

# The Postal Card Bulletin.

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—BY—

**WILLIAM C. STONE, Secretary,**

384 UNION ST., SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

## Constitution of the Postal Card Society of America.

AS AMENDED BY BALLOT MARCH, 1898.

**ART. I.—Objects.** The objects for which this Society is formed are :

1. The encouragement of the collection of postal cards and letter cards of all nations.
2. The procuring and spreading of knowledge in relation thereto.
3. The exchange of duplicates among members.
4. The cultivation of friendship among members.

**ART. II.—Name.**

This Society shall be known as "THE POSTAL CARD SOCIETY OF AMERICA."

**ART. III.—Membership.**

**Sec. 1.** Any postal card collector, or philatelist interested in postal cards, may become a member of this Society, by applying to the Secretary ; such application must be signed by two references, and upon approval by the Executive Committee the applicant shall be considered elected.

**Sec. 2.** All active members of the Society shall be entitled to vote, either in person or by proxy, in any convention, at any election, or upon any question which is submitted to a general vote of the Society.

**Sec. 3.** Corresponding members, (those residing abroad) are expected to

take an interest in the Society, and to aid it by contributions, notification of new issues, or any other information which will benefit card collectors, but who will not be required to pay dues.

**Sec. 4.** Charges against a member must be made in writing, addressed to the Executive Committee, who will act as court, and this court may, in its judgment, suspend or expel such member, and their action shall be final and binding upon all parties.

**ART. IV.—Government.**

**Sec. 1.** This Society shall be governed by the following named officers : 1. President. 2. Vice-President. 3. Secretary. 4. Treasurer. 5. Executive Committee of three Members.

**Sec. 2.** The term of each officer shall be for one year from the date of his election or until a successor be appointed.

**Sec. 3.** The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Society, shall receive all applications for membership, and grant the same when authorized by the Executive Committee. He shall receive all dues from the members, issue membership certificates on receipt of same, and, at the end of each month, remit to the Treasurer all moneys received, taking his receipt therefor.

**Sec. 4.** The Treasurer shall receive all moneys from the Secretary monthly, sending his receipt therefor, and disburse all moneys ; provided that no moneys shall be expended by him until authorized by at least two members of the Executive Committee.

**Sec. 5.** The President and Vice-President are *ex-officio* members of the Executive Committee.

**ART. V.—Appointments.**

**Sec. 1.** The Official Board, consist-  
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# Postal Card Society of America,

<p><i>President.</i> — W. RASMUS,  <i>Vice-President.</i> — GUY A. BRYANT,  <i>Treasurer.</i> — JOHN N. MORSE.  <i>Secretary.</i> — WILLIAM C. STONE,  <i>Executive Committee.</i> — AUG. DEJONGE,          J. OAKLEY HOBBY, 112 Washington St., N. Y.  <i>Exchange Sup't.</i> — GEO. H. WATSON,  <i>Purchasing Agent.</i> — ADOLPH LOHMEYER,  <i>International Secretary.</i> — E. DOEBLIN,</p>	<p>Mills Building, New York,          Princeton, Ill.          105 Devonshire St., Boston, Mass.          384 Union St., Springfield, Mass.          Box 281, Stapleton, N. Y.          H. E. DEATS, Flemington, N. J.          223 W. Grand St., Elizabeth, N. J.          922 N. Gilmor St., Baltimore, Md.          Box 736, Pittsburg, Pa.</p>
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## Report of the Secretary.

There is but little for the Secretary to report this month aside from the result of the election of officers which is given herewith :

Whole number of ballots received, 44

### FOR PRESIDENT.

William Rasmus,	39
Adolph Lohmeyer,	3
G. H. Worthington,	1

### VICE-PRESIDENT.

Guy A. Bryant,	31
August Dejonge,	8
P. M. Wolsieffer,	2
S. G. Stein,	1

### FOR SECRETARY.

William C. Stone,	44
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### FOR TREASURER

John N. Morse,	43
G. C. Cuenod,	1

### FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

William Rasmus,	27
August Dejonge,	35
J. O. Hobby,	33
H. E. Deats,	11
Henry Clotz,	8
C. Witt,	6
R. R. Bogert,	1
W. Dormitzer,	1
F. A. Knoll,	1
E. H. Buehler,	1
N. H. Withee,	1

## FOR OFFICIAL JOURNAL.

Monthly Bulletin,	35
Mekeel's Weekly,	1

### AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION.

Yes, 37	No, 3
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In accordance with the provisions of our Constitution I therefore declare that the following persons have been duly elected for the ensuing year :

President,	William Rasmus.
Vice-President,	Guy A. Bryant.
Secretary,	William C. Stone.
Treasurer,	John N. Morse.

Executive Committee,	
August Dejonge,	J. Oakley Hobby,
	H. E. Deats.

Official Journal, Monthly Bulletin.

The Amendment to the Constitution is carried and will be found incorporated in that instrument in the present number.

With respect to the election for the Executive Committee I find that Mr. Rasmus having been elected President becomes *ex-officio* a member of that body and that therefore his name should be omitted from the list of those voted for on the committee and that next in order selected, a plurality being necessary to a choice.

Next month I hope to reprint the regulations of the Purchasing and Sales departments so that we can have them in suitable form to send appli-

cants for information concerning our society.

It will be seen from the heading of this number that a slight change has been made in the name of our journal. The former title was not expressive enough of what the paper was, unless it was used in connection with the name of the society and then it was so long that it was seldom quoted in full. Therefore, with the approval of the officers and Executive Committee the above change has been made.

Dues are now payable for the ensuing year and bills have been sent to all the members. Please remit promptly and in connection with this suggestion let me call attention to the fact that unless paid within three months, names will be dropped from the roll.

The unusual amount of official matter this month is responsible for the omission of the Chronicle and other features of the BULLETIN.

Respectfully submitted,  
 WM. C. STONE, Secretary,  
 384 Union St.,

March 10, 1898. Springfield, Mass.

### Treasurer's Report.

On hand last report,	\$10.67
Rec'd from Sec'y,	1.00
	\$11.67
Paid for p't'g Bulletin No. 48,	7.50
	\$4.17
Balance on hand,	\$4.17

J. N. MORSE, Treasurer.

### Purchasing Department.

I have received one renewal since my last report: John N. Morse, \$4.60.

Distribution No. 30 was made March 3rd. It contained 27 new cards, viz.: Cuba, 1898, 8 var.; Porto Rico, 1898, 8 var.; Samoa, 1 d.

1½ d.: New South Wales, 1x1 d.; Canada, 1 c., 1 c., 2 c., and L. C. 1 c., 2 c., 3 c.; Greece, 10 l. and China, 1 c.

I have not yet received invoice for the Charkhari and Duttia State cards but hope to include them in the next distribution.

ADOLPH LOHMEYER,  
 Purchasing Agent.  
 Baltimore, March 5, 1898.

### Exchange Department.

Since my last report the following circuits have been sent out:

February 1st. No. 38. 24 covers, valued at \$28.79, property of F. L. Smith and E. W. Heusinger, sent to members 110, 88, 38, 126, 64, 108, 19, 34, 13, 4, 72, 44, 129, 2.

February 1st. No. 39. 31 covers, valued at \$157.16, property of Smith, Bogert and Lohmeyer, sent to members 44, 129, 72, 13, 4, 34, 19, 108, 64, 126, 88, 110, 2.

February 14. No. 40. 25 covers, valued at \$119.02, property of A. Lohmeyer, sent to members 108, 34, 64, 19, 110, 88, 129, 44, 72, 13, 4, 2.

The following have been returned and settled for:

Cir. A. 33,	\$38.52,	sold,	\$31.40.
“ A. 34,	\$87.96,	sold,	\$24.20.
“ A. 35,	\$78.96,	sold,	\$7.25.
“ A. 36,	\$61.29,	sold,	\$7.86.

I beg to draw your attention to the small sales in 35 and 36; this is accounted for the high price the cards were put in at; just see how 33 and even 34 were sold. It is useless to send cards around unless they are priced low; it annoys the members, gives them and myself unnecessary expense and trouble. A word to the wise, etc.

GEORGE H. WATSON,  
 Exchange Sup't.  
 Elizabeth, N. J., March 1, 1898.

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ing of the elective officers mentioned in Art. IV., Sec. 1, shall, at their discretion, appoint a Librarian, Purchasing Agent, an Exchange Superintendent and International Secretary.

Sec. 2. The Librarian shall keep, in trust for the Society, all literature, albums, &c., which may be presented to, or purchased by, the Society. He is authorized to collect five cents from each member who borrows a publication from the Library, to cover expenses, postage, &c.

Sec. 3. The Purchasing Agent shall make arrangements to obtain for the members at as little expense as possible, all the newly issued cards, provided sufficient funds have been deposited with him to cover the cost of the purchases.

Sec. 4. The Exchange Superintendent shall conduct the exchange of duplicates among members, in a manner to be decided upon later.

Sec. 5. The International Secretary shall conduct all correspondence in foreign countries and assist the Official Board whenever requested to do so.

#### ART. VI.—*Elections.*

Sec. 1. The annual election for officers shall take place during the month of March. Whenever a vacancy occurs in any elective office, the same shall be filled by a majority vote of the Official Board.

Sec. 2. The officers of the Society shall be elected by ballot under the direction of the Secretary; a plurality of votes shall elect.

#### ART. VII.—*Amendments.*

This Constitution can be altered or amended by the assent of a majority of the members. This vote shall be by ballot.

#### ART. VIII.—*Dues.*

The annual dues shall be fixed by the Official Board but shall not exceed

two dollars per year nor be less than fifty cents. Members three months in arrears shall be notified of that fact by the Secretary and if settlement is not made within thirty days from date of the notice their names shall be dropped from the membership list.

All dues shall be payable to the Secretary, who shall issue membership cards only to those members who are fully paid up.

#### ART. IX.—BRANCH SOCIETIES.

1. To encourage sociability and friendship among members, and to facilitate the exchange of duplicates, Local Branches may be formed in cities or localities having five or more members.

