

# The Collector's Review.

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NO. 1.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

Following letters have been received by the requests to have them printed:

### A REPLY TO ALLISON.

noticed in the "COLLECTOR" of February  
written by a person who writes under  
pove *mont de plume*. His article shows  
he does not take proper consideration in  
to the dealing of stamps. He calls up  
his reasons why the younger Philatelists  
not buy a twenty-five dollar stock. He  
s the cost of dealing, and in this he is  
badly mistaken. In one thing I agree  
him, that is in regard to replies to ap-  
sheets. In my experience I have found  
always the one cent fiends that apply for  
val sheets and you can't expect much  
them. As regards to profit of course you  
expect to make a fortune in a minute,  
so says this stock is merely a bait, and  
s that a sucker is usually caught. In re-  
this, I say a young Philatelist is doing  
the right thing to buy a stock of stamps  
a large dealer, whether he is a collector  
ends to be a dealer.

Allison says when footing up the receipts,  
the total sales amount to £40. The total  
se at \$25 for one stock, additional stock  
advertising \$8, stationery and postage \$10,  
\$33. In this he is very wrong, many of  
friends have bought these stocks and are  
y pleased with them. Let me quote what  
k in regard to this stock, say you have  
t a \$25 stock from a certain dealer, you  
e in return 1000 stamps cost retail  
e Catalogue value about \$25.00 only take  
tail price, 1500 S. & C. A. & Mexico at not  
an \$10.00, 1000 Br. Colonials worth not  
an \$5.00 1000 U. S. not less than \$3.00  
European worth \$2.00 besides all this you  
ntel sheets worth at least \$2.00 and \$6.00  
of advertising. Total of \$38.00. Besides  
s you have got a good start and a fine

stock. At the end of the year if your receipts  
don't aggregate over \$50, please inform me and  
I will show you how to do it. The writer of  
the other article must be some dissatisfied  
dealer who does not know how to deal. He  
gives a horrible blow to dealers by saying they  
send out their bad stamps. He is badly mis-  
taken, the only thing that can convince him is  
to show proof. Let him write any dealer, who  
knows what he is doing, who bought this stock  
and hear the answer. He, and we are sure any  
philatelist who is a philatelist, are willing to  
trust to this same dealer for a fair and square  
deal.

COOKE.

### A WAIL.

Of all the impositions put upon stamp col-  
lectors the latest and worst is the Samoa re-  
print. Having none of the redeeming features  
of the Sebecks, for they are neither beautiful  
nor valuable. They appear on the sheets of  
every *Kid* dealer and are eagerly bought by  
ignorant beginners and a few foolish advanced  
collectors. It is a disgrace to Philately for  
spaces for them to appear in printed albums,  
or for the leading dealers to handle them.  
Every advanced collector should show his friend  
the beginner his folly, and should have no  
dealings with the foolish advanced collector  
who purchases them. The only way to put  
down these impositions on the unsuspecting  
collector is to discourage the sale of them and  
banish them from our albums forever. Let all  
the Philatelists of the U. S. rise as one man  
and put down the rising tendency of making  
reprints, surcharges, and fraudulent cancel-  
lations.

A. L. BUM.

Our adv. rates will probably be raised by  
the next No. so you had better make a contract  
with us for a number of inches to be paid for  
as used at the rate of 20 cents an inch. Our  
reason for increasing our rates, is that we can-  
not circulate this paper as much as we wish to  
while they remain at the present low figures.

## The Collector's Review.

E. W. PLUMMER, Editor and Publisher.  
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and we will do same.

### EDITORIAL.

Why not have a philatelic press association?

We will exchange adv. space with any respectable paper.

Societies in need of an official organ should write for our terms.

Collectors should not fail to join The Nebraska Phil-Society.

A large number of the copies of next issue will be sent to foreign countries.

Mss. wanted send us any thing of interest to collectors, notes, personal newspaper clippings etc.

We desire brief reports of the meetings of Philatelic societies which will be published free of charge.

One of Denver's prominent philatelists, Mr. W. B. Shattuc, is going to issue a weekly stamp paper first No. to appear April 15th. Much success Willie.

Our exchange col. will be started in our next number, subscribers are allowed 20 words free one time, over 20 words 1 cent a word, same price for more than one insertion.

We are informed by The Colorado Stamp Co. that they have given up the approval sheet business entirely, as they have all they can do filling orders for single stamps and packets.

We have had several very pleasant calls from Mr. Lewis Bishop. He is the editor and publisher of our large contemporary the *Philatelist*. Denver stamp collectors should lend him a willing hand.

During the past two weeks, The Colorado Stamp Co. has had an exhibit at the State Industrial Fair. Among the stamps that attracted the most attention were two genuine Mulready envelopes.

### They Carry the Mails.

The postoffice department has been described as it has never been described before by shall Cushing, private secretary of Post General Wanamaker, in a volume published by a Boston firm, to whose courtesy the *York Mail and Express* is indebted for a advance copy. It takes a good many persons to handle the mails of this big country. Cushing puts the number at 229,433. This means that one person out of about two hundred and eighty in the United States, including men, women and children, work in Uncle Sam's postal service. Of these many are women.

Here are some startling figures: There are 2,300 railroad routes, covering 160,000 miles in distance; 17,000 star routes covering 2,000 miles; 7,000 messenger routes, covering 27,000 miles; 2,500 special routes, covering 125 steamboat routes covering 10,000 miles. Altogether the number of miles traveled each year is 350,000,000. Some of the methods of delivering the mails are extremely primitive. Take, for instance, the mail route in the northern peninsula of Michigan. The mails are carried on a sled drawn by dogs. There are several women mail carriers, one of whom is Miss Malott, who carries the mail daily 50 miles in northern Washington. She rides a tough little mustang, and in all of her trips has never met with an accident. Her father was the first settler in the town of Malott.

#### Pony Express in the West.

Way out west they still have the pony express which takes the mails over the prairies, the mountain trails and down the valleys where railroads cannot be run. Herewith is a picture of Mr. Cushing says about Owney, the mail carriers' pet--Owney is a Scotch terrier, travels from one end of the country to the other in the postal cars, tagged through, and when talked to, looked out for as a brother, always. But sometimes, no matter what the attention he suddenly departs for the south, the east or the west and is not seen again for months. He will defend the mail sack against all comers except the regular clerks."

