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A STAMP DEALER'S TRICKS

In the July No. of *Philately* appears the following:

"May 24 I sent Geo. B. Ward, 176 Cass St., Grand Rapids, Mich., a lot of stamps; he took \$1 50, sent money and returned stamps; changed one.—July 10, some others, four sheets; he returned balance of stamps, and \$1 05, but had changed stamps valued at 78 cts. and put on cheap stuff worth 10 cts. per hundred. He says I am trying to blackmail him." The above appeared over the signature of H. C. Moody, of Malden, Mass., and it would only be justice to myself to tell my side of the transaction that led to the publication of the above.

I did get stamps on May 24, as Mr. Moody states, but he did not state that he sent them to me without any request on my part. Now when I returned that lot and he found that I had substituted one, why did he send me the next lot. Did he suppose that he was heaping coals of fire on my head, in kindly sending me the next lot. If he did, according to the rest of his story, he was badly left.

Now as to my defence, which I will make in as few words as possible.

At the time of Mr. Moody's sending the stamps to me, my collection of Foreign amounted to about 1500. The stamps Mr. Moody sent, were all cheap ones, and I took of all that I did not possess and paid for them. My plan was, then as it is now, to buy only those stamps that I do not possess, so I had no cheap stamps to put back on the sheets. Furthermore, I have had dealings with some of the largest dealers in the country, including Scott, Mekeel, Bogert & Co., Mitchell, Bruce, Bradt, Gremmel and others, and have never been accused of any dishonesty before in my dealings with them. Now it is absolutely preposterous for me to substitute on a few cheap sheets when I could have my choice (if I had been so inclined) from the best sheets in the country. Therefore I say, as I said to Mr. Moody in a letter to him, that he was trying to Blackmail me, and I will show how he did it by publishing some communications received from him.

The first was a postal card dated June 24, and read as follows:

Maplewood, Malden, Mass. Dear Sir. There is 78 cts. due me for stamp taken from my sheets, where others were substituted. Please settle and save trouble. H. C. Moody. Did I settle when I knew I was guiltless, to save trouble as Mr. Moody suggested. Not much, I took the Postal to the Post Office authorities and found out that Mr. Moody of Maplewood, Malden, Mass., had rendered himself liable to a fine not exceeding \$5 00 or one year in prison for Blackmail written and sent

through the U. S. Mail on a postal card. If it had been a simple request for a settlement in a gentlemanly language, it would have been different, but he says, "Please settle and save trouble," and any court in the United States would call that Blackmail, pure and simple.

In answer to a sharp letter written to Mr. Moody after receiving the postal card mentioned above, I received the following:

Youngs Hotel, Boston, Mass., July 1. Geo. B. Ward, Dear Sir. Yours received, I have only this to say, the stamps were changed while in your hands or possession, to value of 78 cts., and if you call it Blackmail you know the boot is on your own leg. If you do not pay I shall put it in print and the A. P. A. and C. P. A. Very truly, H. C. Moody.

Judging from the tenor of the above communications I have come to the conclusion that Mr. Moody is either an irresponsible boy with but a slight knowledge of business and English grammar, or a man with a character that would bear watching. He says, "If you call it Blackmail, you know the boot is on your own leg." No! sir, I do not know it, I don't know that I tried to extort money by threatening "trouble," and Mr. Moody does know it either. That is Blackmail.

Mr. Moody has another habit that confirms my opinion of him as business man. He sends out many sheets from names published in the American Philatelist, and he invariably forgets to inclose return postage. This I know to be a fact as several cases have happened in this vicinity. I have no doubt that he has tried his substitutional racket on other collectors besides myself. I should be pleased to hear from anyone who has been victimized by Mr. M. of M. M.

GEORGE B. WARD.

