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Wilhelmina and Her Stamps

Continued from last issue



VERY value of this first set is found in various shades, we presume not intentional; probably the result of different mixings of the various inks.

In 1896 three more stamps were issued as follows:

- 50c emerald green and yellow brown,
- 1g brown and olive,
- 5g bronze green and red brown.

In 1898 we first see her more matured in appearance with the crown of the queen on her head. This year was issued the stamp

- 1g dark green,

of which there are two types, the difference being in the numerals on the stamp. This is the largest stamp Holland has ever issued.

In 1899 the above design was somewhat changed for nearly all values as was also the colors with but two exceptions, viz.,

- 3c orange,
- 5c carmine rose,
- 7 1-2c brown,
- 10c gray lilac,

12 1-2c blue,
15c yellow brown,
20c yellow green,
22 1-2c brown and olive green,
25c carmine and blue,
50c bronze green and red brown,
2 1-2g brown lilac,
5g claret.

In 1901 was issued a
3c green.

In 1905 a
10g orange brown.

In 1906 a
17 1-2c violet.

Other stamps have appeared during Wilhelmina's reign including a "numeral" set of four values in 1899, a "charity set of 3 in 1906, a "naval" set of 3 in 1907, and postage due stamps of various types in 1894, 1902, 1904, 1906 and 1907 and a set of 13 surcharged "naval" stamps in 1907.

The head of King William appeared on the stamps of Holland for thirty-nine years.

Just how Wilhelmina looks to-day, eighteen years after her first stamp was issued, the stamps of Holland do not tell us, but she must have developed into a handsome woman.

During her reign her Colonies have thriven to a wonderful extent. The colonial possessions are more than sixty times the size of the mother country and their population six times as large. They embrace the rich islands of the East Indies, Java, Sumatra, Celebes, Spice Islands, large portions of Borneo and New Guinea, and Curacao and Surinam of the Dutch West Indies.

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It will be borne in mind that our article has to deal with Wilhelmina and her stamps and it those which feature her that we list, although we mention others.

The stamps of Curacao were issued as follows :

In 1892 and 1893

- 10c ultramarine,
- 12 1-2c green,
- 15c rose,
- 25c brown orange,
- 30c gray.

In 1899

- 25c carmine and blue,
- 1g 50c brown lilac.

In 1902 a

- 12 1-2c blue,

In 1903 and 1904

- 10c slate,
- 12 1-2c deep blue,
- 15c brown,
- 25c purple,
- 30c brown orange,
- 50c red brown.

In 1905

- 1 1-2g red brown,
- 2 1-2g greenish blue.

In 1908 a

- 22 1-2c brown and olive.

There were two varieties of 2 1-2c surcharges in 1895, a set of 5 "numerals" in 1903-04 and various types of "postage due" in 1892-98.

Continued in our next issue

This article began in July. We can supply a limited number of back numbers at 10 cts each.

The Quarterly American Philatelist



THE amendment to the American Philatelic Society constitution authorizing the issuing of the American Philatelist as a quarterly magazine received 649 votes, being 82 votes more than necessary to carry. We believe this result is a wise move and one that the entire membership will later on rejoice in. There were 729 votes cast, 75 being in opposition and 5 blank. This large vote is certainly gratifying as it shows the strong interest which is awakening in our National association at this time. The Philatelic Tribune congratulates 648 other members who stood for progression.

The American Philatelic Society is the world's foremost representative and a quarterly journal such as The American Philatelist should be made to be cannot help but place philately on a plane never before reached and enhance it in the world's eyes. The journal should be made thoroughly comprehensive: that is, for the benefit not alone of the advanced collector, but for all classes, youthful, medium and old; and in dress and feature, thoroughly attractive. Then results will come for the journal should really be a grand advertisement advertising the Society.

With Mekeel's as the official organ and a Quarterly journal, what stronger boomers could we ask for to advance our interests?



It is regrettable that so much vituperation and "mud flinging" has been indulged in over the official organ as we fear some hard feelings have been provoked that may take several years to overcome.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

Turkey will have new portrait stamps. Verily things are changing in the East.

The consolidation of four different stamp societies of Philadelphia is talked of 'tis said.

An exhibit of U. S. stamps will be held in London this summer under auspices of the Junior Philatelic Society.

Did you notice how closely the artist followed some of the prevailing styles in feminine head gear when he designed the Mercury hat on our special delivery stamps? By the way, ar'n't they the worst---positively the worst---this country has issued? They don't begin with some of the department store trading stamps and are about as bad as the Austrian newspaper stamps.

Charles A. Nast



WE TAKE PLEASURE this month in presenting a portrait of the foremost philatelic writer of the West, Mr. Charles A. Nast, of Denver, Colorado, and giving a brief biography of him. He was born September 16, 1856, at Cincinnati, Ohio. As a youth of 14 he was obliged to make a way for himself and learned the manufacturing jewelry business. He attended the high school and at night was found at a School of Design. At 18 he was an assistant in Cincinnati's public library and a for a short time a reporter on the Daily Gazette. 1875 found him West and he went to the Black Hills as a special correspondent of the Denver Tribune. Soon after he enlisted as a scout and in a brush with Indians had his right arm shattered. He is a close friend of "Captain Jack" Crawford, the poet scout, and saw some service with him. Mr. Nast became interested in newspaper illustrating and drifted into photography, and in 1896, at the age of 40, quite accidentally became a stamp collector. In 1904 he issued a catalogue for George J. Carter and for two years was U. S. revenue editor for Mekeel's. Revenues are his specialty and he has lately taken up philatelic literature, having been editor of The Stamp Journal since its inception. Mr. Nast is married and the father of six children, his "babies" being fine, splendid athletes, twin boys 17 years old. In a recent letter he says:

"I first proposed a Quarterly and first pointed out the injustice of allowing proprietors of official organ to advertise in its columns for proxies and all the questions coming up in the convention at Atlantic City this month were first proposed by the editor of the Stamp Journal. No personal feeling towards anyone. Haven't an enemy here and the Denver Branch has endorsed everything we contended for and has given me the Branch's proxy. All the

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fight was not for myself. I wanted nothing and expected nothing. Just pointing out the necessity for real reforms in the A. P. S. Will attend the convention and you may expect to hear something then."

