originals or reprints, and copies of Gruat and Bonn's own make. The former being type set, do not present a smooth appearance on the paper, this is more evident on turning to the back of the stamp, whereas, the latter having been printed from a woodcut, or an electrotype, present a remarkably smooth surface, and on turning them over no pressing whatever is evident. This is the key to the detection of these humbugs. A better one, however, and one easier discovered exists. On a couple kindly sent me by the editor of the *Stamp Collectors' Journal*, to-wit:—the water mark in English *super rovere*. It is to be hoped all dealers will take warning from this, and not venture on the stamp-making business. Nichols, Butler & Co. tried it, and they have had to quit the field and give up the trade altogether; so doubtless will the aforesaid Gruat & Bonn.

Another forgery-monger in the person of Mr. Arthur Horn, 15 Duck Mill Lane, Bedford, awaits exposure. In the *Bazaar Exchange and Mart*, of 20th July last, and in his price list, he advertises eight Pacific Steam Navigation Company, 1857, for 7d., five Bolivia, 1868, for 6d., four Mexico, 1865, for 6d., and three Dominica, for 5d. We are enabled to dispense with all kinds of tests concerning the above; whenever we see rarities so "dirt cheap" as this, we can draw only one conclusion. It is to be hoped the kindly and gratuitous notices which Arthur has received will prove effective, and prevent him from again blowing his "Horn" in the same strain, even through the channel of a six-penny advertisement in the *Bazaar Exchange and Mart*.

A correspondent to a contemporary has a sad grievance to ventilate. He has received a valuable assortment of Turkish and Persian stamps from Constantinople, which, after going through the fumigation process to prevent cholera infection, comes to hand actually riddled with holes. If there is any other method

for fumigating letters, this seems taking a good deal of liberty with other people's property, and the editor himself wonders whether the holes are intended to let the cholera out or let the fumigation in, and concludes by advising his correspondents to give up importing in that quarter until the panic has subsided.

By the time these lines are in the hands of the reader the "slack" season will have been succeeded by the busy one. It would appear that stamp-collecting and long evenings do not go hand-in-hand, but when the nights once begin to creep in, collectors are again drawn to their hobby. So much so is this the case that I observe a stamp paper announced to appear throughout this time only, viz., from October to March. Of course this way of collecting can be true only of the generality, to those afflicted with the real "mania," winter and summer, seed time and harvest can make little difference. In connection with the busy season I notice several works on the eve of publication,—a catalogue, an Annual, a monograph, and the *Foreign Stamp Collectors' News*. May they all meet with the success they respectively deserve.—[Foreign Stamp Collectors' News.]

GOSSIP.

We wish to buy collections of stamps, or coins, for cash.

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If you wish to purchase any stamps, be sure and read our price list, which will be found elsewhere.

"Can anyone inform us where the *Empire City Philatelist* and *Monthly Echo* are? We have not received a copy of either journal since June. We hope they have not deserted the philatelic ranks."—*Philatelic News*.

[The same here, Bro. Schwartz. We have an idea that they class us with the "rag-tail" papers, and do not wish to exchange. Of course, Mr. C. wouldn't suspend, after the puff (?) he gave you a few months ago.]

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PORTUGUESE INDIES.—The supply of the current issue of stamps have given out, and stamps of the old type have appeared surcharged, values, 1 1-2 reis, black; 4 1-2 reis yellow-green, and 6 reis, green.

SIAM.—The new stamps, which we illustrated in our November number, is as follows: 1-16 fyang, blue; 1-8 do, carmine; 4 do, vermillion; 1 sig, orange, 1 salyng yellow. A new postal has also been issued.

BAHAMAS.—A new double card has recently been issued: 1 1-2 penny, carmine on buff.



BELGIUM.—We illustrate one of a new series of stamps just issued; the following are the values: 1 centime, red; 2 do, yellow; 5 do., green; 10 do., carmine; 20 do., gray; 25 do., blue; 50 do., violet; 1 franc, lilac; 2 francs, brown. The portrait is that of king Leopold.



CASHMERE.—We illustrate the new 1-8 anna stamp, recently issued.

NEVIS.—New provisionals have appear-

ed; viz., halves of 1 penny stamps, surcharged, "Nevis, 1-2 d."

SURINAM.—Double 5-cent cards are said to be in use; color, violet on green.

ST. VINCENT.—A new 5-shilling stamp has recently been issued; color, red.

VIRGIN ISLANDS.—The color of the one half penny stamp has been changed to green, and the 1 penny to rose.

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Oct. 1. Charles Steigewalt sold at Lancaster, Pa., a collection of coins, confederate notes and fractional currency, 568 lots.

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Oct. 22. Charles Steigewalt sold at Lancaster the White, Bird and Oldroyd collections of gold silver and copper coins, ancient, Greek, line of English and Scottish coins, Lincoln Memorials, etc. 577 lots.

Oct. 29-30. W. E. Woodward sold a collection of ancient and modern coins—1432 lots. Sold at Bang's & Co's.

Oct. 31. A collection of prehistoric stone and copper implements belonging to E. V. Beales of Milwaukee, Wis., also, selections from the cabinet of J. R. Vissley of Mansfield, Ohio—551 lots.

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Of the Modena 1852 issue we might say that the 1 lire, white, was watermarked A which was the initial of the maker of the paper—Signor Amici. In the whole set errors are frequent, prominent ones are *ctn*, *cnet*, *ceu* for cent besides numerical errors.

NOTES.

The collection of coins of Chas. E. Anthony will be catalogued by Gaston Fenerdent and sold in the spring.

The N. Y. Numismatic and Archæological Society have secured \$1000 for the purchase of a complete set of electrotypes of ancient coins now owned by the British Museum.

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The stamps of Romagna of which there is only one issue, were in use provisionally a little over four months, having been suppressed by the decree of Jan. 12, 1860. Used specimens are very rare and it is believed that the six bajocchi were never used for postage. The original dies of the set were knocked about and finally came into the possession of an employe of the post who added a border of seven lines to each value to hide the indentations, and in 1869 he made many sheets with all the values printed on one sheet. He termed them essays or proofs.

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DECEMBER, 1883.

We are a little late this month, but we have been very busy with our holiday trade, and our printers have been so rushed they could not have printed it before, if we had the copy ready, so we must make the best of it. We will try and make up for lost time, and hereafter appear with our usual promptness. Being rather late to wish our numerous patrons "Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year," we wish every one, into whose hand a copy of this paper may fall, a very happy and prosperous year.

THE PHILATELIST HAS OBSERVED:

That the stamp business is unusually good.

That every collector should take at least one stamp paper.

That the Atlas Stamp Co., station A., Boston, Mass. are selling Sandwich Island stamps that look decidedly suspicious.

That Mr. Schwartz, of Philadelphia, is disgusted with the publication business,—sold out his paper and retired from the stamp trade.

That the December number of the *Philatelic Monthly* completed its ninth volume. "Long may it live," and "may its shadow never grow less," is the earnest wish of the PHILATELIST.

The First American Coin.

BY T. COKE.

The earliest American coinage that history informs us of was made in 1612 by the Virginia company, at the Somers Islands, now called the Bermudas. The coin was of brass, with the legend "Sommer Island," and "a hog on one side, in memory of the abundance of hogs which were found on their first landing." On the reverse was a ship under sail, firing a gun. As early as 1645 the Assembly of Virginia, "having maturely weighed and considered how advantageous a quoine current would be to this colony, and the great wants and miseries which do daily happen with it by the sole dependency upon tobacco," provided by law for the coinage of copper pieces, the value of which was to be 2d, 3d, 6d, and 9d.; but this law, for some reason or other, was never carried into effect.

The earliest colonial coinage was in Massachusetts, in pursuance of an order of the General Court, passed May 27, 1652, which established "a mint house" at Boston. The order required the coinage of "12 pence, 6 pence, and 3 pence pieces, which shall be for forme flatt and stamped on the one side with N. E. (New England) and on the other side with XII d, VI d, and III d, according to the value of each piece." These coins were to be of the fineness of "new sterling English money," and every shilling was "to weigh 3 penny troy weight, and lesser pieces proportionably." They were soon after in circulation; but owing to the excessive plainness of their finish, they were found to be greatly exposed to "washing and clipping." To remedy this, the General Court, on Oct. 19 of the same year, ordered a new die and required that "henceforth, both shillings and smaller pieces shall have a double ring on either side, with this inscription, (Massachusetts), and a tree in the centre, on the one side, and New England, and the date of the year on the other side." In 1662, a 2 penny piece was added to this series. These coins are now known as the "pine-tree shilling," etc. The Massachusetts mint existed about 33 years; but all the coins issued bear only the dates 1652 and 1662, the same dies having probably done service throughout the period. From this time (1662) the colonies and states, so far as they found occasion, made their own coins, which afford an interesting study for the numismatist.

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First—Compare the stamp in color, size, view, etc., with an original—notice watermark, which is generally seen by holding stamp to the light. Look at the number of perforations. Most counterfeiters have a die which makes thirteen lengthwise by ten in width. Note the size of letters, fine scrolls, etc.

Second—If your stamp will stand all the above tests, and still appears doubtful, notice carefully the cancellation mark; compare the mucilage on back of stamp by taste and color.

Third—If you are yet in doubt, note the price you paid for it, for if you have paid five cents for a stamp worth a dollar it will generally prove to be bogus. It will also be well to enquire as to the reputation of the dealer who sold it to you.

Another good plan is to send your stamp to some reliable dealer for inspection.

If you have discovered that a certain dealer has sold you a counterfeit send it back and require your money. Do not at once expose him, but give him a fair warning, for he may have sold you the false stamp unintentionally.

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Gossip About Provisional Stamps.

BY L. W. DURBIN.

The past year has been prolific in provisional stamps; that is, stamps issued for temporary use only. They are produced from a variety of causes. Sometimes, a certain value in a series becomes exhausted, and, pending the arrival of a fresh supply, the local printing office is called upon to manufacture a substitute, either of a new design or by printing the required denomination across the face of another value, which is then sold at the lower price. Or, by a change in the postal laws, stamps of a value not before used are required and the surcharging process, or the temporary type-set makeshift, is resorted to until the new die can be engraved and a supply of stamps printed from it. Provisional stamps are interesting to the collector and are much sought after. Generally they are employed but a short time, sometimes for a few days only, and nearly all of them owing to their short currency are rare. As soon as they are withdrawn they become scarce, and it is for this reason that the wise collector procures them at the earliest possible moment, well knowing that as soon as the supply ceases the price goes up. The majority of collectors prefer used specimens of surcharged stamps. It is so easy to take a genuine stamp and put a surcharge over it that a specimen showing the cancelling mark over the surcharge will usually bring a higher price than if it were unused. It is wise to have caution in buying unused surcharged stamps, and to take them only from dealers who are known to be reliable, and who have a reputation to take care of. Of all provisional stamps, the British Guinea, 1882 type-set, are the most curious. In design and execution they are not inferior to many of the stamps in general use, in certain countries, but they are unique in having the word "specimen" perforated in the paper, and without this they were not valid. The reason assigned for so perforating them was that it would prevent their being imitated, but it is odd that the word specimen should have been chosen.

It may sound strange to hear the stamped envelopes issued last October in our own country called provisionals, but strictly speaking they are such. The contractors were called upon to produce a new die to be issued the first of October. They did so, but it was a miserable affair, poor in design and execution. Still, the new stamp had been officially announced to be issued on that day, and it was, but was only to be used while the new and bet-

ter die was being engraved. That came out the latter part of the same month, and the first die was at once thrown aside.

Among the provisionals the past year half stamps play an important part. Many of them were employed without any surcharge at all, penny stamps being cut in two perpendicularly or diagonally, and the halves used for half penny stamps. An unused one of these is quite worthless and any one could cut a stamp in two or more pieces and they would have to be purchased as provisional stamps entirely on faith. But when one of these half stamps can be had, or a whole or part of an envelope with the canceling mark showing on both the stamp and the paper, it makes an exceedingly interesting addition to the collection. There are some provisional stamps which were in use long enough to become comparatively common, but some of them are so scarce as to be almost unobtainable, and not a few readily command a good many dollars apiece, with the demand far in excess of the supply. Of all stamps, provisionals are the ones the collector should be cautious about buying and it will always be safe to refuse to buy them unless they can be had from those who can be relied upon to furnish only the genuine thing.

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NEW ISSUES.

BAVARIA.—Two new postals have been issued; 10 pfennig, with water mark of wavy lines, and 3 pfennig, watermark and with two lines of inscription under "post-karte," color, black, on brown; they are unstamped.

BRAZIL.—Three new cards have appeared; 50 reis, red on blue; 100 reis, blue on blue; 500 reis, green on blue.

CASHMERE.—A new 1-2 anna postal card is said to be in use.

MAURITIUS.—A new double postal card has been issued; value 6 cents.

PERU.—The 1 centavo, green, and 2 do. vermilion, with the "horse-shoe" surcharge, and also has a triangular surcharge, containing a star, and the word "Peru."

PORTO RICO.—Mr. Wm. v. d. Wettern informs us that the issue for 1884 has been emitted, but differs very little from last year.

SANDWICH ISLANDS.—Three new values of stamps are reported to be in preparation, viz., 25 cts., lilac; 50 cts., red; and \$1, carmine. The 25 cents will represent Kamehameha I; the 50 cents, Kalakua, and the \$1, Queen Emma.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—The 1 penny card has been issued in double form.

ST. LUCIA.—A new 1 penny card has been issued; color, carmine on buff.

TOBAGO.—Double 1 1-2 penny cards are said to be in use.

TURKEY.—Two new stamps have been issued; 5 piastres, blue, and 25 do., lilac.

URUGUAY.—A new provisional has been made, by surcharging the old green 5 centavos, "1883 Provisorio."

VICTORIA.—A new 1 penny card is reported; color, rose on buff.

MUANG THAI.

BY L. W. DURBIN.

The stamps of Siam are the latest addition to our albums. Bogus Siamese stamps have at various times been put on the market, but it was not until last year that the "simon pure" article came to hand.

They are five in number, as follows: 1-2 att, blue; 1 att, carmine; 4 atts, vermilion; 8 atts, yellow; 16 atts, orange. They bear the portrait of king Chulalongkorn, in an oval. They were engraved in Paris, and are very handsome. Siam is called by its people Muang Thai, or the kingdom of the free, and yet it is one of the most despotic governments on the globe. The monarch has absolute possession of the bodies of his subjects, and can execute as many of them as he pleases and as often as he pleases. Siam is an ancient country; how old no one knows, but they have a history extending as far back as five centuries B. C.

Until very recently foreigners were not permitted to visit Siam, and even now, it would be unsafe for them to attempt to go to many parts of the country. But the way is gradually being opened, and the issue of postage stamps proves that civilization and progress, which are synonymous terms, are gaining a foothold. Siam is sometimes called "the land of the white elephant" as it is now there his white or rather cream-colored majesty hails, for a white elephant in Siam is something worthy of worship in the minds of the natives. Siam is a little-known country, even to many well-informed people, and it will be worth while for our readers to get out their histories and encyclopædias, and read up a little. Many interesting things will be learned thereby, and among others, that the Siamese, unlike any other people we have read of, have two kings to look after them and to be supported by them.

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Short Talks about Stamp-Issuing Countries and Their Stamps.

II.—GUATEMALA.

BY T. COKE.

The republic of Guatemala is the most northern of the five Central American states. It is bounded on the north by Mexico, on the east by Balize and Bay of Honduras, on the south by the republics of Honduras and San Salvador, and on the west by the Pacific Ocean. The east coast lies wholly on the Bay of Honduras which indents it deeply, but irregularly, forming at its west end an inner basin called the Bay of Amatique, into which opens the Gulf of Dulce. Santo Tomas is the principal port on this coast, but it has but little trade. The Pacific coast trends northwest and southeast and is mostly low and bordered by a strip of low land 20 or 30 miles, wide, back of which rise the table-lands and mountains. Some parts, however, are bold and rocky and are faced by dangerous reefs. The surface presents great variety, mountains and valleys, plains and table-lands. The physical features of Guatemala, which are of the most practical interest, are its lakes and fine rivers, which are navigable to near their headwaters. Among the lakes, those of Amatitlan, Atitlan, Dulce or Isabel, and Peten or Itza are most remarkable and interesting. The lake of Itza is very irregular in form, having a total length of from 40 to 50 miles and an average width of 5 miles. Although it receives the water of a number of streams, it has no outlet, whence the Indians sometimes call it Nohoken, or Drink-much, surrounded by a plain country, it is exposed to sudden storms, under the influence of which, it is said, its waves often roll like those of the ocean. It contains a number of islands. The principal rivers of Guatemala flow northward into the Gulf of Mexico, or eastward into the Bay of Honduras. The largest river is the Vsumasinta, which, under the names of La Pasion or Lacandon, drains nearly half of the Republic. The tableland which forms most of the surface of the Republic, has an elevation toward the south border of about 5000 feet above the sea, rising still higher to the northward, thence it sinks gradually toward the northeast coast and is broken by several deep valleys. The descent toward the Pacific side is so steep that from the ocean it presents the appearance of a range of mountains. There are no ridges, however, which rise above

the character of hills a few hundred feet high, except those formed between the deep valleys which cut into the plateau on the east border. There are several isolated volcanoes on the Pacific side, all of which are on a line with San Salvador and Nicaragua. They are of vast size, and rising generally from a lower base than those of Mexico and South America, leave an impression of greater altitude and more imposing grandeur. The climate of Guatemala varies greatly with its varying elevations, from the usual tropical heats of the seaboard, through the intermediate spring-like temperature of the interior plateau, to the cold and often wintry climate of the mountains. The plateau on which the capital—Guatemala—is built, is elevated 4,200 feet above the sea. Of the inhabitants of Guatemala, which numbers nearly 1,190,750, about two-thirds are Indians and the rest Ladinos and whites—the latter being insignificant in number. There are few negroes. The whites, with the exception of a few merchants or shopkeepers in the towns, are mostly proprietors of estates of cochineal and other staples; the Ladinos, or mixed whites and Indians, are the mechanics and petty traders; the Indians here, as elsewhere in Central America, constitute the bulk of the laboring population. Some of the largest towns in the remote districts are made up of Indians exclusively, speaking their native tongues and conforming only nominally to the laws, religion and general regulations of the State. The native products include more than 100 varieties of timber trees; cocoa is grown in the northwest; there is some good tobacco raised in small quantities, and vanilla, alves, rhubarb, castor oil, and colocynth are all indigenous, and I believe that with the help of foreign capital it may some of these days become the material of a valuable export trade. The chief articles imported are cottons, silks, woolens, hardware, linens and jewelry, and the chief articles exported are cochineal, indigo, sugar, hides, country manufactures and mahogany. Formerly cochineal was the principal export, but of late years, owing to a disease among the cochineal insect, coffee has been the staple. Guatemala is almost entirely free from the presence of animals that are dangerous to man. Among the vast number of birds such as humming birds, wood-peckers, trogons, etc.; many are of brilliant plumage. The quetzal, sometimes called the quijal or quesal, is of special note, not only from the fact that its yellow tail-feathers—two feet long—

were formerly worn by the Indian princes, but because it has been adopted as the emblematical figure on the national arms of Guatemala. The constitution of Guatemala is Republican and Representative. The Council of State consists of 24 men elected by the House of Representatives, which consists of 52 members elected by the people. The parliamentary period and the term of office for the president, who is the head of the executive, is four years. Until about 1824, Guatemala was under the Spanish rule. From 1827 to 1851 it was controlled by Honduras and San Salvador. In the later years, Carrera defeated the Hondurians and San Salvadorians at La Arada and was rewarded by being made president of the republic, an iniquity which was in 1854 extended to him for life; his death occurred in 1865, and he was succeeded by Gen. Crua, who was deposed in 1871. In 1872 Gen Bavrious was elected president and four years later he endeavored to bring about the consolidation of the Central American republics. The effort failed and a war ensued between Guatemala, Honduras and San Salvador, out of which Guatemala emerged victorious.

THE POSTAGE STAMPS.

A complete set of uncanceled Guatemala stamps are certainly, I think, as beautiful in every respect, as any that have been issued by any government. The first recorded issue of postage stamps by this country was in 1871. The set consisted of four values, viz.: 1 centavo, bistre; 5 centavos, brown; 10 centavos, blue; 20 centavos, carmine. The design is the old arms of Guatemala in oval band, inscribed CORREOS DE GUATEMALA above, value below, numerals of value in lower corners. During the year 1872 a second set appeared, consisting of two values, namely, a four reals, color, lilac, and a 1 peso, color, orange. The design is as follows: National arms of Guatemala, in shield on lined ground, inscribed CORREOS DE GUATEMALA above, value below, numerals of value in lower corners. Three years later another set was issued, which consisted of four values. The first stamp of this set, a 1-4 real, color, black, bears a different design from the remaining three, design: Laureated profile of liberty to left on oval disk, 1-4 above, below and at each side, curved inscription in four parts CUARTILLO REAL CORREOS DE GUATEMALA, ornamented frame. The remaining stamps are described as follows; same profile as last, in frames different for each value; value above and below, COR-

REOS DE at left, GUATEMALA at right side, numerals of value in angles. The values are: 1-2 real, green; 1 real, blue; 2 reals, carmine. In 1877 a set of four stamps was added, only to improve the beauty and attractiveness of these stamps. The design was a portrait of Indian female in oval, (the reason for which is plainly seen in the first half of my "Talk") CORREOS DE GUATEMALA on scroll above, value below, the quetzal (one of the most beautiful birds on this continent and the national emblem which is above alluded to,) and tropical fruits in upper corners and numerals of value on scrolls in lower corners. The following are the values: 1-2 real, green; 2 reales, carmine; 4 reals, violet; 1 peso, yellow. These stamps were printed in Paris and found their way to collectors before they were delivered to the government. The next set, which was issued in 1882, consisted of five values, viz.: 1 centavo, red and green; 10 centavos, lilac and green; 20 centavos, orange and green; design, a quetzal on pedestal on oval disk, below in curved line CUARTILLO REAL, inscribed in curved line over disk, CORREOS DE GUATEMALA in upper corners, numeral of value. The first envelope stamps were issued in 1875. There were three values, printed on lemon envelopes. Values: 1-2 real, green; 1 real, blue; 2 reales, red. The design is described as follows: Laureated profile of Liberty to left, on solid oval disk, in reticulated frame, inscribed GUATEMALA above, value below, numerals of value in ovals at sides. During the same year the newspaper wrapper was introduced on which was a stamp, same design as on envelope. Value of stamp, 1-4 real, color, black, printed on manila paper.