ERRORS

One of my friends (a stamp collector) is very eager in the collecting of errors and surcharges, the other day I purchased a few Canadian registration stamps, and after a little manipulation, I succeeded in turning out some of the finest errors in existence. He bit and promised to give 75 cts. apiece for them. I let him cherish his delusion a few days, that he had some of the scarce Canadian errors, then I informed him of the cold heartless fact that I could turn them out at the rate of 10 cts. per hundred. I told him I would sell the secret for 50 cts. and he eagerly took me up. I will give for the benefit of the public what cost W. M. 50 cts. Sulphuric Acid and water. Simply this and nothing more will turn out errors by the bushel.—MORAL. DON'T BUY ERRORS.

A WOLVERINE PHIL.

THIS and THAT

GEORGE F. HEATH

If there is anything that makes us awfully tired, it's this eternal Chalmers Hill racket. It's time to quit it. James Chalmers and Rowland Hill are both of them Philatelic Saints, and you only belittle yourself and disparage your hobby by baying at either of them.

The *Philatelic Beacon*, a paper of much "rule and light" has been tobogganing down the slide quite rapidly, but Bro. Hutchinson promises to put on his coat and brace up, and here's to hoping he will.

Brother Mitchell has told us in *Applied Science*. (*Vide Philatelic Gazette*, August,) all about the crank, wedge, cam and eccentric, and their relations to Philately. Now if he will tell us what part in mechanics the philatelic editor occupies who launches a new bark with a great flourish of trumpets, receives passage money; and fails to leave the dock to carry her passengers or refund the money; we will feel much obliged.

Hayi is the land of "Kickers." President Salomon, whose face figures on their last postal issue, had to flee to, and die, in a foreign land; and now Legitime who kicked Salomon out, has himself had the same stimulant applied to the seat of his unmentionables by Hyppolite.

What a hallelujah land this would be for our "boss kicker." *The Detroit Free Press* suggests a new coat of arms for this country, viz: Two tom cats tied together by their tails hanging over a clothes line. SCAT!!

Will Portugal rise and explain if she is going to keep on surcharging her stamps forever and a day, for Azores and Madeira. At the same time inform us why these islands don't deserve special issues as well as Macao, Timor, St. Thomas and Prince Is. etc., etc.

We do not propose to publish in these columns exhaustive articles on the Postage Stamps of Siberia, and the official Circulars of the High Mucky Muck of the Postal Service relating to the same. Nor do we intend to publish any articles on The Fifteenth Perforation existing in the Stamps of Patagonia and its effects on the National Commerce, but we shall endeavor to publish articles that will be interesting to Philatelists both advanced and beginning in our Science or Hobby if it is preferred to call it so.

THE NEW SALVADOR STAMP

The new Stamps of Salvador are to be shortly put into use and the crop of errors commences early, the Bank Note Company having sent down the 1c and 2c. stamps for use, it is found that the Engraver made a Mistake, and used the word *Union* instead of *Service*. This appears on the one and two cent stamps, which are very much needed, the authorities having been obliged to reprint a number of the 1c. Green and then using all the reprints up was forced to Surcharge the 3c. Brown of 1888, 1 centavo, for the necessities of the postal service, and it looks to the writer as if the errors he predicted in half joking manner has been taken up by the Company at once, and the Company expected the Stamps would be put into circulation unnoticed, but the stamps were held back and a correction ordered to be made in the plates. Unfortunately, though the Government was compelled to make use of the Stamps, and have obliterated the words "Union Postal del," with a black line extending across the Stamps. The color of the new 1 cent Stamp is Green and the design is the same as the 8 cent Brown of 1888, with the word "*Union*" substituted for the word "*Servicio*." The note Company will finally over-reach themselves in this game, as the tendency will be to make Philatelists collect only used stamps, and not go in very deep into their pockets for unused specimens.

T. J. MITCHELL.

The *Philatelic Gazette* with its last number begins its volume 6. To our mind the *Gazette* is the most ably edited paper we have, barring none. It contains an amusing article on the study of U. S. envelope, by E. A. Kendig. And an open letter to John R. Hooper, by P. M. Wolseifer.