Mr. Nast is aggressive for what he believes right and chock full of the Western spirit of progression. We need more like him.



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Russia will have a portrait set soon.

Ecuador will issue a new set this month.

21 republics in America have issued stamps.

The oldest active stamp collector in America is said to be Francis Foster, of Boston, who is 80 years old.

Philadelphia parties recently sold one of the Alexandria postmaster stamps for about \$3,000 it is said.

Portrait stamps seem to be the fashion nowadays. Chili has in mind their issuing so the Scott Circular informs us.

The penny postage rate recently went into effect with Germany and Newfoundland has lately joined the slowly increasing ranks.

La Revue Postale illustrated the U. S. 1c and De Nederlandsche Philatelist the 2c, 5c and new special delivery stamps. And we are prohibited !

The recent stranding and loss of the steamer "Slavonia" on the island Flores, Azores, ought to have lent additional interest in Azores stamps.



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The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Stamp



THE NEW TWO CENT STAMPS commemorating the development of the Alaska-Yukon country are being used very generously. The design is as follows:

Panels top and bottom containing respectively the words "U. S. Postage" and "Two Cents." In the center the greater portion of a circle rests on the lower panel and encloses a ribbon bearing the words "Alaska-Yukon-Pacific 1909." In the circle appears a portrait of former Secretary of State William H. Seward, whose name appears underneath. An ellipse on either side contains the Arabic numeral "2" with laurel branches as a background.

Secretary Seward negotiated the purchase of Alaska from Russia. His portrait adorns the high value State department stamps.

A design containing a seal on a block of ice was too "cold" for our "warm" friends of the far Northwest and was so frowned upon by inhabitants of that portion of our country that the above design was chosen. Of course the Exposition at Seattle, Washington, is now in full swing.



United States Imperforates

Some of our recent imperforate U. S. stamps are

1c, 2c and 5c of 1902,

1c, 2c, 4c and 5c of 1908,

2c Lincoln and 2c Alaska of 1909.



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New Issues of the 20th Century



THE following are some interesting compilations as to the number of newly issued stamps of the different continents each year from 1901 to 1908 inclusive :

	1901	1902	1903	1904	1905	1906	1907	1908
Europe	139	168	142	47	151	142	158	160
Asia	57	182	225	219	93	68	187	217
Africa	106	412	386	189	187	179	288	107
America	163	188	298	297	198	162	198	230
Oceania	83	67	132	134	68	31	58	50
Total	548	1017	1183	886	697	582	889	764

According to the above figures during eight years 6566 stamps were issued. The years 1902 and 1903 were the most prolific. Collectors who keep time and step with the 20th century march must get busy. The emissions enumerated undoubtedly comprise various varieties of watermark, perforations and shades. At least it would appear so with such a large number of stamps. We glean the most of our information from a writer in the Argentine Review who must have gone to considerable trouble and pains to acquire a compilation as great. The figures are interesting whether absolutely accurate or not and if there is any doubt our friends should go to work and look

for errors and let us know about them. The issues of various countries for 1908 appear as follows :

Portugal and possessions	2
Gt. Britain and possessions	166
Spain	13
Germany	10
United States	17
Netherlands	25
Russia	2
France and possessions	183
All others	346
Total	764



The "Merry Widow" Stamp



THE "MERRY WIDOW" had to go. The public had enough of her. We refer to that monstrosity known as the 10c special delivery stamp. The "Widow" was so often mistaken for another party that she made the government lax in its duty---unintentionally of course.

The "bicycle boy has been taken back. He worked better.

Postmaster General Hitchcock found it necessary to discontinue the green special delivery stamp and go back to the blue as in the rush the new stamp escaped special delivery duty owing to its similarity of size and color to the one cent. The blue stamps have been in use some time.



The profile of Lincoln on the 2c commemorative is from Saint Gauden's statue of him.

Philatelic Fairy Tales

MANY STORIES OF REMARKABLE "FINDS" are often read in the public press, usually of rare stamps, coins or the like. Not infrequently a small amount of fact is touched up into a romance by some wide-awake and imaginative reporter who has a certain "fill" to make. Anyway, the following reads prettily :

There is a certain twelve-year-old girl in Virginia, whose future trousseau will be furnished with the \$3,000 which was obtained by the selling of an old local "Provisional" stamp. Mrs. Janette Fawcett, the grandmother of the girl, had promised to provide little Janette's trousseau, but having lost a great deal of money, was quite in despair as to how she could keep her promise. On looking through an old trunk, she came upon a bundle of her old love letters. On one was the old "Provisional" stamp. She realized that it was valuable, so she gave it to a friend who took it to a large city, where it was sold for \$3,000. Now little Miss Janette Fawcett will have no cause to worry about her trousseau.

Ho! you writers of love and romance! Look no farther for material! Here is love, money, good friend, saintly grandmother and angel child. Hunt up your vil-yun! Let him steal the stamp and "flea or fly" to the city! Let the good friend pursue, capture, recover, return, marry angel child, settle down! Give the old hair trunk at least a "stick and a half" and let the saintly grandmother live long enough to tell the story to angel grandchild's numerous children. But there! we've writ it our ownse'f!



The Queen of Italy is said to be interested in stamp collecting. Whether she has a collection or not we don't know. A person may be interested but not actively.

The Pulse of Philately.