The oldest postmaster in the United States in point of time of service, is Roswell B. Sley, of North Lansing, N. Y. He was appointed on June 28, 1828. He was born in 1792 and was appointed by John Quincy Adams.

ends to his work daily and is in perfect health.  
Another old-timer is Charles A. Tyler, of New York, who is the oldest letter carrier in the country—*Chicago Herald*.

Next number will probably consist of 16 pages and cover.

*Denver Republican* for Sunday, April 1, has a very good illustrated article on stamps, but values the New Haven Envelope at \$1.00 and the Milburry at \$1.00.

It is astonishing to see how quickly Philately is coming again in Denver. 2 Stamp papers, a large stamp firm, and a local stamp society have been formed. It may not be long before we are like we had in 1888.

The editor in company with Mr. W. B. Shattuc, took a trip to Boulder on the 27th. Both had a very pleasant time with Mr. Roth, editor of the *Rocky Mountain Philatelist*. The editor while listening (?) to Mr. Shattuc's funny (?) stories thought sat down on a coil of barbed wire and suddenly arose with a kind of sliding motion which made it necessary for him to wear a coat until home was reached.

### REVIEW.

At the time of going to press the following papers have been received: Next month we will review all exchanges in full. *Phil. Jour.*, *Britain*, *Southern Phil.*, *Penn. Phil.*, *Y. Phil.*, *The Stamp*, *Rocky Mt. Phil.*, *International Phil.*, *Eastern Phil.*, *Phil. Era.*, *Florida Phil.*, *Phil. Mail & Ex.*, *Phil. Fortnightly*, *Phil. Facts & Fal.*, *Weekly Stamp News.*, *Phil. of Am.*, *Detroit Phil.*, *Can. Phil.*, *Dom. Phil. Jour. of Canada.*, *The Post Office.*, *Time.*, *The Phil. Tribune.*, *The Price List.*, *Collector.*, *Phil. Postal Card.*, *Golden Star.*, *Phil. Met. Phil.*, *Am. Jour. of Phil.*, *The Phil. Card.*, *The New Jer. Phil.*

### OUR WESTERN EDITION.

In a few months we intend issuing a large number of this paper to consist of a large number of pages devoted to Philately and Philately in the west. For particulars address editor and see our next number.

The first meeting of the D. P. S. was held on Thursday March 9. About fifteen philatelists were present. A constitution was written and the following officers elected. President, E. W. Plummer; Vice President, W. B. Shattuc, Secretary; Geo. Wolf, Treasurer; Miss Yockey, Ex. Superintendent; H. D. Freneau; Ex. Committees, Lewis Bishop, Max Sebayer, F. Weed, C. K. Carstophen. At the next meeting "The Collector's Review" was chosen as official organ. At the 3rd meeting a new constitution was adopted, and the resignations from office of Miss Yockey, and Mr. Weed were accepted, with regrets. Mr. Lafferty was elected to fill Mr. Weed's place on the ex-committee and Mr. Weed was elected Treasurer. A list of members is given below:

#### LIST OF MEMBERS.

1—E. W. Plummer. 2—W. B. Shattuc. 3—Miss Yockey. 4—Geo. Wolf. 5—Lewis Bishop. 6—F. Weed. 7—Chas. W. Davis. 8—Paul Raymond. 9—F. C. Scobey. 10—Max Schayer. 11—O. K. Carstophlen. 12—Harry D. Freneau. 13—A. Lafferty. 14—Wm. Stephens. 15—Chas. Henderson. 16—W. N. Vail. 17—Ben Frankel. 18—J. C. Stivers. 19—L. Rothgerber. 20—I. Rothgerber. 21—Chas. Bronson. 22—Chas. Frentz. 23—Miss Weed. 24—Miss Sinclair.

### A Philatelic Button.

We have made arrangements with Mr. Wm. Sachs, of this city, to make us a large number of buttons, to be of the finest nickel-plate. Work will be commenced on them as soon as fifty orders have been received for them at 30 cents each. It is not our intention to make money on this button, therefore we offer them at actual cost price. Any person wishing more than one of these buttons can have them at 25 cents each. On orders for one button at 30 cents, we will send them post paid. On orders for more than one, postage is extra.

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## INK DROPS.

BY "COOK."

long looked for Philatelic Puck is out. first number is very good. This publica- certainly ought to be a good one, as the rial staff is composed of such writers as Luhn, Guy Greene and W. Kelsey Hall.

on the Prospectus, the Columbian Album laisy. It is to be lauded for making the break against surcharges. Praise is due e American Stamp Co. for this, its latest

hat's the matter with Dixey? He is the one I have heard of who praises the P. O. rtment for this year's issue. He even s the Columbian envelopes. Dixey, you d not do this; it's not stylish you know.

Denver seems to be a city devoted to general cting. I have looked over half the collec- of the younger collectors and find them cking in United States. Shame on you, I should think you were more patriotic that.

ware of the names, Lindsey—Greene—New . They bring to mind three subjects, Rev- s—unperforated—perforations cut off. If don't believe it, ask Box 734, Denver, Colo.

me people want the earth. But if a Col- an envelope which has two worlds on it, is taken, count me out.

hat's the matter with our 8c purple Sher- head? It's not for sale at Denver's P. O.

three-cent cherry brown was found in a h of letters. What's the matter with that shade?

## Nebraska Notes.

BY COLLECTOR.

mp news is a little dry now, like the try.

W. Julian, the secretary of N. P. S. has ed to Crawford and is stenographer for the agent at that place.

colin will soon have a branch of the N. P. There are no less than 15 members living at city.

hat is the matter with the Fraud Re- er? I received October, November and

December numbers all at one time and there was no fraud reported, the whole thing being advertisements.

The American Philatelic Magazine improves with every number, having two editors at the helm and both experienced collectors.

Omaha has two fine Philatelic societies in good running order.

E. R. Holman, a reporter for the State Journal and also a member of the N. P. S. and S. of P., has had some fine articles about stamps and collectors, in the Sunday Daily Journal.

Quite a number of collectors in this State expect to be at the S. of P. convention.