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GOSSIP.

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The *Monthly Echo* has again appeared after a suspension of several months.

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COIN SALES.

[The Editor of this Department, is Mr. F. F. Fletcher, of St. Johnsbury, Vt., to whom a copy of all catalogues, books and papers wished to be reviewed, should be sent.]

December 7. C. L. Stake (13th sale), sold to the highest bidder, a collection of coins and Indian relics, at Dayton, Ohio. 20 lots.

Dec. 7-8. A collection of foreign and American coins, the property of Mr. L. F. Lindsay of Chicago, Ill., was sold by S. L. and H. Chapman, at Bangs & Co., N. Y. 1017 lots.

Dec. 10, 11, 12. Scott & Co., sold at the auction rooms of George A. Leavitt & Co., a collection of gold, silver, and copper American coins, and historical coins of all nations. The collection was owned by D. L. Walter, Esq., and though large was quite poor.

This was Messrs. Scott's 55th sale.
Dec. 12, 13, 14, 15. Ed. Frossard sold at Bangs & Co's, N. Y., the well-known collection of Wm. Poillon, Esq., secretary of the American Numismatic and Archaeological Society, N. Y., 2562 lots. The prices paid were quite low, and many secured bargains. Lot 965, 1793 cent sold at the limited price \$75. Lot 1039, 1823 cent, very fine, \$19. Total proceeds were \$3050.

Dec. 10, 11, 12. Messrs. Scott & Co. sold a small collection of coins.

Dec. 19. A collection of fine coins and medals and foreign crowns, the property of George W. Cox. Sold by J. W. Haseltine, 666 lots.

Dec. 20, 21. American, English and ancient coins, medals, continental and confederate money, books and curiosities,

1000 lots. Catalogued by H. G. Sampson and sold at Bangs & Co's. N. Y. City.

Dec. 22. Charles Steigerwalt sold at Lancaster, Penn., a collection of coins and medals, 517 lots. Mr. Steigerwalt has added a new feature to his catalogues, viz., an addenda giving list of coins for sale at a fixed price.

Dec. 22. Catalogue of a collection of curiosities, armour, coins, manuscripts, pottery, etc., 85 lots. Sold by Wm. H. Arnton, Montreal.

Dec. 29. George W. Cogan catalogued a collection of American and foreign gold, silver and copper coins and medals belonging to Mr. S. B. Bennell of New York, 591 lots. Sold at Bangs & Co's.

NOTES.

Mr. W. F. Greany the well-known western dealer has issued a new catalogue of his wares—coins and stamps. The catalogue presents a neat appearance. The editor of this department will commence the new year by promising the readers of the *Granite State Philatelist* an accurate and trustworthy account of all auction sales occurring in our large cities and we shall try to make this department interesting, not by giving, simply, the dry announcement of an auction, but by giving an interest to each sale by adding the highest prices paid for specimens, and making other suggestions of interest and value to the reader. In the "Notes" we shall continue to present in a pleasing form the coin gossip, and the happenings of our fraternity throughout the country.

We have received from P. F. Shields, Nashville, Tenn., "Shields' Coin Catalogue," giving prices paid for coins.

J. S. McHenry, of Nashville, Tenn., has compiled a neat catalogue of autographs, coins, medals, etc. We have lately had occasion to notice other catalogues and lists hailing from the south, which shows a moving business.

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of one of our tradesmen—Mr. S. K. Hayfield of Philadelphia. Mr. H. had been in poor health for some time since, and returned lately to his native land, Germany, in the hope of a speedy recovery, but he gradually grew worse, and soon passed away surrounded by his friends and the old associations of his native home.

Mr. Lyman H. Low has published his monthly catalogue of copper coins for sale at fixed prices. The catalogue is quite valuable for the lengthy descriptions of almost each piece. The collection contains 742 lots.

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The Christmas number of the *Magazine of Philately*, (with which is incorporated the *Universal Philatelic Magazine*) published by Geo. Birtwhistle, Liverpool, is before us, and is a decided success. It makes a creditable appearance, is filled with good reading, and surely deserves success.

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NEW ISSUES.

AUSTRIA.—The post cards are now issued with the stamp of the new type.

ANGOLA.—A new 10 reis, green, is said to have been issued.

AUSTRIAN ITALY.—Their postal cards now bear the same stamp as the current issue adhesives.

BORNEO.—A new value of the design which we illustrated in our August number has appeared; value, 8 cents; color, green.

BANGKOK.—The following values of these stamps have been surcharged "B." 2 cents rose, 4 cents brown, and 12 cents purple.

BRAZIL.—Three new letter cards, with adhesive stamps, have appeared, value, 50 reis, blue on gray; 100 reis, lilac, on buff, and 200 reis, rose on green card.

BAVARIA.—The inscription on the 3 pf. and 3x3 pf. cards, is "Giltignur im Inlands and in Zugehörigen Landbestillbezirke," according to the P. W. We should think the engraver must have had a long wind or he would have given up the job.

BRITISH GUIANA.—It is said the 3 cent postal card has been issued in double form.

DENMARK.—The Copenhagen Local Post has issued the following varieties; adhesive, 2 are blue; 3 are purple; 10 are blue; envelope, 10 are blue; post card, 10 are blue.

DUTCH INDIES.—A new unpaid letter stamp has appeared; value, 15 cents, red and black. The 2 1-2 cent stamp instead of having the portrait of the king in the centre, now has the value in figures.

EGYPT.—The 5 piastres stamp, surcharged 20 paras, and unpaid letter

stamps, and reply cards, are said to be in preparation.

ECUADOR.—The English papers mention an addition to the current set; value, 1 peso; color, brown.

HAWAII.—Two reply paid cards have been issued; 1x1 cent, purple on buff, and 2x2 cents, blue on white.

INDIA.—The new 1-2 anna stamp has the portrait of the Queen in the centre, "India Postage," above and value below; color, green. It has already been surcharged, "On H. M. S." An official card is said to be in preparation; value, 1-4 anna; color, blue.

JAPAN.—A new wrapper has appeared, value, 1 sen; color, blue.

JAMAICA.—Double 1 and 1 1-2 penny cards are said to be in use.

MEXICO.—The German papers mention a new 25 cent envelope, blue, with the impressed stamp at the left.

PORTO RICO.—The 3 cents de peso is now brown, instead of yellow.

PERU.—Two new cards have been issued; 3 centavos, black on white, and 4x4 centavos, black on gray.

ST. DOMINGO.—The 1 centavo has been seen, surcharged, "10 centimos," in black.

SANDWICH ISLANDS.—The 1 and 2 cent cards are now issued in double form.

TOBAGO.—A 2 1-2 pence stamp, color, blue, of the De La Rue type, has been added to the current set.

TURKEY.—Two new stamps have appeared; 5 piastres, blue, and 25 piastres, flesh. They are for internal use.

URUGUAY.—A new letter card has been issued; value, 3 centecimos; color, brown.

COIN DEPARTMENT.

EDITED BY F. F. FLETCHER.

[Copies of all catalogues, books and papers wished to be reviewed and also all contributions and letters pertaining to this department should be addressed to F. F. Fletcher, St. Johnsbury, Vermont.]

SALUTATORY.

With this number we present our readers a new department, from which, it is our hope, that *everyone* may find something delectable, each to his taste and something of value and interest to all members of the fraternity. We shall continue the "Coin Sales" as well as the "Notes" striving to give the happenings and doings of the coin world in a pleasing and chatty style. New and interesting, as well as instructive, papers are in course of preparation and will appear during the coming months, pertaining to the various branches of Numismatic learning. To those who write upon, or take an interest in Numismatics, we now express a wish to hear from any, in the shape of well written papers on any subject pertaining to our science. Our columns are always at the disposal of our readers, wherein they may express their views upon any subjects, or in asking questions relating to our department which they may not have been able to solve themselves. In conclusion may we not expect some well written papers from among our numerous readers for our March issue?

COIN SALES.

Jan. 8—9—10: Mr. W. E. Woodward sold the Ely collection of coins. The collection contained 1872 lots all described and arranged with unusual care. The Catalogue presents a very neat appearance both typographically as well as in the mechanical execution. We quote the following prices received: 1794 dollar, in copper \$130, 1827 quarter dollar, *brilliant proof* \$215, 1794 half dime proof \$23.50, 1802 half dime in fair condition \$40, 1793 American cent very fine \$56, a George Clinton cent brought \$135, 1786 Immunis Columbia, \$50, New York, Washington cent \$47.50, "Liber natus libertatem defendo" \$75, Washington one half dollar 1792 brought \$60.50, Sovereign of Henry VIII \$66, Sovereign of Elizabeth \$37, James VIII, the pretender of "45," crown sold for \$32, William IV, crown

of 1831, \$31. The collection realized \$7,700.

We give the above in place of the usual January sales. The remainder will be found in next number.

A MEDAL OF PROF. CHAS. E. ANTHON.

It has been suggested that the American Numismatic and Archaeological Society of New York, should strike a medal commemorative of the late Charles E. Anthon, for many years the active president of this society and identified during a large part of his life with the progress of Numismatics in this country. Should the plan be carried out it is the intention to have the dies cut by Lea Ahlborn of the Swedish Mint. Medals to be in bronze, size about 40, American measurement, price \$5 each. In order to test the opinion of his friends and the society as to the advisability of striking such a medal, collectors are respectfully requested to notify the secretary of the association, Mr. Wm. Poillon, 61 Bethune St., New York, if they desire to obtain a copy.—[From Numisma.]

NEW COINAGE BILL.

Senator Morrill has brought forward a bill to provide for an approved coinage. The principal provisions of which, are that the coinage shall be based upon the metric system, that the new fractional coins shall contain an amount of silver equal in proportion to the nominal values respectively represented by them to the standard silver dollar; that a new 5 cent silver coin be substituted, for the present 5 and 3 cent nickel coins and a 1 cent nickel coin for the present copper coin and that the fractional currency in the treasury shall be used in the coinage of the new pieces and that the amount of silver thus used shall be in lieu of the monthly purchase of silver bullion required by law for the coinage of standard dollars.

THE WARNER COLLECTION.

We have received an announcement that the well-known Thomas Warner of Cohocton, N. Y., collection has been placed in the hands of Messrs. S. H. and H. Chapman to be catalogued and sold at auction. We insert some parts of their announcement.

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lector as it contains specimens of all divisions of numismatic science. It consists of coins comprising ancient Greek and Roman gold, silver and bronze, English coins among which may be remarked Oliver Cromwell sovereign, crown, one-half crown and shilling, pattern pieces of George III, American, colonial and state coins including New England shilling, Lord Baltimore shilling, Standish Barry three pence, set of Chalmers pieces, Masonic medals, Numismatic books and Indian Antiquities.

This collection contains a great number of pieces and will require six days to sell it. We will publish the catalogue in quarto size, heavy paper with broad margins in the same style as Bushnell catalogue, not sparing expense in its preparation and will charge a small price for it, the principal reason for so doing being to save the waste caused by free distribution under which system collectors receive a copy from each of the dealers with whom they are corresponding—we will also issue a copy with 10 and probably 12 quarto plates containing specimens of the different series.

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SOMETHING ABOUT NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

BY T. COKE.

The Government issued the first set of newspaper stamps October 1, 1865. They consisted of three values, namely: 5 cent, color, red; 10 cent, color, green; 25 cent, color, vermilion. These stamps were approved by the act of Congress, March 3, 1863, but were not issued for more than two and a half years afterward. They were engraved and printed by the National Bank Note Company, of New York and are several times the size of an ordinary stamp. During the year 1875 a second series of newspaper stamps, were prepared by the Continental Bank Note Company of the same city. They are smaller and much more tasteful in design than the

foregoing stamps. The several contracts made by the Post-Office Department for the manufacture of these stamps required that the stamps should be furnished at a given rate per thousand, without any expense to the Government for the engraving of dies and plates. The above mentioned set consists of twenty-four denominations, the highest being \$60. It would be useless for me, in this limited space to try to describe these stamps with their elaborate designs. I can only add that the beautiful workmanship on these stamps is surpassed by *very* few, if any, of the many postage stamps, that have been produced, from time to time, in this country. Although some of these stamps generally find their way to the beginner's album early, I am afraid that nearly nine collectors out of every ten, do not know the use they are put to. For the benefit of these—and perhaps more advanced collectors—I will explain. Papers going to subscribers living beyond the limits of the county in which the papers are published, are made up in packages at the publication office and are then taken to the post-office and there weighed; the necessary postage (2 cents per lb.) is paid to a clerk, who furnishes the publisher with a receipt for the amount. To the sheets of these receipts are attached the stamps representing the postage which are cancelled by punching a large hole through them and both are kept in the Post-Office Department as vouchers for the postage paid. The most singular feature of the whole transaction is that the stamps are not affixed to the newspapers themselves, and never pass through the mails.

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That the subscription price of the *Old Curiosity Shop* has been reduced to 25 cents.

That the *Philatelic News*, under the management of Mr. W. L. Emory, is a decided success.

That the *Golden State Philatelist* is the smallest philatelic paper we have seen; size, 4x5 inches.

That the *International Philatelist* is to be published by Rowbotham & Co., of England. It will be devoted to advertisements.

That new philatelic papers are springing up nearly every day. We have just received the *North Star Philatelist*, published in Minneapolis.

That now is the time to subscribe to this paper. We do not advertise to publish the best paper—we leave that to more conceited publishers—but we do advertise to give our subscribers their money's worth.

GOSSIP.

The color of the 1-2 anna envelope, of India, has been changed to green.

The half penny stamp of Jamaica, is now carmine, and is watermarked, C. A. and crown.

The surcharge, "T. F." on the 5 f. of Luxemburg, is now in italics and of larger size than formerly.

The 10 cent stamp, of the current issue of Hawaii, has been changed from black to red, and the 12 cent is now purple.

Mr. C. C. Simmons, the popular Chariton stamp dealer, has been appointed to the clerkship of the Chariton, (Iowa) post-office. "Doc" is a good fellow, and deserves success.

Mr. William S. Ridley of Brooklyn, N. Y., has purchased the stock of stamps of the Brooklyn Stamp Co. and will hereafter carry on that business, in connection with his own.

PHILATELIC NOTES.

BY W. E. SKINNER.

"Specimen" Stamps—Many philatelists discard the United States department stamps surcharged "Specimen" as being mere fac similies. We take the following information from two reliable sources. "A few years ago the U. S. department stamps were abolished to make way for 'official business' envelopes'. 'A surplus of stamps remained in most of the department offices.' 'A few years ago many of these (especially War and Executive) were missed and about the same time certain New York and Boston dealers sold genuine unused sets of war department stamps at very low prices.' 'This looked suspicious and some of the stamps were sent to the P. O. department and proved to be genuine.' 'It was afterward ascertained that these were from the lot that had been stolen.' 'The Post Office department then took the remaining stamps, which had not been stolen, surcharged them "specimen" in indigo ink and sold them out to collectors at face value.' "

By the above quotations it is seen that the specimen departmentals are neither fac similies, counterfeits or reprints, being the original article. As a proof of the statement we have before us a price list quoting war department (unused) stamps at \$1.20 per set. By a recent law, post-office officials are ordered to seize any pamphlets, books, etc., containing printed likenesses of U. S. stamps, which may be discovered in the mails. This will, of course, exclude cuts of "locals" as they were not government stamps. When ordering a stamp album, to be sent by mail, it will be well to request the dealer to draw an ink line through all cuts of U. S. stamps; then you will be safe.

As often as a new philatelic paper rears its head another one "goes under." There are now as many as twelve (and probably more) stamp papers in the United States. Probably there are twenty-five thousand collectors in the Union. Not one out of five collectors takes a philatelic journal, leaving less than five thousand subscribers to twelve papers. The four principal journals probably have a combined circulation of four thousand. The other eight papers have an average of one hundred and twenty-five sub-

scribers each. This is about the way in which the subscribers are divided and this is the reason so few papers can stand.

Some of the old U. S. stamps (including locals) which a few years ago were not worth a continental now cannot be bought for love or money.

Those advertisements of albums, stamps, etc., in the *Philatelic Monthly* do not appear to have been materially changed for the last three years, and are getting rather monotonous. "Variety is the spice of life," Bro. Durbin.

True, "variety is the spice of life," but Bro. Durbin believes in "letting well enough alone," and we are inclined to be of the same opinion.—[Ed.]

MISCELLANY.

Mr. W. E. Woodward is now cataloguing a collection of Local Histories, Genealogies, Confederate publications, line of Japanese Netsukes, variety of bric-a-brac and curios, collection of prehistoric relics, Numismatic library, also fine statuary, busts of Alex Hamilton, Harvey and Corrinne, Statue of Dante's Beatrice, etc.

Mr. Chas. Steigerwalt, Lancaster, Pa., will publish this month, "Steigerwalt's Illustrated History of U. S. and Colonial Coins." This volume will treat in a brief and pithy style the regular series of the U. S. coinage including gold, silver and copper also descriptions of the early American colonial, Washington coins, etc.

On the coins of William IV coined for India by the East India Co., it will be noticed that on the reverse under the denomination of the prices there occurs a number of dots. Suppose a coin to be of the date 1834 and there are four dots above this, signified that the coin was issued in 1838. To save the expense of cutting new dies, this plan was diverted—a new dot added for each year. This feature is still carried on in India.

The five cent coins without the word "cents" on them have already reached the commercial value of one dollar. A few can be obtained at that price. Such a small number are in circulation that they are much sought by coin collectors.—*Caledonian*.

We clip the above item which is going the rounds of the press, from one of our local papers. In order to correct any impression that the new nickel

without the word "cents" can be sold at any time for the price of \$1 appears too absurd as any coin dealer will supply them for a few cents each.

At the sale of relics in Baltimore, one hair of Henry Clay brought thirty cents.—[Boston Journal].

Owing to the extremely arduous and brain exhausting duties of the editor there has fallen from his *caput*, a large quantity of the hirsute appendage and owing to the large amount of the same placed upon the market since the above was penned, he will be happy to fill orders at one-half price—per specimen. Special discounts to dealers.

THE CHINA STAMP.

By L. W. DURBIN.

These stamps have been pretty thoroughly ventilated, but the editor of the *Granite State Philatelist* has asked me for an article on them and so I have complied, though at a risk of repeating what has already been said elsewhere. It would seem as though everyone ought to understand these stamps and yet there is a great deal of ignorance concerning them even among persons who ought to be better informed.

In these days there is no reason why the character of any stamp should not be thoroughly known. The difficulty is, too many collectors will not take the trouble to read and investigate. There are no Government Post-Offices in China, nor any imperial postage stamps. The mails are carried by private companies, similar to those local posts which existed in our own country from 1843 to about 1860, such as Blood's of Philadelphia, Boyd's in New York, Hale's of Boston and so on. These companies, it is said, cover the entire empire and carry the mails with safety and speed. China, as is well-known, is not as a whole an open country to foreigners, though there are numbers of them in and about certain parts of the seaports. Haykay contains a larger number than any other and is in fact an English city. Haykay has its post-office and issues its own stamps as every collector knows. Haykay is in China but no one questions the fact that the stamps which come from there are genuine in every way. Shanghai possesses a local post-office also, controlled by and operated in the interest of the foreign population. The curious

stamps they issue, with the horrid looking dragon on them are well-known and much sought after. Is any one prepared to argue that the Shanghai stamps are humbugs? There are other ports in China, than these two named, which contain large numbers of foreigners, and there is an English company which carries the mails between these cities. It is from this company that the China stamps emanate. They are not issued by the imperial government of China, and no one, to our knowledge, has assumed that they were. But the company which does issue them is protected by the Chinese Government and its stamps are without a doubt fully entitled to a place in the album. There are plenty of used specimens of the China stamps to be had. We have received them for correspondents on the Pacific coast, in Japan and other localities and have been doing so ever since their appearance in 1878. It would seem as though stamps which have been in use for five years and more, ought by this time to have made good their claim for recognition. But there are some people who, if they once get an idea in their head can never get it out or suffer it to change. The China stamps came out about August 1878. They are three in number, 1 candarian green, 3 cand. red, 5 cand. yellow. In the centre in a square frame is the Chinese dragon. "China" is at the top, the value at the bottom. At the sides and on the upper corners are inscriptions in Chinese characters. The usual mode of cancellation is by an oval with crossed bars and Chinese characters in the centre, but many come with a circular post-mark dated in the centre, with "customs" at the top and the name "Pekin," "Chefoo," "Newchwang" and so on below, and others again with "Post-Office" instead of "Customs."

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NEW ISSUES.

ANTIGUA.—One penny, rose, and 2 1-2d, blue of the new type, are said to be in use.

ANTIOQUIA.—The P. W. reports a new 5c. stamp of the following description: "It contains the head of Liberty, to the left is a circle, with 'correos' above, and 'de Antioquia' below. At the top of the stamp, following the curve of the circle, 'Cinco 5 cents.' The sides and bottom have a Greek frame, and in small squares in the lower corners are the letters 'C' and 'V'. It is a rough lithograph and printed in brown on white. Unperforated."

BRAZIL.—A new type of the 20 reis stamp is said to be in use; color, bronze green.

BORNEO.—Two new values are reported; 50 cents purple, and \$1.00 carmine.

CEYLON.—The "W. P." mentions a new registered envelope; value, 12c; color, rose; size, 127 by 200 in.

