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THE EXCHANGE.

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VOL. I.

ADRIAN, MICH., FEBRUARY, 1885.

NO. 1.

A VALENTINE.

To my Post-mistress.

Your heavenly eyes in color vie,
With the one cen's well-known blue;
And the shades that play upon your cheek,
Are the red and white of the two.

The five cent stamp. its dark brown tint
Has borrowed from your hair;
The six was touched to your rosy lips
And has stolen its color there.

Your robes were dyed the shade of the
twelve.
And trimmed with the twenty-four;
While your brooch reflects the fifteen
cents,
Of the purest golden ore.

Had I a full sheet of new made tens,
I'd register all my hopes,
Tho' ga you blushed as deep as the ninety
cents,
And hid in your envelopes.

Oh! share the stock of your Valentine,
Nor cancel your love for me,
Lest my life grow dark as the thirty cents
And I—seem as green as the three.

—Stamp World.

A Few Words of Advice to Young Philatelists.

BY W. DUDLEY ATLEE.

The question often occurs to the minds of young collectors, "where shall I draw the line?" and this is a query which is most difficult to answer, for a reply to suit every one is out of the question. Wealthy amateurs can of course open their albums to any varieties that may seem to them most fit, but with those of moderate means this is next to impossible, so the only plea is for a lad to suit his collection according to his pocket.

This short paper I dedicate to boys in particular, for it is they who are chiefly perplexed in the matter of taking or refusing a

certain shade or variety of designs. Varieties are very well for those who have time and money to expend upon them, but I think that the collection of varieties pushed to extremes and declined compulsory, is more likely to destroy stamp collecting than to foster it. Therefore my advice to beginners is to commence by taking one specimen of each color, and then afterwards add any prominent shades that may be obtained.

Varieties of paper and perforations may be left for a future day, when the collector has thoroughly learned the A. B. C. of philately. Always pick copies clean and showing a fair margin, for nothing is more unsightly than a lot of dirty thumb-marked gumstained labels, clipped and hacked about, and these placed in a book without any attempt at order or comeliness. The owner of such a book is only fit to collect bobbin labels, tintags, — any thing is good enough for him.

Never plaster your stamps down bodily but mount them by means of tissue paper hinges above, a stamp properly mounted can be removed at any moment without detriment to the album, should it be desired to insert a better copy. If you should be fortunate enough to possess any entire envelopes and do not intend to collect them yourself, do not cut them up, but get some dealer or friend who does accept envelopes in entirety to take them and give you cut ones in exchange.

This is policy, because for most whole envelopes you can get similar cut ones and other stamps added, to balance the exchange.

Above all beware of forgeries, and if you know a stamp to be one at once remove it from your book. Shun reprints, and bear in mind that a badly postmarked original is of infinitely higher value than the finest reprint ever produced. Do not regard stamps as tags to look at simply, but study them and be sure that the more they are studied the more you will know of history, geography, and other useful subjects. In conclusion let me say, never buy stamps from doubtful firms.

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Our work may not indicate it, but we have been in the newspaper business before.

However in view of this we feel that we shall never be too old to learn, or to take advice from any who have had more experience than ourselves. We have taken much pleasure in looking over the innumerable papers that are in circulation, and though some fail in ever reaching their intended destination, yet at no time has the number of amateur journals exceeded that of to day. We agree with the lady that has said, "No pastime is as beneficial as amateur journalism nor is the result of any other pleasure as lasting."

But while we agree with that statement, we know that the work which necessarily goes with the aforesaid pleasure is also lasting.

By chance we got hold of the holiday number of *THE VIOLET* published at No 321 Vine Street, Cincinnati, O.

This is the second time within a year that we have had an opportunity to peruse its columns. We have no hesitancy in saying that it is decidedly the neatest and brightest publication of the kind that we have seen.

We would be pleased to receive contributions of original stories, sketches, notes, essays, or poetry, from either ladies or gentlemen. We will exchange with any papers that desire to do so.

"A Growing Evil."

There are to-day thousands of amateur printing concerns in operation in various parts of the country. This evil is assuming proportions that endanger the welfare of the printing craft. It should be the endeavour of every printer of reputation to crush it out of existence. Much of the defective work produced by these botches is liable to be credited to workmen of note. Type-founders should firmly refuse to sell their material to these novices, and should uphold legitimate trade by intirely ignoring their requests.

It is no more than right that the skilled printer, who has invested capital and has spent years in learning the secrets of his craft, and who is the patron of the type-founder, should have ample protection.

This is the attitude which a writer chooses toward the grievous amateur, in one of our leading type-foundry journals. If he believes that the type-foundry only should be patronized, we raise no objection. But surely the only resource of a dealer in printing material is that of the manufacturer, and as long as the manufacturer supplies the dealer the amateur printers will flourish. We would like to inquire how these creditable workmen won their skill, if not by practice.

It's possible that even an amateur might by perseverance also become a skilled workman. If he does botch work, no one but a botch will accept of it. We can hardly see how the writer can discriminate between printing material and any other merchandise when it comes to the question of, Who shall use it? No printer whose work is first-class need fear the "Growing Evil"

—Queen Victoria's effigy adorns by actual count 918 varieties of postage stamps.

—The best advice we can give our readers in this number of *THE EXCHANGE*, is to send in your 25 cents for a years subscription.

—"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."

Exchangers Department.

Exchanges are free to subscribers, to others the charges are 10 cents per 25 words.

Florida curiosities, shells, sea-beans conch-shell :paw, coral, tubular spawn, etc. for stamps. A Creedmoor rubber target gun, a magic lantern, Sea Side, Lovel, and other libraries, for offers of reading matter, stamps etc.

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Indian arrow and spear heads for match, medicine, and document stamps. Send list. Geo. W. Tripp, Adrian, Mich.

The Government Printing-Office.

For producing the immense amount of printed material required by the Government, the Public Printer of the United States has under his direction a large and capable force; this is comprised as follows:—One foreman, twelve assistant foreman, two preparers of copy; also, fifty-eight proof-readers, at \$5.30 per day; four hundred and thirty-five compositors, at \$4.00; forty-five pressmen at \$4.00; one hundred and thirty feeders, at \$1.87½; twenty-three makers-up, at \$5.00; nineteen floor-hands, at 4.50; one hundred and fifty labourers, at \$2.50; two hundred and fifty folders, at \$30.00 per month; sixty additional hands, such as clerks, engineers, watchmen, etc., are also included. —*The Johnson Foundry's Typographic Advertiser.*

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ADRIAN, MICH., MARCH, 1885.

NO. 2.

March Days.

BY GEORGE COOPER.

STILL trumpets loud the breeze
Of pinching days to come;
The arms of blackened trees
Toss o'er the brooklets dumb.
On wastes of crusted snow
The cheerless sun dawns late;
But the little seed below,
Softly says: "I wait!"

Low chirps the muffled bird,
More like a sigh than song;
The squirrel's never heard,
His sleep is sound and long.
The sun sinks to its rest
A king in cheerless state;
But the seed, in earth's warm breast,
Softly says: "I wait!"

O, days so dark and sad,
When life a snow-waste seems!
O, dearth of joys we had
In summer's golden dreams!
God bless the hopeful soul
Who, springtime dawning late,
Looks onward to the goal
And calmly says: "I wait!"

—The reason men never stop at one glass of whiskey is because it is a cereal drink and always to be continued in our necks.

—The feminine mind early attains to the consideration of the ethics of the affections. In one of the city schools, the other day, the class in English grammar was discussing the difference between to "like" and to "love." "Now," said the teacher, "we can like a tomato, but is it proper to say we can love a tomato?" "No; it is not," said a pert young miss; "one cannot love a tomato." "Why not?" inquired the teacher. "Because you know you cannot—you can't—well, you can't hug a tomato."

—Though a crazy fish was never heard of, large numbers are undoubtedly found to be in seine.—The Judge.

—The Maharaja of Burdwan, India, has had a golden throne constructed of the weight of 7000 tollahs (the "tollah" is nearly $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce troy). The throne is exquisitely decorated with vignette work on both sides.

—It is funny! but a soft-palmed woman can pass a hot pie-plate to her nearest neighbor at the table with a smile as sweet as honey, while a man, with a hand as horny as a crocodile's back, will drop it to the floor and howl around like a Sioux Indian at a scalp dance.

—The Rev. J. G. Wood possessed for four years a large lump of dry Nile mud, a hole inside showing that a mud-fish was within it. The other day he carefully cut the lump open and found the inhabitant in good condition, doubled up, with its tail over its head just as when it went to sleep more than twenty years ago.—Our Homes.

Amateur Journalism.

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"We can never forget that we were once a poverty-scarred amateur editor, and never can have in our hearts other than good wishes for the youth, the young men, amateur editors, some of whom, in course of years, will be the leading journalists of this country."—MARK M. POMEROY.

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Received: The Comet, Philatelic Monthly.

Our first correspondence was with R. W. Mercer, Curiosity Dealer, 147 Central Ave. Cincinnati, Ohio.

The PHILATELIC MONTHLY was ten years old last month. L. W. Durbin, the publisher is evidently an old hand at the business, and an enterprising one also.

Next month a new three-column, eight page paper headed the GENIUS OF YOUTH, will be issued at No. 279 Vine St., Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. Ralph Armstrong is the publisher of the new paper, and we prophesy a hearty approval of its appearance.

The state of the atmosphere for the past few weeks has been anything but soul inspiring to editors. By the persistent effort of the combined forces of frozen ink, cold pens, and colder chairs, we are enabled to indulge in this much of an—shall we say editorial? We are just at present longing for the bird-chirping month of April; that twelfth of a year wherein the showers bring on the flowers of the following month. We are tired of the ulster, and wish to hang it up in the garret or some other out-of-the-way place. The pockets have been already heavy laden with mail addressed to THE EXCHANGE. As we expected, having had some experience in this line before, we have been literally swamped with subscriptions from all parts of the world. But we intend to make this paper of interest to its readers, and through its circulation a first class advertising medium. Send in your subscription; also your exchanges, and the paper will improve every issue.