The election of officers for N. P. S. takes place this month. There are a fine lot of collectors up for the different offices.

Denver is to be congratulated on getting such a fine society in so short a time. It takes the west to make things hum.

## Review.

Owing to lack of space this month, all we can do is to give the names of the different papers received: Weekly Philatelist, The Collector, The Illinois Philatelist, The Philatelist, The Golden Star, Ottawa Philatelist, The Philatelic Era, The Southern Philatelist, The Canadian Philatelist, International Philatelist, The Post Office, The Yankee Philatelist, Eagle Philatelist, Dominion Philatelist, Chicago Philatelist, Florida Philatelist, Eastern Philatelist, Pennsylvania Philatelist, Rocky Mountain Philatelist, American Philatelic Magazine, Washington Philatelist, Philatelic Tribune, and Hoosier Stamp. The address of any of the above papers will be furnished to those sending addressed postal card.

## A Dealer's Directory.

Next month we are going to start a dealer's directory.

Terms:  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch 1 year (12 insertions) \$1.00; 1 inch, \$1.75.

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When we say that our dealer's directory is going to be attractive we mean it. It will be illustrated and printed in colors, besides having many other attractions.

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### EDITORIAL.

Good Philatelic MSS. wanted.

Don't forget to subscribe. Only ten cents a year.

This is our second number and we are still in the ring.

Notice of the "Western edition" of this paper will appear next month.

Eight hundred and thirty-one numbers and still a coming—is the record of the S. of P.

Post-Card collecting is a very pleasing branch of our hobby, and is generally liked in Denver.

During this year we are going to get out several special editions, including the "Western S. of P. and "Denver" editions.

Why is it that 9 people out of 10 say Sons of Philately, instead of Sons of Philatilia? Even some of our best papers call it by the former name.

'Tis rumored that the publisher of the Rhode Island Philatelist wants to be official organ of the S. of P. Wouldn't mind taking the job ourselves.

Philatelists are always welcome at the store of Mr. J. O. Stivers, at No. 315 16th street, where a full line of stamps and philatelic supplies are always on hand.

At the last auction sale of the D. P. S. a sheet of stamps, "mostly old U. S.," was offered at the reserve price of \$60.00. The stamps were bought by Mr. Stivers.

No one should allow a good chance to obtain the Columbian admission tickets to pass by without buying one or a whole set. For further particulars see advertisement.

By special arrangement we are enabled to offer THE COLLECTOR'S REVIEW and The Mountain Philatelist one year for only 20c. Here is your chance to obtain two live newspapers at bed rock prices.

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### Frauds.

Dealers send us your list of frauds, for publication, and don't forget to enclose 10 cents a year's subscription.

### S. of P. Members.

We hope to have your support. Until next year we will accept advertising from our subscribers who are S. of P. Members, at 30c per inch.

### ADVERTISERS!

Have you tried this paper? If not, why not? 30 cents an inch.

### The 1847 Issue.

A few words regarding the U. S. issue of 1847 would probably be of benefit to young collectors and save them from loss in purchasing and trading for stamps of this issue. These stamps have been reprinted by the government from present indications, the reprints greatly exceed in numbers the original, and unless one knows the difference between the original and reprint, he is liable to be imposed upon.

There are several ways to distinguish the original, but the simplest way is this: In the original there is a dark line on the side of the white tie and if that contour strikes the right hand side of the upper part of the Fin Five it is genuine, and if the left side it is a reprint.

The 10-cent reprint is readily distinguished by a small, well-defined and perfect contour directly under the left ear in the curls of the hair which is entirely lacking in the original.

During a visit to a stamp dealer a short time ago, my attention was arrested by an exceptionally fine specimen of the 10c. On examination however I found it to be a reprint. On asking the dealer about it he stoutly affirmed it to be original. Arguments were of no avail and I left him still believing (?) his stamps to be an original. As the price of reprints and originals are quite at variance, some body some day, when he buys that stamp from the dealer, will find he has been taken in.

# CONSTITUTION

As Adopted March 30, 1893.

ARTICLE I. Name. This society shall be called "The Denver Philatelic Society."

ART. II. Object. The object of this society is to promote the science of Philately.

ART. III. Among the means for obtaining this object, shall be the periodical meetings of the society, the reading of papers, discussion of philatelic subjects and special investigation into matters of philatelic interest.

ART. IV. Members.

SECTION I. This society shall be composed of active and corresponding members.

ART. II. Active members shall be residents of Denver.

ART. III. Corresponding members shall be non residents of Denver and residents of the State of Colorado.

ART. IV. Any Philatelist of the State of Colorado may become a member of this society upon approval of the Executive Committee, elected by a majority of the members of the society at a regular meeting and by the payment of such initiation fees as shall be established in the by-laws.

ART. V. Officers.

SECTION I. The officers of this society shall consist of a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, exchange superintendent and members of the executive committee.

ART. II. Their term of office shall be for three (3) years, the excepting secretary who shall hold office for one year.

ART. VI. Amendments. Proposed amendments to this constitution may be made in writing at any regular meeting and if approved by a two-third (2/3) vote at the next regular meeting shall be adopted.

## By-Laws.

ART. I. Regular meetings. The regular meetings of this society shall be held on alternate Saturdays, at 7:30 P. M., at the place decided upon by the society.

ART. II. Order of business. 1—Roll call. 2—Reading of minutes. 3—Reports of committees. 4—Unfinished business. 5—New business. 6—Reading of Paper. 7—Auction sale and exchange.

ART. III. The proceedings of the meetings shall be governed by "Robert's Rules of Order."

ART. IV. Quorum. Ten members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but the action of a lesser number at any meeting may be entered upon if the minutes, provided such action does not affect the rights of the Society.

ART. V. Election of officers. At the last regular meeting previous to the expiration of the officers' term of office, nominations shall be made for the ensuing term, and election shall immediately follow. A majority of all present shall be necessary for election.

ART. VI. Duties of President. The president shall preside at all meetings of the society. He shall appoint a committee to be known as the "reception committee," which shall be composed of three (3) members, and shall report during his term of office.

SEC. VII. Duties of Vice President. The Vice President shall act as chairman of the executive committee and as president of the Society in the absence of the President.