CUBA.—It is reported that the 20c. stamp is in use, surcharged "10."

DOMINICA.—A new 1 penny card is in use; color, lilac on buff.

DUTCH INDIES.—The 1 and 2 cent stamps have appeared, having the figure of value in the centre, instead of the head of the king.

EGYPT.—The new provisional which we announced last month as in preparation, has appeared. It is made by surcharging the 5 piasters, green; "20 Paras" in black. Five new unpaid letter stamps have also been issued; values 10 and 20 paras, and 1, 2 and 5 piastres; color, vermilion.

INDIA.—There are three new values with the inscription, "India Postage;" 9 pies, carmine; 2 annas, blue; 8 annas lilac. There are also two official post cards, one of which is 1-4 anna, and the other is unstamped.

ITALY.—The portrait of King Humbert adorns two new stamps, just issued; value, 30c., brown; and 3 lire, orange.

JHIND.—A new post card has appeared; value, 1-4 anna; green on white.

MEXICO.—The P. W. notices a new series: "There is a portrait of some worthy to the left, in oval, engine turned frame, inscribed 'Servicia Postal Mexicano' above, and the value below. The figures of value are also in the corners." The values are as follows: 1, 2, 4, 5 and 10 centavos; color green. An 8-cent envelope is also reported.

NEVIS.—A 1-2 penny stamp of the De La Rue type, has appeared; color, green.

NORWAY.—A new postal-union card has appeared; value, 6 ore; brown on white.

RUSSIA.—The P. W. mentions a new set of stamps as follows: 1k, orange; 2k, green; 3k, carmine; 5k, violet; 7k, blue-green; 14k, blue and red; 35k, lilac and green; 70k, brown and orange; 3r, 40k, blue and black; 7 r, yellow and black. Envelopes, 5k, lilac on white; 7k, blue on white; 14k, dark blue on blue; post card, 3k, carmine on buff.

ST. VINCENT.—The "Ph. R." mentions 1d and 1 1-2d cards, of new designs.

ST. DOMINGO.—The P. M. notes another variety of the surcharged stamps, viz.: 3fr. 75c., on 75 cents, blue with network.

TURKEY.—*Le Timbre Poste* mentions an addition to the current set; value, 10 paras; color, green and black.

URUGUAY.—The P. W. says a new provisional has been made by surcharging the 10 centesimo of 1877 obliquely, in three lines, "Provisorio—1 Centesimo—1884;" color, black on red.

NEW CALEDONIA.

BY T. COKE.

New Caledonia, called by the natives Balade, is an island of Australia lying in South Pacific. Its area is 6,769 square miles and the population is estimated at from sixty to 75,000. It is surrounded by dangerous rocks and is accessible by only two channels. The interior is occupied principally by barren mountains, rising in some places to a height of 8,000 feet. The natives resemble the Negrillo race and speak the language relative with the Australian tongues. They are fond of painting their falls and even in settlements they wear but few garments. Cannibalism, which formerly existed, has entirely ceased. The chief article of food are game and fish. New Caledonia was discovered by Captain Cook in 1774. The French took possession of the island in September 1853 and established on it a station for their Pacific squadron. It has remained in their hands since that time. The natives are found to be industrious and great numbers have embraced christianity. Numea, on Numea Bay, near the south west extremity of the island, is the seat of the Governor, who has authority over all the French possessions in the Pacific.

Postage stamps were introduced on this island early in the year 1860, the exact date we do not know. They were designed on stone by a sub-officer of the marines and lithographed at Port de France by order of the Governor of the colony. They were printed in sheets of fifty stamps, and each being engraved separately, they are all slightly different. They were originally issued to pay the postage from Port de France to Sidney; of the letters from New Caledonia, which on their arrival at Sidney, were handed over by the French Consul to the New South Wales post-office. The design on the stamps is approximately the same and is described as follows: The profile of Napoleon III to left, in irregular octagon; THE CALEDONIE above, POSTAGE and value below; ornamented frame. These stamps were all imperforated. Issue of 1860; 10 centimes, color black; 10 centimes, (Photo).

BLACK MOUNTAIN.

Montenegro is one of the least known of the stamp issuing countries. Its domain is not very extensive, comprising but two thousand square miles, its inhabitants numbering about two millions. The proper name is Czernogora or Black Mountain, Montenegro being an Italian translation.

Up to the year 1878 there were no towns in Montenegro, the capital, Cettingi, consisting of a collection of about one hundred houses of a poor sort. After the Russia, Turkish war the independence of Montenegro was recognized and a slice of territory bordering on the Adriatic was added giving them a solitary seaport.

In this newly acquired territory there are several towns, the largest containing 7500 people. The people are very ignorant, hold education in contempt and very few of them can read or write. There are but three or four schools in the whole country and up to 1871 there was not a single newspaper published within its borders. There is very little commerce and the people are poor. They are brave and hardy race, however, and have many times waged war with their more powerful neighbors and not always to their disadvantage.

Montenegro is very mountainous, in fact it is nearly all mountains, so that the land is, to a great extent, unfit for agriculture.

Postage stamps were introduced in 1874, consisting of seven values, viz.: 2 soldi (or novtch), yellow; 3 green; 5 red; 10 blue; 15 brown; 25 lilac. They bear the bust of the Hosfodar, Nicholas 1st, within a wreath. The values is at the bottom and an inscription in the native language at the top and at each side. Used specimens are rarely met with but when it is considered how poor and ignorant the people are and that few, even among their priests can write, it is not to be wondered at probably a vast number of these never saw or heard of a postage stamp.

"Where ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise" is no doubt a popular saying with the Montenegrins.

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The "Old Curiosity Shop," a magazine devoted to philately, numismatics, natural history, antiquities and general literature has appeared in a new dress and presents both a neat and journalistic appearance.

At the sale of the library of the late Henry C. Murphy, the ex-secretary of State of R. I., J. R. Bartlett purchased the "Life of Sir William Alexander" for \$150, the first copy of the Bible printed in this country in 1763 translated into the German language from Elliott's Indian Bible for \$110, and the "Centennial Book of the Signers" for \$445. The entire library consisted of about 5,000 volumes and the amount realized was \$52,000.

Mr. Wm. Muhl, 68 Bienville St., New Orleans, has issued lately a catalogue of second-hand books on subjects relating to numismatics, philology, natural history, botany, agriculture, geology, anatomy, medicine, americana, etc. Many of the books are valuable to parties interested in any of the subjects.

The "Bay Psalm Book," published at Cambridge in 1640, was the second book printed in British America. It went through seventy editions.

Although hardly coming in this department yet we cannot refrain from mentioning as one of the best, largest, most complete and reliable magazines, the "American Antiquarian and Oriental Journal." It is edited by the Rev. Stephen D. Peet, of Clinton, Wis., and published by Jameson & Morse, Chicago. The magazine is fully illustrated, containing papers relating to the many subjects combined under its title. The 5th volume has now been reached and is well worth the price of a year's subscription, \$3.00.

ROBBERY! Dr. H. C. Brainard, of Cleveland, Ohio, lost Feb. 14th, a val-

uable collection of coins. His office was entered and his entire collection of U. S. coins were taken, among which may be mentioned a full set of U. S. dollars except 1804-51-52-58; a set of half dollars except 1796-97; set of quarter dollars except 1823-27; set of dimes save 1809, complete set of cents and one-half cents and many minor coins. A glass case of Greek Roman and Colonial coins was left undisturbed, showing that the thieves were informed on the intrinsic value of the pieces. Any communication may be had with the owner or the chief of police, Cleveland.

In answer to B. L. D. regarding electrotypes: "An electrotype coin can always be distinguished by the edge, as being made in two pieces and soldered together the join must show but when made by a skillful mechanic you will have to look very closely to find it; the ring will also be duller and when filled with lead the sound will betray the fraud."

COIN SALES.

Jan. 11-12. A collection of coins and a numismatic library belonging to D. Strause, Albany, N. Y., was catalogued by J. W. Haseltine and sold at Bangs & Co.'s. The collection contained 1378 lots.

Jan. 21 Scott & Co. sold a small collection of miscellaneous coins and medals.

Jan. 29-30, Chas. F. Libbie (159th sale) sold the libraries of Hon. Chas. Hale, Hon. Nathan Hale, of Boston, and Hon. John P. Jayne, of New York City, 1422 lots.

Jan. 29, John W. Haseltine (76th sale) sold a collection of U. S. silver and copper coins, American colonials and foreign copper coins and autographs. The collection was sold at Messrs. Bangs & Co.'s and contained 577 lots.

Feb. 12-13-14. A collection of American and foreign coins and medals in gold, silver and copper, including a large collection of war medals, crosses, orders, etc. Catalogued by H. G. Sampson and sold by Bangs & Co. 1560 lots.

Feb. 13-14, Chas. F. Libbie & Co. disposed of at their salesroom, 1 Hamilton Place, Boston, the private library of Chas. H. Guild, Esq., of East Somerville, Mass. The collection was quite

valuable, comprising standard works in general literature, Arctic, and other voyages, travels, choice editions and many others of great value to the general reader as well as to the specialist.

Feb. 18. C. L. Stake sold at Dayton, Ohio, a collection comprising 205 lots of gold, silver and copper coins, medals and miscellaneous articles.

“Stamps and Geography; or What is Stamp Collecting Good For?”

BY J.

Some time ago a friend of mine wrote me saying that he thought of commencing a collection, and asked me if I thought stamp collecting helped to teach geography, as eastern dealers claimed it did.

I will now answer him, and others who may wish to ask the same question:

No, it does not; I claim that 50 cents invested in a geography will teach you more on the subject in half an hour than a collection worth \$500.00 would in a year. Let the dealers deny this if they can. They know that I am writing their PRIVATE OPINION, which they are afraid to express, as they make a living by it and must encourage it.

Young philatelist, did you ever derive any real benefit in regard to geography from your collection? I think not. The reason you kept up your collection was this: Take a country—Brazil, for instance, you had two of a set. The spaces that were to receive the remainder of the set look bare. “Well,” you say, “it will cost me but 75 cents to complete the set;” you do so and so continue until you have a collection,—and a small purse,

The following incident will show why boys collect stamps.

“Why do you collect stamps?” I asked a boy collector. “Just the same reason that girls collect picture cards—to see how many I can get.”

“So your collection has not been of much benefit to you has it?”

“Not much!” he answered, “But I know who did get the benefit of them, and that was the dealer of whom I bought them,—and he is right, the dealers are the only ones benefited by stamp collecting. So, in this light, stamp collecting is GOOD FOR NOTHING.—[Western Collector.

The above is the best argument in

favor of stamp collecting we have ever seen, and we publish it for the benefit of our readers. It shows that the fools are not all dead; it was written by some boy who had probably just graduated from the primary school, and thought he knew it all. It was published in a little “good-for-nothing” paper, whose press breaks down with nearly every other issue. Bro. Durbin, “will philately suffer thereby?” We would advise “J.” to “go west” and soak his head in the Pacific ocean as he is decidedly fresh.

“The collecting of postage stamps is the most intellectual and agreeable pursuit of the day, and is engaged in by old and young, rich and poor, prince and peasant. There are nearly 1,000,000 collectors in the U. S., while amateurs are to be found in every civilized city, town and village in the world. It teaches geography and history, it develops a taste for art and science, and stimulates research in nearly every branch of learning.—[A. J. of P.

THE PHILATELIST HAS OBSERVED:

That the *Bayonne Philatelist* has enlarged to 8 pages. Good!

That we received a surprise party a few days ago, in the shape of the *California Philatelist*.

That Mr. W. H. Young, of Johnstown, N. Y., has issued the neatest price-list of stamps we have yet seen.

That the *National Philatelist* is no more. We are very sorry it has suspended. It was a good paper and deserved a better fate.

That the *Agent's Herald*, published by Mr. L. Lum Smith, of Philadelphia, is making war on the newspaper and advertising frauds. Let the good work go on, brother, and “may your shadow never grow less.”

The 50 reis card of Brazil is now issued with a frame like the 80 reis.

The color of the 10 centavos stamp of Cuba has been changed to a much darker brown.

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That if you would like to take our paper and are a little "short" of cash, write to us and say so, and we will send you the paper, trusting to your honesty to pay for it at the end of the year.

That in the Jan. and Feb. issues we inserted Mr. E. B. Sterling's ad. without the name of the city. The address of Mr. Sterling is box 294, Trenton, N. J.

That the new catalogue will just "take the cake," and "fruit cake at that." All copy for ads. must reach us by the 20th of April, or it will not be inserted.

That the Chicago Numismatic and Archaeological society is "not dead, but sleepeth," as per Mercer's Directory.

That the March number of the *Western Collector* is dated "1883." If it was printed fifty years ago, it would do as much good as it does now.

That the GRANITE STATE PHILATELIST will hereafter contain 16 pages.

That for only 12 cents we will send one of our 16-page catalogues giving out buying prices for all American coins worth over face value, and this paper three months on trial.

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A correspondent writes, inquiring as to the genuineness of the rumor that the old cents contained a proportion of gold. This report was occasioned by the appearance in 1814 of copper cents having bright, gold-like specks, resembling the true metal. It is stated for a fact that many persons bought large quantities of the coin with the intention of remelting. The odd appearance of the coins was caused, simply, by a careless mixture of the metal used in their manufacture.

PHILATELY.

Many well meaning, sensible people take and scoff at the idea of persons, who are, perhaps, as sensible as themselves, collecting what they term "Dir-dittle bits of paper." Yet, perhaps these very individuals are accumulating at home and guarding with great care, a lot of specimens from our times. Or others are collectors of stamps, coins, plants, engravings, buttons, books, etc. My friend of the cotton mania, what interest is it to any one else that you possess a collection of 10,000 buttons? The idea of collecting buttons! Ha! ha! I have just as good a right to laugh at you, as you to sneer at me for being a Philatelist. Let us take a view of the benefits to be derived from the study of Philately.

Postage stamp collecting is traditionally said to have originated in a boy's school at Paris, where one of the tutors encouraged the boys to mount any stamps they could obtain, in their atlases, on the back of the map of each country to which the stamp belonged, in order to render the study of geography more interesting. The English people, through a Mr. T. W. Kitt, lay claim to having been the first who recommended the study of postage stamps, water marks and paper. But no matter whether England or France were the first; it is sufficient to know that the study of Philately has extended over the known world. A school-boy by pursuing this study, perfects himself in the customs and manners of all nations; he hears and reads of parts of the different states which he, perhaps, has never before heard of. His history is easier to be learned, because in his investigation after old stamps he learns who were the sovereigns and turns to his book to read more about them. He finds that in a simple postage stamp lie geography, history, peculiarities of produce and commerce, emblems and the undoubted consequences of wars and revolutions, chronicled in due, accurate and permanent chronological order. Heraldry, if the collector has a taste for armorial bearings, can be, and is amply gratified in this occupation, as many of the stamps, for instance of Heligoland, Russia and Servia, are simply a picture of the coat of arms, of the countries to which they belong.

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And, as with the above countries, so with all. Even here at home, the stamps of the so-called Confederate States, tell of our dark days and of our brighter issue therefrom.—[Vanity Fair.

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III.—BRITISH GUIANA.

BY T. COKE.

By referring to the map of South America you will notice on the north-east boundary the territory of Guiana. This territory is divided into three colonies—British, Dutch and French Guiana—the first of which I have chosen for our talk this month. British Guiana is the largest of these three divisions and comprises the western part of the country, extending along the coast from the mouth of the Orinoco to the Corentyn, which separates it from Dutch Guiana. The area is estimated to be 60,000 square miles and the population according to the last census is 225,365, of whom the greater part are whites. The western part is said to be hilly and occupied almost entirely by Indians. The greater number of the settlements are on the Demerara, Berbice and Corentyn rivers extending from the sea about 50 miles inland and on the coast between the mouths of these rivers. The principal productions are sugar, molasses, rum, timber, dye and coffee. The yield of the latter is rapidly decreasing; so much so, in fact, that it should hardly be classed in this list. The law by which the Colony is governed, is founded upon the old Dutch law put forth in 1774. The administration is vested in a governor, in a court of policy, which has ordinary legislative power and consists of the governor with an equal number of non-official members and in a combined court which has control of the finances, etc. These last and the non-official members of the court of policy are elected, the former by the people, male and female, and the latter by a college of electors chosen by popular vote. In some histories British Guiana is said to have been discovered by Columbus in 1498, while others say by Vasco Nunez in 1504. It was settled, however, by the Dutch in 1580 and taken by the English in 1781 but restored to Holland in 1783. Thirteen years later it was again seized by Great Britain, in 1801 again restored and in 1803 finally captured by the British in whose hands it has remained since 1814.

N. B.—Those of you who have atlases and encyclopedias can make these short talks much more interesting and instructive by referring to them.

THE POSTAGE STAMPS.

British Guiana, like its large neighboring country, soon saw the convenience and necessity of adopting postage stamps and in the latter part of the year 1850, the postal system was introduced and a set of stamps was issued exclusively for inland use. They were printed on thickly woven colored paper in black ink and were of the following values: 4 cents, pink or yellow; 8 cents, green; 12 cents, blue. A few specimens of the 4 cent rose are said to have been printed on tissue paper. The design of these stamps was of the plainest imaginable, consisting merely of a rough circle formed by a single line inside of which was, above BRITISH, and below GUIANA, with value in centre. Written across the face of most of these stamps, with pen and ink, are the initials of the postmaster. There seems to be considerable doubt among some philatelists as to what the correct initials are. Some say "C. R. D." while others "E. D. W." As I have seen specimens with the latter on, I can vouch only for their genuineness. When we think of the extremely simple design of these stamps and how liable they were of to be counterfeited, to say nothing of their ugliness, it is not to be wondered at that almost immediately new stamps were ordered. The fact that the short time this issue was in use accounts largely for its exceeding rarity, for these stamps are among the unobtainables. Early the next year (1851) a second series was introduced consisting of two values, namely, a one cent, color magenta, and a four cent, color blue. The design was a ship sailing to right with small fort to left, in a shield; value above; DAMUS PATIMUS QUE VICISSIM below; BRITISH on right side and GUIANA on left, in frame of single line. These stamps were not circular in shape, but were quite large and rectangular, being unperforated. They were engraved on steel and printed in black on colored paper. The famous error of misspelling PATIMUS for PETIMUS was made by the engravers,—Messrs. Waterlow & Sons, of London,—who, as we shall presently notice, soon cancelled this blunder by producing stamps of great beauty. The stamps of this issue were in circulation from the latter part of 1850 until 1853. Owing to their unhandy size, together with the engraver's error, the government decided to order a new set from England. While this order for new stamps was being executed

ed, the supply of the second issue having been given out, came the third series. Before I continue to describe this next series I might say just here, that in September, 1864, a reprint of the 4-cent stamp was ordered by the colonial authorities. They were engraved by Messrs. Waterhouse & Son, and being perforated, the philatelist will not have the least difficulty in seeing the difference between the worthless reprint and the almost unobtainable original. The design on the stamp of the third series is a ship sailing to right in centre; DAMUS PETIUS above; QUE VICIUSUM below; in outer lined frame is inscribed, BRITISH above, GUIANA below, POSTAGE on left side and FOUR CENTS on right, printed on-magenta and dark blue paper. The issue of these stamps was limited, which accounts for their extreme scarceness. This stamp is, without a doubt, the very rarest known to collectors. All the stamps of this issue were engraved on wood and printed in the colony and were surcharged with an initialed signature. It was not long before the fresh supply arrived from England. These stamps did ample justice to the engravers for they were finely executed and very artistic in appearance. The design is described as follows: A ship in full sail to left, in oval band on which is inscribed the motto of the colony, DAMUS PETIUS QUE VICIUSUM; POSTAGE above, value below, BRITISH on left and GUIANA on right side; date 1853, one figure in each corner. The values and colors are: 1 cent, red; 4 cents, blue. Unfortunately this issue, too, was reprinted in 1864, on perforated sheets.

(To be continued.)

The 5s. stamp of St. Vincent is a postage stamp, when not surcharged, and a revenue stamp when surcharged "revenue."

The "Le T. P." publishes a decree authorizing the issue of unpaid letter stamps for Italy. The values will be 50 lire, green; 100 lire, pale red.

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NORWAY.—The "Ph. R." notes a new 6 ore card.

PERU.—The "P. M." states that the 5 and 10 centavos unpaid letter stamps have been seen with the triangular surcharge.

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Tuscany.

BY L. W. DURBIN.

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During the wars of the first Napoleon, in 1807, Tuscany became a French prairie but two years later was restored to the reigning Grand Duke.

The "divine right" claimed by certain men and women to rule over other certain men and women, without their consent being first obtained, is sometimes rather rudely disputed and so it happened in Tuscany in 1859, the people through the national assembly, gently but firmly "requesting" the Grand Duke to remove the crown from his head and himself from their dominions, which he forthwith proceeded to do.

August 20, 1860, the assembly declared for annexation with Sardinia. It is now a part of the kingdom of Italy which is composed of the various small kingdoms, duchies and states, into which the peninsula was divided until a few years since.

Postage stamps were first issued in Tuscany in 1849. They bear the Tuscan Lion in a rectangular frame, the value being at the bottom, "Franco Bollo" on the left, "Tuscano" on the right and "Patale" at top. The stamps were impressed upon paper having a watermark covering the entire sheet so that each stamp shows a portion of a crown on horizontal lines. The paper is generally of a bluish tinge. In 1851 the watermark was changed and appears the same on each stamp, viz.: undulating lines running from top to bottom and crossing each other. The paper of this issue is usually white. The color of the paper cannot always be relied upon to distinguish the two issues, but if the collector will bear in

mind that all stamps with the watermarked lines running up and down belong to the second issue, and all others, no matter how the watermark appears, belong to the first, he will have no difficulty in placing them right. After the deposition of the Grand Duke in 1859, these stamps became obsolete and a new series was employed, pending the annexation to Sardinia, having the arms of the house Savoy in place of the lion. The watermark is the same as in the second issue. Of all the Tuscany stamps there are very poor counterfeits but of the 3-lire stamp in the 1859 issue, excellent imitations have been made. They come upon watermarked paper, too, some sheets having been stolen, which makes them all the more difficult to detect. The three line is an exceedingly rare stamp, as are also the 2 soldi and 60 crozia in the earlier emissions. The 60 crozia of the second issue is a much rarer stamp than is generally supposed and it is found on very few collections. The Tuscan stamps have been out of use for 23 years, but a number of them can yet be had at a few cents each, and they make a pleasing variation from the monotonous design which has of late been employed for so many different countries.