STAMP COLLECTING.

BY F. M. S.

It is not to be supposed that philately is suited to the taste of everyone. It is perhaps a small number who are adapted to it; but this is no idea with which to combat the intellectual profit in stamp collecting. A person should possess a reasonable amount of good sense, taste, patience, and stick-to-it-iveness, not only in collecting, but also in becoming familiar with the locality and nationality of the stamp which he collects.

By doing this he may become better acquainted with the geography of the world, and will memorize the different countries, the people, their habits, etc., with greater distinctness than at any previous time.

Do not look at a stamp merely as a piece of gummed paper, and at different specimens simply as an array of colors, but make it a point to carefully study the stamps of all nations.

Fitchburg Philatelic Society.

FITCHBURG, MASS.

This society was organized February 6th., 1885 with the following officers:

PRES.—W. L. Emory, 85 High St.,

SEC'Y.—W. K. Jewett, 408 Main St.,

TREAS.—W. A. Browne, 92 Prichard St.,

LIE.—L. H. Sherwin, 7 Payson St.

This is the sum and substance of a circular letter dated Feb. 7. '85, issued by the above named society. We acknowledge receipt of the same.—EXCHANGE.

—We are, through force of circumstances, obliged to omit the exchanges in this issue.

☞ To all who desire it, we will send 25 stamps no two alike, if their subscription is sent in before April 1st.

—By the next issue of THE EXCHANGE, we expect to give our readers the benefit of a stamp department, edited by a gentleman who has given the subject of philately many years study.

FOR SALE!

Remember the following goods are all in good condition and post-paid.

12 var. Confederate State money and bonds, 50c; 12 var. metal rebellion cards, 50c.; 12 species of fossils, (named), 50c.; 12 var. of minerals, (named), 50c.; 12 var. sea shells, sea beans and coral, 50c.; 12 species birds' eggs, (named), \$1; 12 foreign coins, 1800 and previous, \$1; 12 var. silver, Ger. silver and nickle coins, \$1; 25 var. foreign coins, many desirable, \$1; 12 var. old state bank bills, \$1; Magnetic iron ore, (load stone), $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.; 25c. California gold halves, 57 cents, quarters, 32 cents, Trilobites, 25 cents to \$1 each, Fern fossils 25 to 50 cents. 12 Assorted flint arrow points.....50c. Ungrooved stone axes.....each 25 to 50c. Arrow points, (white quartz) " 15 to 25c. " " (rotary, rare) " 25 to 50c. " " (serrated, rare) " 25 to 50c. " " (rotary with serrated edge, very rare), each.....50c. to \$1. Flint scrapers, drills, or spear points each, 25c to \$1. Perforators, each, 25 to 50c; Hematite celts (red iron ore) each 10c. to \$1.

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Marine Curiosities.

There is nothing more instructive or interesting than studying the habits of marine animals in which the great ocean abounds, or the many species of shells which it affords. Take for an example a piece of coral in all its varieties and forms; we shall then have a specimen of the many marine curiosities. Then again are the different varieties of shells of which there are many forms and species, many of which are of marvelous beauty and of great rarity. We also have many kinds of the so called sea-beans, which are used as ornaments, watch charms, and the like. We have also the pearl, whose great value makes it an object of much interest; fish, sea-beans, coral, pearls, shells, all productions of the great sea. Nothing is more beneficial, nothing more instructive, than the study of that part of science which treats of the products of the water.—COLLECTOR.

Postage Stamps vs. Diamonds.

We have heard it asserted by persons commencing a philatelic collection "that stamps cost a great amount of money to buy, and can rarely be sold for anything" This statement may be true in a measure but if taken as meant, that is in comparison with other things, it is entirely incorrect. Take diamonds for instance, and they are usually considered to possess a standard of value second only to gold, and can always be converted into cash at an hour's notice, but what can they be sold for? one half or one third their cost; certainly not more. To settle this question, and demonstrate the truth of our assertion any of our readers who wish to find out for themselves have only to take off their jewelry and offer it for sale, or if they do not happen to possess any diamond jewelry, let them attempt to purchase a brilliant, with the stipulation that half its cost price will be returned for it on demand, and they

will find that they can not make the bargain with any respectable dealer. Now what is the difference between the buying and selling price of stamps? In testing the value of precious stones we have taken the best as an example, so it is only fair to contrast them with the scarcest and most desirable stamps and those we have no hesitation in asserting, can always be sold for two-thirds or three quarters of their retail price; while if they have been kept some time, they are certainly worth more than they cost. It may be claimed that a collection cannot always consist entirely of the scarcest stamps; certainly not, neither can every person wear diamonds; and if they have bought Rhine stone jewelry instead, they cannot sell it at hardly one cent on the dollar, and we defy anybody to produce but very few stamps that will not command instant sale at ten times that proportional amount. Persons buying stamps can have but two or three objects in view; they buy them for profit, or amusement and if they soon change their minds, they must be very unreasonable to expect to get the same price they paid for them. It would be about as reasonable to purchase a book and to sell it after reading for the same money. When bought for profit, they have only to consult a file of catalogues, and they will find certain stamps steadily increasing in value with every edition of the price list; let them purchase those without regard to variety, and we guarantee that they can at any time be sold at a profit. In conclusion, we give it as our candid opinion, that money can be more advantageously invested in stamps either for pleasure or profit, than in any other merchandise or speculation which can be conducted with small capital, and operated by a person having other business.—SPHYXX.

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W. G. Whilden, Pelzer S. C.

We have not seen the International Collectors Guide.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Lyman H. Low for a catalogue of his February coin sale.

Received for March:—The Clipper, Item, Philatelic Advertiser, New England Philatelist, Capital City Philatelist, Enterprise, Stamp World, and Southern Collector.

By this method we express our thanks to contributors for the original articles published in this issue. We would like to receive contributions from collectors or dealers in general. Articles of interest in regard to stamps, coins, minerals, birds' eggs, and curiosities in general, thankfully received. We want original articles only, for we wish to make THE EXCHANGE a publication of new ideas, and not a resurrection of by-gone productions. Take care in preparing your manuscript, form your sentences so as to be intelligible, punctuate with care, and your productions may be of much interest to our readers. These last remarks are most sincerely and respectfully addressed to those only, who need this piece of necessary advice.

Copper Specimen Collecting.

BY W. J. G.

The number of tourists that have taken in the copper mines in the vicinity of Hancock and Houghton, situated in the Keewenaw peninsula Michigan, and carried away specimen is well up in the millions. The amount of copper which has been carried away by tourists is estimated to be worth \$16,000. The color of the common ore is of a dull red, but once in a while the miners come across a shining piece, coral-shaped, and the opening filled up with black and white quartz, and the miner places upon a shelf near by, to supply the tourists in the summer. I could not find but one miner who had saved much of a collection for himself, the average miner being as sick of copper as a school-boy is of school. A party of eight, of which I was one visited the great Calumet mine, about twenty miles from Houghton; in some cases we purchased specimens of the workmen, but in most cases the female portion of the party succeeded in begging them. In one part of the building where the copper is sorted there is a long trough before which a boy is at work picking out silver; he picks out a little spice box full in forenoon. We tried hard to make him sell some specimens, but he was not to be persuaded.

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Our stamp man failed to "show up" for this issue.

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Collectors should take especial notice of W. J. Graves' advertisement on the last page.

The editor of the California Philatelist is very, very funny.

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FROM THE LATE EDITOR.

Speaking in behalf of the overwhelming number that has heretofore composed the editorial force on this paper, we do not wish it to be understood from the above heading, that we are diseased. Oh no! Three months of untiring zeal has not materially muddled our brain, but other business arising to claim our attention, we have found it unnecessary to quit. The gentlemen, under whose management this number appears, are well known to many, and all business entrusted to their care will receive due attention.

The Great Auk.

BY T. W. G.

A special interest attaches itself to the Great Auk, from the circumstance that there is no record of its having been taken, or even seen alive for more than a quarter of a century.

The only record of this rare bird being seen alive is as follows: In the year 1821 Dr. Fleming while on a cruise through the Hebrides, observed and described one which had been taken alive in the sea off St. Kilda and put on board the yacht. With a rope attached to one of its legs, this specimen was occasionally allowed to disport itself in the water. This one was lost while bathing, by the rope breaking. Another one was seen a few years before off Papa Westre, one of the Orkney Islands, but in spite of the exertions of the crew of a six-oared boat for several hours, it escaped; a while afterwards this same specimen was taken, and is now in the British Museum. The Great Auk measures three feet in length, has a large bill, but wings so small as to be useless for flying, but very powerful swimming organs. It laid but a single egg on the bare rock close to the waters edge. This bird being extinct gives special value to the remains now existing. They are as follows: about 72 skins, 9 skeletons, about 71 different bones, and 65 eggs. Two of the eggs were sold in an auction room in Edinburg, for \$16. They were afterward sold in London, one for five hundred dollars, and the other for 102 guineas.

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BY SPHYNX.