2. Members desiring to form a Branch, shall make application to the Executive Board through the Secretary, giving the names of the members praying for recognition as a Branch.

3. No collector shall be admitted to any such Branch unless he is, or first becomes a member of the Postal Card Society of America.

4. Local Branches shall meet at least once a month to transact routine business, and send a brief extract of their minutes to the official journal for publication.

5. They shall be governed locally by a President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Exchange Manager, frame their own By-Laws, which, however, must in no way conflict with the Constitution of the General Society.

6. All cards intended for circulation must be put up in the Exchange envelopes and turned over to the Exchange Manager, who will transmit them to the Exchange Superintendent as the property of the Branch.

7. The Exchange Superintendent is authorized to transact business with any duly elected Exchange Manager of a recognized Branch.

# The Postal Card Bulletin.

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SPRINGFIELD, MASS., APRIL, 1898.

WHOLE No. 50.

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—BY—

WILLIAM C. STONE, Secretary,

384 UNION ST., SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

## Advertising Rates.

$\frac{1}{2}$ column,	75 cents.
1 column,	\$1.25.
1 page,	\$2.50.

Special rates for six months or longer. Address all correspondence to the Secretary.

## Editorial Notes.

— Our thanks are due to the publisher of *Polski Filateliska* for a couple of very pretty picture cards of Krakow. The address side of the cards is quite similar to the regular Austro-Polish cards but has no stamp and is printed in green on white card.

— Attention is called to the report of the purchasing department published in another column. Our members do not fully realize the benefits of this department or there would be many more partakers than there are at present.

— I would like to enlist the services of our members to write up the minor varieties of cards which are not listed in Scott's new catalogue. We have many who are qualified and if each will choose a country and notify me it will provide material that will help many of our members to valuable information. Witness Mr. Lohmeyer's work with the Brazilian cards. Who will be the first to choose.

— Also I would like one or more members who will volunteer to translate articles from the French, German, Spanish and Portuguese papers for reproduction or condensation in our jour-

nal. I have several articles and can furnish the papers upon receipt of request.

— If you know of any postal card collector who is not a member of our society write the Secretary and tell him to send a constitution and application blank to you for him. Don't forget this.

— Italy. Those of our readers who are interested in picture cards will be pleased to know that admirers of Emile Zola have gotten out souvenir cards with his portrait and a suitable inscription.

## New Issues, Etc.

**BRAZIL.** From a decree published in *O Colleccionador de Sellos* we learn that new cards of the values of 100 and 200 reis are soon to be issued. No date is mentioned for their birth.

**CANADA.** Mrs. Oughtred sends us the special card for advertising matter. It is printed in carmine and bears the stamp of the current type with a single line of instruction below.

1 cent, carmine.

These cards are supplied in sheets of four or sixteen, if so desired.

From the purchasing department come the letter cards with the stamp of the new issue.

1 cent, black on blue.

2 cents, green on blue.

3 cents, carmine on blue.

**CUBA.** What may possibly be the last issue of cards under Spanish administration for the "ever faithful isle" has come from the purchasing department. They all have the stamp with head of the boy king in the center, *Tarjeta* at left, and *Postal* at right.

5 milesimas, red brown.

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<i>Vice-President.</i> — GUY A. BRYANT,	Princeton, Ill.
<i>Treasurer.</i> — JOHN N. MORSE.	105 Devonshire St., Boston, Mass.
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<i>Purchasing Agent.</i> — ADOLPH LOHMEYER,	922 N. Gilmor St., Baltimore, Md.
<i>International Secretary.</i> — E. DOEBLIN,	Box 736, Pittsburg, Pa.

### Report of the Secretary.

Renewals have been coming in quite fast, but still there are many of our members who have not been heard from. Please bear in mind that but three months are allowed under our amended constitution for renewals in place of six as heretofore. The amount of the dues remains the same as in former years, one dollar.

Up to date the following numbers have been renewed:

#### RENEWAL LIST NO. 1.

1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 11, 13, 18, 19, 25, 27, 37, 40, 43, 55, 57, 64, 65, 76, 78, 79, 88, 90, 93, 96, 99, 105, 107, 108, 110, 113, 114, 129, 130, 131, 136.

To offset the above, the following resignations are regretfully published and if no objections are received will be accepted in one month:

121. J. H. Gray, Saginaw, Mich.

132. T. M. Robinson, Colorado Springs, Colo.

116. J. W. Scott, New York, N. Y.

We must have more members during the coming year. It depends upon the individual members to persuade their friends to come in and join us. Do your duty and see if we can not get back to where we were before the hard times struck us. I have plenty of application blanks and will send

them on demand.

Notwithstanding the request of the secretary for corrections in addresses before printing the list of members recently, it had no sooner appeared than corrections began to come in. Hence the following list.

#### CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

26. R. F. Aibrecht, 127 Duane St., New York.

93. A. W. Brown, 291 New York Ave., Providence, R. I.

112. W. L. Brown, 14 Front St., Worcester, Mass.

69. Fred Doughty, 112 N. Washington St., Lansing, Mich.

135. Waldemar Hoffman, San Lorenzo, 1422, Rosario de Santa Fé, Argentine.

55. P. J. Kranz, Gardner Building, Toledo, Ohio.

90. Rudolph Neeser, 5 East 65th St., New York.

#### ADVERTISEMENTS.

Attention is called to the advertising rates printed on the first page of this number. Should sufficient support be given, the BULLETIN will be greatly enlarged and its circulation much extended. If you have cards to sell send us an advertisement.

#### LIBRARIES.

The BULLETIN is sent regularly to the public libraries in several of our large cities and the editor will be glad

to send it to any that will agree to keep it on file and preserve it. A complete file has recently been placed in the New York Public Library.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. STONE, Secretary,

384 Union St.,

April 6, 1898. Springfield, Mass.

### Treasurer's Report.

On hand last report,	\$4.17
Rec'd from Sec'y,	34.00
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	\$38.17
Paid for p't'g 350 Bulletins No. 49,	\$5.50
" " " 250 Indexes,	3.50
" " " 150 Cards for dues,	} 1.50
" " " 75 Postal Cards,	
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	\$10.50
Balance on hand,	\$27.67
J. N. MORSE, Treasurer.	
Boston, Mass., April 13, 1898	

### Purchasing Department.

The following renewals have been received since my last report :

Walter S. Allen, \$3.08

J. O. Hobby, \$3.08

W. D. Arnold, \$3.08

A. W. Brown, \$5.00

Siegfried Schachue, \$3.08

Paul Lazarus, \$4.00

H. E. Deats, \$5.00

N. H. Withee, \$3.08

and one new subscriber :

Waldemar Hoffman, \$5.00

No distribution has been made since my last report. Cards have been ordered from Orange Free State, Sarawak, Negri-Sembilan, Mexico, Sweden, Norway, Brazil, Italy, Japan, Grande Comore, Dahomey, New Zealand, some of which are past due and may arrive any day.

I now have the honor to submit herewith my

### THIRD ANNUAL REPORT.

Membership report, April 1, 1897,	34
Dropped out,	6
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	28
New members,	4
	<hr/>
	32
Present membership,	
Amount standing to the credit of members as per last report, (Vol. IV, p. 58.)	\$103.29
Am't deposited during the year,	261.95
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	\$365.24
During the same period 164 new cards were distributed to the members at an aggregate cost, including delivery, of	\$238.15
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Leaving to credit of members, of this amount there has been remitted to foreign countries for cards not yet received,	\$127.09
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	\$51.50
Leaving balance in my hands,	\$75.59
The 164 cards distributed cost each member \$7.36 or an average of 4½ cents each card.	

ADOLPH LOHMEYER,

Purchasing Agent.

Baltimore, April 1, 1898.

### Annual Report of Treasurer.

On hand April 1, 1897,	\$28.10
Total receipts from Sec'y,	85.25
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	\$113.35
Paid Treasurer's postage,	\$1.44
" Sec'y postage, etc.,	10.30
" 1200 envelopes,	1.44
" 75 ballot cards,	.50
" 150 cards for dues,	1.50
" 200 membership cards,	2.50
" mailing list,	3.00
" 250 index,	3.50
" printing Bulletin,	61.50
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	\$85.68
Balance on hand,	\$27.67
JOHN N. MORSE, Treasurer,	
Boston, Mass., April 13, 1898.	

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5x5	"	"	"
1	centavo,	dark	green.
1x1	"	"	"
2	"	violet	brown.
2x2	"	"	"
3	"	orange	brown.
3x3	"	"	"

**EGYPT.** There is talk of reducing the rate for cards to 4 m. in place of 5 m. the present charge. This would probably mean surcharges. So says *Le Collectionneur de Timbres Poste*.

**FERNANDO POO.** *Der Philatelist* has received a card 140x100 mm. bearing a stamp of the baby type.  
10 cent, red on citron yellow.

**GERMANY.** The latest project of the Kaiser to interest his subjects is to have pictures of the different naval vessels printed on the postal cards so as to arouse sentiment in favor of that branch of the public service. But so long as the Reichstag has finally voted the increase wished for, the cards may not be needed until more ships are wanted.

**NEW SOUTH WALES.** The *Monthly Journal* has seen a card with current type of stamp and name of colony in scroll at top. No color is given. A printed to order card is also described.

Penny stamp of 1897 in right upper corner: inscription Special Post (arms) Card—issued by authority of the Postmaster General.

**NEW ZEALAND.** The *Monthly Journal* has also received two of the new cards with views of local scenery which bear respectively stamps of the values of 1 penny and 1½ penny. The former is of the same type of the penny adhesive and the other like the ½ penny stamp. The formula consists of the words New Zealand—Post Card in two lines, with arms between the last two words, Size 140x91 mm. Buff card.

1 penny, brown.  
1½ penny, carmine.

**NICARAGUA.** The Seebeck annuals for this country have made their appearance as usual. A novelty in the inscriptions is that as a result of the forming of the Greater Republic of Central America (*Republica Mayor*, etc.) the usual form has been altered to *Estado (State) de Nicaragua*.

2 centavos, green on buff.