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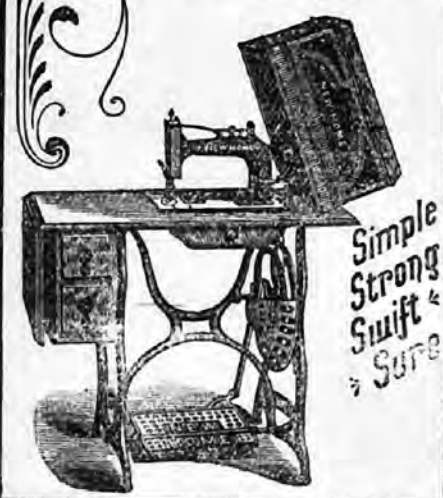
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Number 9.

NEW ISSUES.

BRAZIL.—The 100 reis letter card is now blue, on brown, and the 50 reis letter card exists; red on green.

BUEGARIA.—The 10 centimes card, in double form, is reported.

ECUADOR.—Two new post cards are now in use; values. 2 and 3 centavos; color, purple and black, on white card.

FRANCE.—The high values of unpaid letter stamps, which we announced as being in preparation, have at last appeared; color, lilac.

FIJI ISLANDS.—A new stamp with the "V. R." engraved, is now in use; value, 4 pence.

GREAT BRITAIN.—A new series is in preparation as follows: 1-2 penny, purple-black; 1, 1 1-2, 2, 2 1-2, 3 pence, lilac; 4, 5, 6, 7 pence, green; 1 shilling, green; 2 do., 6 do., lilac; 5 do., carmine; 10 do., blue; 1£, brown violet; 1£, orange.

HONG KONG.—The color of the ten-cent stamp is now green.

INDIA.—Two new double cards have been issued; values, 1-4 and 1 1-2 anas.

ITALY.—Two new values are said to be in preparation; 5 lire, green, and 10 lire, red.

MEXICO.—The "P. M." says the new stamps are for general use, instead of official, as we mentioned last month. The set consists of the following values: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20, 25 and 50 centavos, and 1, 2, 5 and 10 pesos.

MONTSERRAT.—A new half penny stamp has been issued; color, green.

SPAIN.—The following postal cards have lately been issued: 5 centimos, green; 10 do., claret; 15 do., brown. The cards are on buff. They are also issued in double form. F.L.C. CICKING

ST. VINCENT.—A new provisional is reported, viz.: the half of a six pence stamp, surcharged "Half Penny."

STRAIT'S SETTLEMENTS.—A new provisional has appeared, viz.: 8 cents on 12 cents; color, blue.

TRINIDAD.—The following new cards have lately appeared: 1-2 penny, red-brown, and 1d, carmine on white; 1 1-2 d, brown; 2d, blue; 1x1d, carmine; 1 1-2x1 1-2d, brown on buff.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.—New provisionals have been made by surcharging one penny stamps "1-2" in red.

Communication.

MANCHESTER, Mich., May 5th, 1884.

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Brief Descriptions of Historical Coins.

BY F. F. F.

Knowing that the young collector has no books on the subject of Numismatics or is unable to procure his needed information concerning the different coins which he meets with, has been obliged to allow a quantity of coins of different dates, values and conditions to accumulate, the origin and signification of which he has no idea and only recognizes them as so many pieces of gold, silver or copper as the case may be. If that person knew the history and the condition under which his coins were issued and the reason *why* they were ever struck, would not the coins have a still greater interest and value in his eyes? Would he not take more pleasure in his researches for doubtful points in their history and would not his pleasure and satisfaction be still further increased in exhibiting and explaining their history to his friends? I think so, and for collectors of this class I commence in these pages short and brief descriptions and explanations concerning many of those pieces in which an amateur would naturally be interested. First it takes the

PIECES OF NECESSITY

Issued by Baron Goertz, of Sweden. While Charles XII was conducting the war against Russia and the surrounding countries, Sweden was greatly reduced in resources. Money and labor were scarce and to supply the deficiency of the coinage the then prime minister of Sweden, Baron de Goertz issued a series of dalers in copper on his own responsibility to circulate at the value of silver. The series consists of eleven pieces each of a different design as follows:

CROWN: 1715, large crown surmounted by a cross, beneath the date 1715. *Reverse*, 1 DALER S. M., (signifies silver money.)

PUBLICA FIDES. *Obverse*, female seated facing left, holding in right hand a leaf, her left supporting a spear and a shield bearing 3 crowns, (emblematical of Norway, Sweden and Denmark,) in exergue date 1716. *Reverse*, same as preceding.

WETT. OCH. WAPIN., (cunning and brave.) *Obverse*, a warrior with sword and shield, the latter bearing the three crowns. In exergue date 1717. *Reverse*, 1 DALER S. M., within a shield, above a lion's head at ei-

ther side, flags, pikes, and spears beneath two cornucopias.

SATVRNVS. *Obverse*, Saturn, god of time advancing to left holding in right hand an infant which he is about to devour and in his left hand a scythe. In exergue 1718. *Reverse*, 1 DALER S. M., within a floral circle.

FLINK OCH FARDIG, (quick and ready.) *Obverse*, a warrior holding sword and spear beside a lion, both advancing to left. In exergue, date 1718. *Reverse*, 1 DALER S. M., in a shield supported by two cornucopias, flags, cannon, pikes and spears.

IYPTER. *Obverse*, Jupiter standing holding his thunder bolts, at his feet is the eagle. In exergue 1718. *Reverse*, 1 DALER S. M., within a circle formed of three crowns and four branches of laurel.

MARS. *Obverse*, Mar's god of war standing to left holding spear and shield. In exergue, date 1718. *Reverse*, 1 DALER S. M., within ornamental shield.

MERCVRIVS. *Obverse*, Mercury holding his serpent wand with wings to left. In exergue, date 1718. 1 DALER S. M., within ornamental shield.

HOPPET. *Obverse*, Goddess of Hope standing upon an anchor. In exergue, date 1719: *Reverse*, 1 DALER S. M., within ornamental circle.

PAEBOVS. *Obverse*, Apollo, god of the sun, standing within a radiated circle (representing sunrise) holding in right hand a wand surmounted by a blazing sun. In exergue, date 1719. *Reverse*, 1 DALER S. M., within an ornamental circle.

HEAD OF BARON DE GEORTZ laureated facing right. *Reverse*, Mercury with serpent shaped winged wand facing right.

On the return of Charles XII from the wars, he was so enraged that Baron de Geortz should dare to place his own face rather than Charles on a coin (see last of series) that he was immediately executed.

The coins described are historical and should have a place in every cabinet both as a memorial of the ill-fated Charles as well as the sad fate of Baron de Geortz.

The Ledger Dispatch.

BY PHILIP LA TOURETTE.

In December, 1882, a young man named Edward Pidgeon hired

rooms in the old Willoughby building in No. 419 Fulton street, Brooklyn, hired a few carriers, issued a stamp and commenced carrying mail for the public. A number of business houses finding that they could have their letters delivered for eighty cents a hundred, immediately bought the stamps and had their city mail transmitted through this post office which was called The Ledger Dispatch. The first stamps used were light pink, but as soon as the issue was exhausted the proprietor had a dark red, and finally a purple stamp printed. About the time the purple stamps appeared the Government interfered, notifying him that his business was illegal. As he disregarded this order he was visited by the Marshall's Deputies, and his place was closed, all his stamps on hand destroyed and a fine imposed upon him. As he saw at once that his business was destroyed, he redeemed all the stamps in the possession of his customers and left Brooklyn.

Since then the Willoughby Building has been partially destroyed by fire, no less than three times within as many months, so that all traces of the Ledger Dispatch are obliterated. Unfortunately and very curiously too, the stamp collectors of New York and Brooklyn knew nothing about all this until after the post was closed, being so close to home it was entirely overlooked.

In contradiction to some local posts which have been closed by the Government in the last year, the stamps seem to have disappeared, only a very few are known to exist.

The stamp is rectangular, and the design measures 19 by 26 mm. In the centre is the representation of an addressed and stamped envelope, above which are the words, "The Ledger," and below "Dispatch," and "419 Fulton Street, Brooklyn."

This is all in an octagon with a groundwork of lines diverging from the centre. In the four corners is the letter "L" Rouletted in colored lines.— [National Philatelist.

Errors.

BY "QUIXOTE."

Errors in Philately exist in two forms viz., errors that are due to some mistake or blunder on the part of the manufacturer of the stamps, and consist

mainly of misspelled words, either in the wording of the stamp itself or in a surcharge on it, by being printed in false colors, etc., etc.

But leaving this variety of errors for future consideration we will turn our attention to those of a graver sort, those that reflect on ourselves as philatelists, and that have done more to retard the advance of our study, more than any other one evil, i. e.: *Errors in Philatelic Literature*, for

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Each line they add is much too long,
Who faster walks, that walks astray,
Is only farthest from his way."

Our Catalogues, hand books, and even our papers are full of errors.

Hyppolyte in a recent number of the *Stamp World* says: "If collectors trusted to their catalogues and guides (?) a little more and to their cuteness a little less, we think they would be much less likely to be gulled." I wish we could trust them, but such, however, is not the case, and must do as best we can.

These errors are not intentional on the part of the publishers, but are due either to the imperfect records now in existence, to being misled by incorrect information, or arise from ignorance.

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In reporting new issues mistakes frequently occur, and are seldom if ever rectified, and so it goes on record, to be copied and made worse probably by some other paper, to be raked up at some future day to be viewed with amusement if not disgust by the finder.

Our articles on obsolete stamps particularly those that have been so for years, must out of necessity be based on such records as have been left, and gleaned from such a field, what will the harvest be?

Collectors! "Do unto others as you would be done by." Should you receive information that would benefit others, do not selfishly withhold it.

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Short Talks About Stamp Issuing Countries and their Stamps.

III.—BRITISH GUIANA. (Concluded.)

BY T. COKE.

THE POSTAGE STAMPS.

After six years had elapsed the people of British Guiana began to grow somewhat tired of the postage stamps then in use and longed for a new set. This desire was soon granted by the colonial authorities and in the year 1860 a new series made their appearance. The design was similar to that of the preceding set and is described as follows: A vessel in full sail to right in solid garter in which is inscribed the motto of the colony; in outer rectangular frame is inscribed BRITISH to left; POSTAGE to right; GUIANA above and value below; date 1860, one figure in each corner. The values and colors of paper are: 1 cent, rose-pink; 2 cents, orange; 4 cents, blue; 8 cents, pink; 12 cents, lilac; 24 cents, green. There are two varieties of perforation—large and small. The colors of all the values of the above issue vary largely. In 1862 a one cent, color of paper, red, brown, deep brown, was issued and the following year brought to light a one cent, color black. There exists proofs of this latter printed on thick paper and being unperforated, the collector will have no trouble in confounding it with the originals. Taking the stamps of this country in chronological order, next comes the provisionals, which I think are undoubtedly the most interesting of all. In the latter part of October, 1852, the supply of the current stamps of 1, 2 and 4 cents having given out, the necessity therefore arose for providing some substitute till the fresh supply arrived from England. These stamps were then printed for immediate use in the colony, under the instructions of postmaster. They were of the three values above mentioned, the following being a list of the varieties. Border of pearls: 1 cent, pink; 2 cents, yellow. Border of grape pattern: 1 cent, pink; 2 cents, yellow. Border of crossed ovals: 1 cent, pink; 2 cents, yellow. Border of quarterfoils: 2 cents, blue. Border of hearts and dots: 4 cents, blue. The design on these stamps was of the simplest description, consisting merely of the words, BRITISH to left, GUIANA above POSTAGE to right, with value below,

printed on four sides of a rectangle. These stamps are surrounded by borders (as given above) of different patterns, printed in movable types. Before being issued for circulation the initials R. M. was written on each stamp. These initials were written by an employee in the post-office and are in black ink on the pink and red on the yellow, while on the blue they are written in acid which discharges the color of the paper and leaves the writing white. All the stamps of this issue were printed on perforated sheets and were adhesive. As soon as the fresh supply of the usual stamps were procured, these were immediately suppressed and the colonial authorities not regarding this issue with much pride, destroyed all the stock then existing. Early the next year, the sixth issue made its appearance. They, like most of the others, were executed by Messrs. Waterlow & Sons, and show great taste and skill. They were printed in London and exported ready for use, to the colony. The design is as follows: A ship sailing to right inclosed in circular band, inscribed DAMUS PETIMUS QUE VICISSIM straight lines, above, B. GUIANA, below value in Roman notation, ornamented andrils, date 1863, one letter in each corner. Below are the values and colors: 6 cents, blue; 24 cents, green; 48 cents, red. The colors of these stamps vary greatly, there being many shades of each value. They are also found with large and small perforations, the smaller being the first issued. Although there were slight alterations made from time to time in the current issue. No new set came into existence until July, 1876. These stamps were much smaller in size than their predecessors. The devise is a vessel sailing to right in flattened oval frame, inscribed DAMUS PETIMUS QUE VICISSIM ornamented spandrils, the whole enclosed in broad white frame inscribed POSTAGE above, value below, BRITISH on the left and GUIANA on the right. The following are the values and colors: 1 cent, slate; 2 cents, orange; 4 cents, blue; 6 cents, chocolate; 8 cents, rose; 12 cents, lilac; 24 cents, pale green; 48 cents, rose; 96 cents, yellow-brown. The next and last emission took place early in 1882. The design, which has been well-nigh the same on all the stamps since the 1860 issue is as follows: Two masted ship in square frame, surrounded by motto of the colony, inscribed BRITISH

to right side and GUIANA to left, POSTAGE above and value below. The values and colors are two, namely, a one-cent black on rose and a two-cent black on yellow. Later in the year two more stamps made their appearance; the design and colors were the same with the exception of the central design—the ship having three masts instead of two. Perhaps at this point the reader wonders why I have not mentioned any of the surcharges or official stamps of British Guiana. At the outset it was my intention in penning these few lines to give only a brief description of the emissions of the colony and incomplete as the above list is, I hope the *amateur* for whom these talks are intended, may find something that will be of interest and profit to him.

Boer Land.

BY L. W. DURBIN.

The stamps of the South African Republic, or Transvaal, as it has lately been called, are interesting from an historical point of view, showing as they do the political changes which have taken place in the country in recent years. Transvaal, meaning "beyond the Vaal," (a river in South Africa,) was occupied by Dutch Boers, who left the Orange Free State in 1848. They established a Republic which was reorganized by Great Britain in 1852. In 1877 complications arose with Great Britain and on the principle that "might makes right" the country was annexed by that power on April 12th of the same year. The Boers vehemently protested against such action, and sent a delegation to England to plead for justice. They were not even granted a hearing, and on their return, war was declared. The Boers were everywhere successful, and after the battle of Majela mountain, an armistice was agreed upon between the opposing forces pending the settlement of the questions at issue. The result was that the government of the South African Republic was partially restored to its brave and rightful owners, though some numerous restrictions were laid upon them, one being that the country must continue to be called Transvaal. These restrictions have been the subject of negotiations between the two governments and the final result is that they have been nearly all removed, leaving the people in entire and undisputed control of their own affairs.

The Boers number but about 50,000 people, and that they were successful in their war and controversy with Gt. Britain shows them to be a nation not to be despised because few in numbers.

Postage stamps were first introduced in '69 and as the issues and varieties are numerous, space will not permit their description and classification here. Suffice it to say that those first appearing were few in number and that they bore the arms of the Republic. After the occupation of the country by Great Britain, all the stamps were surcharged "V. R. Transvaal," and in the following year they gave place to a series of seven values, with the portrait of Queen Victoria. It was sought to change the name of the country, as well as absorb it, as is shown by the inscription on the stamps. During the last year stamps of the first type and with the old name "Z. Afi. Republick," were again brought into use, illustrating the restoration of the Boers to the complete control of their government.

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Philately, As a Science.

BY T. COKE.

Postage stamp collecting is a pursuit that has exercised its charm over persons of both sexes and in every class of life, ever since the mania — as it was then called — commenced, about 1863. No doubt, stamp collecting, as a *mania* has to a great extent died out, but the collecting of stamps as a *Science* has probably taken a firmer hold than ever among that class of persons most suited for its propagation. Now that the time has come when gentlemen are willing to travel miles to attend an auction sale or to inspect a choice assortment of stamps and who are eager to give from fifty to a hundred dollars or more for some great rarity, one has no right to complain of the decline of Philately, at least considered as a science and not as merely the frivolous pastime of schoolboys.

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You will come across (let us take for example) a two pence stamp of New Zealand, printed on very thin paper and perforated in an irregular manner; turning to your album to affix its proper place you will find no space allotted to it; then it will be that you will come to a knowledge of your own ignorance in the art of collecting; you will find that the *interest*, because the *science*, of the pursuit is yet before you and that what you have already accomplished is but the first steps, as it were, to the science of Philately; you have the

foundation, in your collection, of a knowledge of the art, but it is merely as the basis of your future efforts that it will be of service to you. I write this, of course, with the supposition that you intend to study your hobby thoroughly. To show the vast importance of complete investigation and classification, let us just consider what would be thought of a numismatist who resolutely refused to look at the reverse and rims of his coins and persisted in regarding merely the obverse and taking that portion solely into consideration; — every one would say that he did not know what he was about, that he was not a numismatist in any sense of the word, but merely an accumulator of round pieces of metal, — but where is the difference between the case of such a man as we have supposed and that of a collector who only looks at the design on the face of his stamps? None; the sciences of numismatics and Philately are sisters, both coins and stamps have backs and edges as well as fronts and all parts of both require, and will well repay, the study of their votaries. Again, let us look at the inconsistency of those who advocate the design and color — and the design and color only — of stamps; they take into their collections, you will find, the first issue of New Zealand, on blue paper; but they take no notice of the difference in the two subsequent issues, one on thick paper and the other on pelure. How can they explain this? The variety in either case is only in the paper, but one they accept and the other they reject! They also frequently put into their albums two copies of a stamp printed in different shades of color, say a light and a dark blue, though the cause of the discrepancy in color may be merely the result of accident, while if the stamp was issued first unwatermarked, and after the lapse of years, with a watermark, the distinction, and consequently one issue, is totally ignored. In con-

clusion let me say that to study the science as recommended above, it will be absolutely necessary to procure a blank book for the specimen; containing no trammels of squares. Spaces and ornament will then be laid upon the collector; but he will be at liberty to accept what he likes; this means, of course what he can get or afford, for he will want everything, and here consists one of the great charms of Philately, as a science; such a thing as completeness is unattainable, consequently there is always something to do, something to look forward to, and something to seek.

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Farewell to the "Trade Dollar."

By E. LOCKE MASON, in the Coin Collector's Magazine.

FAREWELL "trade dollar!" If so soon you're done for,

We wonder what on earth you was begun for.
You had quite a "cheek," nay, a brassy grace,
To palm yourself on traders at your face.
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You came to us a "dollar," and stuck us fifteen cents.

YOUNG STAMP COLLECTORS.

BY H. O. WARD.

With our young collectors the task of discriminating between the various modes of stamp collecting is one of some moment, and the sooner a collector decides upon a plan, the better it is for him. A great many collect upon the so-called French plan, which advises the collector to admit into his album every variety of shade, color, paper and perforation which exists. This plan has its advantages and disadvantages. A collection arranged on the French system presents a source of never-failing delight and instruction to the true philatelist, and for a dealer, or an editor of a philatelic publication, it is of great advantage as a reference; still it has some defects, being very expensive, and requiring a large amount of time and labor to be properly arranged; and then, again, a collection can never be made as complete, as some of the varieties are now unobtainable, and others so extremely scarce that only a few are to be met with, and those being held at such a figure that only the wealthy collector can hope to give them a place in his album.

Then there is the English system of collecting, which is only a slight modification of the French plan, and as it is on the same principle, the same remarks will hold good for it also. Perhaps the plan which has the greatest number of adherents on this continent is the American school, which advises the collection of

only one variety in a stamp, and denounces the collection of every slight variety, which the French plan advocates. This system is perhaps the best for young collectors; being more simple, and requiring a smaller expenditure of money.

Then a collection arranged on this plan has more of interest to the casual observer, who cannot see why a distinction should be made between two stamps because one has perforated edges and the other not; or one may be darker in shade than another, when in all other respects they are identical.

Another thing in its favor is that a collection can more easily be made complete. A collector can very easily obtain one variety of almost every stamp, when if he attempted the feat of accumulating one of every slight variety it would only be accomplished after years of time and labor, and at a great expense.

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the centre. It was cancelled, and had the postmark "Brattleboro, Vt.," to its right. Thinking the stamp was of some value, he took it Wednesday to Henry Collin of 79 Nassau street, and asked what it was worth. "I'll give you \$300 for it," was the reply. Harkins was positive that Mr. Collin was a lunatic, and was confirmed in this when the money was placed in his hand. He did not wait to count it, but bolted.

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IV.—BRAZIL.

By T. COKE.