San Marino was founded in about the year 1300 by St. Marino, a Dalmation by birth and by trade a mason. He was employed in the reparation of Rimini, and after he had finished his work, retired to this solitary mountain, finding it a very proper place for the life of a hermit, which he led in the greatest rigors and austerities of religion. He had not been long here before he wrought a reputed miracle which joined with his extraordinary sanctity, gained him so great an esteem that the princess of the country made him a present of the mountain to dispose of at his own discretion. His reputation quickly peopled it, and gave rise to the republic which calls itself after his name, so that the commonwealth of Marino may boast at least of a nobler original than that of Rome; the one having been made an asylum for robbers and murderers, and the other a resort of persons eminent for their piety and devotion. The best of the churches is dedicated to the saint and holds his ashes. His statue stands over the high altar, with the figure of a mountain in its hands, crowned with three castles, which is likewise the arms of the commonwealth. There is a law in the statute book that anyone who should speak disrespectful of him should be punished in the same manner as those who are convicted of blasphemy. The capitol city San Marino is situated on a lofty succession of crags over 2600 feet above the level of the Adriatic; consequently the streets are mostly stairs and irregular passages, and of course no beasts of burden ever enter the gate. The republic proper stretches over a territory seventeen miles long and about half that width, and has a population of about 6000 people, the capitol containing about 900 of them. They

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Our thanks are due to Mr. Lyman
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The Ornithologist, published at
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Continued from last number.

SAN MARINO.

BY SPHYNX.

The expenses of the government never exceed \$5000, army, navy, post office, education, representation, all included. This revenue is raised out of the profits realized by the government from the purchase of some 600,000 pounds of leaf tobacco which it manufactures to sell at a small profit and from the sale of about 800 sacks of salt; a trifling stamp tax of three cents on notarial, judicial, and other documents, and from the sale of postage stamps, most of which are used by collectors. The stamps of San Marino are—

- 2 Centisimi Green.
- 10 " Blue.
- 20 " Vermillion.
- 30 " Brown.
- 40 " Violet.

The postman never enters the capital with the mail when it arrives at Borgo, the hamlet at the foot of the rock. A bell is rung and those who are impatient for their mail flock down to assist in its distribution.

San Marino has not only never been afflicted with a newspaper, but no printing press has ever stood upon its territory. It has no telegraph, and no public conveyance, and every one comes with the tandem that nature gives him, unless he employs a

foreign conveyance. There are four monasteries, one for nuns and three for monks. In the three for men, there are about thirty monks, but in the nunnery there are thirty sisters, who take pupils; these swell the average number of its inmates to about eighty. They have public schools besides, supported by the government, and a college called Il Collegio Baluzzi, kept by the family of the late Captain Regent. San Marino has retained its name and existence and such independence as it enjoys simply because it never was worth conquering. The first Napoleon once proposed to enlarge their territory. They wisely declined. They knew too well that, like the maimed, the halt and the blind, their weakness and insignificance were their real strength.

Harry Manchester Craft.

It is with deep regret that we chronicle the death of Mr. H. M. Craft, who died after a short illness, at Lakewood, New Jersey.

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Our editorial brains are taking a rest at the lakes during the annual lull of the collecting season.

Through the kindness of Messrs. Graut and Bonn, Paris, we got first sight of Pneumatic Tube Postal Card.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Ph. Heinsberger for a large bundle of for-Philatelic papers.

Mr. W. G. Whilden, Jr., of Pelzer, S. C., received the following letter in regard to one W. Fondren:

LANGSTON, ALA., May 25, 1885.

DEAR SIR:

The gentleman to whom you refer has been arrested, tried and convicted for fraudulent use of the U. S. mails. His advertisements are all of a fraudulent nature.

Respectfully,
POST-MASTER.

Received.

All Editorial, *The Youths' Gazette, The Quiver, The Bayonne Budget, The Ornithologist, The Empire State Philatelist, Toronto Philatelic Journal, Pine & Palmetto, Enterprise, O Philatelista, Caixa 40, S. Paulo, Brazil; Young Mineralogist, Collector, Orient, Stamp World, People's Press, Leaflet, Kriss Kringle, Tidings From Nature, etc.*

Notice.

Through a misunderstanding in regard to a certain curiosity dealers advertisement which has appeared in previous numbers of THE EXCHANGE we had entertained ideas of publishing the individuals name, for what seemed to us to be the non-payment of our claim. Suffice it to say, that since then the matter has been settled satisfactorily to us, and that we do not wish to convey the idea, that the gentleman indicated is other than square in his dealings. We simply did what seemed then to be our duty.
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A short time since we had in our possession an interesting siege or commemorative piece in silver, struck at Vienna, probably soon after the year 1532. Description, lozenge shaped, with corners clipped; size 15. *Obverse*, within a slight rectangular tressure, in four lines, TVRCK BLEGERT WIEN 1529 (The Turk besieges Vienna); mint marks, slight web-like lines in each corner, *Reverse*, within a slight tressure, similar to that on obverse, in two lines, GVNZ 1532 and

four letters, disposed within the four corners formed by the tressure, S P Q W. It may be added that this piece was purchased from the celebrated Brothers Egger, at Vienna itself, and is warranted genuine and original.

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No. 7.

Passages from the Diary of a Wandering Numismatist.

BY OLIVER OGILTREE.

I am now called upon to record the greatest numismatic dissapointment o' my life. I use the word *numismatic* with some reluctance, for I am not sure that it was not the greatest disappointment I ever expected to see, before me thousands of coins, and to have them actually within my grasp and yet be unable—but I will not anticipate.

Tuesday, Sept., 18th.

I received a letter to-day from my firm Graspall & Holdit, which caused me mingled pleasure and sorrow; sorrow that I shall have to remain longer away from New York, and pleasure that I am to visit a remote corner of the world that I have long desired to see—St. Johns, Newfoundland. They order me to repair to that port with all possible speed and see what opening there may be for their double back action revolving tubs and washboard compound, among the much befogged cod-fishing natives of that island. I had proposed a trip to Jack McN—and he has delighted my soul by informing me that "it is an elegant place to get coins." I start tomorrow.

Wednesday, Sept. 19.

Here I am in Halifax on my way to Newfoundland. I sail on the

Allan Line steamer "Nova Scotian" tomorrow. I have been on the hunt for coins all day, prowling around the junk shops and small stores on the wharves, and have been very successful, having gathered over eight hundred coppers all told, among them some really scarce U. S. cents, a fine 1809, for example.

But the find I prize most of all, is a lot I got out of an old stocking, in a little junk shop at the foot of Dum Raven street street. The owner of the shop, a crusty old Scotchman, assured me that he had no coins, but I persisted, and the result was that after rumaging around among piles of rags, old rope and junk of all sorts, he turned up the stocking, out of which I drew three genuine prizes in the way of Canadian coins, one of which I have yet to see either described or implicated. The first was a well known rarity "Nova Scotia and New Brunswick Success" half penny. Obv. Nova Scotia and New Brunswick Success, a ship under full sail to right. Rev. Half Penny Token, a female figure seated upon a bale of goods, holding in the right hand a pair of scales, the left supporting a cornucopia; in the distance a ship sailing. The next was that rarity of rarities, the Halifax Ferry Token. Obv. Halifax Steamboat Company.

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EDITORIAL

We failed in our last issue to notice the receipt of *The Hoosier Mineralogist and Archeologist*, which arrived however with its customary neat and "newsy" appearance.

As our office of publication is being removed to new and more commodious quarters this month, we have been obliged to remove our editorial sanctum. In so doing we have for the time being lost track of our exchange list, so we omit them in this issue.

W. E. Skinner & Co., of Lynn, Mass., have commenced a publication, an organ of the Agassiz Association. The number we are in receipt of is devoted chiefly to advertising frauds, or persons supposed to be such. Outside of this the paper contains some

interesting articles.

Our "Exchanger's Department is at rest this issue. We presume our subscribers are taking a rest also, or perhaps have exchanged all of their various valuables. Send in your exchanges faster and remember that this paper has an exchange column.

We begin with this number, the last half of our first year. We expect to persevere in our endeavours as heretofore, and make this paper as interesting as possible.

The Quiver, formerly *The Signal*, a literary paper of four three-column pages, has circulated its initial number of Vol. 3. It is editorially and typographically a success, we think. The paper contains regularly, the following somewhat pithy notice:

"MAIL:—Our 'letter carrier' will hold himself responsible for the safe delivery of all mail matter when addressed."

It is reported that the luminous editor of the *Young Mineralogist and Antiquarian*, the chap who did job printing so cheap, has suddenly departed from his place of business. Insinuations are also current to the effect that if the aforesaid monthly does not appear again, it is on account of the above occurrence. This is a very wise affair.

The Keystone Stamp and Coin Gazette apologises for its late appearance last month by asking its readers to take into consideration the "very warm weather." It was warm weather for editors, but *brace up!* brothers, your paper is worthy of your efforts.

Passages from the Diary of a Wandering Numismatist.

(Continued from first page.)

An old style steamboat under sail to left, a long column of smoke issuing from the funnel, in ex. an ornament. Rev. Ferry Token, in two curved lines. This piece has only passed through one or two auction sales in one instance bringing twenty dollars, so my joy in turning up this specimen, which I purchased for a cent may be well imagined.

But the last one was the best of all, for it was wholly unknown to me, and I may add I have never met with another specimen since. Obv. FERRY TOKEN in a circle upon a half penny planchet in brass, a round hole in the center. Rev. Plain. The Halifax Ferry Token was struck for use on the ferry running from Halifax to Dartmouth upon the opposite side of the bay, and although I could not learn that this latter piece was certainly used upon the same ferry, it was nevertheless the opinion of every one I showed the coin to, that such was the case. Be this as it may it still remains an undescribed Canadian Token, and that is quite enough to make it valuable in my eyes.

To be continued.

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Inquiries have been made about the law passed by the last Congress providing for a special stamp costing ten cents, for use in large towns on letters to be sent through the post office but to be immediately delivered by the carrier. Postmaster Pearson said yesterday that the law was only permissive, not compulsory, and that the Postmaster General has sent no instructions, so that the matter at present is in abeyance.—N. Y. TRIBUNE.

—Some Indians recently excavated in California, a state of Mexico, a gold idol weighing thirty-two and one half pounds.

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BY OLIVER OGILTREE.

SECOND PAPER.

Saturday, Sept., 22.