2x2 " " " "

3 " brown on rose.  
3x3 " " " "

**ORANGE FREE STATE.** Two reply cards have made their appearance. They bear stamps of the usual type and are inscribed in five lines, the name being at the top. Buff card, 140x90 mm.  
½x½ penny, green. (interior.)  
1x1 " dark brown. (exterior.)

**PHILLIPINES.** A new set of cards similar in design to those for Cuba has been issued it is reported.

5 milesimas, red brown.

1 centavo, dark green.

1x1 " " "

2 " violet brown.

2x2 " " "

3 " orange brown.

3x3 " " "

**PORTUGAL.** More jubilee issues! It will be welcome (?) news to our readers that on the occasion of the issue of the Vasco da Gama stamps this month there will be jubilee cards as well for each of the colonies, etc.

**PUERTO RICO.** The new cards issued for this island are similar to those for Cuba.

5 milesimas, red brown.

5x5 " " "

1 centavo, dark green.

1x1 " " "

2 " violet brown.

2x2 " " "

3 " orange brown.

3x3 " " "

**SALVADOR.** The same remark applies here as in my note on Nicaragua. Salvador is now a state and not a republic.

1 centavo, black on lilac.

2 " blue on green.

2x2 " " "

3 " red on red brown.

3x3 " " "

### Report of Executive Committee of Postal Card Society of America.

Just before retiring from our expired term of office we are glad to be able to report to the members that a satisfactory settlement with Mr. Alfred Schindler, son of our deceased member and former Exchange Supt., in regard to his debt, has been accomplished. The son has the best intention to make good our loss, as well as to keep the reputation of his father, and as we had to be lenient we made it as easy as possible for him. Therefore the best thing we could do was to accept his note for the indebted amount of \$161.61 dated March 17, 1898, payable six months from date (due Sept 17, 1898) with 6 per cent. interest from Jan 1, 1896 (\$25.28). As security Mr. Henry Clutz holds the entire collection of Postal Cards of Mr. Schindler until payment of note is made.

C. WITT, Chairman.  
HENRY CLUTZ, H. E. DEATS.



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**WILLIAM C. STONE, Secretary,**

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## Editorial Notes.

THE first advertiser to take advantage of our new department is one from the great southern continent who is well known to all stamp collectors. The cards are offered at a very low rate and I judge the stock cannot be very large so first come first served.

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Waldemar Hoffman, our Argentine member, is receiving congratulations over the birth of a daughter.

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Not content with the Prince Henry and Saint Anthony cards of a few years ago, Portugal has now unloaded upon the market no less than twelve varieties of cards for the mother country and each of seven different colonies. Only ninety six chromos! The occasion is the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of the East Indies by Vasco da Gama

Mr. Lohmeyer has sent us a sample of one of them and he says each is uglier than the others. Mr. Lohmeyer states that he shall ignore them and the

Scott Co. say that they will not be given a place in their catalogues. Speculative cards have not troubled us very much in comparison with the flood of such stamps and it is a good idea to set down on them heavy at the start and we may be able to stop them.

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We publish in another column the regulations of the exchange and purchasing departments. Neither department is as well patronized as it should be. Let our members brace up and give the two superintendents lots more to do.

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Wonder whether postmaster general Smith will get out a special set of stamps, cards, etc., for our Asiatic conquest? As they use a different currency from ours it would seem rather necessary unless there is a change made in the monetary system there. Pictures of the Olympia, Baltimore, Boston, etc., would not be bad designs.

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Who will give us a good article for the next BULLETIN on the cards of Spain and her colonies? Make it full and readable. Those who secured their cards before the war broke out were lucky, for now all mail addressed to Spain or her colonies is returned as un-mailable. Cards are now in order for Cuba Libre.

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922 N. Gilmor St., Baltimore, Md.

Box 736, Pittsburg, Pa.

### Report of the Secretary.

I am happy to report that we have one application for membership this month.

#### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Allan Forbes, Box 54, Milton, Mass.

Proposed by A. Lohmeyer and Wm. C. Stone. References, H. J. Rice, Dorchester and A. C. Dunmore, E. Somerville, Mass.

#### RENEWAL LIST NO. 2.

34, 50, 56, 91, 106, 111, 112, 134.

Bills have again been sent to all those who have not yet renewed and prompt attention is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. STONE, Secretary,

384 Union St.,

May 6, 1898. Springfield, Mass.

### Advertising Rates.

½ column,	75 cents.
1 column,	\$1.25.
1 page,	\$2.50.

Special rates for six months or longer. Address all correspondence to the Secretary.

### Treasurer's Report.

On hand last report,	\$27.67
Rec'd from Sec'y,	9.00
	\$36.67
Paid printing Bulletin No 50,	5 00
" Sec'y's postage, etc.,	13.50
	18.50
Balance on hand,	\$18.17
J. N. MORSE, Treasurer.	
Boston, Mass., May 19, 1898	

### New Issues, Etc.

*BAVARIA.* *Le Timbre Poste* says that the letter card is now issued without the inscription on the flap.

*BRITISH HONDURAS.* The *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain* announces a new variety on salmon card.

1 cent, green on salmon.

*FRANCE.* M. Moens reports that the pneumatic letter card is now perforated III. instead of IV.

1 franc, black on rose.

### Rules and Regulations of the Purchasing Department.

1. The Purchasing Department is open to active members only.

2. Members desiring to participate in the benefits of this Department are required to contribute \$5.00 to the purchasing fund, which amount will stand as a credit against cards furnished.

3. Whenever the amount to the credit of a member has been reduced to \$2.00, a sufficient amount must be remitted, upon notification, to restore it to \$5.00.

4. The Department supplies new issues only and not more than one specimen of any one variety.

5. A charge of 10 per cent. over and above actual cost of cards will be made by the Purchasing Agent, as a compensation for his time, use of stationery, etc.

6. Cards will be forwarded to participants once a month, with memorandum of cost, and a statement of account will be rendered semi-annually.

7. All possible precaution will be exercised in remitting funds to foreign countries, but should any loss or losses occur, either from failure of remittances to reach their destination, or of the cards to reach the Purchasing Agent, such losses must be borne *pro rata* by all participants.

8. The Purchasing Agent reserves the right to amend the above rules, if such should at any time be suggested by circumstances developing.

9. Participants desiring to withdraw from the department before their accounts are balanced are required to give three months notice of their intention to do so, after the expiration of which time the amount then to their credit will be paid over.

ADOLPH LOHMEYER, Purchasing Agent,  
922 N. Gilmore St., Baltimore, Md

### Rules and Regulations of the Exchange Department.

1. The Cards must be placed in covers which will be furnished by the Superintendent at 5 cents each, and no other covers but these will be accepted.

2. The covers are ruled and printed to hold twenty pieces, and no more must be put in.

3. A description of each piece, together with the owner's price for the same, must be written in ink in the space provided for each of the twenty pieces on the face of the cover.

4. The Superintendent would suggest that a corresponding number, 1, 2, 3, 4, etc., be written in lead pencil in the upper left corner of each piece.

5. The owner's name must be written or stamped on each cover in the space provided therefor.

6. These filled covers will be made up into circuits and circulated alternately among the members participating in this exchange.

7. An account sheet accompanies each circuit, giving its serial number, number of covers contained therein, and total value of same, as well as the names of members to whom the circuit will be sent.

8. Each participant must enter opposite his name the date when received, when forwarded to the next on circuit, total number of pieces removed from the circuit, and value of same, attested by his signature.

9. Each participant has two days in which to make his selection, and must forward the package promptly, free of expense, to the next on circuit.

10. If a circuit is held over two days by any one member, a fine of five cents per day will be imposed by the Superintendent unless a plausible excuse can be given. *This rule will be rigidly enforced.*

11. A member removing a piece from a cover must write his name in the space provided for it and carry out into the proper column the price of the same, entering the total amount of removals from the entire circuit on the account sheet, as provided in Rule 8.

12. Should a piece for which the corresponding space on the cover is blank be found missing, it is the duty of the member making the discovery to notify the next preceding member, and note the fact on the respective cover, thus: "No. 5 missing," and affix his signature, otherwise any missing and unaccounted-for pieces will be charged to the last on the circuit.

13. In order to facilitate the prompt accounting of each circuit members are required to notify the Superintendent of the number of pieces and total value of same removed from a circuit, enclosing check, or P. O. order, payable at Elizabeth, New Jersey, for the amount.

14. The Superintendent will retain ten per cent. of all sales to cover expenses of the department; any surplus remaining in his hands to be turned over to the society's treasury each year together with a statement of receipts and disbursements.

15. A member wishing to participate in this exchange department must sign these rules and forward them to the Superintendent, who will keep them on file.

16. Members desiring to withdraw from the department must notify the Superintendent of their intention, as well as of any change in their address.

GEORGE H. WATSON,

Exchange Superintendent.

223 W. Grand St., Elizabeth, N. J.

#### Japanese Cards.

A large number of used cards have been sent the Secretary for disposal. Correspondence is solicited.

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Information concerning any omitted publications will gladly be received by the Secretary. The above will be followed by as full a list of catalogues, handbooks, etc., as he has been able to find. Aid is solicited from our members in this work.

## New South Wales.

### FIRST ISSUE POST-CARD 1875.

With Italic "To." Thin paper.

—Price \$3.50 each, in exchange for—  
adhesive postage-stamps.

Send selections to at least double the value of the cards required.

The cards will be sent either enclosed in stamped registered envelope, or addressed direct and registered to the applicant as desired.

Other N. S. W. cards at low rates in exchange.

Send want list to

**A. F. BASSETT HULL,**

Box 704, G. P. O., Sydney, N. S. W.

# The Postal Card Bulletin.

—Official Journal of The Postal Card Society of America.—

Vol. V. No. 4.

SPRINGFIELD, MASS., JUNE, 1898.

WHOLE NO. 12.

EDITED AND PUBLISHED

—BY—

**WILLIAM C. STONE, Secretary,**

384 UNION ST., SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

## Advertising Rates.

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## Editorial Notes.