SEC. VIII. Duties of Secretary. The secretary shall keep the records of the society and carry on all the general correspondence of the society. He shall report to the society every meeting.

SEC. IX. Duties of Treasurer. The treasurer shall have charge of the funds and property of this society not otherwise provided for, he shall pay all bills authorized by the society and shall keep a record of such transactions. He shall also keep a record of the payment of initiation fees and dues. He shall report to the society once a month.

SEC. X. Exchange Superintendent. The exchange superintendent shall have charge of an auction and exchange department for which he shall establish necessary rules, subject to the approval of the society. He shall preside at auction sales. He shall report once a month to the society.

SEC. XI. Duties of the executive committee. The executive committee shall be composed of five (5) members, including the vice president. The committee shall pass on candidates for admission, on proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-laws, and other business not specially provided for.

SEC. XII. Proposals for membership and election. Proposals for membership shall be made in writing with a satisfactory reference and if approved by the executive committee, the candidate may be elected by a two-third vote of the society at the next regular meeting and shall be enrolled as a member upon payment of dues and fees.

SEC. XIII. Fees and dues. The amount of initiation fee shall be ten (10) cents and the annual dues twenty-five (25) cents, payable in advance.

SEC. XIV. Special meetings. Special meetings may be called by the executive committee and shall be called if the committee is requested to do so by three (3) members in good standing in the society.

SEC. XV. Filling of vacancies. Any vacancy among the officers may be filled for the unexpired term, at the meeting at which notice of such vacancy is given, or at any subsequent regular meeting.

SEC. XVI. Expulsion of members. Upon the written request of seven members, not members of the executive committee, that for cause stated, any member may be expelled. The executive committee shall consider the matter and if they deem best shall advise the member that his resignation will be accepted. He shall however have a right to demand and shall be given a copy of the charges against him and shall have a right to demand and shall have a reasonable time to present a defense to the executive committee. The executive committee may then pass fully upon the matter and if the resignation has not been tendered or a satisfactory defense made, shall by an affirmative vote of four (4) of their members, be expelled by the committee, if approved by a majority vote of the society.

Additions and amendments to the by-laws may be made in the same manner as amendments to the constitution.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

MR. E. W. PLUMMER, EDITOR COLLECTOR'S REVIEW—Dear Sir: As I was looking over the Eagle Philatelist I notice that the assistant editor is a young man from St. Joseph, Mr. Herbert C. Beardsley by name. I would like, through your paper, to warn the philatelic world against having anything to do with this young man. About three years ago, I with others in this city sent him subscriptions for his paper—we received but one number. I suppose he raked in about five dollars from us. As I have said before, beware of him. He is, in my mind, unworthy of your patronage. If you don't believe me, ask any Denver Philatelist of 1890, what he thinks. Yours, O. K. CARSTAPHEN.

### Japan Register Stamps.

Some of our collectors who receive mail direct from foreign countries have doubtless noticed the new register stamps used by the Japanese Government. For those who have not seen them, the following description will convey some idea of their appearance:

The stamps vary in size but average about 38x17 m. m. Just inside the edges of the stamp is a rectangle, divided into three parts. It is divided vertically at the left side about 6 m. m. from the border and in the small rectangle thus formed is a large capital R. The other dividing line passes length-wise through the stamp, a little below the middle. Above the line in capital letters is the name of the postoffice, at which the letter was registered and in some cases the word Japan and below the line the abbreviation No. and a space left for the number. They are printed in red but the quality of paper varies from Japanese to plain white paper.

Many collectors will probably question the philatelic value of these stamps, but they are without doubt a legitimate collectable issue and will probably be so recognized.

The Denver Philatelic Society's last regular meeting was postponed two weeks on account of there not being a quorum present. There seems to be a great deal of internal dissension in this society; owing to the fact that one young man is trying to run it. The society's officers don't seem to be a go; there has been a complete change, the Secretary being asked for his resignation. The officers now stand as follows: Floyd Weed, President; L. Rothgerber, Vice-President; ——— Secretary; E. W. Plummer, Treasurer; H. D. Frueduff, Exchange Superintendent.—Mekeel's Stamp News.

The above article shows Mr. Carstaphen's opinion of our Society. Contrary to what he says, there was a quorum present at the last meeting also. If there is any one person trying to run this society we have failed to notice it. Mr. Carstaphen is running for the office of Secretary but we doubt if many of the members will support him after seeing his Denver notes in Mekeel's Stamp News.

## Hints to Advertisers.

Always write adv. plainly on a separate piece of paper. Please send cash with copy. This paper is well sold so there will be no risk on your part and it will save you a good deal of time and trouble. We go to press on the 1st of each month.

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NO. 3.

## An Unsought Stamp.

BY ROY F. GREENE.

philatelic ramblings I have hunted high  
and low,  
the priceless gem to grace my album leaves.  
I amassed a hoard of treasures from every  
land and clime,  
contented now, I view my garnered  
sheaves.  
I sought the dim and musty garrets I have  
searched with panting breath,  
I was content of the treasures there concealed,  
I ruthlessly tore the specimens from letters  
musty brown,  
in my eager hands in searching had re-  
vealed.  
In the counting house I've wandered in my  
search for letters old,  
in the musty vaults were likely to contain,  
I sought the owner for the privilege to look the  
papers o'er.  
I sometimes answered with a look of mild disdain  
I never once gave up the pleasant, gay  
pursuit,  
I sought the odds, to gain them I would try,  
I quite often though refused I would yet re-  
new the siege,  
I was rewarded with that pleasure bye and bye.  
In the markets I have sought for in the little  
country towns  
my wishes I have speedily made known,  
I sought he'd rummage 'mong the boxes on his  
old and dusty shelves  
some specimens of value I'd be shown.  
I sought them at a trifle of their philatelic  
worth  
I doubled up my profits many score,  
I still my course pursued in the jolly, old-  
time way,  
I was ever on the watch for something more.  
I sought the drug shops I have wandered and  
the medicines removed  
I sought their snug positions on one line of shelves,

Where they'd lain for years uncalled for, dust-  
covered by old time,  
Far out of reach of all the prying elves.  
Proprietary's was my game and never did I  
cease  
'Till I had found a few of sterling worth,  
And then I'd leave with smiling countenance  
the pill shop in the town  
And think myself the luckiest man on earth.  
And thus I've passed the hours as time unceas-  
ingly rolled  
And reaped the joys of philatelic life  
And my queer and crankish actions have been  
humored all the while,  
By a graceful, sweet and loving little wife,  
Yes I've looked o'er bottles many in my search  
for revenues  
With their liquid contents milky, dark or light  
But there's one that brings me sadness when  
e'er I hunt it out,  
'Tis a paregoric bottle in the night.