AS OR DID IT EVER OCCUR TO YOU that the Pulse of Philately is its literature? That the rise and fall of the interest in philately is betokened by the strength, mainly, of its journalism? That as the tide rises and falls or the pulse beats high or beats low, so grows that interest? The number and relative worth of the stamp journals is what brings growth and spreads the interest in stamp collecting. Is it not incumbent then on the stamp collector to stand by the stamp journal if he wishes to retain the bounding pulse? Right along in this connection we want to quote from an article by Cha's A. Nast, who says :

"Closely allied to stamp collecting is its literature. The last is the barometer of the former. One is no longer compatible without the other. Why will not collectors, and especially dealers comprehend this fact in its fullest sense? The smallest of these monthlies is produced at much sacrifice of time and money. If dealers cannot advertise in all of them, they could subscribe to every stamp publication. With a thousand dealers, great and small, in this land of ours, subscribing to all the journals in the United States and Canada, it would place stamp journalism absolutely on a sound basis."

Ponder on this, friends, there's a whole lot of "solid matter" in it that the stamp dealer will do well to think over and act upon.



Only 1355 of \$2.00 and 730 \$5.00 stamps were ordered by various postoffices last year.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

The interest in stamp collecting is steadily increasing. The growth of the various stamp societies is proof of this.

The idea of grilling stamps is that the ink will more readily penetrate the paper thus preventing using a second time.

Ernest R. Aldrich, one of the "old timers," is publisher of *The Lodge Record*, a fraternal journal. In a recent issue he has this bit of advice: "The shade of the new 10c stamp is very likely to be modified, as it does not show up good on either amber or manila envelopes. The shade will undoubtedly be darkened and the early issued specimen may be a good one to keep."

Don't kill us with kindness, gentlemen.

Early issuing obliges us to omit an A. P. S. report.

There was a limited issue of current 2c stamps on linen paper and it is said they were only on sale in Washington.

62 different nations have issued stamps commemorating some event and up to now something over 700 kinds have appeared.

When a dealer advertises having a 20,000 or 25,000 variety stock wouldn't you recommend him for president of the Ananias club ?

Caps on the 1870 2c were placed there by the engraver unauthorized by the government or engraving company. Those with " capped right 2 " are scarce.

Primarily, stamped envelopes were issued in the U. S. to prevent frauds against the government which encroached on the receipts of the postoffice department. Their issuing was authorized by an Act of Congress of August 1, 1852. They first appeared in 1853.

Russia has many dishonest persons who clean various stamps of that country so that they can be used a second time. The earlier issues of Russia were printed in "water color" inks so as to guard against cleaning. Russians seem to have more trouble in this than any other stamp issuing country.

The writer first and last has done a great deal exchanging with collectors as well as dealers, and it is surprising to see the number of counterfeit stamps sent out. This is, of course, unintentional of any dishonesty and is simply ignorance of the owners. Shades of S. Allan Taylor, where do all these come from ?

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Some issues of New Zealand stamps have advertisements on their backs.

On some India stamps you find letters "C. E. F." and they signify "Chinese Expeditionary Force."

One of Our Acquisitions



WE PUBLISH BELOW a facsimile of the front cover page of *The New England Philatelist*, a journal that at one time enjoyed a large circulation. It will have a familiar look to many of our old time friends, who, with us, will wish it was back among us. It was born during the same year that the old *Philatelic Tribune* was, 1835, and was published at Fitchburg, Massachusetts, by Dr. Charles P. Henry, with W. K. Jewett, editor. What has become of Mr. Jewett we wonder?



In January, 1886, we acquired the right, title and good will, of the above paper as well as the *Yankee Philatelist* of the same place, formerly published by I. C. Greene, and *The Advertiser* formerly published by E. A. Jordan, of Philadelphia. Dr. Henry died in November, 1885, and had issued but one number after he had bought the N. E. P.

Wilhelmina and Her Stamps

This article began in July. We can supply a limited number of back numbers at 10 cts each.

The stamps of the Dutch Indies were issued as follows:

In 1892-97

- 10c red brown,
- 12 1-2c gray,
- 15c bistre,
- 20c ultramarine,
- 25c violet,
- 30c green.
- 50c carmine,
- 2g 50c orange brown and ultramarine.

In 1899 and 1900

- 10c gray lilac,
- 12 1-2c blue,
- 15c yellow brown,
- 20c yellow green,
- 25c carmine and blue,
- 50c bronze green and red brown,
- 2 1-2g brown lilac.

In 1902

- 10c slate,
- 12 1-2c deep blue,
- 15c brown,
- 20c dark green,
- 25c purple,
- 30c brown orange,
- 50c red brown.

In 1905 a

- 10c dark green.

In 1906 a

- 20c olive,
- 1g violet,
- 2 1-2g slate.

In 1908 a

- 17 1-2c bistre,
- 22 1-2c brown and olive.

In 1901 a "numeral" set of six was issued, in 1902 two varieties of surcharged stamps and a single "numeral" stamp in 1908. Various types of four values of "postage due" stamps came out in 1893 to 1908.

Stamps for Java were first issued last year. They are those of the Dutch Indies surcharged "J a v a" and consist of a set of six "numerals" and the following head of Wilhelmina:

- 10c slate,
- 12 1-2c deep blue,
- 15c brown,
- 20c olive,
- 25c purple,
- 30c brown orange,
- 50c red brown.

Stamps for Surinam appeared as follows:

In 1893

- 10c bistre,
- 12 1-2c violet,
- 15c gray,
- 20c green,
- 25c blue,
- 30c brown.

In 1900

- 50c bronze green and red brown,
- 1g dark green,

2 1-2g brown lilac.

In 1904 and 1905

10c gray violet,

12 1-2c blue,

In 1906

15c brown,

20c dark green,

25c violet,

305 brown orange,

50c red brown,

1g violet,

2 1-2g slate.

In 1908 a

22 1-2c olive.