By a great oversight the editor has neglected to acknowledge the loan of the electrotype of Dr. von Stephan which appeared on the title page of the last volume. It was very kindly loaned us by Franklin Stearns, Jr. of Richmond, the publisher of the *Virginia Philatelist*.

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News have been received of the adoption of the Australian constitution by the people of the colonies of Victoria and Tasmania. The assent of three colonies only is required to put it before the imperial parliament for approval which it will undoubtedly receive. New South Wales is expected to vote in its favor and also South Australia. It will be only a matter of a comparatively short time before the others fall into line. Then we shall have another set of stamps, cards etc. to collect and shall

also write finis at the end of the issues of some half a dozen countries.

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In justice to his exchanges the editor desires to state that space in the BULLETIN cannot be spared to acknowledge them as many of them deserve but all will be reviewed in the Weekly *Philatelic Era* the review department of which is in his charge.

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The bill to permit the use of private postal cards which passed the House of Representatives some time since has been reported favorably by the Senate post office committee and now awaits action before that body. There does not seem to be any good reason why it should not become a law. The government would get just so much revenue without having to spend anything for printing. Most foreign countries allow the use of them. A Canadian card of this kind which came to the editor the other day was entirely covered on the face with the British flag, only a small rectangle in the upper right corner being left for the adhesive stamp to be affixed.

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Reply penalty cards have been issued by some of the departments. I have seen one from the War department War records office and another from the Geological survey. Those who do not collect these penalty cards now will

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## Postal Card Society of America.

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<i>International Secretary.</i> — E. DOEBLIN,	Box 736, Pittsburg, Pa.

### Report of the Secretary.

Thanks to Mr Lohmeyer we have another application this month. It does seem as though our members might wake up and try to get us more names. We surely ought to have two or three applications every month. Hustle please.

#### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP.

S. P. Anderson, Oakville, Ontario.

Proposed by A. Lohmeyer and William C. Stone.

#### NEW MEMBER.

37. Allan Forbes, Box 54, Milton, Mass.

#### RENEWAL LIST NO. 3.

5, 44, 47, 49, 69, 117, 120, 126, 135.

#### ANNUAL DUES

Members who find this paragraph marked with a cross are hereby warned and notified that unless their dues are paid by July 10, their names will be stricken from the list of members. Please take warning and remit at

soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. STONE, Secretary,

384 Union St.,

June 15, 1898. Springfield, Mass.

### Treasurer's Report.

On hand last report,	\$18.17
Rec'd from Sec'y,	9.00
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	\$27.17
Paid for printing Bulletin No 51	\$4.50
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Balance on hand,	\$22.67
	J. N. MORSE, Treasurer.
	Boston, Mass., June 14, 1898.

### New Issues, Etc.

**AUSTRIA.** A new type of Inland Card has been issued with inscription in three languages *Correspondenz-Karte, Dopisnica, Cartolina di corrispondenza*, inscribed in lower right corner outside of frame.

(*Deutsch — Illir. — Ital.*)

2 Kr. brown on buff.

**MACAO.** The *Monthly Journal* has received three cards which have been

manufactured from the 1892 reply issues. The words *e Timor* are erased with a line rs are also the reply inscriptions. The adhesive stamps attached are those of the 1894 issue.

5 reis, orange.  
5x5 " "  
20x20 " "

**MAURITIUS.** Received the provisional Cards, created by surcharging the remaining stock of the 6 ct. Cards (5 312 and 313). The double cards have been severed and in order to remove the instructions in the lower left corner of the first half of the double card, these as well as the single card have been cut down, measuring now 74x140. The surcharge is in black "2 cents" above and a bar over the old value of 6 cents "Union postale universelle" and on the reply half of the double card "REPLY" are also cancelled by a black bar.

The quantities so surcharged are 11,000 single and 16850 of each half of the double card.

2 c on 6c mauve and black	
2 c " 6c " "	1st half
2 c " " "	2st half

**PERSIA.** Four new cards have been issued which we have not yet seen but which are said to be similar to the last issue except that the stamp is of the type of the new adhesives with portrait of Muzaffer-ed-Din.

2 shai, brown on buff.	
2x2 " " " "	
5 " rose " "	
5x5 " " " "	

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### Private Postal Cards

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Washington, June 18. — Postmaster-General Smith has put in operation several changes in the postal regulations. It has been said that the postal card was to be discontinued, but the

regulation concerning the new mailing cards recently authorized by Congress shows this to be a mistake. Hereafter, while the postal card will continue to be sold, it will be lawful to use cards with one-cent stamp affixed for the same purpose. These cards must be approximately of the same size, shape and color as the postal card. When these mailing cards are sent to foreign countries, the ordinary postage must be affixed.

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### Purchasing Department.

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Since my last report I have received one new subscription, Allan Forbes, \$5.00

Distribution No 31 was sent out May 23d and contained the following issues: Brit. Honduras 1 c., Orange Free State,  $\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}$  d. Austria-Bohemian (new type) 2kr., New-Zealand, 1 d.  $\frac{1}{2}$  d. Germany, L. C. Type II 10 pf. Italy. L. C. 5 c. Sweden, 10 ore, Norway 10x10 ore.

New Cards have been ordered from Persia, Mauritius, Austria, Bavaria, Rhodesia, Japan and Italy.

ADOLPH LOMEYER

Purchasing agent

Baltimore June 7. 1898.

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### Australian Federation

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Just as we go to press we learn that South Australia has adopted the federal constitution by a vote of four to one while in New South Wales although there was a large majority in its favor it failed by a few hundreds of reaching the necessary number fixed by the local parliament for approval.

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regret it one of these days. They are most decidedly admissible to our collections.

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Since our last issue I have seen pictures of the entire set of Vasco de Gama cards and am fully convinced that "chromos" is no misnomer. The colors of each variety are different in each colony thus doing away with the usual sameness. - This is evidently done to make them sell better. Well, they will need all the free advertising they can get.

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I had hoped to give an article on the cards of Spain or some of her late colonies in this number but evidently our members are too busy reading the war news to write up anything to send us. M. Moens treats the cards of Spain very fully in his monograph on the stamps of that country and a condensation of the work would be very acceptable if any of our members would only undertake it.

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Stanley Gibbons, Limited, have sent us their prospectus and wholesale list which contains quite a long list of cards in sets, packets, and in quantity.

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A number of business firms in Canada are using a private postal card, on which is printed in colors an emblematic device indicating the union of feeling between Great Britain and the United States. Columbia with an eagle at her feet, and Britannia, with the lion at her feet, are seated together, with the shields of the two countries in front of them. The American and British flags are waving over them, a picture of the globe appearing in the center, and woven in the device are the words: "Anglo-Saxon Gloria Mundi. One aim, One Goal."

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- Fry, E. A. M. Catalogue for collectors of post cards. 216 pages and plates. Published by Pemberton Wilson & Co.
- Haas Theo. Handbuch santlicher Postkarten, Kartenbrief, etc. August 1891. 330 pages. Published by Senf Bros.
- Lohmeyer, A. Price list of postal cards No. 1 Sept. 1890. 16 pages.
- No. 2. December 1891. 24 pages.
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- Senf Louis. Handbuch fur Postkarten Sammler. 488 pages. 1890.
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- Stanley Gibbons, Limited. Descriptive price catalogue. Part II. Post cards and letter cards. 114 pages. (1895)
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The editor would be greatly obliged for any information concerning errors in the above list as well as any omissions. In a future number all such will be noted and duly credited. There are many catalogues which contain more or less complete lists of cards of which I would be glad to learn.



# The Postal Card Bulletin.

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SPRINGFIELD, MASS., JULY, 1898.

WHOLE NO. 26.

EDITED AND PUBLISHED

—BY—

WILLIAM C. STONE, Secretary,

384 UNION ST., SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

## Editorial Notes.

The editor desires to apologize for the wretched appearance of the last number of the paper. It was due mainly to the fact that our former printer had removed from the city and a new man had undertaken the job. I trust that there will be no cause of complaint in the future.

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For the benefit of those persons who are interested in private postal cards I reproduce the official regulations prepared by the post office department concerning the issue of these cards. They are very common abroad and I see no reason why their use should not be quite large.

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The editor of *Polski Filatelista* gives away a pictorial card with each number of his paper. Some of them are very pretty but they certainly have no place in a regular collection of postal cards. Still I suppose they will be collected by lots of collectors.

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The John Adams card has put in its appearance and like the first printings of the other size is a shining example of poor press work. The inscriptions are

the same as in the other size but are in plain type while the portrait is also inclosed in a wreath. The cards measure 3 by 5 inches and are printed in black on light buff cardboard.

## Austrian Novelties

The *Monthly Journal* gives quite a list of new (?) cards which I reproduce in full as I am not certain whether they have all been listed here or not.

First with *Correspondenz Karte* in the same type as before but with the long s and the lettering slightly compressed, so that the words measure 51 mm. instead of 54 mm. The second line of the heading, where there is more than one is also in similar type to that previously used for it, and in each case that we have seen, the second line is in two languages. The abbreviated name of the province is given at right, below, as before except in the one instance alluded to above where there are two names given preceded by *Deutsch*. We quote in the list below, the abbreviated names as given upon the cards. Of this series we have the following:

2 kreuzers, brown on buff.

German.

(Bohm.)

(Deutsch-Illir-Ital.)

(Slov.)

2x2 kreuzers, brown on buff.

German.

(Rum.)

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## Postal Card Society of America.

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922 N. Gilmer St., Baltimore, Md

Box 736, Pittsburg, Pa.

### Report of the Secretary.

But three renewals have been re-received during the last month and one carries with it the resignation of the member. It is quite evident that interest in postal cards is rather stagnant at present but I trust that in the fall the society will take a new start. The purchasing and exchange departments offer many inducements to collectors which are far in excess of the amount asked for the annual dues.

#### NEW MEMBER

138 S. P. Anderson, Oakville, Ont.

#### RENEWAL LIST NO 4

12, 97, 122.

