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BY P. J. ANDERSON.

It would probably be a futile task to endeavor at this time of day to fix, with anything like accuracy, the date when stamp collecting first began to attract attention in Britain, or to ascertain the circumstances connected with its early development. The beginnings of English philatelic literature may, however, be traced with comparative ease; and it is desirable that as much information as possible regarding these should be collected before it is too late, before, in fact, the first generation of stamp collectors has passed away.

Several attempts have been made to form lists of English publications devoted in whole or part to the interests of stamp collecting. Such lists are to be found in:

"A Hand Catalogue of Postage Stamps," by Dr. Gray. [First edition], 1862, p. xv.

"The Stamp Collector's Review & Monthly Advertiser," vol. 1, p. 18.

"The Stamp Collector's Magazine," vol. 1, p. 41.

"The Stamp Collector's Monthly Gazette," vol. 1, pp. 124, 145.

"The Philatelist," vol. i, pp. 118, 170; iii, 99, 124; iv, 117; vi, 10.

"The American Journal of Philately," vol. iv, p. 122.

"The Foreign Stamp Collectors Journal," vol. ii, pp. 37, 40; iv, 30.

"Lallier's Album." Several editions; the list of English publications very defective.

Probably there are others; but by far the most complete bibliography is contained in Mr. Tiffany's handsome volume — "The Philatelic Library" (St. Louis, 1874), a work which deserves rank with Messrs. Philbrick & Westoby's "Postage and Telegraph Stamps of Great Britain" (London, 1881), and Moens' "Catalogue Prix Courant de Timbres-Poste," sixth edition (Brussels, 1884), as conclusive evidence of the patient research and loving care that the stamp collector bestows on his pursuit.

Mr. Tiffany's book, however, being only privately printed, is inaccessible to the great body of collectors; and, so far as I am aware, nothing has been done to introduce the English reader to the information contained in its pages as to the philatelic literature of Britain, or to supplement the somewhat defective details which it gives of the earliest period of that literature.

The collectors of other countries have not been so backward. Since the appearance of "The Philatelic Library" there have been published:

"Literature Philatelica en Espana," by Dr. Thebussem (Senor Pardo de Figueroa) Seville, 1876.

"Bibliografia Timbrologica dell'Italia," in Signor Giuseppe Leoni's "Guida Illustrata del Timbrofilo." Boulogna, 1877.

"Bibliographie Timbrologique de la France et de la Belgique," by M. Ph. de Bosredon, Brussels, 1878.

"Deutschland Philatelistische Literatur," in Dr. Alfred Moschkau's "Geschichte der Briefmarken und der Philatelie." Leipzig, 1878.

With a view to remedy in some measure what seems an unfortunate omission, I have put together a few stray bibliographical notes, which I had from time to time jotted down; and I would beg that any of my readers who can supplement or correct my details would kindly favor me with such additions or alterations, which I would incorporate in a future note.

A quarter of a century ago, whatever progress stamp collecting may have made, its literature had not begun. The earliest reference to the subject which I have been able to trace in print occurs in "Notes and Queries" for 23d June, 1860 (Series II, vol. ix, p. 482), which contains a note to the following effect:

"Postage Stamps.—A boy in my form one day showed me a collection of from 300 to 400 different postage stamps, English and

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We will very probably issue No. 2 about Dec. 1st, and it will contain 8 pp. if possible.

## NOTES ON PHIL. LITERATURE.

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foreign, and at the same time stated that Sir Rowland Hill told him that at that time there might be about 500 varieties on the whole. This seems a cheap, instructive and portable museum for young people to arrange, and yet I have seen no notices of catalogues or specimens for sale, such as there are of coins, prints, plants, etc., and no articles in periodicals. A cheap fac-simile catalogue, with nothing but names of respective states, periods of use, value, etc., would meet with attention. If there be a London shop where stamps or lists of them could be procured, its address would be acceptable to me and to a score of young friends.

S. F. CRESSWELL."

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[To be continued.]

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