Continued in our next issue



The Convention



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1847 10c...\$2.40	1861 2d issue 12c. 30c	1861 2d issue 24c..50c
1869 1c.....30c	1861 30c.35c	1861 90c unused.\$6.50
1869 2c..... 9c	1869 6c.....30c	1888 90c.....50c

FOREIGN

Hawaii 1893 10c unused.....13c	Hawaii 1893 25c unused.....30c
Bermuda 3d gray 1884 unused.....8c	

A FEW SETS

Bolivia 2 var 1901-02. .3c	Bulgaria 4 var 1896. .8c	Brazil 6 var...3c
" 3 var '94 unused 6c	Finland 3 var 1901...3c	Tunis 3 var...3c
Cuba on U. S. 7 var unused...40c	Labuan 12c, 18c and 24c 1894. 20c	
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Commemorative Stamps of the United States

SOME of the newspapers of the United States and some philatelic writers have decried and condemned the issuing of stamps commemorating certain events that history tells of having transpired in and about our country. Their latest hue and cry was when the Fulton-Hudson stamp was being talked of as a special or commemorative issue. They spoke particularly of this stamp as an advertising scheme and so too of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific stamp. Grant this as a fact. It is a grand "advertising" scheme as it will "advertise" to the youngster who is now growing up and to the thousands who, as time rolls on, will be born and grow up, historical facts. Those stamps are pictures on history's pages. Go back further. Take the Columbia issue of 1893 and find pictured historical reminders of centuries gone, connecting this country and Spain. Come farther and take another "advertising scheme", the 1898 Trans-Mississippi issue, where the youngsters can see Marquette on the Mississippi river; farming as it was done in the West in that period; pictures of our aboriginal forefathers and the now al-

most extinct animal, the buffalo; the hardy Tremont in the Rocky Mountains; our soldier boys guarding trains; the hardships our emigrants endured as they journeyed into the western regions; mining prospectors of the West; western cattle in the winter season and the great Mississippi River bridge. Then let us take the 1901 or Pan-American issue and see the type of steamer that was used on our great lake and compare the locomotive in use then with the one in use in 1869, which we can see if we look up a 3c blue of that year; the "horseless carriage"; the cantilever bridge at Niagara Falls and the locks of the canal at Sault Ste. Marie; again go to the 1869 issue and the 12c stamp and compare the steamer in use in that year with the "greyhound" of 1901. Come on down to 1904 and get the history of the Louisiana purchase and see in that set the original size of Louisiana in 1803 together with the men Livingston, Jefferson and Monroe whom history links with those times and last, our loved and martyred president, McKinley. Still again in 1907 we see the Jamestown issue and learn of the founding of that town and see Captain John Smith and the Indian maiden who saved his life, Pocohontas. And now in the present year see the man pictured who gave us one of the richest fur and mining countries on the earth, Seward; and Robert Fulton's "Clermont" and our Dutch ancestor's primitive boat the "Half Moon". Unlike some of the small countries of the world, the United States does not need to emit frequent issues to bolster up her revenues. The thanks

of every person, who can be made to see the value of the stamps we have mentioned as teachers of history, ought to go out to the men who were instrumental in their being admitted. Too many commemorative stamps cannot be issued by this country. The recently issued Lincoln stamp was a grand idea in commemorating the birth of the great emancipator. And now a word or two about our current issue. We think it the handsomest set of stamps that has been issued by this or any other country in many years, but the "powers that be", in our opinion, made a great mistake in keeping the portrait of Washington on all values except that of the one-cent denomination which has that of Franklin. The idea of the set of 1870 should have been copied and then the value as a teacher would have been brought out.



The New York Stock Tax Stamps

THE most interesting exponents of delight to the United States revenue stamp collectors, since the appearance and passing of the regular issues over a decade ago, have appeared in the shape of the New York State Stock Transfer Tax stamps. The multiplication of varieties both normal and abnormal since their first appearance in 1905 have created for themselves a favor not to be passed without comment. The feature of their comparatively easy acquisition lends to them, perhaps, as much magnetism as any other feature. The possibility of finds while the field is still

in its infancy leads others to mark them closely. The beautiful engravings, well executed printing, fortunately and well chosen colors, and the general artistic temperament which they bear draws alike the eye of the novice and specialist. While the study of this class of stamps is one that leaves an opening for the most exacting minor variety fiend to enter, it is not my intention in this article at least, to dwell at any length upon any but straight varieties, giving the minor varieties but a "touch and go" mention, dwelling with them in more detail perhaps, at some future time should occasion warrant. My reasons for so doing will be apparent to the student either now or later, and to a pregnant purpose. There are but two designs of these stamps, covering four issues:

The first and second issues bear the same design, and the third and fourth issues bear the other.

The first issue is the only type appearing normally without a surcharge. The second is virtually identical with the first except that each stamp is surcharged with the value, in large numeral characters.

The third issue of the later design, bears surcharges similar to the second issue, but there must be noted a change in color. The fourth issue, also of the later design, has colors approximately as in the third issue, the chief difference lying in the application of the surcharge, which is in small characters, and in multiple.

The first issue is rouletted, all following being perforated.

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The Providence (postmaster's) stamp was issued in 1846, a year prior to the issuing of stamps by the government.

The Providence Journal, bearing date of August 24, 1846, had this to say about the stamps: "The postmaster has issued postage stamps of the denominations of five and ten cents, for the payment of postage in advance. They are very con-

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The first issue is un-watermarked, second issue watermarked "STATE OF NEW YORK STOCK TRANSFER TAX" Third and fourth issues watermarked with block characters resembling a Grecian Border Design.

Continued in January number.



Our New Postal Cards

DESIGNS for the new postal cards to be issued by the government have been approved by Postmaster-General Hitchcock. The cards will be furnished to the Postoffice Department by the Government Printing Office, in accordance with the contract effective on January 1, 1910.