#### RESIGNATION PRESENTED.

12. P. M. Welsieffer, Chicago Ill.

#### DROPPED FOR NON PAYMENT OF DUES.

26. R. F. Albrecht.

98. C. E. Boynton.

38. Geo. N. Campbell.

119. A. C. Carstanjen.

23. N. W. Chandler.

77. Herbert Clark.

85. Lewis M. Lang.

72. Monson Morris.

82. F. I. Smith.

125. W. P. Truesdell.

The Secretary expects to be at the convention of the American Philatelic Association in New-York next month and hopes to meet as many of our members as possible. If the time will allow, an informal meeting will be called of those present to talk over the condition of our society.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. STONE, Secretary,

384 Union St.,

July 18, 1898. Springfield, Mass.

### Treasurer's Report.

On hand last report,	\$22.67
Rec'd from Sec'y,	1.00
	\$23.67
Paid for printing Bulletin No 52	\$5.00
	\$18.67
Balance on hand,	\$18.67

J. N. MORSE, Treasurer.

Boston, Mass., July 9, 1898.

### Purchasing Department.

I have no renewal or new subscription to report this month.

Distribution No 32 has been made, containing the following cards :

Austria, (*Deutsch-Illyr-Ital.*) 2 kr.,

Austria, (*Deutsch-Böhm*) 5 Kr.

Grande Comore, L. C. 15 and 25 c

Transvaal 1 d.

Nicaragua 1896, Set of 4.

Philippine Islands 1898. 5 m. 1 c.  
2 c.

The market price of Nicaragua remainders has been advanced 50 per cent.

New cards have been ordered from Brit. Central Africa, Zanzibar & Sweden.

ADOLPH IHOMeyer

Purchasing agent

Baltimore July 13 1898

### Exchange Department.

No more circuits will be started out until after the summer as many members of this department have gone away for the summer, while others are in the army at the front.

I am sorry to state that I have not been able to close up the Schindler matter yet, but things are shaping themselves for a settlement before long.

There are several circuits out yet, and it would not only please me but also the owners of the cards if the members would forward them as soon as possible to meet on circuit.

One circuit started out February 14th to only eleven members and is not back yet tho' near the end.

Another started March 26th to thir-

teen members and only one has reported on it. Is not that awful.

I have written over and over again about these two, but to no purpose, no even an acknowledgment to my letters is received.

GEO. H. WATSON.

Exchange Supt.

July 1st 1898.

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Second, with *Correspondenz Karte* (still with long s) in much smaller type, with ordinary German capital initials, the words measuring 40 mm. in length. The heading in the other languages is, on the other hand, given in larger type, and where there are two other languages, the heading is in three lines. The abbreviated name or names is now always preceded by *Deutsch*. Of this series we have :

2 kreutzers, brown on buff.

(Deutsch-Bohm.)

(Deutsch-Ital.)

(Deutsch-Pol-Ruth.)

(Deutsch-Rum.)

(Deutsch-Slov.)

2x2 kreuzers, brown on buff.

(Deutsch-Bohm.)

(Deutsch-Illyr-Ital.)

(Deutsch-Ital.)

(Deutsch-Poln-Ruth.)

(Deutsch-Ruth.)

(Deutsch-Slov.)

We have also letter cards with the German heading in smaller type (28mm. long instead of 42mm.) and the other languages in larger type and in two lines where there are two of them :

3 kreutzers, green on blue.

(Deutsch-Bohm.)

(Deutsch-Ital.)

(Deutsch-Poln-Ruth.)

(Deutsch-Rum.)

(Deutsch-Slov.)

5 kreuzers, rose on grey.

(Deutsch-Bohm.)

(Deutsch-Ital-Illyr.)

(Deutsch-Poln-Ruth.)

(Deutsch-Slov.)

## Private Postal Cards

Post Office Department,  
Washington, D. C.

Order No 242 June 17 1898.

The following act of Congress, approved May 19, 1898, authorizing the transmission in the domestic mails of private cards bearing written messages, at the postage charge of a cent a piece, is published for the information of post-masters and the public:

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America assembled,* That from and after the first day of July eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, it shall be lawful to transmit by mail, at the postage rate of a cent a piece, payable by stamps to be affixed by the sender, and under such regulations as the Post-master-General may prescribe, written messages on private mailing cards, such cards to be sent openly in the mails, to be no larger than the size fixed by the Convention of the Universal Postal Union, and to be approximately of the same form, quality, and weight as the stamped postal card now in general use in the United States.

To be entitled to the privilege given by this act — which applies only to the domestic mails — users of mailing cards must conform to these rules:

1. Cards must not exceed the size of what is now known as the H postal card, which is  $3\frac{1}{4}$  by  $5\frac{1}{2}$  in dimensions, or be below the size of the K card which is 2 15-16 by 4 15-16 inches.

2. The qualities of the cards must be substantially that of the Government postal cards. These weigh — the larger 6 lbs 3 oz., and the smaller 5 lbs a thousand cards.

3. The color of the cards may be white, cream, light gray or the shade of the Government card which is light buff.

4. The cards must bear these words in print, on the address side: Private mailing Card — Authorized by act of Congress of May 19, 1898." When prepared by printers or stationers for sale, they should also bear in the upper right hand corner of the address side an oblong diagram with the words, "Place one cent stamp here"; and in the lower left hand corner the following words should be printed: "This side is exclusively for the address."

Nothing else than the superscription, which may be either in writing or print, but which must be limited to the name and address, and, if desired, the occupation or business of the addressee, briefly stated, will be allowable on the address side.

5. The message on the cards may be either in writing or in print; and there may also appear on the message side advertisements, illustrations, or other matter, printed either in black or in colors.

6. There must be attached to every card mailed a one cent adhesive postage stamp.

7. The privilege given by this act is not intended to work a discontinuance of the Government postal cards. These will be issued and sold the same as heretofore.

8. Private mailing cards, with written messages cannot be mailed to foreign countries except at the letter rate of postage.

CH. EMORY SMITH  
Postmaster-General.

### Advertising Rates.

$\frac{1}{2}$ column, . . . . .	75 cents.
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# The Postal Card Bulletin.

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VOL. V. No. 6.      SPRINGFIELD, MASS., OCTOBER, 1898.      WHOLE NO. 54.

EDITED AND PUBLISHED

—BY—

**WILLIAM C. STONE, Secretary,**

384 UNION ST.,      SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

## Editorial Notes.

For the non appearance of the *Bulletin* during the past two months the editor desires to apologize. The vacation season and the extra labor entailed upon those who remain at home took up so much of his time that in the extreme hot weather he did not feel able to get out a number. With the advent of September he had just commenced the work of gathering copy for the printer when he was taken ill with a fever and has only just been able to take up work again.

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I must again call the attention of our members to the fact that the editor can not alone supply all the reading matter for the *Bulletin*. If you desire it to be anything more than a mere compilation of official reports, etc. you must do your share. With the exception of Mr. Lohmeyer it is very seldom that any member sends in anything for publication, except, unfortunately, a resignation. Please do better in the future. We ought never to have less than eight pages a month and we can do that

easily if the members will only take hold. Interest in cards is picking up somewhat abroad for I see that *Stamps*, our English contemporary has established a postal card department.

## Hawaiian Cards.

With the annexation of the Hawaiian islands will of course come the placing of their postal issues on the obsolete list and to United States specialists there will be an added desire to secure the stamps etc. of this new possession ere they become too expensive.

From the valuable monograph on the "Postal issues of Hawaii," prepared by Brewster C. Keryon, I have thought it worth while to compile the following list of the postal cards of the country, which, while only thirteen in number, are among the prettiest that we have and are at the present date by no means scarce. Indeed the complete collection can be secured for \$1.50 or thereabouts.

The first issue appeared in 1882, the exact date not being known, and consisted of three single cards and two reply paid. They were the work of the American Bank Note Co. and were each of a different design. They measured outside the frame 130x72mm.

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### Report of the Secretary.

By an oversight the name of F. S. Smith was included in the list of those who were dropped for non payment of dues. I am also informed that Monson Morris is absent in the army and if so we should certainly retain his name on our rolls as well as those of any others who are serving their country. Can any one give me positive information concerning the case?

#### REINSTATED

82. F. L. Smith.

#### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

138. S. P. Anderson, Georgetown, Ont. Dr. Emilio Diena, Via Vittoria Colonna, 40, Rome, Italy.

#### RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

12. P. M. Wolsieffer, Chicago, Ill.

Any of those members who were dropped in the July number can be reinstated by paying up all back dues.

#### RESIGNATION PRESENTED.

106. S. G. Stein, Muscatine, Iowa.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. STONE, Secretary,

384 Union St.,

Oct. 18, 1898.      Springfield, Mass.

### Treasurer's Report.

On hand July	\$18.67
Rec'd from Sec'y,	-----
	\$18.67
Paid 3600 envelopes	\$1.75
“ printing Bulletin	4.50
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	\$6.25
Balance on hand,	\$12.42
J. N. MORSE, Treasurer.	
Boston, Mass., Oct. 6 1898	

### Purchasing Department.

I have very little to report this month.

Distribution No 33 will be sent out in a day or two, embracing the following cards:

- Canada, 1x1 c.
- Japan 4 sen. 4x4 sen.
- Soudan, 3 m. 5 m. 5x5 m.
- Italy 10 c. “97” 7½x7½ c. “97”.
- Bavaria, Letter Sheet 10 pf., no instruction on back.
- Sweden 5x5 ore.
- Dutia State, ¼ anna.
- Charkhari State, ¼x¼ anna.

The last two cards I have had in my possession since Jan'y 4th and it was not until to day, after having written four times, that I received invoice of cost.

Such are the trials and tribulations of a purchasing agent.

ADOLPH LOHMEYER

Purchasing Agent

Baltimore Aug. 11 1898

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New Issue, etc.

Angra. A new letter card has been issued here of the same type as the current issue.

65 reis, dark blue on blue.

Bavaria. M. Lohmeyer has the "98" cards as follows :

5 pfennig, dark green.

5X5 " " " on gray.

10 " carmine,

Funchal. A new letter card has also been issued for this district.

65 reis, dark blue on blue.