## Correspondence.

### EDITOR REVIEW.

MY DEAR SIR: I notice in the May number of the REVIEW an article on "the 1847 issue" in which the writer states that he recently paid a visit to a stamp dealer, and discovered (?) a reprint specimen of the 10 cent black. As I am the dealer referred to, I ask that you will give this article space in your journal that I may square myself. I do not profess "to know it all," as some do, consequently I called Mr. Gotteslabens attention to the specimen and he pronounced it genuine. As the gentleman is not only a collector but a student in philately, his decision will hardly be questioned when compared with an amateur's opinion.

Very respectfully, JOHN O. STIVERS.

We would like to receive application blanks for all societies. If we are not already members we will see that they are distributed where they will do the most good.

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### EDITORIAL.

If you have any pity on the editor please do not remit in stamps.

We claim that rare honor of never publishing a joke about Columbian stamps.

It is said that Kissinger's Philatelic Postal card has been excluded from the mails.

We are prepared to do all kinds of job work at our office, Room 7 Burlington Blk., Cor. 17th and Larimer streets.

The Mekeel Stamp & Publishing Co. was kind enough to take a one-half page advertisement for three months.

Mr. Bishop—We thank you from the bottom of our heart for that first page, in the second number of the Philatelist.

Why is it that some collectors spend 6 or 8 dollars a year sending for sample copies when the same amount would pay for subscriptions to so many good papers?

The firm of W. H. Walker & Co. of this city are doing a very extensive stamp business. Although we have never met Mr. Walker, we do not hesitate in recommending the firm to our readers.

The Post Office for May fully exposes the "Germania," a mythical philatelic society, run in the interest of P. H. Heinsberger, alias Fr. Philips. Let the good work go on, Mr. Gremmel.

There is an auctioneer in New York who has been owing the editor \$2.80 for about a month. Two letters have been written but with no effect. If the account is not settled by next month he will receive some gratuitous advertising.

As only a few copies of Nos. 1 and 2 were served they can only be procured at the rate of 5 cents each.

The long looked for Blue Book has appeared, it needs no criticism. In the words of one of Denver's youngest collector's "great."

If it only proves true that the U. S. Department stamps are to be reprinted, there will be some heavy losses to many persons who have large stocks of them hoarded up.

The writer of "Chicago Notes" in The Weekly Stamp News wonders why Mr. Felder does not resuscitate the old Stamp and Philately in Denver. This city never did more for philately than it is doing to-day. That excellent journal, the Philatelist, the D. P. S. membership of 40, the Philatelic Supply Store, W. H. Walker & Co., the Colorado Stamp Co. and the COLLECTOR'S REVIEW are all doing their best to keep philately going.

In the issues of the United States there is quite an epidemic of speculation, and prices are abnormally high. Hoarding goes on to what this writer considers "an absurd extent." It is not merely hoarding, as understood by the ordinary collector in the sense of putting aside useless duplicates in the belief that they may turn out precious some day, but hoarding in the sense of depleting the market of certain issues so as to bring about a sort of "corner" in the postage stamp market. The Philatelist, however is of opinion that such a rise will be unnatural and fleeting, and will result in the burning of some speculator's fingers.—Liverpool Evening Express.

### The Nebraska Philatelic Society Election

The election of officers of the Nebraska Philatelic Society, held May 20, 1893, resulted as follows: President, E. R. Holmes, Lincoln; Vice-President, Frank Brown, Omaha; Secretary-Treasurer, E. W. Julian, Crawford; Exchange Superintendent, L. T. Brodstone, Superior; Auction Manager, R. E. Wright, Broken Bow; Librarian, E. H. Wilkinson, Lincoln; Attorney, O. E. Abbott, Jr. Grand Island; Counterfeit Detector; W. L. Shaw, Oseola; Purchasing Agent, Jas. G. Cortelyou, Omaha.

tees, E. H. Wilkinson, Lincoln—E. R. nes, Lincoln—W. D. Garlock—Lincoln; pln ticket elected, W. F. Hendricks, ha—J. G. Cortelyou, Omaha—Frank n, Omaha.

### Press Notes.

Looking over the philatelic press, one is pessed with the lack of tact displayed by y of the contributors by personal refer- es and hits understood by the interested es alone. Such squibs are not suited to als of general circulation and it's about the editors called a halt.

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Another journal with a review editor whose and wise remarks show an abnormal de- ment of the cranium, prophesies disatrous s for several of our journals, and with ive assurance that his own opinions are ly correct ones, continues to criticise his rs in his own peculiar style. The slangy es of this false prophet indicate his adap- ty rather for the position of a street car r than that of a review critic.

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The bulk of the journals comprising the Phi- ic press teem with literary articles of the rs opinions on various points on hinges, rages, albums, the past, present and future hilately, local items, and such subjects; e many of these are really meritorious and ve space, yet, it would seem, a first-class al should contain more information on ps proper. A collection of stamps, form exhaustable store-house for researches. e for instance the Continental press, it s contains some new wrinkle on stamps s shows the result of close study by the au- . It is true our papers out-number those y other country and of course the demand r articles is correspondingly greater: But ve not more writers in proportion? Of e we have and the sooner the tendency of is to discuss stamps more tersely, the valuable will our press become.

### Papers Received.

Weekly Philatelist, The Collector, The Phi- st, Philatelic Era, Southern Philatelist, dian Philatelist, Post Office, Yankee Phi- st, Eagle Philatelist, Philatelic Gazette, telic Argosy and California Philatelist.

### Vergessen Sie nicht, Bei der Alter.

Getting stamps for collections is now all the rage,  
Now don't you forget what I say.  
The fad takes all classes from youth to old age,  
Now don't you forget what I say.  
The post office clerks they purloin them whenever  
They get a good chance; and refund them they never;  
To have them quit stealing, the P. M. should endeavor.  
Let us hope that he'll heed what I say.