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The Canadian government will not issue one-half cent stamps in the future. They are only used on printed matter, etc., that weighs less than one ounce.

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The first regularly issued stamp for postage issued by any government was the 1 penny Great Britain. It was placed on sale May 6, 1840.

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ABOVE all things don't neglect those historical reminders of our wars, the revenue stamps of the United States. They can go into a volume by themselves and they can be arranged just as artistically as postage stamps. Perhaps you'll not enjoy them as much but there are many varieties and some of those used on matches, medicines and playing cards are very handsome as examples of the engraver's art and not surpassed by any stamps ever issued. It is deeply regrettable that envelope and newspaper wrapper stamps are omitted from the catalogue. That is, those of foreign countries. They are just as collectible as adhesives. Those of our own country are of course given and our earlier issues extremely interesting, particularly those of the higher values bearing embossed portraits corresponding with the adhesives of the 70's. Of course you will need a catalogue as this will be of great importance in the arranging of your dates. There are two excellent catalogues in the English language, Scott's and Gibbons'. The former is used more by American col-

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point. That the parcel post is of vast benefit to the so called middle classes and poorer people cannot be denied, and that this system may be thoroughly inaugurated in the near future is devoutly to be hoped. Another praiseworthy thing that the Department is just starting and one that will not alone prove of a saving of time and money, but will be of great convenience, is the establishing of distributing points for the sending out of stamps, stamped envelopes and postal cards. Sub-agencies have been located at Binghamton, Boston, Buffalo; Manchester, New Hampshire; New Haven, Conn., Providence, R. I.; Bellows Falls, Vermont; and Brooklyn. These cities will now be supplied in carload lots. When we consider the strides the United States has made in the way of postal facilities it is truly remarkable and there is no doubt that greater efficiency will soon be attained.



Philatelic Fairy Tale No. 5

I HAVE been a stamp dealer a great many years and during the time have had all sorts of excuses tendered for the non-return of approval sheets. I think the most ingenious one I ever had is the one I append. It is so good I am going to call it a "fairy tale."

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Dear Sir:

I am very sorry to tell you what has happened to your stamps. Last week I went with my friend A. Isenstein in

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We have it on good authority that the Southern Philatelist is soon to increase in size.

An International Philatelic Exhibition is to be held at Berne, Switzerland, the coming fall, and sometime during the year a similar exhibition will be held at Buenos Aires, Argentine.

We are frequently asked the value of albinos, freaks, etc., in stamps. Our answer is that there is no stipulated value for any of these. The value depends entirely on how badly a prospective buyer wants them, that is, what he is willing to give. An "albino" is made by two sheets being "fed" to the press at one time. The under or second sheet taking the impression through the first sheet, thus being a "white"

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the street. I stopped at a certain corner to show him the stamps which I received from you. Suddenly two boys came along and took away the stamps. I ran after them but I could not get hold of them. I haven't got a father and my mother works and makes five dollars a week, and hardly makes a living for me. Now I am very sorry that I haven't got money to pay for the stamps. Hoping that you will not be discouraged for the reason.

Yours sincerely,

A. Lefkowski.

Comment is unnecessary. Such a clever "writer of fiction" can rest assured I never shall press him for the stamps.



The Colonial Color Schedule

Recent changes in the color scheme for British colonial stamps have been made. The following is a list, the first column being the value of stamp; the second, color of ink and the third, color of paper :

2½p	orange	white
3 p	brown	yellow
4 p	red	yellow
5 p	sage green	white
2sh	purple	blue
2sh 6p	red	blue
3sh	violet	white
5sh	green	yellow
10sh	red	green
£1	black	red

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stamp or "albino." A "freak" is almost anything out of the ordinary in a stamp.

All Mexican notes and legal papers have to have revenue stamps affixed.

The designs of the Liberia set of last year show on the 1c a view of a coffee plantation; 2c President Barclay; 5c Liberian gunboat "Lark"; 10c the triangular stamp, "Commerce"; 15c native woman making thread; 20c the Malagueta pepper plant; 25c a native view; 30c the President; 50c river scene with natives in dugout; and 75c an album design of native views.

Mr. William A. Carr, the philatelic rubber stamp maker, has recently gone through one of the sorrows of his life in the death of his mother. We tender him our warmest sympathy.

The Collector's Own Magazine has just been sold to George H. Corbet, of Chicago.

"THE PHILATELIC TRIBUNE shows up fine, the new type is very pretty," writes C. H. Mekeel.

We hear of a new southern stamp weekly called *The Transcript* but have not yet seen a copy.

The Post Office Department is having great trouble in getting suitable colored paper for its proposed stamp experiments. Couldn't our cousin, John Bull, offer some suggestion? "John" doesn't seem to have any trouble in this respect.

We quote from a letter from our friend, Editor Frank Decons of *The American Youth*: "One reason THE TRIBUNE is liked, is on account of its size. It doesn't take up all the room on one's desk, and can be read handily. And then it is clean, typographically, and hasn't that careless, dirty, crowded appearance of some stamp publications, which makes them look cheap. One glance at your TRIBUNE gives one an impression of substantial permanence. The tastefully set "ads" are much more generally read than if black, dirty and cheap looking."

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The *Scott Circular* says that rumors still persist of an entire change in the current set of Great Britain on account of King Edward not liking his portrait on the stamps.

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Recent developments have shown that the post office Department of this country has one of the worst systems (or no system at all) for conducting its affairs extant.

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The *Scott Circular* comments very favorably on the appearance of the new Cuban issue, the 5c of which has appeared.