Gibraltar. The *Monthly Journal* says that the British office post offices in Morocco have been supplied with cards overprinted "Morocco Agencies" in two lines in black.

5 centimos, green.

5X5 " "

10 " carmine.

10X10 " "

15 " brown.

15X15 " "

India. The *Monthly Journal* reports having received a new one anna card. The difference is in the stamp which has hollowed corners and bears the usual profile of the Queen in a circle, value on straight label below and foliate ornaments in the spandrels. It is a buff

card, 122x87mm.

1 anna, blue.

Mozambique Co. Just to keep in the swim this trading company has surcharged its cards with "1498 — Centenario — da India 1888." Another set for revenue only !

Ponta Delgada. A 65 reis letter card has been furnished the inhabitants of this section of the Azores. Happy beings !

65 reis, dark blue on blue.

Portugal. The root of all colonial postal evils is in the home office. The mother country set the example by issuing a 65 reis letter card and so all the children have or will follow after. A depreciated silver currency or some other old reason is the pretext alleged.

65 reis, dark blue on blue

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The upper central portion was occupied by the word "Hawaii" in letters about 14mm. in height, with a scroll across it inscribed "Peba poo leta" on the other two denominations. Below this was "Ma keia aoao wale no ka inoa" on the one cent, and "Address on this side only" on the others. In the frame at the top was "Kalakaua. R. 1881." and at the bottom the imprint of the American Bank Note Co. The stamp differs on each value. On the one cent is a portrait of Queen Liliuokalani.

The two cent card bears a stamp with a picture of Diamond Head, a picturesque promontory on the island of Oahu, and one of the bulwarks of Honolulu harbor.

The three cent value has a torch and Pouloupou. The latter is one of the royal emblems of the sovereignty.

(To be continued)

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**POSTAGE STAMPS**

1896 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50 c, 1 and 2 soles.      1897 5 c, green, 1897-98 1, 2 and 5 c.

**ENTIRE STAMPED ENVELOPES**

1886 50 c. oval surcharge in blue.      1896 5, 10 and 20 c.

**ENTIRE STAMPED WRAPPERS**

1896 1, 2, 5 and 20 c.

**POSTCARDS [one of each 66 ctvos or 33 ct. U. S.]**

1883 5 c. black	1897 1 c. green on 5 c. NEW YEAR'S
1885 3 c. blue	“ 2 c. orange on 5 c. “
“ 3 dull blue	1898 1 c. verm. on 5 c.
“ 4 verm.	“ 2 c. blue on 5 c.
1893 2 c. blue on 5c.	“ 2 X 2 c. blue on 5 X 5 c.
“ 2 X 2 blue on 5 X 5c.	“ 3 c. redbrown
1895 4 c. dark blue	“ 3 X 3 c. redbrown
“ 4 c. light “	“ 4 c. black
1896 1 c. verm. on 5 c.	“ 4 X 4 c. black
1897 5 c. blue on 5 c.	Lettercard 1896 3 c. verm.

New issue probable in December.

Postage and packing 25 c. per 100 on single cards, stamped envelopes and wrappers; 55 c. on double cards. Registration extra. We can also obtain Unpaid (186 centavos) ; Official (51 ctvos) ; Postal Packet (88 ctvos) ; Telegraph (144 ctvos) *in complete sets*, if 5 per cent is added for P. O. official's fee.

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EDITED AND PUBLISHED

—BY—

WILLIAM C. STONE, Secretary,

384 UNION ST., SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

## A Discovery.

(See illustrations on page 27.)

From time to time we read in the philatelic press certain more or less interesting news about the so called "Hair Trunk" which was found, stored away and forgotten, in the garret of some old homestead.

Upon examination of its contents some old stamps were brought to light, the finder minutely describes the different varieties and is envied by the less fortunate reader of the article.

But, I do not recall ever having read of a postal card "find," especially not of such cards which were unknown to us, or have, at least to my knowledge, never been catalogued. Such a "find" has been made by a collector in British India and as I have acquired possession of the same by purchase, and, having classified the cards as to years of issue and varieties I am enabled to lay the details of this discovery before my fellow collectors.

My correspondent was unable to obtain official data as to the various issues, but as the cards are all in a used condi-

tion I experienced no trouble in fixing the years given in the list below from the dates of the communications on the cards.

### INDIA SERVICE CARDS.

- A. White Card, size 75x113 mm. with "POST CARD" between two lines in red running diagonally across the Card, franked with  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna blue adhesive, surcharged "Service."
- No 1. (1874) "On Her Majesty's Service." in Gothic type, and underscored, 48 mm. in black at top to right. "POST CARD" 61 mm. (see illustration.)
- No 2. (1877) Same as No. 1. Head line not underscored.
- No 3. (1877) "On Her Majesty's Service Only" 58 mm. below this in italics "Stamped" "POST CARD" 52 mm.
- B. Same general type as "A" but franked with  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna blue adhesive, surcharged "On H. M. S."
- No 4. (1878) Same as No. 3, except stamp.
- No 5. (1878) "On Her Majesty's Service" 48 mm, below, but in upper centre in italics "Stamped" "POST CARD" 60 mm.
- No 6. (1878) Same inscriptions in two lines at top to left. "POST CARD" 60 mm.
- C. The  $\frac{1}{4}$  anna Card of 1871 (Scotts 601) surcharged in black "Service" over stamp, and under the regular inscription to the left "On Her Majesty's

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### Report of the Secretary.

I am informed that Monson Morris is at present serving with Troop A., N. Y. volunteers and his name will therefore be replaced on our rolls.

#### REINSTATED

72 Monson Morris, New York.  
 77 Herbert Clark, Kinnoul, Augmering, Northling England.

#### RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

106 S. G. Stein, Muscatine, Iowa.

Respectfully submitted,

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Nov. 18, 1898. Springfield, Mass.

### Treasurer's Report.

On hand Oct.	\$12.42
Rec'd from Sec'y,	\$0.00
	\$12.42
Paid for printing Bulletin No 54	\$4.50
	\$7.92
J. N. MORSE, Treasurer.	
Boston, Mass., Nov. 15 1898	

### Purchasing Department.

Since my last report (Aug. 16) I have received the following renewals :

Allan Forbes \$ 0.70  
 George H Worthington \$ 4.79  
 H A Crogham \$ 3.76  
 W Hoffman \$ 4.00  
 J E Zahn \$ 5.00  
 Bruce V. Jenkins \$ 5.00  
 E H Buechler \$ 4.79  
 Will G Saxton \$ 3.76  
 W Sellschopp \$ 4.02  
 Guy A Bryant \$ 4.25  
 W Rasmus \$ 3.37

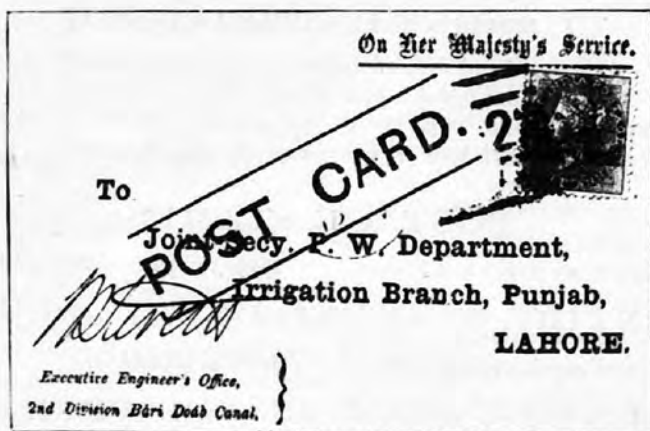
Distribution No 34 was sent out Oct 17th and contained the following new issues :

Austria 2 kr. (3 variétés) 2x2 kr. (7 variétés). Letter cards 3 kr (6 variétés) 5 kr (5 variétés).  
 Queensland 1 and 1½ d.  
 Mexico 3c interior.  
 Portugal L. C. 65 reis.

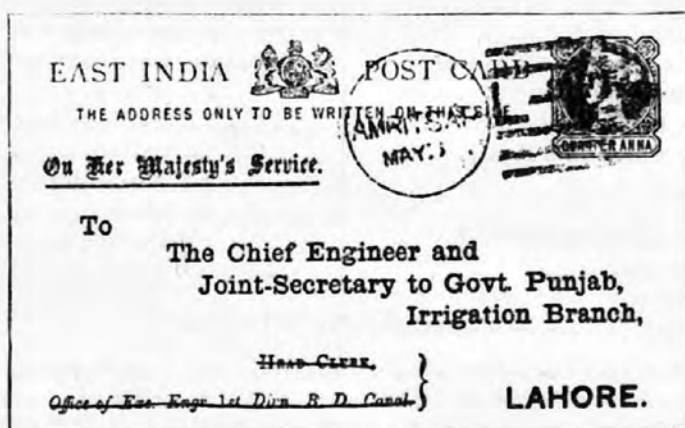
Several members have permitted their accounts to run down to a few cents and unless renewals are received by me they will not participate in the

A discovery in Indian Service Cards.

[See article on page 25.]



TYPES A. & B.



TYPE C.

The above illustrations are two thirds the full size and were made especially for Mr. Lohmeyer's article.

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next distribution which, among other new issues will contain cards from Ponta Delgada, Dhar State, British East Africa, Zanzibar, etc.

ADOLPH LOHMEYER,  
Purchasing Agent

Baltimore Nov. 10 1898

### Exchange Department.

I was in hope ere this, to be able to present to the society, a full report of the workings of this department since I took charge, but am unable to do so this month as some of the circuits have not been returned. Circuit A 40 was started out Feby. 14 last to go to only eleven members, and it has not been returned yet and Circuit A 42 which left me on the 26 of March has not been returned yet, the last I heard of 42 was April 1st, since then I have heard nothing though I have repeatedly written to those whom I imagine ought to have it.

I would respectfully request the member, or members, who have these circuits to please forward them, as I am as anxious as the owners are to have them in and settled for.

A sort of memorandum of what the society may expect from this department is appended below, the profits, when I give up my office, will be turned into your treasury.