I will give some advice, (it is cheaper than money)  
Now don't you forget what I say.  
There are things that appear so exceedingly funny,  
Now don't you forget what I say.  
When selling surcharges the dealers feel jolly  
But collecting the same is deplorable folly  
And the buyers some day will feel quite melancholy  
Now watch things, I know what I say.

Used Columbian issues are away out of reach,  
Now don't you forget what I say.  
"Go slow" on investing, now heed what I preach,  
Now don't you forget what I say.  
If you don't you are certain to meet with mishap  
The collapse will occur, you will hear something "drap"  
You will think you've been struck by a big thunder clap,  
And then you'll believe what I say.

Of Seebecks and reprints you'd better beware  
Now don't you forget what I say.  
The stamps of Hawaii are getting quite rare  
Now don't you forget what I say.  
Scan the journals for ads. from both Gentiles and Jews  
Make investments with caution or your cash you will lose  
If you've money galore purchase fine Sidney Views.  
Now this—is all I have to say.

### To a Letter.

BY GUY W. GREEN.

Dainty, snowy, perfumed letter  
You have made my heart rejoice;  
You have brought me glad, sweet tidings  
And have conjured up a voice  
From beyond the dreary distance  
That divided my love and me;  
My poor thoughts are wild and restless  
As the troubled, storm-swept sea.

You have thrilled beneath the pressure  
Of her pulsing finger tips;  
You have kissed (how I begrudge you)  
Her bewitching fragrant lips;  
She has smiled upon you, letter,  
And has bent her eager face  
Close above your written pages  
With her old-time, airy grace.

Therefore, letter, I shall keep you  
Resting close beside me here;  
Ev'ry word is doubly precious,  
Ev'ry line my heart holds dear;  
You are now my rarest treasure,  
Sweetest token of my life,  
Better far than gold and glory  
Gained within the world's fierce strife.

### A Vivid Illustration.

Imagine yourself a philatelic Editor. It is the day on which your paper is to go to press, you are hard up, your board bill has not been paid for two weeks. All your hope lies in the morning's mail, at last you receive it. The postman utters a muffled cuss word as he gives it into your hands. Your heart leaps with joy for it is the largest mail you have had for a long time. At last they are all opened and their contents noted. A sickening smile passes over your face as you slowly count them over. There are 26 pieces, 13 asking for sample copies and 13 advertising bills, and yet you have always wished to live the life of a Philatelic editor.

TEDDY.

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### Hints to Advertisers.

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E. W. PLUMMER.

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## Suggested by the A. P. A. Stamp Exhibit.

BY C. E. SEVERN.

An amusing observation on the inconsistency of man was noticed recently, in the columns of a daily newspaper, where it was stated that every person, who visits the World's Fair says "It is beyond description," and then straightway endeavors to describe it. It is universally admitted that everything connected with the Exposition is inspiring in its grandeur and immensity, and to attempt to describe adequately the Fair in its completeness, would be a task of Herculean requirements.

In the Government Building, wherein are contained some of the finest and most interesting exhibits of the Fair, is the Stamp exhibit of the American Philatelic Association. This exhibition of postage stamps under many circumstances would be approved as being highly meritorious,—but in this instance when it is necessarily compared with the wonderful and interesting surroundings, it cannot be impartially pronounced as being more worthy than that term of mediocrity, "fair" would indicate. What there is of the exhibit is good enough; but it is far from being so extensive as collectors were quite generally led to infer it would be.

There has been what to many collectors seems an inexplicable delay in filling the cases with stamps for exhibition, and there appeared to be a lack of concerted action among the exhibitors. It is known that these results are consequent of no fault of the committee and it is agreed with practical unanimity, that the earnest labors of the committee, who had the exhibit in charge, are entitled to unstinted praise. Stamps are being placed in the unoccupied cases and it is probable that before long, all of them will be suitably filled. Still, three of the six month's duration of the Exposition are gone and one would be justified in supposing that by this time, all stamps would be in position. Those collectors who are represented in the exhibit make a good showing the stamps are well mounted and tastefully arranged. The exhibit is located in the Southwest corner of the gallery with a separate stair-case leading to it. It is easy of access and not very difficult to locate, when one knows where to look. The visitor can usually notice one or more persons, with countenance expressive of various stages of appreciation, viewing the exhibit. Sometimes one sees no one there and again one meets none but a solitary guard. There is no use in attempting to disguise the fact that the general consensus of feeling is one of mild disappointment. Expectations were raised to a high degree when it was known that an exhibit of postage stamps

was to be held, at the World's Columbian Exposition under the auspices of the American Philatelic Association, and, as is customary when one indulges too freely in the pleasures of anticipation, the reality is in some measure lacking. There is a pretty good exhibit of postage stamps however, but perhaps it is not so good as you expected it would be. It is worth your while to see it anyway.

## Through Western Glasses.

Mine is an arduous task. And I fear I shall prove unequal to it. My friend Plummer has asked me to act as associate editor and I have accepted, not without trepidation. However I trust my philatelic friends will display the same charity that has been accorded me in the past.

I have just returned from the "White City" and have as yet, not brushed the dust off my apparel which accumulated during my trip. I even feel that my brain is a little clouded, not by that stimulant called beer, but by the many days of recreation which renders me hardly fit for business.

The S. of P. held their convention in Douglas Hall Friday and Saturday Aug-18th and 19th and such a convention as it was. A notable gathering of celebrities and such pleasant acquaintanceships. Owing to ring-rule and arbitrary actions the sessions were wholly devoid of interest. A certain crowd in attendance were "bound to win" by fair means or foul so to the quiet unassuming, yet eager-to-do-right member it was intolerable. After yielding personal preferences in an attempt to accomplish justice and failing of our purpose, we left the scene of political maneuvering and kept clear of contamination.

To me the S. of P. is no longer an object of love or respect. The powers are so directly in the hands of a few politicians who pulled the strings for all they were worth that it was disgusting. As soon as I saw that the scenes of last years convention were to be re-enacted I quit the room and later sent in my resignation to the society. The majority of our members are honest, sincere workers but the rulings of the majority go for naught and thus I parted from my friend of so many happy months—the Sons of Philatelia.