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## The A. P. S. Convention

**O**N the 16th of next month, pursuant to a call of the president, will occur the twenty-fifth annual convention of the American Philatelic Society at the Museum of Fine Arts, in the city of Detroit, Michigan. The convention headquarters are at the Hotel Cadillac. The only new nominations are for a Secretary, as all the other officers will be the same. W. H. Barnum of Cleveland, Ohio and Charles R. Morris of Washington, D. C., are the nominees for secretary and both are able and good men, between whom there is really no choice. A very flimsy objection to Mr. Morris is that he is in the employ of Mekeel's Weekly, a fact that has been disproved by that paper. Misrepresentation, as a rule, is a bad resort and generally goes to help the other fellow, and in this case we believe will be an aid to Mr. Morris' candidacy. In any event we want a Secretary who is something more than a figure-head and one who will carry out some of the schemes inaugurated by the Society.

The choice of Detroit for this year's convention will give members a chance of visiting one of the prettiest American

cities and the convention will no doubt be a very enjoyable one.



### **An Interesting Feature**

**O**NE of the interesting branches of philately is the study of bird and animal life depicted on the world's stamp issues. Of late years this has been indulged in to quite an extent by the various governments and not a few people collect these varieties alone. We well remember how much attention the beautiful "bird" stamps of Guatemala, 1879, attracted. The following is some of the birds and animals found on stamps with names of countries:

- Argus Pheasant—Labuan, North Borneo.
- Bear—Labuan, North Borneo.
- Beaver—Canada.
- Bison—United States, Uruguay.
- Camel—Soudan, Obock Djibouti.
- Cattle—United States, Cuba, Uruguay.
- Codfish—Newfoundland.
- Dragon—China, Shanghai, Tasmania, Crete.
- Dromedary—Nyassa.
- Eagle—Bolivia, Columbia, Hungary, United States.
- Elephant—Benadir, Sirmoor, Straits Settlements, Congo, Liberia, Uganda.
- Frigate Bird—Cook Islands.
- Giraffe—Nyassa.

- Goose—China.  
Hippopotamus—Liberia.  
Horse—Barbados, Brazil, Crete, Germany, Guatemala,  
Tasmania, Greece, United States, New Zealand.  
Huia—New Zealand.  
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Kangaroo—New South Wales, South Australia.  
Leopard—Congo.  
Lion—Benadir, Uganda.  
Llama—Bolivia, Peru.  
Lyre Bird—New South Wales.  
Mule—Mexico, United States.  
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Quetzal—Guatemala.  
Seal—Newfoundland.  
Sheep—Cape of Good Hope.  
Stag—Labaun, North Borneo.  
Swan—Western Australia.  
Tiger—Bussahir, Afghanistan.

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(Continued from June. Back numbers may be had for 5c each).

**A** STAMP collector who discovers a new variety of stamp feels the same joy that an astronomer feels who has discovered a new star. Stamp collecting is an exciting game that requires close attention and an eye and memory trained for color. To put it right up to the reader, the common everyday two-cent stamps used in the United States were recently printed on bluish paper instead of the ordinary paper. Also some were printed on ribbed paper instead of the smooth paper ordinarily used. These stamps passed through the mail many times. How many would you notice? George V., stamp collector, would pick them out as swiftly as a bank cashier could pick out counterfeit bills from a pack of banknotes.

The hobby of being an advanced stamp collector is exacting on the memory. George V. must keep his whole collection of 500,000 specimens in his mind's eye while he buys. Its condition, color, variety, worn or new condition of plate from which it was printed and half a dozen other things must be remembered in the case of each stamp in the collection while he is examining new specimens to replace the ones he has to fill in old blanks.

When Prince George, representing King Edward in a tour of the Dominions Beyond the Seas and India, was in Toronto,

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## Editorial Notes

The report of the treasurer of the A. P. S. showed that society to be in a healthy condition financially. There is about five thousand dollars available.

Another monstrosity of the Postoffice department is the new postal card. It is certainly the cheapest looking affair issued yet. While some are congratulating the department on a quality of stock which does not allow pens to "catch and spatter." We have seen and used some that were certainly good "spatterers" and also almost as good as some qualities of blotting paper for absorbent purposes.

'Tis said that Switzerland, being still dissatisfied with her stamps, is to give us something new in the near future.

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a magnificent collection of the rare Canada 12 pence errors was temporarily collated from among the rich stamp collectors of the Dominion for his inspection. The prince was delighted. He pored over the little black specimens of the stamps that were only used a single day in the 50's because they had been lettered "12 pence" when they should have been lettered "one shilling" and were withdrawn. He passed nearly two hours over the two dozen squares of paper, valued at from \$750.00 each up to \$1,500.00 for the finer specimens. Attendants fumed over delayed appointments of a purely formal nature while he talked 12 pence errors, showing full knowledge of the condition of upper Canada and lower Canada, now Ontario and Quebec, at the time of their issue.

The collection of postage stamps started at school by the young son of the Prince of Wales may have had a potent influence in building up the character of King George and may have helped to make him an imperialist rather than a little Englander. The colonies may loom large in the activities of the new King, for his entire empire is spread before him in his morocco-bound volumes of history holding postage stamps.

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By and by, when the new British colonials begin to appear, we will have to drop the term "King's heads" and designate the stamps as "King Edward's" or "King George's."

**Editorial Notes.** *Continued.*

New stamps of Greece are to go on sale this month according to reports, and the stamps will be novel and historical in design.

Among the crowned heads of Europe who are enthusiastic stamp collectors may be mentioned Princess Marie of Roumania and the Crown Prince of Sweden.

*The Philatelic Stamp News*, a new weekly started in April, has only come to us once and we can say the same of Billiken's. Why not exchange with us?

The annual year book of the S. P. A. has appeared. It is on an excellent quality of paper but we regret to say that its presswork is poor and its composition is evidently from a badly worn linotype machine.

Our thanks are due V. L. Thomas, Jr., for clippings.