With two circuits yet to be hear from my books show :

#### CREDITS

Commissions	\$ 78.41
Fines & errors	\$ 00.14
Cover accounts	\$ 31.59
Interest ,, estimated	\$ 5.00
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	\$ 115.11

#### DEBITS

Expense accounts	\$ 47.13
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Profit	\$ 67.98

This is estimated, but it will probably be about \$ 70 when the two missing circuits are found.

I would further say that Mr Schindlers indebtedness has been more than half paid, there only remains about \$ 90 to settle the whole account, and this, I am told by Mr Witt, will be settled about the 20th of November.

Respectfully submitted

GEO. H. WATSON.

Oct. 24, 1898. Exchange Supt.

(Continued from page 25.)

"Service" in gothic type, black, underscored, 49 mm. (see illustration)

No 7. (1880) ¼ anna brown and black. This last card was in use only a few months having been superceded the same year by the "Quarter Anna Post Card" (Scotts 701), the earliest service card catalogued so far.

ADOLPH LOHMEYER.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 10, 1898.

### Hawaiian Cards.

(Continued from page 23.)

The three cent value has a torch and Pouloulou crossed. The latter is one of the royal emblems of sovereignty.

- 1 cent, deep orange on buff
- 1x1 ,, violet on buff.
- 2 ,, black on white.
- 2x2 ,, deep blue on white.
- 3 ,, green on white.

In 1892 changes were made in the colors of three of the above as follows.

- 1 cent, vermilion on orange.
- 1x1 ,, purple on orange

2x2 ,, pale blue on white.

The post office officials can find no records of the quantities of cards received from 1882 to 1892 except the two last shipments which consisted of 25,000 one cent cards on Dec 4, 1891 and 10,000 two cent on February 17, 1892.

In 1893 with the overthrow of the monarchy three of the cards were surcharged over the stamp "Provisional Government — 1893" in two lines, in black on the one cent value, and red on the two and three cents.

The date of issue of the cards was August 28, 1893. The quantities surcharged are indicated after each.  
 1 cent vermilion on orange. (28,760)  
 2 ,, black on white. (10,000)  
 3 ,, green on white. (8574)

On the 26th of April 1894 two new cards were issued, quite similar in design to the first emission with the exception of the omission of the upper inscription in the frame and substitution of new stamps. On the one cent stamp is a picture of Iolani Hall, the government building, formerly the royal palace. It will in all probability be the seat of the territorial government to be established in the islands by the United States government.

On the two cent is depicted a chart of the Pacific ocean showing the various trade routes to the islands.

1 cent vermilion on orange.  
 2 ,, green on white.

On the 27th of March 1894, by order of the Hawaiian government, and in the presence of the representatives of that government, the American

Bank Note Co. cancelled and destroyed the following dies and plates of Hawaiian cards in connection with those of numerous stamps and envelopes.

- 1 die 1 cent postal card.
- 1 ,, 2 ,, ,, ,,
- 1 ,, 3 ,, ,, ,,
- 1 plate 1 cent postal card.
- 1 ,, 2 ,, ,, ,,
- 1 ,, 3 ,, ,, ,,

Each of the above plates contained six cards.

A joint resolution of the legislature approved May 27, 1896, authorized the destruction, after December 31, of that year of all obsolete postage stamps, envelopes and postal cards, but as in the inventory on that date no mention is made of postal cards, it is presumed that all were disposed of before that time. It seems probable that a similar destruction of the plates and dies of the current cards would be in order as soon as they are formally supplanted by those of the United States.

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**Notice.**  
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The printer wishes to apologize for the delay in the publishing of the present number. On account of his overwork the printing of the *Bulletin* was delayed.

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**WILLIAM C. STONE, Secretary,**

384 UNION ST.,    SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

## Nominations.

The time has come again when it is necessary that we should place in nomination our candidates for office for the ensuing year. By our constitution the election should be held during the month of March. Nominations should therefore be sent in to the Secretary *before March 1st*, in order that they may be published in the March issue of the *Bulletin* which will also contain the ballot to be used by members. Last year only two members manifested interest enough to send in nominations. Nominations should be sent in for the offices of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and an Executive Committee of three members. Nominations for the official journal are also in order.

It has been suggested that possibly it would be wise to give up the publication of the *Bulletin*, which is quite a heavy financial burden, and contract with some existing monthly, or weekly, to publish our official news, the subscriptions of members of course, to be

paid by the society at whatever terms might be agreed upon with the publisher. Should any publishers desire to make bids they will be published in the March *Bulletin* and submitted to the members at the election.

## Puerto Rico Reminders.

Through the kindness of J. M. Andreini of New York, I have learned that among the reminders recently sold were the following cards.

1894 issue.			
2 cent.	- - - -		46,928
3 "	- - - -		422,02
1896 issue.			
2 cent.	- - - -		15,168
3 "	- - - -		6,300
1898 issue.			
5 mils.	- - - -		7,220
1 cent.	- - - -		15,475
2 "	- - - -		2,000
3 "	- - - -		715
5x5 mils.	- - - -		3,308
1x1 cent.	- - - -		3,449
2x2 "	- - - -		1,310
3x3 "	- - - -		1,451

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### Report of the Secretary.

Overwork must be the excuse of the Secretary for his neglect of society duties. My regular business cares have taken up so much of my time that I have had but little leisure to devote to stamps or cards.

The following name was sent to the printer with our last number, but by some error of his was not published.

#### NEW MEMBER.

139 W. P. Agee, Bank of Hope, Hope, Arkansas.

#### RESIGNATION RECEIVED.

C. Witt, Lowerre, near Yonkers, N. Y.

#### CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

Fred. Doughty, 322 Johnson St., Saginaw, Mich.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. STONE, Secretary,  
384 Union St.

Feb. 5 1899. Springfield, Mass.

### Treasurer's Report.

On hand Nov.	\$7.92
Rec'd from Sec'y	\$2.00
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Paid for printing Bulletin No. 55.	\$9.92
	\$5.25
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Balance on hand	\$4.67
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J. N. MORSE, TREASURER.  
Boston, Mass., Feb. 5 1899.

### Purchasing Department.

I have received the following renewals since my last report.

Walter Dormitzer	\$4.90
R. R. Bogert	8.92
Fred'k L. Smith	4.42
Walter S. Allen	3.50
J. Oakley Hobby	3.50
N. H. Withee	3.50
Rudolph Neeser	4.42
Siegfried Schuchne	3.50

Distribution No 35 was sent out Dec-13th and contained the following Cards: Angra, Horta, Ponta Delgada and Funchal 65 Reis Letter Cards, Dhar State ¼ anna, Morocco Agencies 5, 5x5 and 10 centavos, New Zealand 1½ d. Letter Card, Austria D Ruth 2 Kr. British East Africa ¼, ½x½ and 1 anna, Zanzibar ¼, ½x½, 1 and 1x1 anna.

I am still waiting patiently for the new Cards from Brazil, Sarawak and Negri Sembilan for all of which remittances were made last Spring.

I am informed by my Cape Colony Correspondent that the new 1 d. Postal Union Card, have not yet been issued.

ADOLPH LOHMEYER,

Purchasing Agent.

Baltimore, Dec 20, 1898.



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“ 2 X 2 blue on 5 X 5c.	“ 3 c. redbrown
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Adolph Lohmeyer, Sec'y p. t.,

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## EDITORIAL.

Our "Bulletin" which, for several years greeted our members regularly every month, keeping them posted as to the working of our different departments, and supplying such other information and news as was deemed of interest, having a bearing upon our speciality, and including a chronicle of new issues, is, after a series of rather irregular visits, again before you.

The plan of its publication as laid down on page 1, Vol. I, and sanctioned by the Executive Committee was carried out faithfully by the Secretaries having charge of the publication, until its appearance became irregular about ten months ago, assuming, as it did, a sort of "come as you please" policy, three numbers having been issued by the Secretary since July, 1898, namely, No. 54 in October, No. 55 in November, 1898, and No. 56 in February, 1899. In the latter number the following appeared under "Report of the Secretary." "Overwork must be the excuse of the Secretary for his neglect of society duties. My regular business cares have taken up so much of my time that I have had but little leisure to devote to stamps and cards."

At the same time our annual nominations were called for, to be published in the March number, which, however, has never made its appearance, and consequently no election has been held this year. Furthermore, no effort has been made to collect the annual dues, which were payable March 1.

We all have our business cares, more or less, but when an officer of a society like ours finds that his business no longer permits him to attend to the duties of his office I hold that he should ask to be relieved of the work necessarily connected therewith, and make

room for another who *can* give it his attention and who has the welfare of our society at heart.

Therefore, our Executive Committee, acting as a court, under section 4 of Article III of our constitution, have deemed it advisable, for the good of our society to suspend the Secretary from office, appointing me *pro tempore*, with full authority, until a new Secretary is elected. So much for an explanation why this "Bulletin" is again issued from my "sanctum."

A. LOHMEYER, Secretary, p. t.

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## Our Exchange Department.

This Department has been hampered in its operations by the apparent loss of two circuits, valued at about \$175, which, however, turned up about two months ago, having been held at the home of a member who served our country in the war with Spain.

Mr. Watson, who accepted the office of superintendent temporarily only, to wind up the affairs of the late Mr. Schindler desires now to be relieved, and the new Executive Committee will have to appoint his successor. His final report appears on another page.

It is hoped that, with the advent of cooler weather in September, all our departments will be in full working order again. —:O:—

## Our Speciality.

It must not be assumed that our present membership represents all or even a larger percentage of the card collectors in the United States and Canada. There are hundreds, who have never been asked to join us, who are active collectors and take an interest in our speciality. Many of these are young men and are just beginning to collect, forming, as their means permit it, the nucleus to what may some day rank among the finest collections of postal cards. Neither are the ladies adverse to making either a speciality of cards, or running them as a side line to their stamp collection.

The question or problem now presents

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## Secretary's Report.

The following has been received from Mr. Stone:

### APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Nicholas Adler, 210 W. Market Street,  
 Louisville, Ky.  
 Ref. A. Lohmeyer, S. M. Cutler,  
 Charles de Grade Sells,  
 Cornigliano, Ligure, Italy.  
 Ref. James Fletcher, U. S. Consul,  
 Genoa, Italy.

### RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

G. C. Cuenod, Galveston, Tex.  
 Ed. W. Heusinger, San Antonio, Tex.

I am requested by Mr. W. Rasmus to state that he is to be in Europe for some time and must decline all nominations for office.

I also wish to state that I find my own time so much taken up with my business that I feel compelled, for the good of the society, to decline further service. I regret, exceedingly, that I have not been able to do better work for the society, and trust that under its new management it will grow rapidly.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. STONE.

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## Election of Officers.

Our annual election, which should have been held in March, is now called for, and members are requested to send in their ballots at an early day.

*The election will close on July 5th, and ballots received after that date will not be counted.*

The following nominations have been sent in:

For President: Guy A Bryant, Princeton, Ill  
 For Vice President: Herbert A. Croghan, San Diego, Cal.  
 For Secretary: T. H. Gafford, Church Hill, Md.  
 For Treasurer: John N. Morse Boston, Mass.  
 For Executive Committee: (3 members)

Adolph Lohmeyer, Baltimore, Md.  
 W. D. Arnold, St. Paul, Minn.  
 N. Haskell Withee, La Crosse, Wis.  
 For Official Organ: See proposals below.

## Official Organ.

It has been suggested repeatedly that we, as a measure of economy, abandon the publication of our own Journal, which has been quite a heavy financial burden on our treasury, and with this end in view an invitation was extended to publishers of Philatelic Journals for proposals, to which the following have been received:

*Virginia Philatelist.* (Monthly) We will publish the reports of your society and other strictly society matter, at the rate of \$2.50 per page or fraction of a page, the magazine to be furnished to your members free. Franklin Stearns, Manager.

*Philatelic Era.* (Weekly) Will publish all society reports, etc., for twenty-five cents per year per member for the entire membership in good standing. Persons now on the "Era" mailing list not to receive an extra copy.

W. W. JEWETT.

*Perforator.* (Monthly.) Will give one page per month for reports, etc., to cost one cent per copy for each member monthly, to be paid by the society. Extra space at the rate of \$2.50 per page.

J. W. STOWELL

*American Journal of Philately* (Monthly) Will give one page per month on condition that we receive at least sixty new subscribers to the paper for 25 cents per year each for members outside of New York City, and 50 cents each for those in New York City and foreign.

H. L. CALMAN.

*Montreal Philatelist.* (Monthly.) I will furnish the "M. P." at 10 cents per year per member. For this I will give two pages monthly or twenty-four pages per year to be used as desired. Extra pages 50 cents each. Exchange column free to members.

RUDOLPH C. BACH.

*Postal Card Bulletin* will cost \$4.50 per month upwards, not including mailing and postage. Edition of 200 copies, four pages as in the past. Probably not less than \$75 per year.

It will be seen from above that the terms and conditions offered by publishers vary considerably, and in reaching a decision, the standing and quality of the paper, rather than the cheapness should be considered. There is no doubt in my mind that the publication of "our own" has given us a prestige and standing in the Philatelic community, but this may probably be counter-balanced by the fact, if we decide to adopt another journal having a large circulation, that our reports will be read by many who are not members and who may never have heard of our society.

### Annual Dues.

I have no information from Mr. Stone as to the receipt of any dues for this year, beginning March 1, but as no remittance has been made by him to the Treasurer, (see report) it is fair to assume that none have been paid. It is, therefore, earnestly requested that members remit their dues (\$1.00) to me with their ballot, for which purpose a stamped addressed envelope is herewith enclosed. Membership cards for 1899 will be sent out by the new Secretary. All of which is respectfully submitted.

ADOLPH LOHMEYER, *Sec'y, p. t.*

Baltimore, June 12, 1899.

### Treasurer's Report.

On hand last report Feb. 5,	\$4.67
Rec'd from dues	\$ 0.00
" " G. H. Watson exc. supt.	28.23
May 12	
Rec'd from G. H. Watson exc. supt.	15.07
May 20	
	<u>\$43.30</u>
	\$47.97
Paid for prt'g Bulletin No. 86	\$ 4.50
" H. Clotz expense acct. Schindler debt	1.40
	<u>\$ 5.90</u>
Balance now on hand	\$42.07

J. N. MORSE, Treasurer.

Boston, June 8, 1899.

### Exchange Department.

ELIZABETH, N. J., June 9, 1899.

*Fellow Members:*—As my work is finished I beg to transmit to you my report to date.

Shortly after the death of our late Exchange Superintendent, Mr. A. Schindler, your President asked me to take

charge of this department until a successor could be named. This I reluctantly consented to do, supposing it would be for a few months only, but here I am just closing it up over three years later.

I am glad to report that Mr. Schindler's son settled up in full, with interest, some months ago all the indebtedness of his father to the society.

All circuits have been returned to me, and I, in turn, have settled with their owners.

There are several members who still owe for cards taken from circuits, these I have written to, and hope to have settlement soon.

Since I took charge I have sent out forty-two circuits, containing cards to the value of \$3159.65 and out of this large amount only fifty cents worth of cards were missing. Total amount of sales \$1001.39. The profit and loss account since my last report is as follows:

#### PROFITS.

Commissions	\$ 80.57
Interest (Schindler)	5.99
Fines, Errors, etc.,	29
Envelope sales	34.06
	<u>\$120.91</u>

#### EXPENSES.

Expressage, Postage, Stationery, etc.	52.29
	<u>Net Profits \$ 68.62</u>
Due by members for cards taken	25.32

Amount remitted to Treasurer \$ 43.30

I have written to all members owing this department some weeks ago, but there is still outstanding, as shown above \$25.32 from four members. The cash sent your treasurer \$43.30, together with \$3.03 sent him Sept. 17, 1896 makes \$46.33 sent him to date, and when the delinquent members settle the \$25.32 due by them, the profits of this department under my care will be up to \$71.65.

I have still on hand, as an asset several exchange covers which I will turn over to my successor. With this, I hope, explicit statement, I now relinquish my office, and to my successor I wish all success. I have no filled covers on hand, and I do not owe a member a penny. Thanking you one and all,

Yours respectfully,  
GEORGE H. WATSON.

### Purchasing Department.

Since my last report, dated December 20, 1898, and published in our February "Bulletin," I have received the following renewals:

John N. Morse, \$4.72; W. D. Arnold, \$3.50; A. W. Brown, \$5.00; M. P. Heaverich, \$3.84; Allan Forbes, \$5.00; Frank A. Knoll, \$10.00; Paul Lazarus, \$4.19; T. H. Gafford, \$5.00; Waldemar Hoffmann, \$5.00; Monson Morris, \$8.50; R. R. Bogert, \$3.57; Geo. H. Worthington, \$5.36; Edward H. Buehler, \$5.36; Walter Dormitzer, \$4.61; Guy A. Bryant, \$5.34; Will G. Saxton, \$5.36; Herbert A. Croghan, \$5.36; W. Sellschopp, \$5.36; B. V. Jenkins, \$5.00.

My December report contains a printer's error, namely, R. R. Bogert is credited with \$8.92, instead of \$3.92.

Distributions Nos. 36, 37 and 38 were sent out on February 2, March 31, and May 15, and No 39 will be mailed in a few days, and will contain the new 25 and 40 reis cards from the Azores districts, Tasmania letter card, Negri-Sembilan, Egypt 4 on 5m., etc.

I now have the honor to submit herewith my

#### Fourth Annual Report.

Membership April 1, 1898.	32
Dropped out	2
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New member	30
	1
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Present membership	31
Amount standing to the credit of members as per last report. (Vol. V. p. 7.)	\$127.09
Am't deposited during the year,	116.36
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	\$243.45
During the same period 131 new cards were distributed to the members at an aggregate cost, including delivery, of	\$175 22
Leaving to credit of members,	\$68.23
Of this amount there has been remitted to foreign countries for cards not yet received,	\$34.00
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Leaving balance in my hands, April 1, 1899.	\$34 23
The 131 cards distributed cost each member \$5 97, or an average of 4½ cents each card.	

ADOLPH LOHMEYER,  
Purchasing Agent.

Baltimore, June 10, 1899.

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itself to us, who have been banded together for our mutual benefit, and the cultivation and advancement of our specialty for a number of years, how can we

induce these hundreds of young collectors to clasp hands with us by joining our society as members and reap the benefits we have been enjoying? We must all pull together, and pull one way too, and not depend upon a few to solicit new members. In my opinion there is one obstacle in the way which should be removed as soon as practicable, and that is the amount of our dues. Many a young collector hesitates a long while before he pays out a dollar for dues, as that amount will buy quite a number of cheap cards, while he may be willing to pay fifty cents to become a member.

We are all equally interested in the increase of the number of card collectors for reasons obvious to all. What then must we do to interest others? Look at our Philatelic Journals! The columns abound with articles, more or less interesting and instructive, on stamps and stamp collecting. But when do we read an article on *postal cards*? They are almost as scarce as hen's teeth. Why do not some of our advanced collectors write up a subject now and then and send it to some good journal for publication? The publishers will be only too glad to have such articles. They are even willing to pay for them, realizing the increasing interest in cards and wishing to keep pace with the times. The trouble they experience is to find competent writers on our specialty. I have had repeated offers from publishers to act as their correspondent, but as my leisure hours are completely taken up by my postal card business I have been forced, though with reluctance, to decline the offers. Besides, such articles should not appear over the name of a dealer, as author, but emanate from the pen of a known collector, who takes an interest in cards and has the material in his collection to write about, tell his younger and less experienced colleague what pleasure and satisfaction he finds in collecting cards, and how he has his collection arranged. What the young beginner needs is encouragement as well as general information and advice on our specialty.

If the majority of our members should decide to adopt one or the other of the journals offered as our official organ, there will be a good field to do missionary work through the columns of that paper. With our Exchange Department re-organized under the management of a competent and energetic superintendent, and the advantages offered through our Purchasing Department we should be able, with the co-operation of all members, to double our membership during the next fall and winter.