We left Halifax on Thursday at noon and we have had a delightful sail. On board the Nova Scotian there was a goodly complement of passengers; among them were an English lord, an army chaplain and his wife and two Boston drummers, one of whom rejoices in the cognomen of Kerosene Brown at least it was the name he was introduced to me.

We had not been outside of Halifax harbor more than three hours before Mrs Chaplain must needs pick a quarrel with one of the Boston drummers, not my oily friend but his companion, Hewell by name, and, before I was aware of what was going on, the whole deck was in an uproar. It seemed that Mr. Hewell, who had taken a cocktail too many before leaving Halifax, was using rather strong language and smoking upon deck, and of course no part of the entire ship would do for the parson's lady to sit in, except that portion immediately alongside the smoking saloon door.

Mrs. Chaplains delicate ears offended.

Mr. Chaplain steps into smoking saloon to remonstrate.

Boston drummer becomes sarcastic.

Chaplain becomes excited.

Mrs. Chaplain rushes to the rescue.

Boston drummer grows abusive.

Captain appealed to, Kerosene Brown and myself act as mediators.

Result; A grand row all around.

Things were lively enough for a while, but at last the matter was settled by the captain telling the chaplain that if his good lady did not wish to be disturbed by gentlemen in the smoking saloon they could sit upon some other portion of the deck; and at the same time, informing the Boston drummer if he was not more choice of his language he would put him in irons. At this Kerosene Brown and myself remonstrated as American citizens, but upon being informed by the captain that unless we attended promptly and entirely to our own affairs we would be ironed too, we at once subsided, and went to bed satisfied that attending to other people's quarrels procured no coins. If I had minded my own business I might have spent the afternoon canvassing the passengers for the coins they were worth, as it was I had not got any.

This morning on awakening, I perceived that we were running close to a fearful rugged coast. High rocky cliffs were everywhere, with the waves dashing furiously against them. I hastened to dress, and went on deck.

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The *Empire State Philatelist* for July, presents a very neat appearance.

After waiting six months, we have at last got our paper admitted as second class matter.

W. Fondren is now serving his time in the penitentiary for fraudulent use of the mails.

We received a bundle of papers from Geo. N. Truax, Bradford, Pa. He will please accept our thanks for the same.

Vol. I., No. 1. of the *Happy Hours* of West Randolph Vt., presents a very neat appearance. Would be glad to hear from you again brother DuBois.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Frossard 787 Broadway, N. Y., for a catalogue of rare stamps to be sold at auction by Geo. A. Leavitt & Co., Sept. 24th. and 25th.

If any of our exchanges are missed they will please excuse us, as our office was all mixed up in moving, but by next issue we hope to be in shape again.

We were very much surprised to learn that Frank H. Lattin had disposed of the *Young Oologist* to such incompetent hands as W. E. Skinner & Co.

Advertisers take notice of the *Dealer's & Collector's Circular*, an advertising medium for all, published next month. We heartily recommend Mr. C. R. Burr to advertisers. See "ad" in another column.

A neat set of stamps has recently been issued by the B. & O. Telegraph Co., consisting of a 1 cent red, 5 cent, 10 cent chocolate, and 25 cent vermilion. They are of the best workmanship, and present a fine appearance.

RECEIVED.

The *Ornithologist*, *Capital City Philatelist*, *Stamp Dealers Journal*, *Boys' Weekly*, *The Collector*, *The Magnet*, *The Gleaner*, *The Reflector*, *Our Boys*, *West American Scientist*, *Tidings from Nature*, *Empire State Philatelist*, *The Press*, *Philatelic Herald*, *New England Philatelist*, *Monthly Express*, *The Hermes*, *Monthly Et Cætera*, *Naturalists' Companion*, *Keystone Stamp and Coin Gazette*, *The Hoosier Naturalist*.

Passages from the Diary of a Wandering Numismatist.

(Continued from 1st. page.)

We had reached Newfoundland. About noon, we entered the harbor of St. John's passing into a beautiful bay through a narrow entrance between two beetling cliffs, at the further extremity of which the town could be seen rising in terraces from the shore, crowned by a magnificent cathedral with two grey towers located upon the highest point. In a little while we were at the wharf, and bade good bye to our England-bound friends, the parson and his wife included.

U. S. GRANT.

All our readers know that America's greatest General, U. S. Grant, died at Mt. McGregor on July 23d., 1885. We think now it would be appropriate that the portrait of the late General should be placed on one of the current postage stamps of the United States,

We wish our readers would express their opinion about this, and we have no doubt but good will result from it. —*The Hermes.*

TO EXCHANGE.

A few T. H. Barr, 4 cent, black Revenue Stamps for Revenue stamps not in my collection. Send list. Address, Collector, Box 306, Adrian, Mich.

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San Marino, 5 var. complete60
Stamps bought and exchanged. Sheets on approval at 33 $\frac{1}{2}$ ct. discount. Joseph Holmes, Jr., Long Island City, N. Y.	

ATTENTION!

Next month, (October), we will issue the

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THREE LOVERS.

[The Galaxy.]

There were three maidens who loved a king;
They sat together beside the sea.
One cried, "I love him, and I would die
If but for a day he might love me."

The second whispered, "And I would die
To gladden his heart or make him great."
The third one spoke not, but gazed afar
With dreamy eyes that were sad as fate.

The king he loved the first for a day,
The second his life with fond love blessed,
And yet the woman who never spoke
Was the one of the three who loved him
best.

MONTENEGRO.

Montenegro, (an Italian translation of the native name Czernagora, Black Mountain,) is a small but independent principality, situated between Bosnia, and Albania. Till 1878 it was separated from the Adriatic by a narrow strip; now it touches the coast and has two seaports, Antivan and Dulcigno, which are closed to the navies of all nations, Montenegro being prohibited from having war-ships. It contains about 3,550 square miles and is everywhere mountainous, the mountains being in most cases clothed with dark forests of fir, ash, beech, oak, ilex, willow and poplar. Mt. Dormitor, in the north, is 8500 feet, and Mt. Kom, in the east, 9,500 feet above the sea-level. Agriculture is practiced to some extent, but it is in a very rude and primitive state. The products are

the same as other European countries in the same latitude. Few oxen are reared, but goats, sheep and swine, abound. There are no towns worthy of mention, save Podgoritzka, (pop. 7,500) and Antivari, (pop. 5000); these are in the recently conceded portion. Montenegro belonged in the Middle Ages to the great Servian kingdom; but after the dismemberment of the latter, and its conquest by the Turks at the battle of Kossovo, 1389, the Montenegrins under their prince, who was of the royal blood of Servia, maintained their independence. Cettinge the capital, has been styled the smallest capital in the world. There are scarcely a hundred houses in it; but these are built substantially of stone, with roofs of heavy Italian tiles, upon which weighty pieces of rock are placed, to enable them to withstand the storms which come upon them from the mountains. One peculiarity of this country is that the cottages have no chimneys, and the manners of their inhabitants are most primitive. Prince Nicholas I., the present ruler, is much beloved by his people, and though he is with them and of them, he is every inch a king. The costume of the masses is simple and their habits frugal, wherever notwithstanding, a bit of gay color can be flaunted it is sure to be shown.

At present Prince Nicholas is turning attention to arts and peace, his country having been harassed with

wars for the last five centuries. He is a poet and playwright, but still finds time to devote to the cares of state and to agriculture, his songs are the delight of the Montenegrin cottagers. Stamps were first issued in 1874 and are of the following colors and values:

2	Soldi,	Yellow.
3	"	Green.
5	"	Rose.
7	"	Purple.
10	"	Blue.
15	"	Bistre.
26	"	Chocolate.

The head of Prince Nicholas adorns them all. The population in 1882 was 250,000, standard coin, 1 florin, (48c.)=100 soldi.

Human Eyes for Watch Charms.

The most curious things I saw in Lima were mummies' petrified eyeballs—which are usually to be found in the graves if one is careful in digging—used as watch charms. The Incas had a way of preserving the eyes of the dead from decay—some process which modern science can not comprehend; and the eyeballs make very pretty settings for pins. They are yellow, and hold light like an opal.—*Peru Letter.*

The standard of Roman gold was the *aureus*, worth, in our computation, about \$5.10. The smallest gold coin was the *Simpulum*, whose weight was 18.06 grains. It was worth 20 *Sestertii*. Some were struck weighing 40, 60, 80 grains.

Hunting for Eider-down.

In the spring the eider-down harvest begins. The men who get the down leave home early in the morning and visit the places to which the eider-duck resorts. The nests are built in clefts of the rock near the sea, and slippery from the spray; and sometimes very high up, when a false step would be death to the unfortunate man falling upon the rocks below. The down is plucked from the breasts of the duck by the bird itself, and is used to line the nests for the comfort of the young ones. The hunter robs the birds of all the lining it has provided for the nest, putting it in a bag that he carries along for the purpose, and then repeats the performance at some other nest. Two crops of down are gathered. The first crop is the best, for the duck uses an abundance of her choicest down in making the lining of her first nest. A short time after the first is gathered the hunters go over the same ground again and rob the nests of the second lining, which consists of all the down the poor bird could rob herself of for her young. This proceeding seems to call out the last energy of the birds, for they then make a new nest, and the drake lines it with his breast feathers. After the down has been gathered, it is taken into a large room in the farmer's house, and each nest, for the lining retains the shape of a nest, is placed on the top of a primitive arrangement that looks like a harp laid flat, with strings of rubber running across it. The nest is then rubbed over the strings, and the li-

chen, moss sticks, chips, and other parts of the framework of the nest that are mixed with the down fall through to the floor, while the down remains in the operator's hands. The down is then packed and brought to market, and from here shipped to all parts of the world. The color of the down is a surprise to many, for instead of its being white, as some people imagine, it is a blue slate color, glossy and very pretty. Iceland furnishes about 7,000 pounds of the down every year that is of a superior quality.