The Philatelic Fraud Directory issued by Reitz Bro's, of Rochester, has finely made its appearance and an enlarged and improved edition was promised for May. While not a very pretentious work it will be of value to dealers. We wish it may prosper and hope dealers will extend their aid to its publishers so that they may go on with the good work they have inaugurated.

The contest for Secretary of the A. P. S. now stands between Barnum, of Cleveland, and Morris, of Washington, no new aspirants having arisen.

We hope that the Postoffice department will grant the issuing of commemorative stamps for the Ohio Valley Exposition to be held in Cincinnati August-September.

Have you the 5c blue 1898-99 of New Foundland? If so, you have a photograph of the most prominent stamp collector in the world, King George V.

*The Collectors Journal* is promised to be issued regularly, commencing with its July issue. It is an excellent magazine and we hope it will be able to appear on time.

The old reliable *West* entered on its 48th volume as bright and interesting as ever. It is the largest "hobby" magazine in the world.

Here are some of the prices realized for stamps in the Seybold collection: 5c Brattleboro, \$700.; strip of four black New York, \$157.; pair of 5c St. Louis, \$197.; 10c St. Louis, \$131.; strip of 10c 1847, \$110.; 1c Pan American, inverted center, \$29.50; 2c Pan American, inverted center, unused, \$167.; \$5. green and black on violet paper, 1871 revenue, \$181.; Canada, 12p. black, \$515.; New Brunswick, quarter of 1s. used as 3d., \$218.; Nova Scotia, three 1s., \$241.; New Brunswick, 5c Connell, \$91.; New Foundland 1s. cataloged at \$100., \$192. There were hundreds of other stamps that brought fancy prices. The sale was in three parts and each part realized as follows: First, \$16,206.75; Second, \$10,148.75; Third, \$6,962.70.

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
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## A Late Example of Stamp Speculation

**A** GOOD many deals in remainders of South and Central American stamps have taken place in former years and the latest to attract the attention of the philatelic world is the disposal of the million and more triangular Ecuador stamps of the issue of 1907 to a firm of stamp speculators in Hamburg, Germany. It seems that this firm purchased these remaining stamps for \$10,000 and they propose to throw them on the market this month after a fashion like this: There were 41,264 complete sets of the seven values and something like 800,000 mixed values. The firm reserves from the lot 20,264 complete sets and divides the balance consisting of the remaining sets and mixed values into seventy parcels. These parcels are offered for \$800 each. This would give the speculators a very "modest" profit of \$46,000. Will they swing the deal successfully think you?

Advance sheets of the catalog for 1911 are promised for this month and it is said that the tendency is upward in prices.



## **Prospective Additions**

**T**HERE are prospects of a large addition to the list of European stamps. According to the P. J. of A. all the different duchies, kingdoms, and countries which have been united under the Austrian-Hungarian empire, may have stamps of their own. Such a thing is being considered and if it is consummated there will be a series for Bohemia, Moravia, Carinthia, Styria, Istria, Dalmatia, Croatia, Slavonia, Transylvania, Silesia, Galicia and Salzburg. Austria, Hungary, Bosnia and Herzegovina already have stamps of their own. Each of the countries last mentioned except Hungary, have stamps showing views, monuments, portraits, etc., and it is said that all the countries mentioned would have similar stamps and all bearing the legend "Empire Austro-Hungarian." Truly an extended addition to both the catalogue and the album.



## **The New Argentine Set**

**T**HE following are the denominations and scenes, portraits, etc., depicted on the new commemorative set of the Argentine Republic:  $\frac{1}{2}$ c Pyramid of May, 1c Rodriguez Pena and Vieytes, 3c Salon of Rodriguez Pena, 3c Azcuenaga and Alberti, 4c Fort and House of Viceroy, 5c Saavedra, 10c Beruti and French distributing decorations, 12c Congress building, 20c Castelli and Matheu, 24c Opening of Congress,

30c Belgrano and Larrea, 50c Scene on May 25, 1810, 1 peso Moreno and Paso, 5p Swearing in of the Junta, 10p Monument of May, 20p San Martin. These stamps are very pretty and attractive.



### **A Move for Health**

**T**HOSE having charge of the sale of stamps in post offices throughout this country have been instructed by the government to deliver stamps to customers face side down. This is to do away as much as possible with the liability of the spread of bacteria that might adhere to the gum on stamps and thus spread the germs of disease. We have often wondered why stamps should not be given the customer this way. A great many of us have noticed the particularly dirty appearance of the shelves at stamp windows and when waiting in line have noticed the very unclean hands that have reached for stamps and rested upon these shelves. We wonder why the government doesn't provide a heavy glass for these places. Such could be easily cleansed and purified.



### **Some Tremendous Figures**

**L**AST month the Postmaster General issued his estimate as to the number of stamps that will be necessary to supply the United States for the coming year. The figures

are enormous and show the immense number of stamps that are used yearly. Here is the estimate: 1c 4,024,000,000; 2c 5,322,300,000; 3c 66,700,000; 4c 94,800,000; 5c 117,500,000; 8c 34,800,000; 10c 80,900,000; 13c 4,800,000; 15c 12,900,000; 50c 700,000; \$1. 1,000,000; special delivery, 15,100,000. Of the postage due stamps there will be required: 1c 11,300,000; 2c 30,900,000; 3c 700,000; 5c 1,900,000; 10c 5,700,000; 30c 10,000; 50c 10,000. There will also be issued books containing 24 one-cent stamps 7,000,000; 12 two-cent 14,000,000; 24 two-cent 4,100,000; 48 two-cent 1,400,000.