Michigan has her share of collectors but for the last few years no representatives journal. We want to publish a good paper but we must have support. Send along your subscription and advertisement and we will publish a good Paper. One that will give satisfaction to all.

Mr. Hooper has made himself very obnoxious by his insulting personalities in endeavoring to defend Hills' Claim. We are Hill men ourselves but have no sympathy with Hooper, and he will find out to his sorrow that he has made a grievous mistake in attempting to preserve the memory of Sir Rowland Hill by slander against persons who have as much right to their opinion as he has to his.

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OUR REGRETS

We regret our inability to appear before our readers in the shape we wished to, eight pages and cover, but "the best laid plans of mice and men gang oft agley," as they did in our case. We shall enlarge next month to eight pages, and we guarantee twelve no's. per year with no "doubles." All matter in our columns will be original and written for this paper only. No "clipped" articles, as our editor does not believe in "paste-pot and shears." We present our readers this month with the commencement of a series of notes entitled, This and That, by Dr. Geo. F. Heath, a well known writer, also a short article by T. J. Mitchell, better known as Wanderer, containing information which has not been given to the Philatelic Public before. We hope to be favored with your subscriptions and advertisements and shall strive to merit the esteem of all, and also to better the condition of Philately in the Peninsular State. Our circulation we guarantee to be 1000 copies circulating extensively in Michigan, and to a buying class of collectors only. Watch out for No. 2.

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GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN, NOVEMBER 15, 1889.

No. 2

UNITED STATES LOCALS.

T. J. MITCHELL.

There has been a large number of articles before the Public, giving the increase of prices in U. S. postage and official stamps, but none as yet have given the increase in U. S. Locals. Many collectors are under the impression that there has been no increase of any considerable amount in the latter, and for the purpose of showing that these stamps have increased in value to a wonderful extent we give the prices given by a New York Dealer in 1879, and the prices now asked for same, while this list is very incomplete, yet collectors must remember that many new locals have been discovered in the last ten years.

CARRIER STAMPS.

| | 1879-1889. | | |
|-------------------------|------------|--|--------|
| 1c Horseman, Black..... | \$1 00 | | \$3 50 |
| 1c " Red..... | 5 00 | | 10 00 |
| 1c Eagle, Blue..... | 25 | | 1 50 |
| 1c Mail, Yellow..... | 1 00 | | 7 50 |
| 1c " Buff..... | 2 00 | | 8 00 |
| 1c " Rose..... | 3 00 | | 10 00 |
| 1c Franklin, Blue..... | 5 00 | | 20 00 |

GOVERNMENT LOCALS.

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|-----------------------------------|--------|--|---------|
| U. S. City Dispatch, 3c Blue..... | \$1 00 | | \$10 00 |
| " " 3c Buff..... | 25 00 | | 75 00 |
| " " 3c Black..... | 6 75 | | 3 50 |
| Brattlebow, 5c Black..... | 50 00 | | 175 00 |
| New Haven, 5c Red..... | 25 00 | | 200 00 |
| St. Louis, 5c Black..... | 5 00 | | 20 00 |
| " 10c Black..... | 10 00 | | 35 00 |
| " 20c Black..... | 50 00 | | 150 00 |
| Providence 5c Black..... | 50 | | 4 00 |
| " 10c Black..... | 3 00 | | 20 00 |

PRIVATE LOCALS.