The number of devices and emblems upon ancient coins is very great. The ingenious and well-read artists in the Roman mints had the world of fact and the world of fancy at their command, and made exhaustive use of both. Birds, beasts, fishes, cities, camps, castles, temples, altars, instruments of sacrifice, the facts of history and the fancies of mythology—all yielded their treasures to the artist as he sat down to make a new "attribution" for the coin of a Roman emperor.

The coins mentioned in the Old and New Testaments are the Doric the Shekel, the Bekah or Half Shekel the Septon or Mite, the Denarius or Penny and the Staler or Pe'ce of Silver.

In Europe all classes of persons possessing any literary taste collect coins, medals, etc., as a means of study; and magazines, books, etc., upon the subject are multiplied.

* Exchanges. *

A pair of "Ice King" ice skates for stamps, coins, etc. Address, S, The Exchange, Box 647, Adrian, Mich.

A pair of Acme club skates, for match, medicine, and document stamps. T. W. G., Box 306, Adrian, Mich.

Ice skates, type, Books, and a muzzle loading rifle for bicycle sundries, revenue stamps, or a telescope. W. J. Graves, Adrian, Mich.

I have a few stamps to exchange for old U. S. department or revenue stamps. They are as follows:

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The "Empire State Philatelist" looks very fine in its new cover.

A few days since we had the pleasure of a call from the genial editor of the "Michigan Philatelist."

It is with the deepest sorrow that we chronicle the death of Dr. Chas. P. Henry, publisher of the "New England Philatelist," of Fitchburg, Mass.

Owing to an unusual press of business in our office of publication, our paper is considerably behind hand this month. We hope to be at the head again soon.

It is due Mr. W. J. Graves, proprietor of the "Owl Directory," to announce that owing to delay over which he has no control the publication is still in press. We mention

the fact that the aforesaid directory is alive, and will make its appearance before long.

There has been organized in Chicago a "National Letter Return Association," the object of which is to afford everybody the same facility for the prompt return of non-delivered letters that business men enjoy who have a return request printed on their envelopes. It is worked as follows: On receipt of one dollar the association sends you a small book containing 1000 gummed perforated stamps, each book having a separate number. All the stamps in the book bear the same number. This number will be entered on the register of the association opposite the name and address of the purchaser. The purchaser will place one of the stamps on the upper left corner of the envelope. In case of non-delivery of the letter it will be returned, as per request on stamp, to the office of the association, and there be enclosed in another envelope and remailed to the sender, so no one but the manager of the association can know who originally sent the letter. All this at a cost of but one-tenth of a cent per letter, which is cheaper than printing addresses on envelopes by the thousand. The address of the association is No. 171 West Washington St., Chicago, Ill.

Last year there were 4,500,000 letters sent to the Dead Letter Office for various reasons, of which 3,500 were unclaimed letters, 115,660 were returned from hotels, 314,700 were misdirected, 133,600 were held for unpaid postage and 14,134 were without addresses. Of these 4,044,845 were opened, 1,518,825 returned to the writers and 2,556,990 destroyed. Seventeen thousand three hundred and eighty-five of the above letters contained money, 20,260 drafts, 34,400 receipts, paid notes, etc., and 85,000 contained postage stamps.

Examine our advertising rates and send in your ad for November and Christmas numbers. After this number our "Exchange" column will be open to all, reserving the right to reject any exchanges, if objectionable.

REVENUE STAMPS.

BY G. W. T.

Written for The Exchange.

On the first day of July, 1883, the internal revenue tax on proprietary articles was abolished, and since that date there has been a great many collectors added to the ranks of revenue stamp collectors, and it is very common to find a collector who collects both postage and revenue stamps.

The attention of the collecting public, I believe, was first called to the different varieties, and kinds of paper used in printing revenue stamps, by Mr. E. B. Sterling, by articles written by himself and published by Philatelic papers that have long been out of existence.

In document stamps, the first series, 1862, were printed on plain old paper, the design being the head of Washington in an oval; the edges of the stamps being perforated, part perforated and unperforated.

In this series there are 270 varieties—104 perforate, 80 part perforate and 86 unperforate—printed in the following colors: Violet, brown, green, blue, red and orange. In the second series, 1871, there are 31 varieties, printed on silk thread violet paper, with a black vignette of Washington in the center. The color of the ink which is used in printing is blue, and the stamps are all perforated. The \$500 stamp of this issue is catalogued at \$100.

In the second series there are eight varieties printed in black, the design being an inverted medallion, and are catalogued at \$5 each. In the third series there is one variety, same design as above, and the color orange.

In the third series, 1872, there are 17 varieties, printed on silk thread violet paper, and in the following colors. Claret, orange, brown, green and vermilion. Design, black vignette of

Washington in the centre.

In the fourth series, 1874, there is but one variety, printed on silk thread green paper, with same design as those above. Color, orange. The last two series (third and fourth) are perforated.

The fifth series, 1875-80, consists of three varieties, printed on green paper, the design being the profile of liberty to left in an oval. The first variety (1875) is printed in blue, silk thread, and is perforated; the second variety, 1878, is printed in blue on water-mark paper and is perforated; the third variety, 1880, is on water-mark paper and is rouletted.

In proprietary stamps, the second series (1871-74-75) consists of 20 varieties, printed on silk thread violet and green paper, in green ink, and are perforated. The design is the same as that of the fourth series, 1874.

The third series, 1878-82, is printed on silk thread and water-mark paper in green, brown, orange, red-brown, red, black and blue ink. This issue consists of 14 varieties, and are perforated.

(Concluded in November Number.)

The annual report of Chief Post Office Inspector West, shows that 539 arrests were made by inspectors during the year. Of this number 203 were tried and convicted, and 222 await trial. During the year 459 post offices were robbed, 256 burned, and 33 postal cars burned. Inspectors recovered and turned into the treasury from delinquent ex-postmasters the sum of \$28,352.

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gun case, 1 cartridge bag.

The outfit cost \$30.00. Will sell cheap.

For further particulars address, T, The
Exchange, Box 647, Adrian, Mich.

Coin Case or Cabinet.

We have come into possession of a few facts in regard to a coin case that may be of interest to our readers. The owner, a Michigan gentleman describes it as follows:

In the first place its outside dimensions are, 28 inches high, 33 inches wide, and 18 inches deep. The first or top drawer is three inches deep in the clear—no partitions. In this I keep my empty cases and boxes that I have robbed of their treasures in the shape of medals. Next comes 18 drawers of trays, showing an outside depth of $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch, but only $\frac{1}{4}$ inch deep in fact; these trays are lined with *black* velvet, except three of them, which are lined with *blue* velvet; these blue velvet trays contain my United States silver coins—proof sets and gold pieces. Next comes two bottom drawers, side by side, each six inches deep, with locks on each of them. These drawers are partitioned off, and in them I keep duplicate coins, souvenirs, valuable papers, etc. The top and bottom drawers have sunken brass knobs, but the trays have no knobs, nor anything visible to draw them out. In order to slide the drawers out I use what I term a key, made from a piece of an old hand-saw,—the lip slightly bent out when slipped in between the drawers, springs just enough to catch on the edge, by which operation the tray or drawer is very easily drawn out. The outside of the case is black walnut, folding doors with lock and key—the inside is butternut, the whole costing about \$30. The case sets on a table in my library

and when opened is just high enough to be convenient and handy.

REMARKS.

I wish to call the attention of amateur printers to their papers. Many of you perhaps have just begun, but more of you are past this. Looking over a pile of papers the other day, I noticed one in particular. Its general appearance was good, but it contained many errors. I am aware that a mistake will now and then creep in, in spite of youthful vigilance, and they may be found in most any sheet. Mistakes in letters are perhaps more common than others, but the one thing that caught my eye unpleasantly was in the dividing of words at the end of a line; for instance I found positions, rav-ines, admiss-ions, office, distin-ctly, investig-ation, ser-ial, and others of a similar nature. Some people do not like to stop at the end of a line, and figure out the correct combination of letters in a syllable, in order to know what they are reading about. Many times I have noticed little papers, 3 x 5 inches in size, with well written original matter, clean in appearance, lines well spaced, and words correctly spelled, which revealed the fact that the "proof" had been carefully read. If these smaller productions had the means of operating that some of the larger papers have, there might be a revolution in juvenile journalism. Do not insert doubtful advertisements; a man sent 50 cts. to an unknown firm the other day to learn "How to make an impression," and received the following reply: "Sit down in a pan of dough."—*Observer.*

JUMBO.

Most of the readers of the EXCHANGE have heard of the tragic death of Jumbo, on the night of Sept. 15th., 1885, at St. Thomas, Canada.

Jumbo came to his death by a freight train, while he was being taken to the cars to be loaded. It is said that the news of the death of Jumbo created more interest in London, than the race between the Genesta and the Puritan for the American cup. Jumbo's home for more than twenty years was on the other side of the Atlantic, and he was considered one of the institutions of London.

When Jumbo was an infant he was sold by Arabs to the Jardin des Plantes in Paris, and in a few years fell into the possession of the Zoological Gardens in London.

Mr P. T. Barnum purchased him in March, 1882, for the sum of \$10,000.

When the sale was announced it created such indignation that it cost Mr. Barnum \$20,000 more to get him away from London and land him in New York. Jumbo arrived in this country on the Assyrian Monarch, April 9th., 1882, and became the pet of America. Mr. Barnum's loss is said to be \$100,000 in cash, but the loss to his keeper Mr. Scott, cannot be counted in dollars and cents.

Jumbo was about twenty-five years old. It is unlikely that most of those who beheld him will ever look again upon his like in the matter of size.

Jumbo will long be remembered with admiration and respect. Prof. Ward of the Rochester University, who has charge of the stuffing of the

skin, says that Jumbo was allied to the old and extinct Mastodon species.

The skeleton will be presented to the Smithsonian Institute at Washington, and the skin will be given to the Tuft College of Massachusetts.