Brazil, the largest State of South America, was discovered in 1500 by Pedro Alvares Cabral, a Portuguese navigator. This immense country, 2600 miles from north to south and 2500 from east to west, has a coast line on the Atlantic of 3700 miles. It comprises an area of some 2,288,000 square miles and contained in 1872 a population of about 10,200,000 of whom 1,000,000 are slaves, 1,000,000 Indians and the greater part of the remainder of mixed blood. Service in the army is compulsory, but substitutes are permitted. In 1880 the army consisted of 20,000 men with 1,243 officers; and the navy of sixty vessels, of which 11 are iron-clad and seven monitors. Brazil contains 20 provinces, 16 of which are along the coast and four in the interior. It is unequaled for the number and extent of its rivers; the Amazon, the largest, though not the longest in the world, with its immediate tributaries and the Tocantins, San Francisco and others. Its forests are immense, abounding in the greatest variety of useful and beautiful woods, some possessing a peculiar fragrance well adapted for dyeing, cabinet work or ship building; among these are the cocoonut, mahogany, logwood, rosewood, brazil-wood, etc. Toward the interior the land rises by gentle gradations to the height of from 2,000 to 5,000 feet above the level of the sea and in those regions European fruits and grain are reared in abundance, while the intermediate valleys are found extremely favorable for the raising of sugar, coffee, cotton, cocoa, India rubber, and of tropical products. Its agricultural produce is abundant, maize, beans and fruits are very generally cultivated, also wheat and other useful cereals. The minerals are very considerable and valuable,

comprising gold, silver, iron, diamonds, topazes and other precious stones, which with hides and the produce above mentioned are the chief exports. There are about 1800 miles of railway and nearly as many more in construction and each year shows rapid strides toward improvement and spread of civilization. So much for brief history of our subject. Let us next consider

THE POSTAGE STAMPS.

Brazil, it need hardly be said, was the second country to recognize the advantages of cheap postage collected by pre-paid stamps. Their seems to be a difference of opinion among some philatelists as to the exact year the first Brazilian stamp made its appearance, but I believe I am safe in saying that it was about July 1st, 1843. This emission composed a set of three values, namely, a 30, 60 and 90 reis, printed in black ink on white, yellow and thin blue paper. The 90 reis is by far the scarcest of the three. The design, which is extremely simple is described as follows: Large numeral of value in transverse oval on engine-turned disk with ornamental border above and below, enclosed in oblong frame of single lines. It is a notable fact and one which I believe occurs only in this instance, that these are the only stamps on which there is no name of the issuing country and no currency stated, simply the numeral of value. This series is known as the "large figure" stamps. They were in use just one year when a second series made its appearance, July 1st, 1844. The values are 10 reis, 30 reis, 60 reis, 90 reis, 180 reis, 300 reis and 600 reis. The design is somewhat similar to its predecessor, being a large italic numeral of value on similar ground, having truncated corners. The 180, 300 and 600 are very rare and can only be found in the finest collections. The year 1850 brought to light a third series, consisting of eight values, viz.: 10, 20, 30, 60, 180, 300 and 600 reis. The design was large, roman numerals of value on

similar ground. These stamps, like most of the preceding were printed in black on white paper. Judging from their appearance I should say that the whole of this issue was lithographed as the work is far inferior to that of the former series. During the month of February, 1861, two more values made their appearance, the 280 and 430 reis; these, though resembling their *confreres* in design differ from them in that they were printed in color on white paper, the former in red and the latter in orange. Both these stamps are quite scarce. In 1854 the post-office authorities saw the need of newspaper stamps and early in that year specimens were struck for this purpose from the plates of the 10 and 30 reis, but in blue ink instead of black. The stamps of the above series are found perforated and unperforated, the former being much the rarer. Perforation having only been used toward the close of the emission. To break the monotony of the design, the government in '66 issued a remarkable fine set of stamps, bearing the head of Don Pedro II, then Emperor of Brazil. The values and colors are as follows: 10 reis, vermilion; 50 reis, blue; 80 reis, violet; 100 reis, green; 500 reis, orange. The design is a portrait of the Emperor to right on lined disk, *Brazil* above on curved line, value below in words and numerals; different frame for each value. During this same year two more values were issued bearing a different design. Values and colors 20 reis, lilac and 200reis, black. Design: profile of Emperor to left on engine turned disk, *Brazil* above; value below; numeral of value at sides, frame different in each value. Two years later the same set of stamps were reprinted in a chemical ink. This peculiar ink turned the paper blue, thus making another distinct variety for the collector to place in his album. In 1871 a 300 reis, color green and violet was issued but for some reason was only kept in circulation a short time. Early in 1873 some more stamps were printed from the above die, being in color of orange and green. In 1878 an entire new set consisting of ten varieties made its appearance. The values are the same as mentioned above with the addition of the 260 reis, color brown; 700 reis, color red brown and 1000 reis, color violet. These stamps were engraved and printed by the American Bank Note Company, of New York, and for fine work and general finish, could not be exceeded.

In 1879, regardless of the finely wrought design, the post-office authorities ordered new stamps from the Rio-nevit. These stamps appeared early in 1881. The three values are 50 reis, blue; 100 reis, green, and 200 reis, rose, with similar designs as before. In 1882 a 10 reis, black, was issued and last year a 100 reis, olive, appeared. There are two varieties of this later,—one with a large head and the other with a small head. In 1869 three envelope stamps appeared. Values and colors, 100 reis, green, 200 reis, black, and 300 reis, vermilion. The design is a much plainer one than on the adhesive. They also bear the head of the Emperor.

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144	Hamburg, 12 var., unused,	4	"
145	Servia, 7 " "	3	"
146	So. African Republic. 5 var., unused,	5	"
147	Germany, 10 var. unused,	3	"
148	Hellgoland wrapper, 3 var., unused,	3	"
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150	Bremen, complete,	3	"
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BRITISH COLUMBIA AND VANCOUVERS' ISLAND.

BY NEMO.

British Columbia was the first Canadian province organized on the Pacific coast. Vancouver is embraced under British Columbia and with this it has about 235,000 square miles of bold sea-coast, mountain ranges as well as rich fertile valleys.

It owes its rise to the emigration of gold diggers in 1856 and in 1874 it produced \$1,072,500 of gold.

As the population increased the wants of civilized people increased so in 1861 its first papers appeared, they were the *British Colonist* and *New Westminster Times*.

This year only one stamp was issued: it was a 2 1-2 pence pink. The design was a profile of Queen to left on lined ground, "British Columbia" above, "Vancouver's Island" below, to left "Postage," at the right "Two Pence Half-Penny," and was a colored impression and rectangular in shape. There are two varieties of this stamp, one being perforated, the other unperforated.

The next issue was in 1865 when one more stamp was issued, namely, a three pence blue. The design of this stamp was a V surmounted by a crown with rose, shamrock and thistle in oval, with the inscription "British Columbia Postage Three Pence" this was perforated 14, watermarked CC and CROWN.

The stamp is forged (like all others) the best test for the stamps is the number of pearls in each crown. In the genuine there are six pearls on each side arch and on the centre arch only four. In the forged stamp on the side arches there are five pearls and in the center three.

The next stamps issued were in 1868, when six more stamps made their appearance. They were of exactly the same type as the '65 issue, except different values were surcharged on the three pence of the '65 issue. Each value was surcharged on a different colour, as follows:

2 cents, black on brown.
8 " black on red.
10 " blue on rose.
25 " violet on yellow.
50 " red on violet.
1 dollar green on green.

These were perforated 14 and watermarked CC and CROWN.

The tests about the forged stamps of this issue are the same as the 1865 issue. The \$1 of the counterfeit is spelled "dollar."

Simultaneously with the 1865 issue of British Columbia three stamps appeared from Vancouver's Island as follows:

Design, profile of Queen to left on a circular lined disk and ornamented angles. "Vancouver Island" above, value below. The inscription and frame were different in each value. They were watermarked CC and CROWN. The values were:

5 cents, rose perforated.
10 " blue perforated.
10 " blue unperforated.

Three stamps have been obsolete since the colony was incorporated in the Dominion of Canada in 1868, but it has its full rights of self government and representative institution, both in its local parliament and that of the Dominion, and has its own Lieutenant Governor.

CYPRUS:

BY W. K. J.

The isle of Cyprus is situated in the north-eastern corner of the Mediterranean Sea. It is about 145 miles long in its longest part, and its greatest width is nearly 60 miles. It is exceeded in area by but two of the Mediterranean islands—Sicily and Sardinia. The area of Cyprus is 3678 square miles and its population is estimated at from 135,000 to 200,000 inhabitants. The island is somewhat mountainous and was famous in its early times for its copper and silver mines. There were also, and are still, extensive salt works there.

In ancient times the chief city of the country was Salamis. At present, the principal town and centre of trade is Larnica. Nicosia (sometimes written Lefkosia), an inland town about twice as large as Larnica, is the capital and has been during the last four centuries.

Cyprus was a Persian possession from very early times and with the exception of a few short intervals, remained under the Persian power till the conquest of Alexander the Great. After the death of Alexander, it belonged to the Egyptian kingdom and continued under the sway of the Ptolemies until the year 58 B. C., when it was taken by the Romans. The Island formed a province of the Roman empire for nearly 1250 years. The Saracens gained possession of it several times but it was always recovered by the empire. In 1184 Cyprus was made an independent kingdom by a Byzantine prince and for three centuries the island enjoyed home rule. In the year 1570 it was captured by the Turks, who retained it until the Berlin Treaty of 1878, which gave it to the English.

For use in this island, the British government, in 1880, surcharged the following stamps of Great Britain with the word "Cyprus."

- 1880 issue.
 1-2 penny, red.
 1 " " red.
 2 1-2 pence, claret.
 4 " " green.
 6 " " slate.
 1 shilling, green.

In the following year, the first mentioned stamp was superseded by the one penny red, surcharged "half-penny" across the lower part. It was thought expedient to change the values of the postage stamps into the current money of the country, which is the same as in Turkey and Egypt. The scale is:

- 3 aspers = 1 para,
 40 paras = piaster.

Therefore the one penny red was surcharged "30 paras." Soon after an entire new set was issued. The design is the same as all the recent British Colonial issues.

- 1881 issue,
 1-2 piaster, green,
 1 " " rose,
 2 pisters, blue,
 4 " " bistre,
 6 " " brown.

In 1882, the one piaster rose was sur-

charged 30 paras and used provisionally in place of the one issued in 1881. A permanent stamp of this denomination appeared after a little, and is still in use. The half-piaster of 1881 is quite common surcharged "1-2" in black. Cyprus has three newspaper bands and two registered letter envelopes. The first of these, issued in 1880, is the second British one of 1878, surcharged "Cyprus." The other registered envelope was issued in 1881 and was especially designed for this colony. So much for the stamps of Cyprus.

This interesting island is of importance to the numismatist as well as the philatelist. Some Greek and many Roman imperial coins are found in Cyprus. Coins of Alexander the Great and of the Syrian monarchs also occur. There is a set of coins of the independent kingdom of Cyprus, many of which are still obtainable.

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SOMETHING ABOUT THE HAMBURG POSTAGE STAMPS.

BY T. COKE.

The postage stamps of Hamburg, though they cannot lay claim to any remarkable delicacy of execution, are distinguished by a pleasing quaintness of design, and when grouped together their varied colors show off to great advantage, rendering the page to which they are attached one of the most striking of those devoted to European countries. Another thing, which from a beginner's point of view, is very much in their favor, is that there are, properly speaking, no rarities among them. A beginner, commencing his collection to-day, may, with a very small outlay of patience and cash, obtain the whole series, and no great exertions are needed to obtain an acquaintance with their particularities. The first emission took place on the 1st of January, 1859, and consisted of the following values and colors: 1-2 shilling, black; 1 shilling, brown; 2 shillings, red; 3 shillings, blue; 4 shillings, green; 7 shillings, orange; 9 shillings, yellow. The design is described as follows: Large numeral over arms (a castle with two turrets flanking a central and cross-crowned dome.) "Hamburg" above; "Postmarke" below on scrolls; value at sides.

The exceeding similarity between the stamps might lead one to suppose that all the values were produced from one original die; the numerals being cut over the arms, such, however, is not the case. On comparing any two values together slight variations will become perceptible. Attention may be specially directed to the stars over the towers; they are of all shapes and sizes. As all these stamps were engraved on metal the time employed in producing them must have been considerable. Possibly the expense of the initial series had something to do with the decision to employ lithography for the production of two new values which appeared in April 1864. They were the

1 1-4 shil. lilac and 2 1-2 shil. green. The latter differs from the former in having the name "Hamburg" in a horizontal instead of an arched scroll and also in having a maltese cross in each corner. In every other respect, it will be seen, the design of both is the same. Of the 1 1-4 shil. numerous colors-varieties exist, which are, in fact, the natural results of the choice of a color so extremely susceptible to change as lilac. A slight alteration in the proportions of the various ingredients used in its composition may frequently produce marked differences in tint. It is worthy of note that no two successive editions of a lilac, mauve or violet stamp are of precisely the same shade, and the chances are that the second shows great divergence from the first. Such being the case no great attention can be claimed for the variations, which are unintentionally, yet unavoidably, produced. Suffice it to say that the stamp was first issued in lilac and that it exists in violet, in grey and in green. All the foregoing stamps are watermarked with a curved line, easily perceptible when they are held to the light. The 2 1-2 shil. it is said, exists unwatermarked. I have, however, never met with this variety. In October 1864, the 1-2 shil; 2 shil; 3 shil; 4 shil; 7 shil; and 9 shil, were issued perforated. No change in color then occurred, but most of the values were printed in rather lighter shades. In 1865 the color of the 7 shil. was altered to mauve, and the 3 shil. blue appeared. At about the same time the 1 1-4 and 2 1-2 shil. were perforated. The latter was issued in two tolerably distinct shades — dark green and yellow green. Since the suppression of the Hamburg office unperforated copies of the 7 shil. mauve have appeared, and though no postmarked specimens have been met with, the authenticity of this variety is generally admitted. In 1866 together with the omission of a series of envelopes, two new stamps, embossed like those on the envelopes, were issued. They were the 1 1-4 shil. purple, and a new value, the 1 1-2 shil. rose; both very effective

impressions. The former is briefly described thus: Embossed large numerals over arms in octagonal frame; inscribed "Hamburg" above; "postmarke below; value at sides; lined corners. The latter is of the same design minus the outer rectangle and corner ornaments. In fact the type of the 1-2 shil. is precisely that of the envelope stamps and perforations alone give it the appearance of a rectangle. In the spring of 1867, the 2 1-2 shil. green, issued in 1864, was rather unaccountably superseded by a stamp of the first type, of the same value. The second 2 1-2 shil. is but a poor relation of the earlier values of the same type; it is watermarked, however, like them perforated and has two distinct shades—yellow-green and blue-green, of which the former has now become relatively rare. Had there been an embossed 2 1-2 shil. envelope, no doubt the die would have been used when in 1867 a new adhesive of that value was called for; but to have cut one specially to meet a temporary demand would have been inexpedient and hence, so we may argue, the recourse to the 1859 design. Notwithstanding this reversion to the original type, however, it is permissible to suppose that had the Hamburg post-office continued in existence, a complete series of embossed adhesives would have been issued.

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OCTOBER, 1884.

TO OUR PATRONS.

It is with a feeling of regret that we announce to our patrons and friends that we have sold the GRANITE STATE PHILATELIST and this is the last number we shall issue. Over two years ago, when we first published our little paper, we had plenty of time to devote to it, but one year ago last September we went into business for ourselves, since which time it has been impossible for us to give the paper the attention which it should have, therefore, believing it to be better for us, and better for our patrons, we have transferred the GRANITE STATE PHILATELIST to Mr. Thomas C. Watkins, of New York City, who will continue the same under the name of

THE EMPIRE STATE PHILATELIST.

Mr. Watkins is a gentleman well-known among philatelists; he is a fine writer, and the articles by "T. Coke" have been a special feature in the PHILATELIST. He is an enthusiastic philatelist, a man of sound judgement and business principles, and will make the paper one of the best in the land. May he have the success he deserves.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mr. J. M. Hubbard having transferred the right, title, and good-will of his paper the GRANITE STATE PHILATELIST to me, I will hereafter continue its publication under the name of

THE EMPIRE STATE PHILATELIST.

As to the future, we shall make no rash promises, but will do our utmost and spare

no expense to make the PHILATELIST a first-class journal, devoted to the interests of stamp collectors and their hobby.

That we may succeed in our venture depends largely upon the encouragement we receive from both collectors and dealers.

Fellow philatelists, we ask your hearty co-operation and shall be glad at all times to receive contributions pertaining to our science.

In conclusion we would say, that we regret exceedingly Mr. Hubbard's withdrawal from the Philatelic ranks, for had he been able to continue his publication, we are sure he would have been more than successful. Respectfully,

T. C. WATKINS,

Box 1716. New York, N. Y.

GOSSIP.

The *Old Curiosity Shop* is a thing of the past, the publisher, W. M. Clemmens not having time to attend to it, has turned over his subscription list to *Our American Youth*.

The *American Philatelist* to be published Jan. 15, 1883 by Henderson & Jeans, of Philadelphia, is announced.

All parties who are owing us are requested to settle at once, as with this issue the PHILATELIST passes into other hands.

Mr. E. J. Cheever, 416 Beech St., Manchester, N. H., formerly of New Hampton, has again started in the stamp business; may success go with him.

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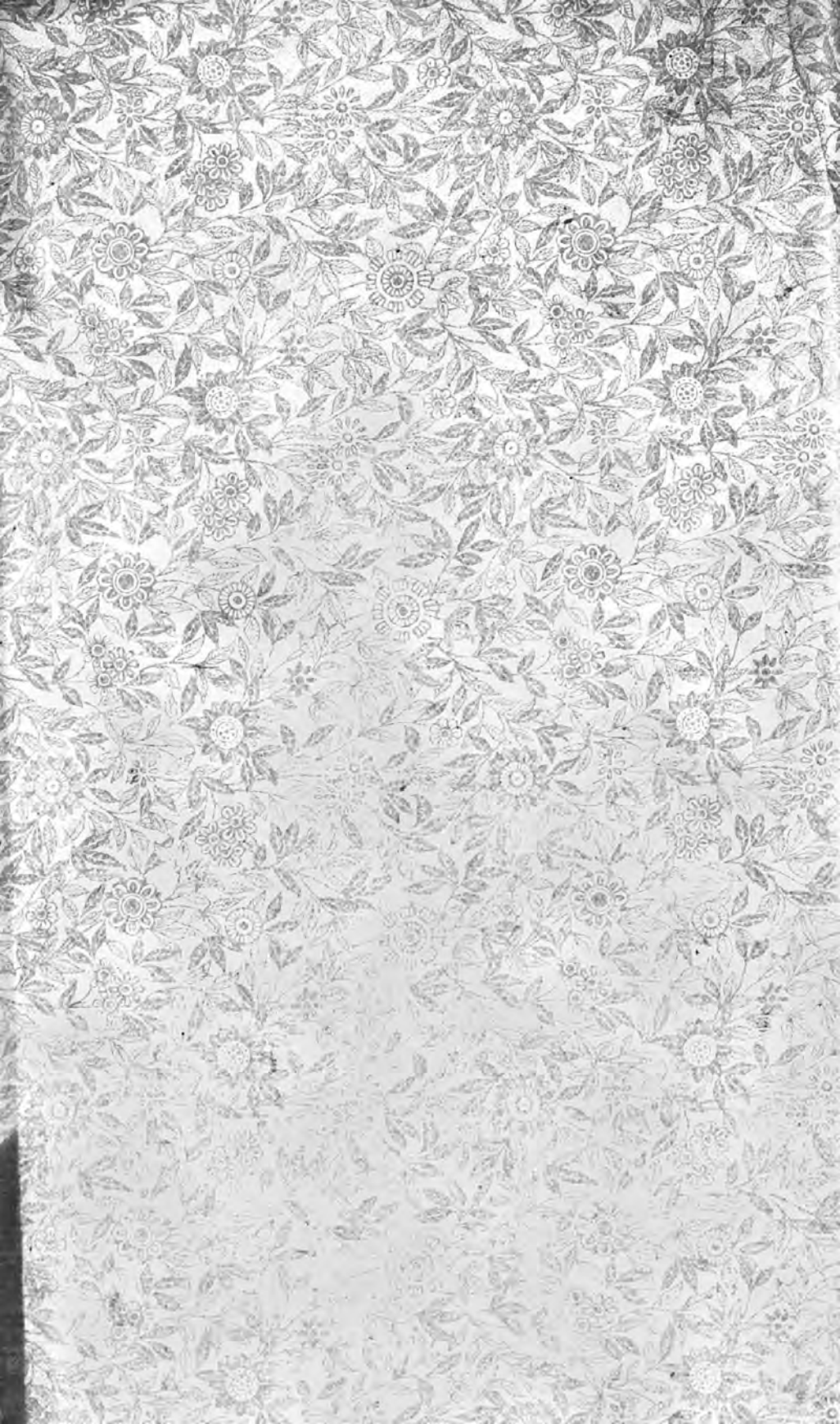
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Jamaica,	6	11
Japan,	5	11
Lagos,	4	12
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And Beecher, there is no hell.
How wonderful strange these wonderful men
Should excite such a wonder in me;
How a wonderful devil, without any hell,
Where in hell—this devil can be.

I've wondered, and wondered, if these good
men

Could locate his abode to me,
While Robert declares, no heaven there is,
And Beecher no hell, can see.]
Now this wonderful thing, this devil idea,
Is a wonderful story to me;
For Ingersoll being a Godless man,
Where in God's name this devil can be,

No wonderful heaven? no wonderful hell?
No wonderful God can be?
No wonderful God, no wonderful devil,
This is wonderful plain to see.

Of the fair Proserpine, Pandemonium's queen,
I asked, would she please to explain;
If Satan, old sooty, or Robert's old clooty,]
Ere came to her vast domain.