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|-----------------------------------|--------|--|--------|
| Adams & Co., 25c Black..... | \$2 00 | | \$2 50 |
| " 25c Blue Pa..... | 4 00 | | 10 00 |
| Am. Letter Mail Co., 5c Blue..... | 5 00 | | 10 00 |
| Am. Ex. Co., 2c Green..... | 2 00 | | 10 00 |
| Boutons, 2c Red..... | 10 25 | | 25 00 |
| " 2c Blue..... | 10 00 | | 25 00 |
| " 2c Black..... | 10 | | 1 00 |
| " 2c Green..... | 10 | | 1 00 |
| Boyces' City Ex., 2c Green..... | 1 00 | | 10 00 |
| Bradys & Co., 1c Red..... | 2 00 | | 5 00 |
| " " Chicago, 1c Violet..... | 6 00 | | 10 00 |
| Brainard, 5c Blue..... | 2 00 | | 3 00 |
| Brooklyn City Ex., 1c Blue..... | 10 | | 2 00 |
| " " 1c Green..... | 25 | | 3 00 |
| " " 2c Pink..... | 10 | | 1 50 |
| " " 2c Red..... | 10 | | 1 50 |
| " " 2c Vermillion..... | 25 | | 1 50 |
| " " 2c Blue..... | 25 | | 1 50 |

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| Brown & Co., City Post, 2c Black..... | 8 00 | | 10 00 |
| Brown & Co., Eastern, 2c Red..... | 8 00 | | 15 00 |
| " " 2c Black..... | 10 00 | | 25 00 |
| Broadway P. O., 1c Black..... | 1 50 | | 2 00 |
| Bronson & Forbe, 1c Green..... | 3 00 | | 5 00 |
| Barrs Dispatch, 1c Green..... | 1 08 | | 5 00 |
| City Dispatch Post, 2c Green..... | 3 00 | | 5 00 |
| " " 3c "..... | 3 00 | | 5 00 |
| " " 3c Black..... | 3 00 | | 5 00 |
| " " 3c Gray..... | 3 00 | | 5 00 |
| " " "C. C. 2c Green..... | 3 00 | | 5 00 |
| " " 2c Red..... | 3 00 | | 7 50 |
| " " 2c Yellow..... | 15 00 | | 25 00 |
| Cummings, 2c Rose..... | 4 00 | | 10 00 |
| " 2c Green..... | 4 00 | | 10 00 |
| " 2c White..... | 8 00 | | 10 00 |
| " 2c Yellow..... | 4 00 | | 10 00 |
| Cheever & Fowle, 5c Blue..... | 1 00 | | 6 00 |
| Essex Letter Ex., 2c Vermillion..... | 6 00 | | 7 90 |
| East River, P 18, 2c Green..... | 2 00 | | 10 00 |
| Eagle Post, Black..... | 4 00 | | 10 00 |
| " Red..... | 3 00 | | 5 00 |
| " Blue..... | 5 00 | | 12 00 |
| Floyds, 1c Blue..... | .05 | | 2 00 |
| " 1c Brown..... | .20 | | 2 00 |
| " 1c Green..... | .25 | | 2 00 |
| Gordon, 2c Green..... | 4 00 | | 5 00 |
| Grafiñ's Dispatch, 1c Black..... | 2 00 | | 10 00 |
| Guys Dispatch, 1c Red..... | .50 | | 1 00 |
| " Blue..... | .50 | | 3 00 |
| Hale & Co., 5c Red..... | 2 00 | | 5 00 |
| Hanfords, 2c Yellow..... | 3 00 | | 5 00 |
| Hoyt's Letter Ex., 5c Vermillion..... | 5 00 | | 10 00 |
| Jenkin's Dispatch, Black..... | .05 | | 1 00 |
| Kidder's City Ex., 2c Blue..... | 2 00 | | 5 00 |
| " " 2c Green..... | 3 00 | | 5 00 |
| Letter Express free, 5c Pink..... | 2 00 | | 5 00 |
| " " 5c Black..... | 2 00 | | 5 00 |
| " " 5c Green..... | 5 00 | | 10 00 |
| " " 10c Scarlett..... | 8 00 | | 10 00 |
| McIntyre's City Post, 2c Pink..... | 10 | | 50 |
| Minant & Co., 2c Red..... | 1 00 | | 4 00 |
| Messinkopes, Green..... | 1 00 | | 5 00 |
| Metropolitan P. O., 1c Red..... | 5 00 | | 7 50 |
| " " 1c Blue..... | 5 00 | | 7 50 |
| " " 13A, B.H. 1c Red..... | 5 00 | | 7 50 |
| " " 1c Blue..... | 5 00 | | 7 50 |
| Overton & Co., Straw..... | 10 00 | | 20 00 |
| " Pink..... | 10 00 | | 25 00 |
| Penny Post, Blue..... | 4 00 | | 5 00 |
| Pomeroy's, 5c Blue..... | 1 00 | | 4 00 |
| " 5c Black..... | 1 50 | | 5 00 |
| " 5c Yellow..... | 10 | | 1 00 |
| Prince, J. H., Black..... | 25 | | 50 |
| Priests, Yellow..... | 3 00 | | 5 00 |
| " Red..... | 3 00 | | 10 00 |
| Price, Small, 2c Green..... | 3 00 | | 5 00 |
| " " 2c Vermillion..... | 3 00 | | 10 00 |
| Robinson, 1c Blue..... | 2 00 | | 5 00 |
| Staten Island, 3c Vermillion..... | 3 00 | | 5 00 |