Counterfeit Coins.

An impression prevails with some, that the majority of ancient coins offered in America are counterfeit. This is absurd. The proportion of counterfeit antiques to the genuine, is less than that of greenbacks. The only coins counterfeited are the rare and costly gold and silver specimens, which do not cross the sea. Do not be alarmed as to this, the handling of a counterfeit is a chance, less than that of a thunder stroke.

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Last summer, three young gentlemen, members of the Adrian Agassiz Association, thought that they would astonish the natives by a new method of destroying grasshoppers. They caught a large number of this pest and after taking off the legs and wings proceeded to make a nice fry. As we were not of the lucky three we can not tell how they tasted, but after a while they proceeded to give the chapter a description of the feast. They stated that they made a delicious fry and recommended other members to try it. We have little doubt it tasted very nice, and they must have a very pleasant sensation in the grub-basket playing foot-ball. But nevertheless these young men have gained a reputation second to none in this part of the U. S. as grasshopper eaters. We have no doubt that their names will be handed down from generation to generation, and that their grandchildren will proudly boast that their

grandfather was one of the first persons to try a grasshopper fry.

How Confederate Money Dropped.

When the first issue of Confederate money was scattered among the people, it commanded a slight premium. It then scaled down as follows:

DATE.	WORTH.
June 1861.....	90 cts.
December 1. 1861....	80 "
" 15. "	75 "
February 1. 1862....	60 "
" 1. 1863....	20 "
June 1863.....	8 "
January 1864.....	2 "
November "	4½ "
January 1865.....	2½ "
April 1 "	1½ "

After that date it took from \$800 to \$1000 in Confederate money to buy a one dollar greenback until the end came.

Augustine Watson the inventor of the ready stamped newspaper wrapper, died Nov. 28 '85. He resided in Washington.

Sealing Letters.

The first letter known to be sealed with wax is said to have been written to Frederick, Count Palatine, by a French gentleman sent on a mission to the Court of Wiener. For a long time beeswax was the only material used in sealing letters, but toward the middle of the sixteenth century beeswax was replaced by sealing wax introduced from India, and by degrees this came into general use. Wafers are supposed to have been used about the same time. The first adhesive envelopes were used in England in 1848. By slow degrees sealing wax was substituted by adhesive envelopes. It has now become fashionable to use wax in sealing letters.

Perforation.

For the benefit of a few inquiring minds, who do not understand the different methods by which stamps in sheets are separated, we give the following information:

First, where the stamps are issued in sheets without any provision being made for

their separation this is called unperforated.

Second, where the stamps on a sheet are divided by rows of holes, this is known as perforated.

Third, where the divisions are made by rows of holes similar to that made by running a pin through the paper, this is termed indented; most of the common counterfeits are divided by this method.

Fourth—The next style is rouletted; in this the stamps are separated by means of short slits cut in the paper, varying in length in different issues.

Fifth may be termed dentated, being formed by a row of pointed cuts; this style is found on the issue of La Guira.

Sixth—This is little more than a variety of the preceding, the points being slanted and called serrated. Some of the Bremen stamps are thus divided.

Seventh—This method is called serpentine; the stamps of Finland will illustrate it.

Eighth and last is a modified type of the seventh, and is called scalloped.

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The Michigan Philatelist continues to improve with every number.

The Christmas number of the Boys' Weekly is gotten up in fine style.

The Owl Directory after a long delay will make its appearance about the tenth of January, 1886.

Some rogue in New York has been advertised through circulars for gifts of postage stamps for charitable purposes, the stamps to be sold for the benefit of mission work in that city. The circulars have been extensively circulated in the South and no doubt some good things in the way of Confederate stamps have been sent to the "Rev. Joab Cushing Merritt." —PHILATELIC MONTHLY.

The postage stamp in the United States is over 40 years old, and although the third to adopt the system, it now leads the number issued by almost four times as many as the next highest stamp-using country, which is England. This latter country was the first to adopt the stamp in 1840. Brazil followed close in her footsteps in 1843, and the United

States in 1847. The governments of 211 countries now issue postage stamps. All these are outranked by America, whose annual output of letter stamps is 2,500,000,000. The cancelled postage stamps of many countries are worth quite as much as unused specimens, and many are issued solely for collections, the revenue being an important item. Monaco is the latest to issue stamps; but Stellaland, with its "fifty houses and three stores," is probably the most insignificant, even more so than Heligoland or the Virgin islands. Bhopal has the oldest stamp, Nicaragua the finest, Siberia the largest, Zealand the smallest, Guatemala the most striking, and Sarawak and Great Britain divide the honor of having the cheapest and meanest.

—DETROIT EVENING NEWS.

Hereafter we will devote a space to the interests of the Agassiz Association. We would be pleased to become the official organ of any of the chapters in this state.

The Violet still continues to be the best amateur paper published.

Take notice that this number of our paper is for Nov. and Dec. 1885. Begin your subscription with the Jan. 1886 number. Vol. II.

Papers Received.

Michigan Philatelist, New York Collector, Keystone Stamp and Coin Gazette, Stamp World, New Moon, Violet, Progress, Naturalist's Companion, Philatelic Monthly, Hoosier Naturalist Young Naturalist's Journal, Ornithologist, Toronto Philatelic Journal, Capital City Philatelist, Tidings from Nature, Empire State Philatelist, Boys' Weekly, O' Philatelist.

Special Notice.

With the January number of the EXCHANGE we will give to every subscriber a return letter stamp, issued by the National Letter-Return Association of Chicago, Ills.

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Revenue & Stamps.

BY G. W. T.

CHAPTER II.

In the fourth series (1880) there are six varieties printed on water-mark paper, in green, brown, orange, red-brown, black, and blue ink. They are all rouletted.

In match, medicine, and playing-card stamps, there are many varieties, and some of the designs are very handsome, while the colors in which they are printed are many. In match stamps there is more than two hundred and eighty two varieties, in playingcard stamps there is twenty-seven varieties, and medicine stamps there is about six hundred and fifty-six varieties.

Some match and medicine stamps are catalogued from ten to fifty dollars, while stamps priced from one to ten dollars are quite numerous in the catalogues.

Revenue stamps are becoming scarce very fast, and it will not be many years before they will be great rarities. When you take into

consideration the number of stamps that are destroyed every day, (for most of the stamps are placed over the corks, or on the wrappers of the bottles) besides you must mind that the supply of revenue stamps has ceased altogether. So, my advice to collectors is "to make hay while the sun shines."

Chapter 687 of the Agassiz association located in this city are doing some good work this winter. They have had several meetings of late devoted to dissecting and propose to have more during the winter. The chapters have, we venture to say, the best rooms in which to hold their meetings of any chapter in the state, and a visit to their rooms will fully convince any one of this fact.

The first of the regular line of post packets to New South Wales, was the *Mar Sharp*, which left Gravesend for Sidney, Feb. 2nd, 1844.

Send us your subscription for the New Year, 1886. I will pay you.

An Old Firm Retires.

The Philatelic World.

The well known stamp and coin dealers, Messrs Scott & Company have retired from business, and are succeeded by a stock company, under the name of "The Scott Stamp and Coin Co., Limited." Mr. Henry Collins has charge of the stamp department and Mr. Wm. P. Brown of the coin department.

Chapter 687 A. A.

Chapter 687, Agassiz Association of this city, held a banquet and the semi-annual election New Years eve. The following officers were elected: President, F. Bury, Vice Pres., Arthur Lewis, Secretary, Ed. Stebbins, Treasurer, John Tallman, Curator, Geo. W. Tripp. A very unique bill of fare was served, grasshopper fricasee and sparrow potpie occupied prominent places among the dishes.

Don't fail to subscribe for THE EXCHANGE for 1886.

Correspondence.

J. H. F., Galveston, Texas.—The nighthawk generally lays two eggs of a grey or creamy white, thickly specked and spotted with a greenish-brown and several shades of lilac. Size, 1.25 x .88.

M. K. F., San Francisco, Cal.—Revenue stamps are printed on four kinds of paper, viz: Old, Silk, Pink and watermarked. See article in October and November numbers of this paper.

W. A. M., Phil., Pa.—See advertisement of dealers in this number.

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35 Drawers from a stationary coin cabinet, for books in good condition or other good trading matter. Full description will be sent to party interested. A cabinet could be made for the drawers at a small expense. H. B. Seagrave, Ionia, Mich.

Back numbers of Harpers Young People, Youth's Companion, Golden Days, a number of good story books confederate money, scrip, broken bank bills, in exchange for books, confederate money, scrip, broken bank bills, or a good lawn tennis racket. Fred Bury, Box 334, Adrian, Mich.

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In the first place I will say, that I resided in Chicago at the time of their first appearance, and so can speak with all surety of the facts which came under my notice.

The stamps were issued; a rose on white, rose on yellow, and black on white. In a recent article I see some talk about the black stamp being called opium color by Scott's Catalogue, this article says that evidently nothing was known of the black stamps, and implies that it makes the fourth to the set. Now I disagree with this. There were but three stamps issued, this black stamp is the same as the one called chocolate and plum. The black is a peculiar color, in certain

lights looking very much like plum color. This same article also implies that the stamps were used sparingly and that evidently they were never used as postage. Again I disagree. On the second day after making their first appearance they were all around town; in every business man's waste basket we could find dozens of them. I myself received several a day. They were either used as postage or in a way very similar to that, for they came on all kinds of letters, and not merely on circulars. I repeat, instead of being sparingly used, they were used in abundance and were quite common.

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They were cancelled in red by a spread eagle and "Chicago." My impression is that when Mr. Allen's business was broken up, there were almost enough stamps left to guarantee the gentlemen in St. Louis' claim and keep him supplied as long as he has been supplied.—*Wm. Allen Kiapp—The Stamp World.*

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Packages of canceled or uncanceled postage stamps addressed to foreign countries are subject to postage at letter rates.