Her answer, sarcastic in its wonderful mirth,
A devil she said once roamed the earth;
Judge, Jury, and counsel he left in disgrace,
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—WANTED to exchange, "The Ladies Protector," an article for convenience, health and cleanliness, cost \$2.00. Also a receipt for an instantaneous inexpensive cold coloring for plumes, ribbons, silks, satins, &c. 10 cents invested will color a large number ready for use in 2 minutes. Worth \$25.00 to any lady or milliner. Also 3 cases of family medicines, put up in convenient form for domestic use. Invaluable in sickness or emergencies. Case no. 1, contains 12 remedies, cost \$1.50, case no. 2, contains 24 remedies, cost \$2.00, case no. 3, contains 36 remedies, cost \$3. "The Family Physician," a book giving a treatise on diseases, directions &c., free with each case. Will exchange any or all of the above for anything useful of equal value.

HEALTH HOME M'FG CO.,

BERRIAN SPRING, MICH.

—WANTED to exchange, a Waterbury watch, new, for a small printing press, or best offer of books.

ALBERT SANAFORD.

AMBER, JONES CO., IOWA.

—WANTED to exchange, an "Excelsior" printing press, a quantity of fancy type and a number of cuts, for books or anything of value. FRANK M. LYON,

VAN BUREN CO., PIERCEVILLE, IA.

—WANTED goods of some kind to sell on commission at Au Sable. Can refer to the Postmaster at Forest, as to my honesty. WM. E. HAMMOND,

AU SABLE, JASCO CO., MICH.

—WANTED to exchange, one good revolver, one first class type writer, and one beautiful solid silver locket, for a good gold plated watch, or other goods.

GEORGE PRICE,

ST. RAYMOND, QUE. CAN.

—WANTED to exchange, a copy of real pen work self-instructor in penmanship, and a manual of phonography, for "Plain Home Talk," by E. B. Foote.

JOHN STENHART,

HAW RIVER, N. C.

—WANTED to exchange, 1 Micro-sterograph, 300 pictures of noted actresses and places for same, and 1 new 7-shot revolver, 22-calibre, for books or best offer.

S. J. BYER,

MOUNTAIN DALE, PA.

—WANTED to exchange, a pair of Barney & Berry's roller skates, No. 11 1-2, polished and nicked, steel spring, patent lever, and never used but twice. Cost \$7.00, this winter, for anything of equal value, an open face silver watch preferred. J. A. MCKELLER,

BOX 431,

MATTOON ILL.

—WANTED to exchange, about 1,000 numbers of papers, consisting of such papers as "Saturday Night," "Weekly Novelist," "Beadle's Weekly," Frank Toussay's publications, novels, librarys, books, &c. Also, several useful articles, will send a list of them free on application. Would like to exchange for other good lib-

rars, paper novels &c. or, a breech-loading shot-gun, telegraph instrument, printing press, (chase 6x12.) photograph outfit, magic lantern and a good revolver, derringer. E. L. CHAMBERS,

HICKORY VALLEY, TEX.

—WANTED to exchange, a number of boys books, for tools. Send for list,

WALTER RICH,

OSTERVILLE, MASS.

—WANTED to exchange, a good 42-inch bicycle, for a good breech-loading shot-gun. W. S. CARTER,

DODGE, TEXAS.

—WANTED to exchange, a magic lantern with 12 slides, for a small steam engine or any goods that I can use.

JOHN BRADFIELD,

ECONOMY, WAYNE CO., IND.

—WANTED to exchange, photo's with some nice young lady, with a view to correspondence for fun and improvement. All letters answered.

JAMES E. HAMMERS,

STEPHENSPOET, KY.

—WANTED to exchange, Standard Latin and Greek classical works, for other books. Also an Interlinear for Virgil, Horace and Homer. Also one German zither, for books. GEO. T. BROWN,

BELTON, S. C.

—WANTED to exchange, Prof. Zerby receipt for oil to make the hair curl, (can be made by anyone,) for "Pocket Manuals," no. 1 and 2, or offers.

T. P. DAVIS,

MC. DOWELL, LIV. CO., ILL.

—WANTED to exchange, a V nickel, 1883, without the word "cents" on, for 10¢ in scrip. Also a silver dime of 1897, for 25¢ in scrip. Exchangers' in this line please write. C. W. STANTON.

BELLEFONTAINE, O.

—WANTED to exchange, "Belden, the White Chief," a book of adventure, containing over 500 pages and 55 illustrations for best offer. J. M. MYERS,

BRISTOL, V.

—WANTED to exchange, a Flobert rifle, with 200 cartridges and an iron target, for a Lester saw, printing press, or lathe.

BOX 278, KNOXVILLE, TENN.

—WANTED to exchange, names, for sample copies of subscription books. Also want different kinds of books for inspection. W. A. WILKS,

MELROSE, ROBESON CO., N. C.

—WANTED to exchange, a 16 shot Winchester sporting rifle, cost \$60.00, for a printing press and outfit, not less than 4x6.

A. B. SAMS, JR.,

LITTLE PINE CREEK, N. C.

—WANTED to exchange, a 7 shot revolver and reading matter, for "Captains of Industry," or a printing press, or a pair of roller skates. Correspondence solicited.

S. G. HAFFLY,

DUDLEY, PA.

—WANTED to exchange, a polyopticon, cost \$3.50, a revolver, cost \$5.00, and a galvanic battery, cost \$3.00, for books, musical instruments, or a printing press.

DR. W. R. ENNIS,

COPI, MORGAN CO., IND.

—WANTED to exchange, "Palliser's Useful Details," for builders and architects vol. 1, April, 1881, (large pamphlet.) Publishers price, \$3.00; for one half the said price in good literature.

J. RUSSELL,

ZION, LOWANDE CO., MISS.

—WANTED to exchange, a four ounce gold jointed, coin silver Elgin watch, not a better time keeper in the U. S., for a good repeating rifle or printing press complete. Also have a large leather bound Family Bible, weighs about 8 pounds, and has never been used, for any article of like value. J. S. SMART.

BROWN CO. WRIGHTSTOWN, WIS.

—WANTED to exchange, a saw gummer, suitable for gumming cross-cut or heavy saws, new and in perfect working order, weighs 65 lbs. Also one font metal-bodied rubber type, 3 type holders, pads, inks, type case, &c., all in good condition, for a printing press, size about 7x11, with or

without type and fixtures.

A. A. COWLES,

PLEASANT VALLEY, CONN.

—WANTED to exchange, an American quilting machine, in good condition, cost \$5.00, for books or novelties of equal value.

W. H. MARTIN,

WILKS CO., WASHINGTON, GA.

—WANTED to exchange, a first class toy knitting machine, and the book "Silas Mariner," for a microscope, or other goods.

JOHN CARMICHAEL,

ST. RAYMOND, QUEBEC, CAN.

—WANTED to exchange, a Steropticon with over one hundred views, valued at \$150.00, for a bicycle and books, or a good gun and books. This is no toy, but a real practical lantern.

JAMES F. HAMMERS,

STEPHENSPORT, KY.

—WANTED to exchange, "Manifer's Mechanical Drawing Book," "Haswell's Engineering," (pocket form,) "Overman's Moulding and Foundrying" and 10 vols. of "The Scientific American," for a violin or a printing press and type.

H. C. THOMPSON,

HOPEWELL FURNACE, MO.

—WANTED to exchange, samples of wood, also story papers, or books and curiosities. Pictures of all kinds for pictures or almost anything. Crayon pictures 12x14, for advertising cards in colors (cards to cover same surface as crayon, 12x14.) Anyone having articles to exchange, please write.

W. P. WINSLOW,

LARONE, ME.

—WANTED to exchange, a good watch small size, hunting-case, coin silver, straight-line lever, full jeweled, and warranted to be in good running order, for a small printing press with type and complete outfit, suitable for printing tracts &c. Or will exchange for a Holly saw, with lathe, or carpenters tools, or musical instruments, books, or any thing that would be of use to me. If articles are second-hand, they must be in good condition. CHARLES D. HANGER,

ANDERSON, W. VA.

—WANTED to exchange, minerals fossils, petrifications and curiosities, from this locality, for the same from other states. Rare minerals, stamps and curiosities, for arrow and spear heads.

JAMES C. JAY,
LA HOYT, IOWA.

—WANTED to exchange, a Singer, cabinet sewing machine, an "Excelsior" printing press, No. 2, "Chicago Field" and "Rod and Gun," for an Incubator and Brooder, or a Halstead bull calf, or light Brahma chicks.

THOMAS D. ADAMS,
FRANKLIN, VIN. CO., PA.

—WANTED to exchange, a long list of articles, among which are revolvers, accordions, harmonicas, papers, reading matter, Micro-sterograph and other goods too numerous to mention. Send list of what you have and I will do the same.

T. S. SPARROW,
VERONA, N. Y.

—WANTED to exchange, minerals and curiosities, for stamps, coins Indian arrow heads, spear heads, minerals fossils, petrifications, shells, sea beans, sand dollars, shark and alligators teeth, and curiosities. All letters answered.

C. C. JOY,
BOX V. LA HOYT, IOWA.

—WANTED to exchange, literary, historical, mechanical and scientific books and papers, pictures, minerals of the trap districts of Nova Scotia, quartz, amethyst copper coins of British Provinces, &c., for fancy wings, tail and neck feathers of birds and water fowls, nickel, copper and silver coins, books or curiosities. JOHN H. HICKS,

BRIDGETOWN, NOVA SCOTIA.

—WANTED to exchange, a telescope, valued at \$8.00, for an organette, acordion, or other musical instruments of same value. Also a self inking printing press, 2 1/4 x 5 1/4 inches, five fonts type, cases, cuts, &c., worth \$23.00, for a good watch. Offers invited. M. C. RICHARDSON.

LITTLE RIVER, KAN.

—WANTED to exchange, books, papers magazines and periodicals, in good condition. Also Indian relics, arrow heads, &c. Will exchange for books, or back numbers of papers, magazines, or periodicals, if in good condition. Please state what you have to exchange, and what you desire in return.

GEO. W. MURPHY,
BURTON, PRENTISS CO., MISS.

—WANTED to exchange a large size electric light apparatus, a polyoptican, a gas stove with naphtha attachment, a rubber stamp outfit and 16 Vols. of "The Scientific American," all in good condition, for a good dry plate photograph outfit. GEORGE L. LAMSON,

LAFARGEVILLE, N. Y.

—WANTED to exchange, or will sell cheap, an old geography, published in 1840, in two volumes of 1,000 pages, slightly mutilated, and a great curiosity, describing everything under the sun. Contains an extract of the old code, called the "Blue Laws," of Connecticut, together with some records of the ancient courts and the decision of a court held at New Haven, Conn. A. D. 1643.

GEO. A. DALE,
ST. EDWARD, NEB.

—WANTED to exchange, a V nickle of 1883, without the word "cents" on it, for any U. S. shin-plaster in good condition, except the 10c. denomination. Will give 50 mixed foreign stamps for any U. S. copper cent in good condition and 100 stamps for half cent. Will also give 1,000 foreign stamps for an eagle cent of 1856, and 25 stamps for any other date. LINCOLN RAPPLEYE

TRUMANSBURG, N. Y.

—WANTED to exchange, a pocket spy glass, a 3A 5a font of solid rubber type, Horsford's game of the state, a pack of political euchre, several fonts of printing type, cuts, printing press and material. All the above, or any part of it, in part payment for a set of "Library of Universal Knowledge," 15 Volumes or any books, or almost anything of value.

W. E. MERRIMAN,
BOX 174. RANDOLPH, OHIO.

—WANTED to sell or exchange, 10 copies of the "Life of Fanny Hill." Will sell for 50c. per copy, or exchange for other reading. "VENUS,"
Box 210, WORCESTER, N. Y.

—WANTED to exchange, a patent saw set, (patented Feb. 1, 1882.) Will exchange one state right, or the right for the whole U. S. for land or other property. I am the sole inventor and patentee.
N. J. WEBB,
DENVER, MICH.

—WANTED to exchange, a mahogany camera and outfit, for making ferrotypes, including all necessary chemicals, plates, &c., valued at \$30. 00, for best offer of guns, presses, musical instruments, or cash. Also want to exchange, minerals, stones and natural curiosities, for the same from other states. L. A. SOUTHERN,
WITHERS, N. C.

—WANTED to sell or exchange, 300 copies of "Saturday Night," 25 copies of "The Cricket on the Hearth," 27 copies of "The Weekly Novelist and 2 bound books, cost 50c. each, entitled "Maggie, the loom-girl of Lowell," and "Neddie's Temptation."
C. V. MITCHELL,
WORCESTER, N. Y.

—WANTED to exchange, a Parker shot gun, Damascus barrel, with all improvements, including case, for a Barnes' foot power lathe, no. 4 or 5.
E. L. RORAPAUGH,
SMITHVILLE FLATS,
CHENANGO CO., N. Y.

We wanted to speak a good word for that best of all humorous papers, *The Buttonbuster*, but scarcely knew what to say until the following item met our wandering gaze. If any one can read it without immediately diving down in his pocket, fishing up the last fifty cents he owns, and sending it to The Broyles Printing Company, Rhe Springs, Tenn., for a years subscription to *The Buttonbuster*, then he indeed must be blessed with something more than "human nature." We read it and it "downed" us. We couldn't resist the temptation to publish it, so here it is:

This paper is published for you in order to keep your heart light and head level, your spirits up and your hopes high. Don't let anybody see you going moping around, like a chicken with the cholera, with the blues any more; now that you can get the best known remedy, *The Buttonbuster*, for a whole year for only fifty cents or if you don't want to spend fifty cents of your money just get four of your friends to subscribe and send us a two dollar bill and we will place your name on our complimentary list a year, free.

NORMAN L. MUNRO.

Norman L. Munro, the world-famous publisher, and the originator of the popular "Seaside Library," is to-day one of the richest men in New York city. Commencing "the battle of life" a few years ago, with comparatively nothing for a foundation, he has lived to see the reward of honest labor, showered upon him by an appreciative public.

He is stated as saying that his great success is almost wholly due to the thrilling detective stories which he issued, but this is doubted by many, since his "Seaside Library" has attained a popularity and sale never equaled by any other volume on the market.

He is described as a handsome old gentleman with beautiful white hair, patriarchal whiskers, and a walk which would do credit to a lord or nobleman, so majestic and stately is his bearing, without the least stoop or bend.

OH, HUSH!

Hearts were made to break;
Hands were made to squeeze;
Eyes were made to rove about,
And make men do as you please.

Ears were made to burn;
Feet were made to show;
Girls were made to flirt with men,
But never with girls,—Oh, no!

Waists were made to hug;
Fingers were made to tune;
Arms were made to circle the girls,
And lovers were made to "spoon."

Eyelids were made to droop;
Cheeks were made to blush;
Hair was made to curl and friz,
And lips were made—Oh, Hush!

—The Times.

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POSTAGE.—We prepay the postage to any part of the United States and Canada.

RECEIPT FOR SUBSCRIPTION.—An X opposite this paragraph, indicates that your subscription is received and will date from this number.

ADDRESS CHANGED.—When subscribers desire to change their address, they should be particular to mention their former, as well as their new address.

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10 cents per line, each insertion.

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The following discounts will be given on contracts amounting to

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SALUTATORY!

Modest, smiling and cheerful, the initial number of THE EXCHANGERS' AID makes its introductory bow to thousands of new readers to-day, and asks for a hearty welcome.

It is an old and true proverb which says "Everything has its uses," and were not this the case it is doubtful if the first number of THE EXCHANGERS' AID would have ever seen the light of day.

THE AID is no exception to the saying. It has a purpose and will use every honorable means in its power to perform that purpose properly.

THE AID will devote its best energies and labor unceasingly to advance the best interests of Exchangers.

It is from them it will derive its support. It is to them, it will owe any favors which lies in its power to grant.

The business policy of THE AID will be short and pointed. It will puff no worthless goods, will insert no advertisements of quack doctors, or humbug patent medicines, will parade no one advertisers goods in preference to any other.

One advertisers money is as good to THE AID as another's.

Every advertiser in our columns pays the same rate for advertising space. It would be both ungentlemanly and unjust for us to discriminate between them and to puff and blow one mans goods when another's may be just as good, or perhaps better.

THE AID offers the use of its advertising columns to such as may desire to make use of them, believing that honest returns will be received for every cent invested: But further than this, it can not, nor does it attempt to guarantee anything.

OUR ADVERTISERS.

To those gentlemen who have responded so nobly to our requests and whose cards appear in the columns of THE AID this month, we desire to return our thanks.

We send out this month about 4000 copies of THE AID. Of this number the greater portion go to parties who have written to us for them, thus proving that they are persons who read and answer advertisements.

Hallo!

Now send in your "ads."

How is this for number one?

Now rush in your subscriptions lively.


Keep your eye open for our February number. It will be a daisy.

Lively now with your exchange notices.

We'll accommodate you all whether it requires twenty pages or a hundred.

THE AID claims the honor, and justly too—of being the only paper in America devoted exclusively to the interests of Exchangers.

The Times, a humorous monthly, published at Richland, Penn., is one of the spiciest papers, we have had the pleasure of perusing. Kum agin.

The Elite is the title of a new publication to be issued by J. M. Beers, at 126 East Water Street, Elmira, N. Y. We heartily extend our  and wish brother B. success.

The Echo, a bright, newsy little monthly for boys and girls, hailing from Rogersville, Mo., is on our table. It is finely printed and presents a neat appearance. W. L. Davis is the publisher.

The Collectors' Caprice is the name of a wide-awake little journal devoted to oology, stamps, coins, etc. It is published monthly by Hotchkiss & Dillont, 88 Prospect Place, Brooklyn, N. Y., who invite you to send for a sample copy, free.

Boys and Girls, a spicy monthly, published by Robert M. Ralison, at Flushing, Mich., is before us. Laden with good things as it is, fastidious indeed must be the taste which cannot find something to please and instruct the mind in its columns.

The Boylston Eagle published at Boylston, Ind., has been changed to *The American Agent*, and now appears as an 8 page, 40 column monthly. It has been enlarged to nearly double the former size, and shows numerous other marks of improvement. We extend our congratulations to the publishers, Messrs Campbell & Roush.

The American, published by C. F. Gettemy, Galesburg, Ill., is a model of typographic art from beginning to end, while the excellent contents of its columns fully warrant us in saying that it is one of our best exchanges.

ADVERTISERS, BEAR IN MIND,

That THE EXCHANGE'S AID don't parade around at night claiming a circulation five times larger than it actually has. It stands up in broad daylight and fearlessly swears to its honest circulation.

OUR SWORN STATEMENT

We had hoped to be able to insert our sworn statement for January in this number of THE AID, but it is impossible for us to do so. The rate at which applications for sample copies are pouring in upon us, prevents us from holding over any of them as we had intended, and we are thus compelled to retain several hundred to meet the demand for sample copies before our next issue. In our February number however, we will publish our sworn statement of THE AID for the month of January. In the meantime, we faithfully promise you that it will not be less than 4,000 copies.

INDIAN RELICS DISCOVERED.

The tomb of an Indian chief, with many valuable treasures about him, was opened on Monday night on the farm of George Stowe, two miles north of Binghamton. Men were working in a sand pit and came upon the tomb by the merest accident. This is believed to be one of the most interesting discoveries of the sort ever made there as the implements found in the tomb date back to the time before the discovery of the continent by Columbus. Mr. Stowe carefully collected all, and will protect the tomb from visiting antiquarian vandals.

THERE was a man once on a time,
Who thought him wondrous wise.
He swore by all the fabled gods
He'd never advertise.

BUT his goods were advertised ere long,
And thereby hangs a tale;
The "ad." was set in Nonpariel
And hounded "Success's" tail.

PREMIUMS FOR CLUB RAISERS.

We ask all our friends to help us in extending the circulation of THE AID, and with this end in view we offer the following valuable premiums to club raisers. Every premium which we send out will be the best of its kind, and no article not fully up to the standard will be allowed to leave our office.

The cash prizes are especially valuable premiums and we trust that our friends will show their appreciation of our liberality by rushing in the subscriptions at a lively rate.

For a club of five and \$2.50, we will give a rubber stamp with name and address.

For a club of ten and \$5.00, we will give a 5 shot revolver, valued at \$2.50.

For a club of fifteen and \$7.50, we will give a new Waterbury watch, stem winder and setter, or a 14 carat gold pin.

For a club of twenty and \$10.00, we will give a new 7 shot revolver, valued at \$5.00.

For a club of thirty and \$15.00, we will give a good hunting case silver watch, valued at \$8.00.

For a club of forty and \$20.00, we will give a double barrelled shot gun, valued at \$12.00.

For a club of fifty and \$25.00, we will give a solid silver hunting case watch.

For a club of seventy-five and \$37.50, we will give a double barrelled breech loading shot gun, or a silver watch.

For a club of one hundred and \$50.00, we will give a solid silver hunting case watch, valued at \$25.00, or a 45 shot Evans repeating rifle, or \$15.00 cash.

Try your luck, and win one of our premiums. Sample copies free to club raisers.

EXTRA INDUCEMENTS!

To those who wish to work for cash premiums, we make the following liberal inducements.

To the one sending the largest number of subscribers before May 1st, 1885, we will present \$20.00 in gold.

To the one sending us the second largest number of subscribers, we will present \$15.00 in gold.

To the one sending us the third largest

number of subscriptions, we will present \$12.50, in gold.

To the one sending us the fourth largest number of subscribers, we will present \$10.00 in gold.

To the one sending us the fifth largest number of subscribers, we will present \$7.50 in gold.

To the one sending us the sixth largest number of subscribers, we will present \$5.00 in gold.

To the one sending us the seventh largest number of subscribers, we will present \$4.00 in gold.

To the one sending us the eighth largest number of subscribers, we will present \$3.00 in gold.

The one sending us the ninth largest number of subscribers, we will present \$2.00 in gold.

OUR POSTAL NOTES.**Some interesting facts about one of Uncle Sam's greatest industries**

The old yellow postal notes, by an order already issued by the Postmaster-General, will soon be a thing of the past. They have been a source of great annoyance and trouble. The paper on which they were printed was not safety paper, but a sort of waterproof material, from which castile soap and water would remove the writing ink. This permitted shrewd counterfeiters to "raise" them, which was done to some extent in the West. The discovery of several cases created much excitement last month, probably more than the facts warranted. Since May last the new notes, printed on lilac paper have been in use by the order of the Postmaster-General, at all the principal offices, and no more of the old yellow ones were put out. There have remained, however, about 2,000 offices which were using the old yellow notes originally furnished them.