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| Squire & Co., 1c Puce..... | 3 00 | 7 00 |
| " 1c Green..... | 2 00 | 3 00 |
| Steinmeyers, 2c Yellow..... | 2 00 | 5 00 |
| " 2c Red..... | 2 00 | 5 00 |
| Stringer & Morton, Gold..... | 10 00 | 20 00 |
| Union Sq. P. O., 2c Rose..... | 10 | 50 |
| U. S. Penny Post, 2c Black..... | 10 00 | 18 00 |
| U. S. P. O. Paid, 1c Red..... | 3 00 | 5 00 |
| " 1c Gold on Black 1 00 | 2 00 | |
| " 1c Blue..... | 1 00 | 5 00 |
| Walton & Co., 2c Pink..... | 10 00 | 20 00 |
| Westervelts Post, 1c "..... | 25 | 2 50 |
| Winans, 2c Black..... | 1 00 | 2 00 |
| " 5c Yellow..... | 1 00 | 5 00 |
| " 10c Green..... | 1 50 | 5 00 |
| " 20c Red..... | 2 00 | 5 00 |
| Whittleseys, 2c Blue..... | 5 00 | 15 00 |
| " 2c Red..... | 10 00 | 25 00 |

There are quite a large number of stamps which I could not get the present prices for, so have not listed them, some which have not increased, and some few which are now cheaper than in '79. The Hussy, Boyd and Blood Post have increased in value in some stamps and decreased in others, but showing an increase in most of the stamps. Locals have not advanced as much in price as many others, owing to the large numbers found of late years, but from the above list collectors can see that it is a good place to put money—as an investment.

PHILATELY IN '76.

Not in 1776 but 1876 is meant, for at the first mentioned date Philately had not been thought of, while in 1876 it was gaining a foot hold among the "Powers of the Earth," as is shown by *The Canadian Stamp Directory*, containing the Addresses of one hundred stamp collectors in Canada, a list of Canadian dealers, and a few names of American dealers. Edited by Caem.

Toronto, Ont., Pearl Publishing Co., 238 Jarvis St., 1876.

The preface of this interesting little book reads as follows.

The first "Canadian Stamp Directory" is before you. It is true that it is small (the size of the pages is 3 x 4½) but if in its present size it meets with public favor and the publishers receive sufficient encouragement, it is probable that a larger and better work will shortly be issued. We can recommend the dealers whose names appear in the following pages as prompt business men—or perhaps boys would be nearer the point, and we have no doubt but that they would give collectors the utmost satisfaction at all times.

The editor has to express his thanks to those who have assisted him in preparing this volume, and with best wishes, subscribes himself, Caem.