Tale of a Postage-Stamp.

Primarily I am a postage stamp; just a common, everyday two cent stamp, possessing only such attributes as are peculiar to my class. Indeed, if I were placed among a thousand of my brethren I doubt if the keenest observer would be able to point me out as being in any way distinguished. A vague gloom enshrouds that portion of my life preceding its development into one of the Government agents (if I may so call myself); and I indistinctly remember of having once been connected with a copy of an English comic paper which drifted as an exchange into an American newspaper office, and thence quickly into a huge waste basket. From that time until arriving at my present state I passed through the hands of paper dealers, paper manufacturers and divers clerks and careless people, my last distinct impression being received from an engraver's press.

I can scarcely be called a conceited person still I am led to believe that my mission in the world is an important one. I am kind hearted, of agreeable disposition, and well satisfied with my lot. I frequently congratulate myself upon the good fortune which made me what I am. How much better to be, perchance, the bearer of some kind letter, a perfumed billetdoux, if you please, than a vulgar revenue stamp, fit only to adorn a box ill-smelling cigars or grace a barrel of inferior liquor!

A man hurriedly places a postage stamp upon a letter, which he drops into a convenient letter box and en-

tirely forgets the circumstance. It humbly serves his purpose; beyond that he does not care. But think for a moment of the travels of that same stamp, of the persons it meets, of the message it bears, and say it is not a sentient being.

After my birth I was carefully accou-nted for to various commonplace officials, and, after some delay, sent to the postoffice at a certain Eastern city. I was purchased soon afterwards by Mr. Archibald Warrack, who tore me rudely from my friends, and, after carrying me about in his pocket-book for a day or two, cast me into a certain drawer of his desk.

This Mr. Warrack was about 25, tall, graceful, and altogether a very gentlemanly appearing person. He dressed neatly and tastefully, but with no suggestion of foppishness. To be frank, I admired him from the beginning of our acquaintance. Regarding his social and financial status, he was a gentleman of artistic tastes—one of the grand army of dilettanti—possessing an ample bank account and pedigree which was never questioned.

The desk, into a drawer of which I was so ignominiously thrust, stood in a sunny alcove separated from Mr. Warrack's studio by a heavy portiere. This little apartment was a very pleasant place, and Mr. Warrack spent considerably more time in lounging there than he did in working in the great bare room adjoining. Art was a hobby of mine, and it was with much satisfaction that I found myself placed in such a congenial atmosphere.

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Soon after being transferred to the drawer I have before alluded to I discovered that my quarters were shared by a number of other persons of my own kind who were reposing on dainty perfumed envelopes, they wore however, black stains on their es-cutcheons, which showed them to be forever ruined. I made bold to introduce myself to one of these scarred veterans, and, after a few preliminary remarks concerning the weather, politics, and so on, said:

"From your looks [date of cancelling] I infer that you have been dwelling with this Mr. Warrack for some time, and, being a stranger I shall esteem it a favor if you will tell me such things as you feel at liberty to speak of concerning his private character."

"It's a sad case," said my friend, with a deep sigh. He looked haggard and worn, and was apparently in great distress.

"How 'sad'?" I inquired, sympathetically.

"A sad case," he continued without heeding my interruption. "Less than six months ago I was the carrier of a letter written by a young lady named Rariden—Miss Helen Rariden—to Mr. Warrack, the gentleman whose acquaintance you have recently made. This letter was written in reply to one from him in which he exhausted all the available adjectives of the English language in the sincerest avowals of love, closing with an offer of his heart and hand."

To be Continued.

In answering advertisements it is always a good idea to state where you saw the "ad.", as the advertisers have different "ad.'s" in different papers. Then all they have to do is to turn to the paper mentioned. In this way much trouble and many mistakes are saved both the advertiser and person answering the "ad."

The old and well-known firm of Southwick & Jencks, of Providence, R. I., has dissolved. Mr. Jencks retires, and Mr. Southwick carrying on the business.

Circumstances over which we have no control, have again delayed us. The circumstance mentioned, being the event of Mr. C. R. Burr, our printer, making a young lady a "Burr," who will stick somewhat closer than a brother. Mr. and Mrs. Burr have our best wishes.

In a certain monthly Journal, we notice seven articles taken from THE EXCHANGE, and no credit given us.

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Frank H. Lattin is again publishing a paper. The Oologist.

We notice in one of our exchanges the following "chestnut":—Can a small catfish be called a kitten fish?

With this number of the EXCHANGE a good many of our subscriptions expire. We would like to have all of our old subscribers renew at once. A cross on this notice means that your subscription has expired.

Persons sending us exchange notes to insert must make them as short as possible.

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The English sparrow question is again agitating the country. The best way to get rid of them is to repeal laws protecting the sparrow, and offer a bounty for their destruction.

C. E. Swope, of the firm of Swope & Co., has purchased C. B. Norton's interest in the business. Mr. Swope would be pleased to hear from all of his old customers and many new ones.

The Philatelic Star and Coin Collector published by E. F. Herdman Berwick-upon-Tweed, Eng., is the best English stamp paper we have yet seen. It should be on the table of every stamp or coin collector.

Our thanks are due Mr. John M. Hubbard, of Lake Village N. H., for a copy of The Stamp Dealers of the World. It contains over 300 names of dealers in the U. S. and some number of foreign. The price of it is 10 cents.

Counterfeit surcharged Ceylon stamps are being put on the market. Beware of them!

Give us your subscription.

Progress Of Postage Stamps.

It is interesting to notice the progress of stamped paper, since its first introduction, and the various attempts made to establish a postal system, all of which proved failures, until the present system proposed by Sir Rowland Hill, was adopted by the British Parliament in 1837. About the first country to issue stamped paper was China. As it is claimed that Laetsoo established a very perfect postal system in 90, A. D. Stamped paper was next used during the reign of Louis XIV, by M. DeValager, who established a penny post in 1653. Again in 1750 M. DeChormauset, under Louis XV prepared stamps similar to those now in use. Stamps were next used in Spain in 1817, Italy preceiving the gains derived from this system, issued stamped envelopes in 1819 to 1836. The next attempt to use stamps was by Lieut. Treffenburg of Stockholm, in 1823. His plans were rejected by the Swedish Assembly, although securing the support of Count De Acharin. England was the next to issue stamps, the first, black, appearing on the 6th of May 1840. Almost all the civilized countries of the world now possess the boon of postage stamps.

A reward of £4000 was offered by the British Government for the best method of seperating stamps. A quite thoughtfull Briton said "punch the division between the stamps full of little holes and you'll have no further trouble" he got the £4000.

It is a felony in England to counterfeit stamps.

The earliest coinage in America is said to have been made in 1612 by the Virginia company, the coin was made of brass and bore the inscription "Sommers Island" and a boar above XII; reverse, a ship under sail, firing a gun.

The first copper coinage of England was in the time of James the 1st. and Charles the 1st.

The total number of post offices in the U. S. up to Nov. 28, 1885 was 51,803 the number of first class offices 71, second-class 382, third class 17,96, making 2,249 Presidential offices in all. There are 49,554 fourth class offices, and 7067 money order offices.

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W. L. Emory

The above cut is a likeness of the well-known philatelist, W. L. Emory, of Fitchburg, Mass. Mr. Emory first began to deal in stamps in 1879, and did business under the firm name of

Empire Stamp Co. This firm carried on a very large business in the approval sheet trade. He also dealt in U. S. Stamps at wholesale, and did an extensive foreign business.

In December 1883 he purchased from Mr. Schwartz, of Philadelphia, the *Philatelic News*, and in January 1884 he issued his first number. He and Mr. Jewett greatly aided collectors by pointing out in the *News* the stumbling blocks of philatelist, namely dealers in counterfeit stamps. The *News* was one of the best papers published.

April, 1884, he sold the *News* to the publisher of the *Granite State Philatelist*. In November he commenced the publication of the *New England Philatelist*, a journal most of our readers are very well acquainted with. When the Fitchburg Philatelist society was organized, Feb. 15, '85, he had the honor of being elected president of that association, which office he held until advanced studies compelled him to resign. Mr. Emory has a very large collection, and his album contains many varieties. He commenced collecting a number of years ago. He has sold the *New England Philatelist* to Mr. Henry Jewett and his many friends will welcome him back to the ranks of Philately, whenever he returns to Fitchburg.

G. W. T.



W. K. Jewett.

Many of our readers, no doubt, have read very interesting articles on philately, in the best stamp papers, by a person who writes under the *nom de plume*, "Topaz," and have wondered who this writer is. We take pleasure in presenting to you the picture of W. K. Jewett, of Fitchburg, Mass., who is a writer of no small ability. Mr. Jewett has been a contributor to the philatelic papers throughout the country for about two years, and he was the assistant editor of the *New England Philatelist* until last September, when he and the late Dr. Henry, purchased the N. E. P., which he edited until the death of his partner.

Mr. Jewett is now the editor of the *Capital City Philatelist*, of Augusta, Maine. He has been collecting about nine years and has one of "the" collections of the U. S.

He was elected Secretary of the Fitchburg Philatelic Society, which office he filled until that society disbanded, last October.

Mr. Jewett has never been in the stamp business independently, but was one of the partners of the "Eolus Stamp Co.," that did a rushing business in stamp packets. G. W. T.

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History of the Agassiz Association.

BY FRED BURY.

The A. A. for the observation and study of natural objects, was founded in 1875, by Mr. H. H. Ballard, in connection with a school which he was then teaching in Lenox, Mass. It was the outgrowth of a life long love for Nature, and a belief that education is incomplete without some practical knowledge of the common objects that surround us. Mr. Ballard gradually came to the opinion (strengthened by reading of a similar organization in Switzerland) that there might yet be other communities in which a like society could be welcomed, and several branch societies were organized. Finally to test the matter and having obtained the cooperation of the editors of the *St. Nicholas*, a general invitation to unite in the work, was published in 1880, in the November number of that magazine. This invitation met with a very hearty response.