—It is stated by one of our enterprising exchanges that the horseshoe fall at Niagara, has worn away the rock and receded a distance of one hundred feet, in the last thirty-four years.

—No person can end in being superior who will not begin by being inferior.

Advertise in THE EXCHANGERS' AID.

**"IS THAT MR. REILLY WHO
KEEPS THE HOTEL?"**

**Origination of the popular song which
created a furore in this country.**

Everybody has probably heard the old song, "Is that Mr. Reilly who keeps the hotel?" but few knew how it originated. Some years ago an Englishman made a trip overland by stage. Towards evening one day the stage drew up at a small house by the roadside, from which a sign hung announcing a "hotel." Entering, the Englishman hastily threw off a glass of liquor and demanded a supper of ham and eggs.

"I'm sorry," said the landlord, "but ham is scarce and there's no eggs within ten miles of this place."

"No 'am han' 'heggs?" roared John Bull, then Hile 'ave beefsteak."

"Sorry," briefly said the landlord, "we've no steak."

Cold poison flowed in the Britisher's voice as he asked if cold roast beef was attainable.

"Nary a roast," responded the landlord; "the boys ate it all up for dinner."

"Well, —! —! —! —! —!" howled the Britisher, using ungrammatical French and Hottentot, "what the blazes d'you keep?"

"Why, I keep the hotel," said the landlord in a surprised and grieved tone. And this was "Mr. Reilly who keeps the hotel, from which the famous song originated."—*Exchange*.

HOW TO MAKE BREAD.

**The original Recipe as given by
famous "Puck"**

And so, Miss Mehitable Nutmegs, you write to *Puck* for directions for making bread. Don't you know that this is not a bakery, nor a Parlor cookery school? We are here to make bread but not to teach the art. However, since you want to know something about it, here you are.

First cause some flour to be procured from the nearest grocer's. Hang up the grocer. It will take the conceit out of him. Then take a hunk of the flour about three times the size of the loaf you want to make. Pour in a quart or two of milk and water, slap in some salt, a little butter, about two teaspoonfuls of brown

sugar, some slippery-elm, and a little bee-s-wax. Then get about a pint of yeast and dump that in.

Then put the whole business in a pan and mix it up. Then take it out and put it on a nice smooth board and knead it. Oh, then you don't know what kneading bread is? That's where the art comes in. You lay out the dough on the board, and then you begin to smash it in with your fists. You pound it and jam it in its neck, and roll it over, and turn it inside out, throw it down on the floor and jump on it, set on it and walk on it. Then pick it up and throw it against the wall. It will stick. Then stand off and fire potatoes at it. That gives a fresh country flavor. Mind you do all this industriously. You've got to work if you want to make your own bread.

Next put it all back in the pan, and set it in front of the fire to rise. Bread must, rise of course. If your bread does not, then sell it short and it will be sure to rise. Or hire a dynamiter to raise it for you. Or get your mother-in-law to blow it up. It's always well be prepared for any emergency. When your bread has risen, put it in the oven and bake it until it is baked.

Then eat it—if you can.

Anyhow, we will bet you a *Puck's Annual* to a glass of water that it will be just as good bread as you would make on your first trial by following out the directions of the chromo-literary cookery-books.—*Puck*.

The key of fate is in our own hands; we often unlock it, then throw the key away.

A virtuous man who has passed through the temptations of the world, may be compared to a fish who lives all the time in salt water, yet is still fresh.

There is a brand of cigars called the "Best Effort." A great many cheap cigars require the best efforts of the smoker to make them draw.

"It is a wise child that knows its own father," said the chicken as it stepped out of the incubator.

KIND WORDS.

Vanity over ruled us this month and we could not desist from publishing at least a few of the many encouraging letters which have poured in upon us since we announced the publication of THE AID.

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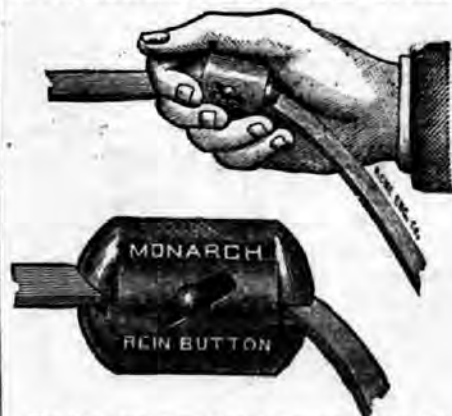
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More than the cross that adorns his breast,
He will not trust it in other hands,
His comrade in many distant lands.
The children playing around the door,
Come trooping, to hear him tell once more
Of the battles in which he has fought,
And how, with his blood, that cross was
bought;
But before his tale was well began,
He finds it has his strength outran—
His whitened head sinks upon his breast,
And in his dreams he retells the rest.
He dreams once more of the lass he won,
Ere he sought fame under eastern sun,
Of the children he had hoped to see,
In his old age, play around his knee;
A coach horn, heard o'er the hills, so tall'
Sounds in his dreams like a trumpet call;
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The Bobolink.

Leaving the swamps and coming out into the broad meadows in the vicinity, I am greeted by the newly-arrived Bobolink (*Dolichonyx oryzivorus*). It is difficult to speak of the Bobolink without going into ecstasies. To say the least, he is the finest bird of our fields and meadows. See him mount that stake by the roadside! Every feather of his jet-black front is partially raised, the elegant creamy-white patch on the back of the head and neck is elevated into a crest; his wings and scapulars, so finely marked with white, are partially extended; and

as he pours forth his marvelous song, he waltzes gracefully to his own music, turning slowly around, so that a beholder may have a fair view of all sides. Now he launches into the air, and—half hovering—half flying—his song becomes even more resonant and penetrating the loud, rich, liquid notes of his prolonged and varied warble causing the air to vibrate over many acres of the open field. The first tinkling tones are like those of a fine musical box rapidly struck, then come the longer drawn notes as of a rich viol or violin, and finally the sweet liquid, limpid, gurgling sounds as of an exquisite bell toned piano lightly and skillfully touched. These several different strains variously modulated, are uttered with a rapid, gushing volubility, which to an untrained ear might sound like the performance of a whole chorus of songsters. As the strain ceases, he drops down most gracefully with elevated wings into the clover, or, grasping the elastic culms of the taller grasses, swings proudly on his tiny perch. Each individual adopts his own territory and adheres to it compelling his intruding neighbor to retire to his own side of the road or fence, and then returning to his own domain with an air of independence and authority. Here he keeps up his proud antics and charming melody some week or 10 days before the female arrives. Only 7.50 long, and very nearly the colors and making of a Sparrow—the lighter parts being simply a little more yellowish—you would never suspect her relation to such a gay consort. He recognizes her at once, however, and begins his ardent demonstrations. He sings and waltzes to her, hovers in front of her, fairly rending his throat in the ardor of his musical performance; and when she in her coyness real or feigned, flees from him, he pursues her closely, and they dash in and out of bushes, trees,

and fences with the most perilous speed. More than once he slackens the chase for a few minutes, alighting and throwing in a few of his finest musical flourishes, and again renews it as ardently as ever, till at length he completely wins the object of his passion. Now they are seen together for a short time, and then the modest female retires among the clover and the taller grasses of the luxuriant meadow, and, scooping out a rather deep cavity in the ground, arranges a frail, loose nest of dried grasses, and lays her 5 egg—averaging about 90x67 white tinged with brown, spotted, blotched, and clouded with several shades of brown, and also a neutral shade of brownish-lilac. She adheres most closely to her nest. In walking across the field you may almost step on her before she will leave her treasures. Then flying only a few feet, she is instantly out of sight again; and unless you are a ready observer, or have some knowledge of birds and nests, you will be puzzled to know what you have found. As the Bobolink raises but one brood, and in the thick grass, some time before the hay is cut, its nest is but seldom seen by the farmer.

During the whole period of incubation the male is one of the happiest of birds. Without any perceptible sense of care, or of any misgiving, whatever, he keeps up his gay performances of waltzing, flight, and song, with but little intermission, his beautiful figure adding greatly to the charms of the summer landscape, and his far-reaching melody harmonizing grandly with the joyousness of the season, and ever cheering the husbandman in his long hours of toil.

If the Bay-winged Sparrow is "the poet of the plain unadorned pastures," the Bobolink is the poet of the luxuriant blooming meadows, announcing the beauty and the promise of the fruit-blossoms, and hymning the bright hues and the fragrance of the clover. It is the utterance of all the youth and joy of spring—of an unbounded hilarity.

In due time the young appear, a thrifty family, all clad in the plain but beautiful habit of the female, having a great deal of yellow almost of bright yellow, on the under parts. When they leave the nest the parents show the greatest solicitude for them, flitting about in the most excited

manner, and chipping loudly when their domain is intruded upon.

The nest of the Bobolink being so well hid away, and in parts little infested by enemies, it would seem that the species must sustain but a small loss during the breeding season.

These birds have their casualties, however. Walking once over a meadow along a stream, I saw a young Bobolink fluttering over the edge of the water; and going up to it, saw something like a good sized stone just under it, which I imagined had in some way fastened down the bird so that it could not get away. Taking hold of the supposed stone and lifting it out of the water to free the bird, my friend accompanying me called out, "a turtle!" Sure enough! a large turtle had been holding the bird by the foot, but relinquished it on my interference. I do not know which was the quickest, I to let go the turtle, or the bird to fly away to the woods beyond.

Perhaps the bird, thinking this reptile a stone, had lit on it to drink, and had thus been entrapped by the treacherous object.

About the 20th of August these birds are gathered in flocks preparatory to migration. By this time the old males have laid aside the gay livery of the breeding season, and appear as plain and sparrow-like of the rest of the family. Imagine the chagrin and disappointment of European bird fanciers, in the early history of our country, who having captured Bobolink in all the glory of the breeding season, beheld him turn brown and spotted as a Sparrow and become voiceless ere they reached the end of their long voyage homeward! Nor does this bird ever resume his bright colors while caged. Exceedingly perplexing too, was this change of plumage to the first students of American ornithology, who saw the males migrate in immense numbers to the north in spring, but saw none return to the south in autumn.

As soon as the Bobolinks begin to flock for their very leisurely fall migration, their whole manner is entirely changed. Who would imagine those immense flocks plain birds flying high in the swift, undulating manner of the Goldfinch, over the marshes about the Niagara river in August to be the same species which he saw enlivening the meadows the spring before.

That plain and subdued note which it repeats quite leisurely—*quait, quait, quait*—could give no clue to the voice of the same bird a few weeks earlier. But fire into the flock as they alight among the weeds and grasses after the manner of snowbirds in winter, and like them feed on seeds instead of insects, and you will find them to be veritable Bobolinks in excellent condition, and not at all of mean appearance, clad in their finely-marked suits of greenish yellow and brown. These autumnal migrations continue through the day and the night, and pretty much throughout the month of August along Niagara river and along the shores of our great lakes in its vicinity. In the daytime even, one often hears the familiar migratory note above given, without being able to see the birds. On looking carefully, however, one can see them flying very high, seemingly scarcely more than dark specks against the sky.

As these birds move southward, they receive different names according to their habits of diet. In eastern Pennsylvania, where they feed on the seeds of the reeds along the rivers they are called Reed-birds, and in the south, where they feed on the rice they are called the Rice-birds.

Wintering beyond our boundaries, this bird enters the Eastern United States in large numbers, and reaching the Middle State about the first of May, breeds from thence northward to the Saskatchewan, and west to the Rocky Mountains. To the eastward, Mr. Smith reports it as breeding abundantly in Maine; Mr. Chamberlain gives it as a common summer resident in New Brunswick, particularly in the valley of the St. John river, and I found it plentiful last June in the Annapolis valley, Nova Scotia, but did not see it elsewhere in the Province. Mr. Maynard gives its summer habit at between 38° and 40°. Arriving in Western New York during the first week in May, it reaches Maine about the middle of that month, and New Brunswick about the last.

On account of its short, thick bill, this bird was once called a Bunting, but its general structure places it among the Marsh Blackbirds or American Starlings, and as its white markings are similar to

those of a Skunk, it has also been called the Skunk Blackbird.—*The Young Oologist*.

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THE RELIC ROOM.

Upon entering the apartment reserved for the purpose, and called the relic room, my attention was naturally directed to a fire place and mantle situated directly opposite the entrance. My visit happened to be on a cold, bleak day and I was well prepared for the cheer of the "fire on the hearth." The open fire place was piled with blazing logs, held in place by a pair of highly polished brass andirons. The mantle is ornamented with old blue and purple Delft tile, representing in their illustrations scenes from the Bible, birds, animals, people, bridges, windmills, insects, ships, buildings, land and water views, etc. Between two tiers of tile hangs an old brass barrel flint lock horse pistol in perfect order, a pair of Spanish dirks and a lead tomahawk and pipe combined, a shape that was common with the Indians, particularly after the iron weapon was introduced. In this form it could be used as an instrument of warfare or peace. It was found near the site of a revolutionary fort. Immediately over the upper row of tile and hanging from the shelf of the mantle are specimens from New Mexico, consisting of a red stone pipe and tomahawk, shaped as described above, and having a perforated wooden stem, by which it can be smoked. Clay objects in the form of decorated saucers, a small red jug of antique shape, a black dish with handle, a small bottle shaped object decorated in red, a small article representing a cow, decorated in red and black. To the right of above are three curious objects in red clay, disc shape $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches thick, varying in diameter from $1\frac{1}{2}$ to three inches, tops and bottoms are smooth and the sides are covered with curious hieroglyphics. They were found beneath the surface in the plaza in front of the cathedral in the city of Mexico. Next is a black jug, in shape and size precisely like the red jug described above. Following are two Aztec idols,

one in black, of clay, about eight inches long, representing a standing figure; the other is of red clay, representing a full-length figure three inches high. These two idols are of great age. Near by is a small red clay bottle, from the City of Mexico.

FROM SPANISH AMERICA.

From South America I note a black, glazed water bottle, shaped in form of a duck, and a thin, flat, circular object, three inches in diameter, of metal, curiously worked, probably used as an ornament. Near by is a carved stone, formed to represent a human skull, in size about that of an orange. On the two shelves above are various specimens of bric-a-brac, representing pottery and porcelain: *Blousson* from Japan, *Dresden* from Germany, *Lewestoft* from England, willow pattern from China, *Lougrey* from France, *Belleek* from Ireland, cup from Turkey, various specimens of American manufacture, a large red clay pitcher of great age from the City of Mexico, and a red clay cooking vessel eight inches high by four in diameter. My attention was particularly called to this last specimen, it being a rare article. It is not unusual to find fragments of such vessels, but a whole one is seldom seen. They were much used by the Indians of this and other parts of country and were often buried with them. But being made of clay and not hardened or glazed, they were easily broken. The Indians made them in great variety as to size, shape and decoration. Some were formed by putting the clay in a plastic state on the inside of a basket and when sufficiently dry to retain its shape the basket was burned off. Others were formed by the hand and placed near a fire until sufficiently dry and hard for use; the one before me was made in this manner. One side now shows by its blackened surface the effect of the fire. It is made with a depression near the top forming a sort of neck sufficiently deep to allow a withe to be passed around it, by which it could be suspended over a fire. It has a convex bottom of a size allowing it to stand upright if properly placed. The rim at the opening turns

outward, making it flaring at the top. It is decorated all around with regular indentations, giving the impression of raised work.

RARE OLD PLACQUES.

Above the mantle on the chimney jamb hangs an old Delft plaque, 14 inches in diameter, decorated in blue. Also a deep, fluted plaque, 12 inches in diameter, decorated in orange and blue and the representation of a man of the period in which it was made. On the window casing, to the left of the mantle I noted a card of Indian pottery of various sizes and decorations. The shape of the fragments clearly indicates that they belonged to vessels of various forms and sizes. Below is a card of bone worked into tools for puncturing, a sort of awl, in length 3 to 5 inches, the points of which are sharp. Others are blunt at both ends, and were evidently used for smoothing purposes. One is formed into a fish-hook and several are worked into shape for use as whistles, or they could be strung and used as a necklace. They are 1½ inches long. The upper ends are cut off on a bevel and bored so that the hole meets the hollow part of the object. All of these bone articles were made and used by the Indians before they knew the use of metals. As soon as the white man came they were discarded for the more convenient iron or copper instrument. The bone tools, ornaments, whistles, fish-hooks, smoothers, etc., were made by the Indians from bones of animals slain for food, and as showing their ingenuity and power of adapting what we would consider useless to their necessities and pleasure, there are no better objects by which to illustrate it. With no other instrument than a rough flint or grinding stone, the Indians fashioned these pieces of bone to suit their needs; without the use of measure or gauge they made what ever they wished as perfect as it could be done to day with all the appliances which the white man has at hand.—*Amsterdam Sentinel.*

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PHILATELY.

The benefit actually derived from the formation of various philatelic clubs and associations which have from time to time been started and carried on throughout the world, with more or less success, must prove apparent to the most simple-minded philatelist. of course there are exceptions to every rule, and we may, doubtless, find a few who look upon even the largest and most influential society as childish, but we are glad to say the number of these extremely simple-minded persons is very much in the minority. many very valuable works, useful alike to the philatelist and non-philatelist, have emanated from the London Society. The New York society have been instrumental in placing a valuable colour chart in the hands of the present-day collectors, and the various continental societies have also worked well together and produced some valuable works, thereby doing much to popularise philately in Europe, especially by holding some first-class Exhibitions, all of which tend to prove to the outside public that there is something more in philately than a mere schoolboy pastime. schoolboys, to, when they see great men indulging in what they at first looked upon as an innocent amusing pastime, and, further, seeing the grand works prepared for the reception of their little bits of paper, ponder in their own minds the benefit derived from a more minute study of stamps, and thus many a school boy has grown up to be an ardent and enthusiastic philatelist. some time since, a movement was put on foot for holding international Philatelic Exhibition in England, about the autumn of 1886 it is high time some preliminary steps should be taken if it is desired to accom-

plish this end successfully, and now that the re-organization of the philatelic union is an accomplished fact. we hope to see the matter energetically taken up.

Dealers often write us complaining of the dulness of trade. now, are not these very Dealers, to a great extent, themselves to blame for this apparent dulness so often spoken of. in our own experience we have frequently run out of a certain kind of stamp, and written to a Dealer whose price-list happened to be a trifle cheaper than another, together with cash, asking him to forward the stamps required per return without fail. Judge of our annoyance after waiting perhaps three or four days, to receive a letter from the Dealer in question stating that he is sorry he cannot supply the stamps ordered, but sends others instead. And what are these? possibly some of which we have thousands in stock ourselves. The natural conclusion we should come to, after being treated thus, is, that it would be a very long time before we ventured to patronise that Dealer again. Another crying evil to which we wish to allude is, the wholesale abuse of credit, which is so unblushingly indulged in by some who are thought to be respectable Dealers. often a lot of stamps are sold to a Dealer at a remarkably low profit, for cash at a month, and the dealer selling these, is frequently put to much inconvenience by the agreement not being acted up to. of course there are a few reliable firms, but there are many more which are not. we would urgently impress upon all especially in these times of depression, the absolute necessity of remembering the old adage—"punctuality is the soul of business." *Stamp Collectors' Journal.*

—Some observant writer has discovered that it took \$11,201 worth of ink to cancel the postage stamps used in 1883.

PIE IN 1770

A pie in 1770 was made of two bushels of flour, twenty pounds of butter, four geese, two turkeys, two rabbits, four wild ducks, two woodcocks, six snipes, four partridges, two neats' tongues, two curlews, seven blackbirds and six pigeons. A pie can now be had from a slice of dried apple and a little piece of soggy dough, such is the march of improvement.

Of the mechanical arts known to the people of Polynesia the most important was the construction of canoes. some of these were more than 100 feet in length, and would carry two or three hundred men sometimes they were propelled by oars or sail. the latter were three-cornered mats, suspended between two masts, one in each ship. the smaller craft usually had an outrigger on one or both sides to prevent upsetting. when we consider that the only tools used were made of stone or shell, we can see it must have been the work of years to construct one of the larger canoes. one must not think of the parts as fastened with bolts or nails. the keels were trunks of trees hollowed with the stone adze or fire; to these were attached planks trimmed to fit closely, and bound with cords of coconut fiber. they were made water tight with a filling of gum mixed with the same fiber finely divided. these seemingly frail craft were yet so seaworthy that they outrode severe storms, and endured voyages of hundreds of miles with entire safety.

The bill for the fur suits made for the Greeley relief expedition has been approved by pay director at the navy yard. the entire cost of the fur outfit, including the sleeping-bags, is set down at \$31,392. there were 1,500 reindeer skins used and 257 suits made of them. the skins cost \$6,892.40, the freight from Stockholm \$523.91, and the cost of making was \$2,937.50. in making the sleeping-bags 354 elk skins were used. each bag cost \$31, and each fur suit \$41. *Am. Farm Journal.*

The philatelist published by JOSEPH HOLMES JR of NEW YORK CITY, has suspended. MR. HOLMES will carry on the stamp business as heretofore.

KIND WORDS.

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Yours Respectfully,
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BEE-KEEPING—THE OLD AND THE NEW.

Less than twenty years ago it was estimated that there were 200,000 persons in the United States engaged in bee-keeping. This estimate included all, even those possessing but a single colony. The annual revenue obtained averaged, one year with another, about \$8,000,000, and the amount of honey from each hive averaged about fifteen pounds. To-day, although the number of persons keeping bees has not materially increased, yet the revenue obtained from the most trustworthy sources places it at about \$20,000,000, and the amount of honey per colony at about seventy-five pounds. The number of persons to whom is due this marvelous increase is certainly not more than 5000, so we must look elsewhere for a solution of the problem, rather than to the increase in the number of bee-keepers.