All those Philatelists who were disgusted at ring-rule left the scene of action, Douglass Hall, and repaired to 2117 Indiana ave. and effected a temporary organization of a new society. The Philatelic Society of America, which started out with nearly 200 members. Later they met at J. A. Pierce's office 191 Clark st. and permanently organized. I have not the time nor space to give details of it. Any one who wishes to know more about it may address me personally.

Chicago philatelists report trade to be very good and all seem to be reaping a rich harvest. My good wishes go with them for they are, without an exception, the most genial, pleasant, cultivated gentlemen it has ever been my good fortune to meet.

It seems to be the general opinion of every one that the Hawaiian stamps, especially provisionals, are quoted too high, it is hinted that the trust is likely to dissolve and the market be flooded in a short while, just as the New Brunswick's came upon us a few months ago.

A few philatelic notables whom we so much wished to see were remarkable for their absence at the conventions among those were John Hooper, Guy W. Green, Cleve Scott, R. L. Heustis, Alvah Davison, H. C. Beardsley, Lewis H. Penton, C. H. Mead and L. M. Staebler, to say nothing of the Denver boys, who are my best friends. Too bad, too bad.

After the dust is brushed off, after the present remembrance is but a tender recollection, after the noise of Chicago streets has ceased to re-echo in my ears, after the sights of Cairo street and Midway Plaisance have faded from my eyes, after all this, I hope to write more interestingly. No more for this month but next — well, "after the ball."

ROY F. GREENE.

## Society News.—The D. P. S.

The 10th regular meeting of the Denver Philatelic Society was held at the residence of Messrs. Rothgebers, on the evening of September 16. Cake and lemonade were the principal subjects under discussion. One of the objects of the meeting was to fire Lewis Bishop but our treasurer meekly informed us that the Rt. Hon. L. B. had been dropped March 10, for nonpayment of dues. After a prolonged season of prayer with the members of the executive committee we have succeeded in getting their promise to hold a meeting. A good program is up for next meeting and all members should attend.

## The L. P. S.

We have received a report of 3 meetings of the Lincoln Nebraska Philatelic Society, and are sorry not to be able to publish them in full. The society was formed September 5, '93 and has a large list of members. Judging from the fact that \$12.40 was realized from their first auction sale, we would suppose that it is a very lively society. We would like to give the Lincoln boys a little advice, it is don't spend two thirds of your time at every meeting in quarreling over offices. To much enthusiasm over offices and not enough over stamps is what is slowly but surely killing the D. P. S.

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## A Philatelic Chestnut.

BY ROY F. GREENE.

When dealers send selections,  
Approval sheets and such,  
Those hackneyed words of warning  
We all have read so much  
We know them all by heart, and yet  
Our eyes they still do greet,  
"Please fold along the heavy lines  
And do not soil the sheet."  
These stamps are "guaranteed genuine."  
This proof cannot be minced,  
We'll coincide with it and call  
Them genuine reprints,  
But whether these are words of truth  
Or tainted with deceit,  
You cannot fail to see these lines,  
"Please do not soil the sheet."  
The penny dealers, often boys,  
Arrange their sheets with care,  
They price the gems (?) one cent apiece  
And some they say are rare,  
Their sheets are new, unsoiled yet,  
The top is printed neat,  
"Fold only 'long the heavy lines  
And do not soil the sheet."  
The "largest dealers in the world"  
With oddities so rare,  
Send out their stamps in blocks and strips  
And undivided pairs  
With specimens uncatalogued  
Their stocks are oft replete  
Yet still you'll see this warning bold  
"Please do not soil the sheet."  
The exhibit at Chicago  
Made by the A. P. A.,  
Will show the rarest specimens,  
Which seldom come our way,  
Yet when their sheets are all arranged  
They'll be far from complete  
Unless they bear those dire words  
Pray "do not soil the sheet."

## Conservative Comments of a Cautious Critic.

The philatelic world is to-day wretched in mourning. In all the philatelic centers of Europe and America there is much wailing and gnashing of teeth. Philatelists by the hundreds are groaning and moaning and refuse to be comforted; and all because Lewis Bishop, the prince of rogues, has suddenly decamped from his latest field of action, without settling with sundry creditors. It has been rumored for some time that Bishop was identical with Quigley and Morgan and the thunderbolt was not wholly unexpected in some quarters. The Pennsylvania Philatelist has sent out a member of their staff, Mr. F. S. Fox, in an attempt to run the rascal to earth. Let us hope he will be successful; this fellow has certainly injured philately enough for the present.

The demand for Columbian stamps of all kinds is something surprising. Many dealers are making a specialty of them and almost every collector seems to have caught the speculative fever.

Walter A. Withrow, the Tom Thumb of philately, is attracting considerable attention lately. His writings are certainly very good for so young a writer.

Where are all the new papers this fall? Usually, infant magazines are as numerous as autumn leaves about this time of year, but this season, they do not seem to rush into existence as of yore. The Philatelic Californian and the Philatelic Kaleidoscope (good name) are the only ones heard from thus far.

What's in a name? That is what Puritan, the Chicago mystery, must be asking himself about this time. When I was in Chicago in August, every collector in the city seemed to be much wrought up over Puritan's identity. Public opinion seems to be about equally divided between Pierce and Severn as the man. My own opinion is that Glass is the culprit.

In its three month's race with "Father Time," a sort of handicap race, by the way, the Era has finally come out ahead and now bobs up smiling as a semi-monthly. Here's your health W. W. J. and yours too C. W. S.

Philatelic journals are apt to get pretty lean in the summer, but this season, notwithstanding the so-called panic, there have been few deaths in the family and most of the press have remained just as corpulent and healthy as in the depths of last December. There is one sad case however. The Stamp, of New York, has been sick almost unto death and is reduced to the dimensions of a living skeleton. Is Bro. Spooner fitting his erstwhile noble and prosperous journal for a place in a dime museum?

Exit One Dime. How we shall miss it. Hence these tears.

Henry Ades Fowler is a philatelic benefactor. Besides gobbling up One Dime, he has also gathered in the Philatelic Fraud Reporter, and the International Philatelist and is ready to buy out any more weaklings who are ready to throw up the sponge. We are all wish-

ing long life and prosperity to Mr. Fowler's splendid magazine and hope to see it become the publication of the day; but don't you think \$3.00 per annum is a trifle steep, Brother F.