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Editorial.

G. W. Tripp, of this city, wrote a letter of seventy-six words on the back of a two-cent stamp, addressed to himself, which he mailed and received. Next?

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A copy of the best edited amateur paper, The Violet, lays before us. It will make the boys "hump" to publish a paper that will come up to it.

Thought Her Maid Was Receiving too Many Letters.

A prominent lady of Rochester, N. Y., some time since thought that her maid was receiving too many letters, so she threw them into the stove. The next day the postman remarked to the girl that she was receiving a great many letters.

"Not so many," she replied, "this is the first one I have received this week."

The letter carrier said he had brought her two the day before and the maid asked her mistress about it and she said:

"Yes I did get two letters for you yesterday, but I threw them into the stove. You are receiving altogether too many letters lately.

The girl threatened to bring suit, and was paid an even \$2,000 to keep the matter out of the courts.—[U. S. Mail.

The crab is dormant during the cold months, and does not eat. Recent observations, according to Mr. E. J. Miers, of the British Museum, show that crabs do not reach great depths in the ocean. The Challenger expedition obtained few specimens from points more than 300 fathoms below the surface, and only a single specimen was found at a depth of 1000 fathoms.

Tale of a Postage-Stamp.

[CONCLUDED.]

"And the letter of which you were the bearer contained——"

"Her acceptance," he said, completing my sentence. "Helen Rariden is a beautiful woman, gifted, wealthy, and of excellent family. At the time I parted from her, or rather at the time she parted with me, she loved this—fellow with all her pure soul—loved him as man was never loved before, and he doubtless cared for her—*then*."

The emphasis of this last word was destroyed by a pitiful sob, and for a few moments my friend was so moved that he could not speak. I waited patiently until he again began:

"Shortly after the engagement, which naturally followed, Helen (I take the liberty of so calling her) was compelled to accompany her mother to Europe on a trip undertaken in the hope of benefiting that lady's health. The parting of this Mr. Warrack with his promised bride was tender and touching; I was present at the time in the gentleman's left-hand coat-pocket, and felt the beating of Helen's heart with distinctness for a few blissful moments. I admit that it was an embarrassing position for me to occupy, but I could not very well withdraw, as I was then very much attached to this letter, as I am now."

I smiled at this bit of pleasantry, but my neighbor pressed a convenient pen-wiper to his misty eyes and resumed his narrative.

"After Helen went abroad Warrack was morose and melancholy for a while; he began several pictures with which to occupy his mind—gloomy conceptions to correspond with his state of feelings. He first began what he called 'Arthur and Guinevere,—the parting scene, you know. He sketched and daubed at it for a week or so, but kicked it off the easel one day in a fit of impatience. When Helen's first letters came to him (they are in the next drawer below, embellished with cold, haughty foreign stamps), he replied promptly and at great length—tender, loving messages. Oh, how true he was!"

The stamp smiled bitterly.

"But he soon became neglectful and would toss Helen's notes into the corner of the desk and not even open them. Of course, under these circumstances, Helen did not write so often and I soon began to notice a change in Warrack's manner. He became cheerful and planned some joyous pictures; one of them, a 'Spring' landscape, is on his easel now, and he has ordered the canvas primed for a contemplated work to be called 'The Lifting of the Clouds.'

"And what is the cause of this sudden change?" I asked.

"He is interested in another direction," was the reply.

"And what of Helen?" I inquired.

"She is still true," answered my friend in a tone of conviction.

This ended our conversation for the time being. My fellow-lodger drew back into a dark corner and remained silent for several days.

In the mean time Mr. Warrack seemed happy; he spent much of his time singing and whistling snatches of tunes, chiefly from light operas. He painted a little when in the right mood, and I observed through the keyhole of the drawer that the "Lifting of the Clouds" was progressing finely. It was with pain that I thought there might be some connection between the title of the picture and the growing coldness in the manner of the young people towards one another, judging from the dwindling of their correspondence.

"A few days after my conversation with the elderly stamp Mr. Warrack opened our drawer and threw in an unopened letter which he had just received. As soon as he went out my friend snatched it and examined it eagerly. The envelope bore the card of a Venetian hotel and a canceled postage stamp whose language we did not know.

"From Helen?" I said, interrogatively.

"Yes," was the mournful reply.

Time wore on. It is a fashion time has, even in the life of lowly postage stamps. Spring came tripping down her bright, flower-matted path, and in the darkness of our habitation we felt the stirring of reawakened life. Mr. Warrack did not enter his studio for days at a time. When I spoke of

these long absences to my chum he only answered in the language of Tennyson:

In the spring a livelier iris changes on 'the
burnished dove;

In the spring a young man's fancy lightly
turns to thoughts of love.

"Turns to thoughts of his new love,
while he forgets the old' I suggested."

"Poor Helen!" he said. Oh woman
you alone are long-suffering and true."
Spring, summer and fall.

One bright autumn day, as my friend and I were conversing in our quarters, Mr. Warrack, who was sitting in the alcove reading a newspaper, cut from the society columns two items, which had, through the instrumentality of Fate and typographical "make-up," been printed in this order:

Cards have been issued for the wedding of Mr. Archibald Warrack, the rising young artist, and Miss Florence Springer, daughter of Jay Winter Springer, the poet.

"Oh, the perfidity of man," said my friend when I had finished reading.

The other item read:

A cablegram from Venice announced the marriage at that place of Miss Helen Bariden, who has been sojourning abroad for some time past, to Sir Arthur Lombard, of London.

"The devil!" gasped my friend through the dust which covered him.

"Not the devil but the way of the world," said I.—*W. M. N.*—[*Prize Story from Chicago Tribune.*]

If stamps and stamp collecting "don't do no good," yet it is a fact that can't be denied, that stamp and coin collectors have a wider and more general education than those who do not engage in that most attractive and entertaining pastime—[*Editor of "Boys Weekly."*]

How to Write For Philatelic Papers:

Hearing that S. Allen Taylor wrote very spicy articles for stamp papers, we wrote to him for an article. The following is the reply we received from him:

Boston, Mass., Feb. 25th., 1886.

E. J. STEBBINS, Adrian, Mich.

DEAR SIR:

Replying to your favor of the 20th., I beg to intimate that I never do any writing for stamp papers. I will, however, instruct you how do it for yourself. Get a Coltons Atlas or a Gazetteer of any kind. Choose a country, any one will do. Copy off the statistics of the population, etc. Then tell how it is bounded on the N. S. E. and W. If the atlas happens to give an account of who first settled the country you have tackled, or who discovered it, so much the better; put that in by all means. Well, when you have spun that out about a column and a half or so (but perhaps you had better copy it right off as atlas compilers sometimes write better grammar than Philatelic artists) begin and say stamps were first issued in—— in the year so and so, and take your stamp catalogue [Scotts is the best for that purpose as it has fewer errors of date than Durbins] and give a list of the stamps as you find them set down in the catalogue. Wind up by saying that you trust a new issue will soon emit itself, to the great delight of all true Philatelists. Be careful to head the article, written for the——, by "Squeejax." It is not necessary

to say "Squeejax," any other name will do as well. It is getting fashionable now to have army officers write philately and I think Lieut. Blueball, U. S. A., would be a good name though of course that might strike you differently.

Take care to explain in another part of the paper that Squeejax is the *nom de plume* of——, the mammoth philatelic writer whose collection numbers 9,990, and it is the largest in Michigan or in the Northwest. That is a safe statement. If you have a young brother make out it is him who is the writer, so that if any approval sheets come along they will come to the family and so that in case also, if you are at any time being tried for your life, the district attorney can't bring it up against your character that you ever were a philatelic writer as you can prove it was your brother who done it. There is no knowing what may happen.

A Philatelic Editor W. H. Bruce, who used to be editor of the S. C. Chronicle, of St. John, N. B., got sent to the penitentiary here some time since for two years; for stealing kid gloves, so you see it is best to take no chances. I could write you much more on this subject but life is brief and if you feel like contributing anything for the useful pointers I have given you, send it on as our Sunday school of which I am the treasurer is endeavoring to raise funds to buy ice cream for next summer's festivals and every little helps. Accept the assurance of my esteem and believe me,

Yours Very Respectfully,

S. ALLEN TAYLOR.

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Not many of you need be told why we have named our association the Agassiz Association. There are but few who have not heard something of the life and work of that famous man so universally honored and beloved Prof. Louis Agassiz

In 1846 the great Naturalist left his native Switzerland, and made America his home, accepted a professorship at Harvard College, and built up the greatest school of natural history in the country. Though one of the most learned he was one of the most devout and gentle of men and so it was very appropriate that such a society as the A. A. should be named after him although originally planned as an aid for the young people, the interest of the older ones has proved even greater, and on the roll of its members may be found the names of fathers and mothers, teachers and professors. Many chapters are composed wholly of adults, some of young and old working together. Family and school societies are among the most successful ones.

Among the pleasant features of the A. A. are the special courses of study. These have been conducted by men high in their departments, and have always been free. Classes in Botany, Anatomy, Chemistry, Entomology, Geology, Physiology and Mineralogy, have from time to time been formed and instructed.

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PROMINENT STAMP DEALERS.



The subject of this sketch, Mr. E. A. Holton, was born at Nashua, N. H. Jan. 13, 1847. In 1853, he moved to Boston, where he has since resided. In 1862 he enlisted in the 43rd. Regt. M. V. M., and did service for nine months in North Carolina. When he returned he became interested in photography, and in 1867 engaged in it as a business, in which he has been successful, having at one time five establishments, located in Boston and New York, making his headquarters at No. 8 Summer Street, Boston, where he has been since 1870. Mr. Holton is an active member in Ma-

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