The facts, in a nutshell are as follows: About twenty-five years ago movable frame bee-hives were introduced into the United States, the uses of which enabled the bee-keeper to move and replace all the combs in a hive in a few minutes. Closely following was the introduction of Italian bees which were found to be better honey-gathers, more peaceable and desirable in every way than our native bees. Next in order came the honey extractor, which enabled the beekeeper to empty all the honey from the combs and to return them uninjured to the hives, to be refilled by the bees, and in seasons of good honey weather this process could be repeated on the same combs three or four times each week and the combs thus used last for years. Each hive on an average, contains about five pounds of dry combs, each pound of which consumes twenty pounds of honey in its production, hence the dry combs in a bee-hive represents 100 pounds of honey all of which is saved by using the extractor instead of taking away the combs as the farmers usually do, and making the bees replace them at each successive robbing. Further, the placing these empty combs back in the center of the hives gives the queen room in which to lay, and as she deposits eggs in the cells at the rate of from 2000 to 4000 every twenty-four hours, and in twenty-one days every egg is a worker-bee, the hive is kept always full of bees,

and this is an indispensable condition to rapid honey gathering.

Another modern invention which in skillful hands, again doubles the honey yield' is "comb foundation," viz., sheets of pure bees-wax, containing on both sides the impression of the cells, and about one-fourth of an inch in depth. The bottoms are made very thin, but the side walls of the cells are thick enough to finish the combs, which the bees do with their mandibles, drawing out the wax as a blacksmith draws out iron under his hammer. These sheets are cut to fit exactly inside the frames, and a hive is thus filled with beautiful combs at an expense of about \$1.50 and thirty-six hours' time by a good swarm of bees. As we have shown above that a hive full of combs is equivalent to 100 pounds of honey, which, at ten cents a pound, is equal to \$10, the gain by this invention is seen at a glance. I might describe other minor devices which aid in securing the best results, and could name quite a number of the most prominent apiculturists of the country who are engaged exclusively in bee culture, and average, year by year' from 100 to as high as 225 pounds each colony, besides doubling the number,

Now, with such hives as are in quite general use among our farmers, it is impossible to derive any advantage from the different apparatus we have noticed. And when a hive containing stationary combs is full, there being no place in which to store honey or pollen, nor for the queen to lay, the bees will frequently cluster in bunches at and around the entrance of the hive, even when there is plenty of nectar in the flowers. When this happens it would be well to remove the hive to another stand, and in its place set one containing movable frames filled with foundation combs and have a queen caged in its centre. It would also be well to brush off the clusters of bees before removing the old box-hive to another stand. These will at once enter the new hive, drew out the foundation, and work with a vigor which will astonish and gladden its possessor. This is one of the easiest methods for beginners to effect a change from the old box into the movable frame system. All the "field bees" will, on leaving the removed hive, return to

the old stand in the new hive *παλαια*, only young bees and the old queen in the parent hive.—A.F. King, in *Philadelphia Press*.

A FAMOUS BIBLE.

The trustees of the British Museum have purchased Milton's Bible. It is said to contain the following entry in the writing of his first wife: "I am the books of Mary Milton." The poet himself has entered the dates of the births of his children with unusual fullness, as witness the following extract: "Anne my daughter, was born July 29th, the day of the monthly fast, between six and seven, or about half an hour after six in the morning, 1646." The birth of his only son, who died when an infant, is thus chronicled: "My son John was born on Sunday March 16, at half-past nine at night, 1650.—*Exchange*."

THE RATES OF POSTAGE IN 1792.

Thinking that they would be interesting to the readers of THE AID, our scissors editor captured them on sight.

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For every double letter double the said rates.

For every triple letter, triple the said rates.

For every packet weighing one ounce avoirdupois, to pay at the rate of four single letters for each ounce, and in that proportion for any greater weight.—*Ex*

THE PROFIT ON WHISKY.

"I suppose few drinkers of whisky," said a wholesale dealer in the fluid, "realize how little of original value they get for their money. The cost to the distiller of making the best possible whisky is only about forty cents a gallon. Now a gill is a fair quantity for a drink, the charge for which at the most stylish bars is twenty cents. That is to say, a thing costing the producer a sixth of a cent in Kentucky is retailed at nearly forty times as much. Of course the Government tax takes some of the enormous profit, and the wastes of storage another portion. The gains of the handlers remain astounding. I know of no more solid temperance argument than the ridiculous high prices charged for liquors by the glass."—*Ex*.

How JEFFERSON WAS INAUGURATED.

Thomas Jefferson was the first President inaugurated at Washington. The city was then a country village scattered over the immense territory, and Pennsylvania avenue was a muddy country road. There was a fence about the Capitol grounds, and it is said that Jefferson rode there on horseback and jumped from his horse and tied him to the bars while he went up to the big white building to be sworn in. He was dressed very plainly, and only a few friends accompanied him. The inauguration took place in what was then the Senate Chamber—now the Supreme Court room—and only 1,000 people were present. Of these 150 were ladies. As the President-elect came in the Senators stood up and Aaron Burr gave the Presidents' seat to Mr. Jefferson. John Adams the retiring President, was not present. It is reported that he said he did not propose to grace the inauguration of the party opposed to him, and that he left the White House on the night of the 3d of March at midnight, and that before day he had departed from Washington forever.

—*The American Agent*, published by Campbell & Rish, at Boyleston, Ind., greets us this month, as bright and lively as ever. That they have met with phenomenal success in the publication of this paper, no one will doubt for an instant. Commencing as an amateur, they have been obliged to enlarge successively four times until to-day it stands at the head of all publications of its kind, as the largest paper published. "True merit always meets with success," and never was this more clearly illustrated than in the case of Messrs. Campbell & Rouse.

Exchangers Department.

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All notices should reach us not later than the 30th of each month, to insure insertion in our next number.

If possible, write your exchange notice on a sheet separate from the rest of your communication.

Some of our exchangers seem to think we can publish a paper for nothing, they send us a great long exchange notice, and say, please insert this in the AID, and I will subscribe some time. To all these we will say no one can use the exchange column who is not a subscriber, unless they pay 10 cents for every 25 words.

We are willing to assist exchangers every way we can, but we will not allow dead beats who impose upon the public and never pay anything, to use these columns.

—Wanted to exchange a list of articles among which are the following: Pocket spy glass, Waterbury watch, Combination Linen maker, Silver pen and pencil, fishing rod "jointed" cost \$4.50, 3 corn planters "new" worth \$3.00 each 45 copies of newspapers and magazines, I also have a sewing machine to exchange that costs \$30.00 when new, I will give a bargain on it, would like to exchange for a Stylographic pen, type, books, or anything useful, send list of what you have and, I will do the same. S. G. HAFFLY.

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AVERY MCCARTHY.

OSWEGO, N. Y.

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BELMONT, WRIGHT CO. IA

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PICRELLTOWN, LOGAN CO., OHIO.

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SHIPPENSBURG, CUNIB CO., PA.

—Wanted to exchange, minerals for arrow heads, stamps, shells, sea beans and revolvers. GEO. W. CAVINESS,

LAHOYT, HENRY CO., IOWA.

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—Wanted to exchange, two printing presses, hand inkers, 20 fonts of type, rule, leads, border, lead cutter and everything, belonging to a small printing office, will sell or exchange. Send list of things to exchange, all letters answered.

B. F. HATFIELD,

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We want a correspondent and agent in England to solicit subscriptions and advertisements. good commission allowed Let us hear from some one who will take charge.

Wanted to exchange Our Coin Book, giving prices we pay for all old coins. &c (cost 6 cts) for anything of like value, Also 2 vols. Saturday Night, other papers and magazines, new and second hand books, for a printing press, self-inker, We want to buy for cash a good sized printing press, address W. D. Hurst & Bro., Pineville. Ky.

Wanted to exchange a box of "self-shining" stove polish, no dust, no smell, no mixing, and receipt for making same, for a 20 or 25 cent piece of any date in good condition. Address J. B. Ball, Mechanicburg, Onio.

—Wanted to exchange a "Centennial card printing press" size of chase 2½x3½ inches, weight 6 lbs. hand inker in good order for self-inking Printing press chase 5½x8 inches any Brand (but "Excelsior" preferred) and pay difference in chase all letters answered.

W. SYDNEY FENNER,

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—Publishers who intend to discontinue the publication of their journals will do well to address us in regard to the transfer of their subscription list.

—Wanted to exchange, For best of-
 ers a good double barrell breech loading
 shot gun Cost (Including Implements)
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 cal. revolver a 44 cal. Pkt Deringer a
 22 cal, Banner pistol (for blank Cart
 ridges) with 100 cigs and a novelty
 paper cap pistol with $\frac{1}{2}$ gross brass
 caps (extra loud report) also a no 1
 shaving outfit consisting of razor
 strap, brush and soap all in neat case,
 a good 4 bladed Pkt, knife "westenholm"
 a magnetic pkt knife with microscopic
 sene in handle a 3 inch Horse shoe
 magnet (very powerful) a micro Stero-
 graph with 100 views in neat case. A
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 with lock handle and clasps a fine accor-
 deon 10 keys also one with 6 keys a
 metalophone 10 keys in case a Toy cor-
 net 8 keys numerous books papers art
 pictures, photo's &c. together with a
 number of various other articles and
 novelties (to numerous to mention here)
 of which a complete list will be fur-
 nished exchanger's upon application,
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 Letters promptly answered.

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WANTED to exchange a waterbury
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 nickel watch, in good condition, for best
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 tion books, song books, school books,
 &c Little travelers and cottage clocks
 1 school microscope. One pair ladies
 roll gold bracelets, 2 harmonicas 1 fine
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 ing machine attachments] perumed
 satchels. Various kinds of medicines,
 pills, Bona Dea [let ers for ladies.]
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 album. A fine lot of I. L Cragins
 Toilet soap $\frac{1}{2}$ doz. egg beaters, 25 large
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 nent school teachers in N. C One solid
 gold gents "U. S. M." pin. I will ex-
 change any of the above and I want a
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 violin, a printing press. Ladies and
 childrens dress good, or will sell for cash
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—WANTED to exchange minerals,
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 els without cents, fossils sharks teeth
 and jern impressions, arrow or spear
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—WANTED to exchange, one dozen Ex
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WM. T. GUNLOCK.

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—Wanted to exchange a "Centennial card printing press" size of chase $2\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$ inches, weight 6 lbs. hand inker in good order for self-inking Printing press chase $5\frac{1}{2} \times 8$ inches any Brand (but "Excelsior" preferred) and pay difference in chase all letters answered.

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—Wanted to exchange the following rare and valuable set of books "annual Register of the history, politics and literature of Europe 1858 to 1779 Vol. I printed in 1762 and the last Vol. in 1796. Twenty-one Royal octavo Volumes, half calf binding, and each volume in the finest condition, as a recognized standard history it is the best. This set cost Forty-four dollars in London. Will exchange for a "model" or other good self-inking printing press, size inside of chase $4\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$, type and furniture accompanying it.

J. G. BINGHAM,
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WANTED to exchange, a single barrel breech-loading 15 bore shot gun, for a Smith & Wesson 32 or 38 calibre double action revolver. also a flute, violin, two shading pens Gaskells compendium and the life of the duke of Wellington. for goods of equal value, all letters answered J. RUSSELL.

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WANTED to exchange nice original copies of the new england palladium al rare old newspaper printed in boston over 75 years ago, for U.S. fractional currency, or any good curiosities or relics. also copies of the london punch, a great comic english newspaper for same. DRAWER, K,

MC. GRAWVILME, N. Y.

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—Wanted to exchange, one of the smallest Bibles printed in England in 1823 size 2×3 inches and $2\frac{1}{2}$ in thick, one dozen excelsior gas burners with receipts to make fluid to generate gas in common lamps, several Volumes of "Harpers Young People," a good violin, one alluminum Gold hunting case watch, one Clariona with 500 feet of music, a rubber stamp outfit with 3 fonts Type, all or a part of the above for type, printing material, or anything of value. J. WATLING.

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—Wanted to exchange a Columbia [self inker] printing press, 8×12 inches inside of chase, for a 50 inch bicycle.

J. A. MILLER,
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To exchange a number of due bills, on good reliable firms, for good books, printing material or cash, those due bills were taken in payment for advertising and not wanting the goods I will exchange them for anything of equal value that I can use, will send a years subscription to the union news for the best offer of curiosities from each of the different states and territories or provinces of Canada, also curiosities exchanged, for curiosities of other states, send a list of what you have to exchange and specify what you prefer and I will make you an offer.

Milton Grub Basil' Ohio.

—Wanted to exchange, a brass tenor horn, cost 20 dollars when new, good make, good as new, for a printing press, and outfit must be a first class outfit.

J. I. EARLEY,

NEOSHO, MO.

—Wanted to exchange, a telegraph instrument & large family medical work new, cost \$5.00, and one book entitled mysteries of man, one revolver 22 calibre seven shot good as new, for printing press & types for printing tracts & cards will exchange harmed frogs for other goods.

A. H. HENSON.

CORSICANA, TEXAS

—Wanted to exchange, Minerals, Indian relics, old United States coins, and confederate money, stamps, etc. All correspondence answered.

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BRISTOL, VT.

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All parties indebted to this paper are requested to settle at once.

Next month we will publish the names of every one indebted to this paper, and offer the bills for sale.

Back numbers of the EXCHANGERS AID may be had at this office, for five cents per copy.

We send out a good many sample copies this month and invite everyone to send 50 cent postal note and receive this paper and the agents herald free for one year.

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We have made arrangements with the publisher of the agents herald and can offer our readers the AID and the agents herald one year for 50 cents send now.

Any one wishing to try our exchange columns, who is not a subscriber, can do so by sending 10 cents for each insertion of their notice.

—We will give the EXCHANGERS AID 3 years for the best article on collecting for our next number, those received and not accepted will be returned.

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Every one who subscribes for the Aid before April 1, 87 and sends 10 cents extra will receive the Aid one year and a rubber stamp with name and address pads ink, and all complete order at once.

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To exchange 250 no's. of the youths companion, 52 numbers scientific american, 90 numbers advocate and family guardian, 13 harpers young people, magazines and books, 1 p'r half clamp ice skates, complete set chessmen, 2 sided har-moula and the games of boum, coin conversation, dominoes and jack-straws, the lot valued at \$23.00 for a self-inking printing press and outfit, of the same value. **H. N. Parks,** Gouverneur, N. Y.

Wanted to exchange a Caxton, self-luker, Pres. 4x6 inches inside chase, for a pair of all-clamp club Roller Skates, with skate bag, Vinyard preferred. Address, **J. A. MILLER,** Canajoharie, N. Y.

To exchange books magazines & papers of all kinds, shells, birds eggs, botanical and other natural history specimens, fossils, minerals, drawing & painting materials, stamps, insects, sea animals, rubber stamp outfit, 35 cal. revolver, loaded shells, bayonet, powder flask, bullet mold, old iron ball, blank cards, hand scroll saw and many other articles, for books on natural history, stamps, botanical specimens &c. send list of goods state what you want in exchange. **Geo R. Lumsden** Greenville, Conn.

—WANTED to exchange, a long list of articles, among which are a style e organette and several hundred feet of music new, a lot of sheet music for organ and piano, quantity of type cuts and fine specimens of brilliant glass, for books or best offers

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We ask all our friends to help us in extending the circulation of *THE AID*, and with this end in view we offer the following valuable premiums to club raisers. Every premium which we send out will be the best of its kind, and no article not fully up to the standard will be allowed to leave our office.

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For a club of five and \$2.50, we will give a rubber stamp with name and address.

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For a club of twenty and \$10.00, we will give a new 7 shot revolver, valued at \$5.00.

For a club of thirty and \$15.00, we will give a good hunting case silver watch, valued at \$8.00.

For a club of forty and \$20.00, we will give a double barrellled shot gun, valued at \$12.00.

For a club of fifty and \$25.00, we will give a solid silver hunting case watch.

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To the one sending us the third largest number of subscriptions, we will present \$12.50, in gold.

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To the one sending us the sixth largest number of subscribers, we will present \$5.00 in gold.

To the one sending us the seventh largest number of subscribers, we will present \$4.00 in gold.

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A rubber stamp with name and address, pads ink and all comple'e, to every one who subscribes for the *Aid*, and pays 10 cents extra, remember this offer is only good till April 1 1885 send now.

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Back numbers of the *EXCHANGERS AID* may be had at this office, for five cents per copy.

To exchange Self inking printing press chase 24x34, for type, job printing or cloth bound books. W. H. STELLE.

BELMONT, IOWA.

To exchange telegraph key and sounder, pair p&s american club skates good as new, and old coins, for old coins and relics. P. L. WING. MEXICO, N. Y.

To exchange v nickels without the word cents for any value u s fractional currency in good condition, I will give 25 varieties foreign stamps (including Kandwich Island. U. S. war dep't, i. e. uncanceled, etc. for any large U. S. copper cent in good condition. COLLECTOR, LENA, ILLS.

—Wanted to exchange a new Cabinet size Photo Camera and completed dry plate outfit chemical books of instructions &c. all ready to go to work valued at \$25.00 For a good Hunting cased watch Type Millers self inking press about 4x6 or best cash offer. D. L. McNULTY.

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10 fonts of fancy type all complete, 16 printers cuts and mortices, one 32 calibre revolver nickel plated, one 32 calibre rifle, 2 double barrellshot guns, 1 14 ounce silver case watch springfield works, 1 JAS BOSS, gold filled case watcy Elgin movement. 200 stereoscopic views no two alike. fo. books or offers, FRANK M. LYONR PIERCEVILLE, VAN BUREN, CO, IOWA.

To exchange, books, papers, magazines novelties & Co. for printing press and outfit, or other goods, give full particulars R D HAZLETT. NEW SALEM. PA.

WANTED to exchange specimen of woods from this section, for the same from other localities. woods that do not grow here preferred. J T. BELL. FRANKLYN, P. A.

—Wanted to exchange a pair of Imperial Club skates. patent lever, 11 inch long. worth \$500, fine condition. also a "Bracket saw" with a large amount of patterns, for something of equal value a printing press preferred. F. H. FARR. BRISTOL, VT.

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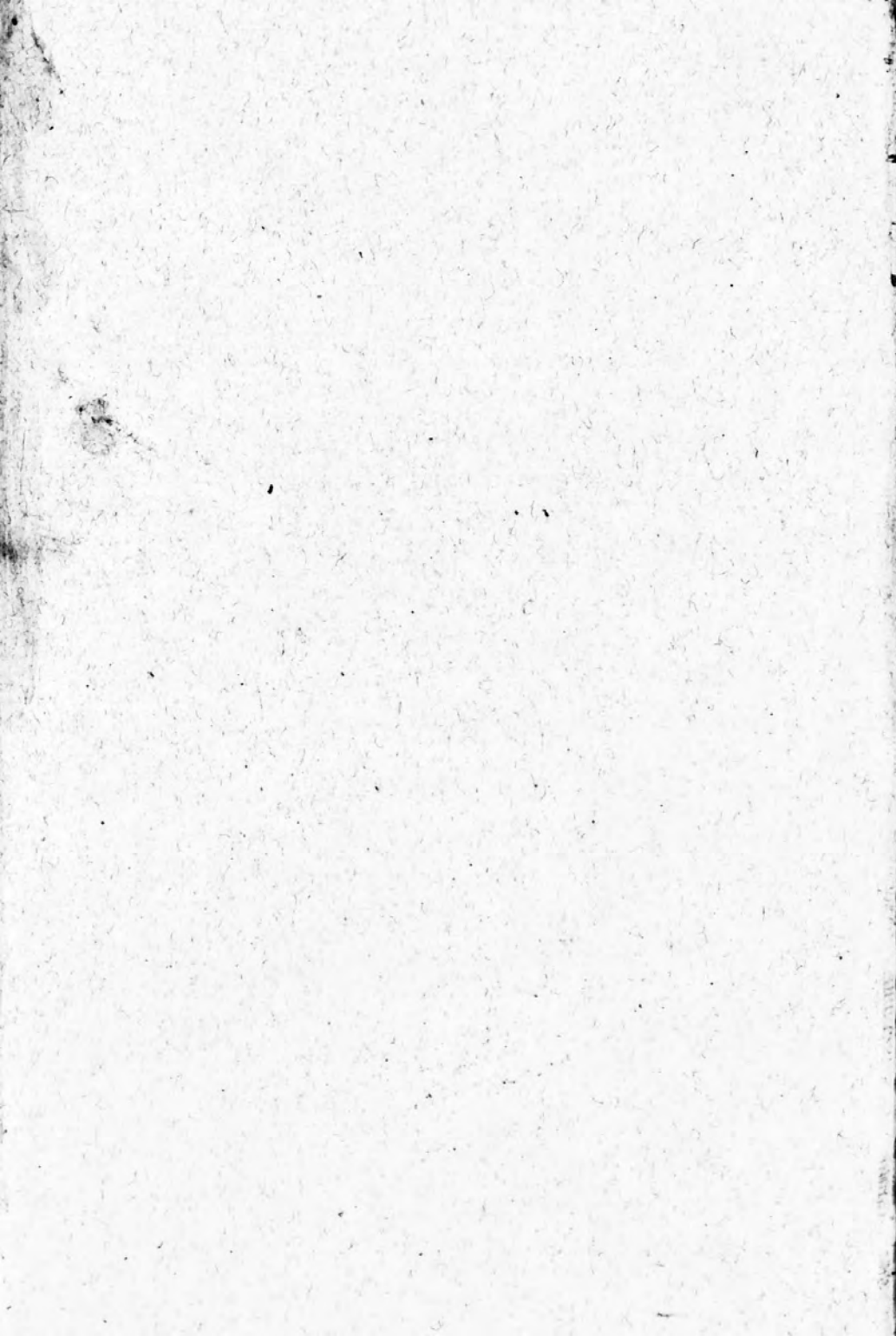


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