In the retirement of Mr. Percy C. Bishop, from the editorial management of the P. J. of G. B. Great Britain loses her best philatelic editor. As a brilliant and versatile writer he has no equal in English philatelic circles. He possesses the acumen and fair mindedness of a true critic, and as an editor he has brought his journal to the first place in English philatelic journalism. Mr. Bishop is a professional journalist, being sub-editor of the London Morning Leader, and it is understood that his duties on this newspaper leave him no time for philatelic work. When will we see his equal again? And the echo answers "when." By the way, it has been stated in some American journals that Mr. Bishop was connected with the International Philatelic Press Agency, a concern which has lately gotten itself into rather bad odor on this side of the Atlantic by the nonpayment of its bills. Mr. B. assures us in a letter of recent date that he has no interest whatever in this firm. We would advise collectors to be very careful in their dealings with the I. P. P. A.

I have just been informed by the editor that the COLLECTOR'S REVIEW is soon to become a weekly. How philately is growing! A few years ago the issue of one weekly was thought to be a great innovation, but now this makes the fourth weekly in the field, and the end is not yet. There is always room for good ones. Bro. Plummer, may the WEEKLY COLLECTOR'S REVIEW live long and prosper. LEWIS G. QUACKENBUSH.

## Nebraska Notes.

The first annual convention of the Nebraska Philatelic Society was held at the Grand Hotel Lincoln Nebraska September 13th. The meeting was called to order at 2 o'clock and adjourned at 5. Twenty-five members were present, from over the state. The important changes made were those of the Ex. Department Rules, all members were against admitting collectors outside of the state in the N. P. S. as it is the largest strictly State society in the U. S. It was carried that the election of officers shall take place at the convention of the society. Was recommended that the next meeting be held at Lincoln.

A number of rare stamps were exhibited by members, the finest being shown by C. H. Muhoff of Lincoln who has lately returned from Europe and has one of the largest collections in the state if not in the west. Regrets were received from J. A. Pierce, Roy F. Greene, W. Randall, C. W. Kissinger, J. M. Spence, S. H. Hoyt, W. B. Shattuc, G. A. Miller and many of the leading Philatelists of the U. S. The society numbers at present about ninety and rapidly increasing. Following are the officers till the next meeting: President, L. Michael, Callaway Nebraska; Vice President, F. Brown Omaha Nebraska; Secretary, E. W. Julian, Chadron Nebraska; Auction Mang-



R. E. Wright, Broken Bow, Nebraska, Ex-Superintendent L. Brodstone, Superior Nebraska, Librarian; E. H. Wilkinson, Lincoln Nebraska, Counterfeit Detector; R. W. McGinnis, York Nebraska, Attorney; O. A. Abbott, Jr. Grand Island Nebraska, Purchasing Agent; J. S. Corteyar, Omaha Nebraska, Trustees; E. H. Wilkinson, F. D. Thompson and S. A. Gardinier of Lincoln. Official Organ, Pennsylvania Philatelist of Reading Pennsylvania. The fees are only 10c and dues 25c a year so that every Nebraska collector ought to be able to belong at the above low prices. Write to the secretary for particulars and application blanks, E. W. Julian, box 337 Chadron, Darves County, Nebraska.

Lincoln has formed a Philatelic society, with 25 members and following officers: E. H. Wilkinson, President; E. R. Morrison, Secretary; hold their meetings every Monday but will be changed to another night so that some members who can not come on Monday can be with them. Think it will be one of the leading City Societies of the west.

The best reports of the great meetings at Chicago were those in Phil. Era and Pennsylvania Philatelist, as it gave facts which the Russell crowd were afraid to publish.

E. R. Holmes of Lincoln is taking in Europe, this summer.

A North Western Philatelic association is being formed including Mississippi, Minnesota, South Dakota, Nebraska and Iowa, was originated in Minnesota.

W. F. Hendrich of Omaha has the finest Department collection in Nebraska, having all but three states, rest complete and unused.

If the writers of articles condemning Philatelic poetry, local notes, etc. were to spend their time in writing articles such as they would have others write, perhaps their so called reform of the Philatelic press would not progress so slowly

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We congratulate our readers upon our success in securing Mr. R. F. Greene for associate editor.

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#### Lewis Bishop.

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Bishop received the officer with a smile and made no objection to accompanying him. When they reached the street Bishop asked Brown to allow him to visit a friend, Dr. S. F. Shannon, whose office is at 1615 Arapahoe street.

Dr. Shannon's office is on the second floor and when it was reached Brown and his prisoner found that the doctor was out.

A slate was lying on the table in the outer office and, seeing this, Bishop turned to the officer and said: "I guess I'll write a message on this for the doctor; he'll find it when he comes in."

Brown didn't object and Bishop wrote on the slate: "Doctor, I've been arrested; will you kindly call at the jail and see me?"

As he laid the pencil down Bishop took a survey of his surroundings. About four feet from him a window opened on the rear of 1113 Sixteenth street. Bishop

probably thought an alley was below, as the rear wall of the building could only be seen from Dr. Shannon's office. But he was willing to take big chances rather than go to jail, so before the deputy United States marshal could dream of what was going to take place, his prisoner had vaulted through the window and landed on a glass roof twelve feet below.

The whole thing was done so quickly that Brown's breath was taken away, and Bishop was on his feet clattering along the glass roof before he could do anything. Then he ran to an open window, but instead of following Bishop he pulled his revolver and shot twice. Neither bullet took effect and Bishop made good his escape by jumping through an open window that led through Dr. Hassenplug's office in the Alkire block to the first landing. From there he made his way down stairs and into the street.

Bishop then went to F. A. Oleson, a tailor at 725 15th street, told him that he was going to a masquerade in the evening, and borrowed an old coat and hat and has not been seen since.

We now learn that his arrest was caused by the C. H. Mekeel Stamp & Publishing Company.

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W. S. has a porte-de-mar stamp of the 1875 issue without value in center. Also one of 1880 with a star over value. We can not say what the value of the 1st is, nor if it is genuine. The 2nd is counterfeit and came out in 1881.

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