The names of thirteen Canadian dealers are given, not one, to my knowledge being, in business to day. The names of five American dealers are given, among whom we recognize L. W. Durbin and E. F. Gambs,

Among the names of collectors I see none that are familiar.

The advertisements occupy the last pages and there several that are interesting so I will give them. The first is an ad. of the *The Coin & Stamp Jol. Joseph 2. Casey*, Editor and Proprietor, wherein he states that it contains the latest description of new stamps, and that it pays particular attention to all varieties of stamps, and the Private Proprietary Stamps of the U. S. It also tells how to detect counterfeits, and how to keep clear of dealers in counterfeits.

The next is an ad of M. Kottshofski of N. Y., who offer a complete set of Treasury Dept. for 5 cents. A set of Interior for 17 cents, and a set of Navy for 48 cents. What then sold for 70 cents, we poor "cusses" now have to pay \$10 00 for. May be he sold them at such low prices as a sort of compensation for the time occupied in writing his name. Another advertiser states that he will give \$5 00 for certain Match, Medicine and Revenue Stamps needed to complete his collection. So would I, but the hard hearted dealers of to day wont even listen to me.

Times have changed somewhat since "The Canadian Directory" was issued, and as we all know for the better. I only mourn for one thing that they had in '76—the low prices.

B. G. DRAW.

For Secretary of the A. P. A.

S. B. BRADT.

Upon the resignation of S. B. Bradford as Secretary at the recent convention, the name of S. B. Bradt was proposed by the Chicago Phil. Society. Mr. S. B. Bradt has held the office in question and gave universal satisfaction, except to a few "croakers." We appeal to all Western members to support in the coming election a Western man, one who has been tried and not found wanting. No doubt the Eastern men think that they should have all the officers residing in their section of the footstool, for many reasons, chief among which is the desire to run the Association. S. B. Bradt is so well known as to need no introduction, and although a dealer, has always been hand and heart with the collectors, as is evidenced by his numerous articles in the Philatelic Press. He is the man for the place, and we call upon all Western members and all Western papers to support a Western man.

The *Philatelic Gazette* and the *PENINSULAR PHILATELIST* editorially endorse S. B. Bradt.

New York Sun: The new postage stamps are to be one-eighth smaller than the present ones. This reduction is many times too small to indicate how many sizes smaller than the smallest of his predecessors is the presents Postmaster General.

THIS and THAT

GEORGE F. HEATH

PICKED UP ADRIFT IN THE HIGH PHILATELIC SEAS.

"No pent up Utica contracts our powers,
The whole philatelic world is ours."

Yes the old bard hit our case exactly. We are a sort of privateer amidst the flotsam and jetsam of the high philatelic seas, independent as a pig in clover, yet trying to be friendly with all sail we meet. We are copper bottomed, steel armored, have new machinery and fully armed. Shall stir up the animals as occasion requires; have a full band of music on board and propose to have a regular picnic the whole trip.

At this writing (Oct. 9.) we suppose everything is lovely in St. Louis. The anti-convention sparring and snapping is all past, all have kissed and made up, and wonder how in thunder honest people could be so bad as they have been.

The Halifax Philatelist, an apparently staunch boat, has not been carrying sufficient sail of late and being belated, was caught in the South West Monsoon and foundered; barely having sufficient time to transfer her passengers to the frigate *Dominion Philatelist*, that happened to be near by, ere she went to the bottom.

Amid the flotsam near a dangerous reef, off Point Indifference, one of the group of the Calamity Islands, we espied a spar with the words, POMEROY PHILATELIC SOCIETY, TOLEDO, O.. Is it possible that this good old ark, that has done so much for philately has gone down? We await further tidings of boat and crew with much anxiety.

There is two much dragging behind in our philatelic journals. *It wont do!* The safety is to keep ahead of the wind. Those that fall behind are in great danger. Promptness is a virtue that will cover many sins in this matter.

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