### **Philatelic Fairy Tale, No. 8**

**M**ATERIAL for our "fairy tales" has not been as plenty of late, but we have run across what we consider a fairly good one. It seems that every French girl, on her marriage, is supposed to have some sort of a dowry however small. A young Frenchman named Gerald Forestier won the hand of Mlle. Sylvie Duparquet and was told by the girl's father that her dowry should be but two postage stamps. The young fellow loved his sweetheart for herself alone and they were married, settled down and he went into business. Some time after, his father-in-law suggested that it would be well to put more money into his business. "But where am I to find more money," inquired Forestier. "Why don't you

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## Editorial Notes

How many changes there are in the spelling of the names of stamp issuing countries: We have always spelled this word, "Hyderabad," but we notice others have it "Haidarabad."

Those experimental stamps of this country that were to be issued on colored paper are yet to be seen and any definite or authoritative information in regard to them seems to be lacking. That they would be an improvement and an aid to the stamp clerk is certain.

Chicago has her eye on the A. P. S. convention for next year.

Henry N. Mudge, president of the A. P. S. is recently bereaved in the death of his wife. We extend him our sincere sympathy.

realize on your wife's dowry?" suggested the pater. The stamps, of course, were two valuable Mauritius ones and worth \$8,000. The young man sold them to a stamp collector and is now at the head of a prosperous business.

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### **Editorial Notes.**

The collection of King George is said to be worth a half million dollars. As the fact of the king's being an ardent stamp collector becomes more widely known it is increasing the interest in and respect for stamp collecting.

While numerous stamp papers have criticised brother Kendall, of the *Hobbyist*, rather harshly for a very unfortunate circumstance lately, we have refrained from comment. We can only say that we are sorry that any thing of the kind has occurred and we hope that everything will terminate amicably and satisfactorily to everyone concerned. The *Hobbyist* has had a phenomenal growth and naturally has aroused some little feelings of jealousy no doubt. It is devoutly to be hoped that its brilliant record and its errand of doing good may not be dimmed or stunted by this, as we say, truly unfortunate affair.

It is understood that Italy will issue, next year, a set to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the unification of that kingdom, which was the result of the campaign wrought by Garibaldi, Cavour and Victor Emmanuel.

The portrait of Queen Victoria was used on more than three thousand different postage stamps. That of King Ed-

ward was used on the next greatest number, while several Spanish sovereigns follow next in order.

Hungary has recently awarded liberal sums to several of her artists for new stamp designs. Edmund Tull designed a "1 filler" stamp representing two harvesters. Franz Helbing designed a "2 kronen" stamp representing St. Ladislaus. A Mr. Brandmeyer designed a "3 kronen" stamp depicting the Hungarian Houses of Parliament. Mr. Tull also designed a "1 kr." stamp with an allegorical female figure of Hungary.

Henry J. Crocker, of San Francisco, one of the directors of the A. P. S. has recently been "feasting" the eyes of Eastern collectors with his magnificent collection of Hawaiian stamps.

"Billikins," the comic philatelic paper, has suspended. This is unfortunate, but it seems that any innovation of this kind is always short lived. They are hailed with great eclat on their appearance but that isn't the "stuff" that "makes corn grow."

We have recently learned of the death of Ralph K. Noble, of Albuquerque, N. M. Mr. N. was to issue the *El Curio Magazine* but his untimely death precludes this. A letter from him dated in May states that he was a printer of ten years experience but "am now down-and-out with tubercolosis." He was greatly pleased with The Philatelic Tribune, terming it "a little dandy" and stating that he intended making his own magazine the same size. We exceedingly regret his death.

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## A Bit Retrospective

IN 1879 we purchased The Collector's News, which was published at Plainfield, New Jersey, by George B. DeRevere, Jr., and consolidated it with our own paper, The Yankee Clipper, formerly called the Amateur Clipper, both of which were the outgrowth of a former paper, The Collector. In looking over a file of the News we find much of interest and from one article on stamp collecting we quote as follows: This is a pastime of comparative recent date, having been commenced in 1859. By some it is stated that it was originated by a schoolmaster in Paris, France, who, as he found it hard to drum geography, etc., into his scholars' heads, procured some stamps, (how it is not known), pasted them, under their respective countries, in a number of blank books and gave them to his pupils. From France, stamp collecting spread over the rest of the European continent, then to England, and next to the United States and Canada, which although the last to take it up, are the first at the present time, it being estimated by some that there are over 200,000 stamp collectors in America, and many more than 100,000

in the United States alone. As to the origin of the postage stamp, it is claimed that Taetsoo organized a good postal system as early as 950 A. D., which makes China its birth-place. Stamped paper was next used in France in 1653 and again in 1758; stamps were used in Spain in 1817, and Italy issued stamped envelopes from 1819 to 1836. England issued her first stamp, the 1 d, black, May 6, 1840.



## **Montenegro**

ON August 28, last, Montenegro, by the choice of her 230,000 inhabitants, changed from a principality to a Kingdom, and Nicholas was chosen King and Milena queen. This royal pair are the parents of three sons and six daughters. Queen Helena of Italy is one of the daughters. The age of the King is now 69 years.

Montenegro is the name given by Venetians and is a translation of the Slavic word Crnagora, signifying "black mountain." The country contains about 3600 square miles and is bounded as follows: On the north-east by the Turkish Sanjak of Novibazar; on the south-east by Albania; on the south-west by Austrian Dalmatia and on the north and west by Herzegovina. It has a very short sea frontage on the Adriatic. The chief cities are: the Capital Cetinje, Podgoritza, Dulcigno, and Niksic.

The first postage stamps appeared in 1874 and were in use for nearly twenty years. Periodically, it would seem,

sets have been issued since 1893, every two or three years.

### **Rapid History Making**

THINGS about this old earth of ours have been rather kaleidoscopic the past few months. The latest event was the overthrow of Miguel of Portugal. Numerous changes occurred in Chili. Her president, Pedro Montt, was abroad on a vacation trip and died. Then the Minister of the Interior, Elias Fernandez, succeeded to the presidency. He has recently died and now the Minister of Justice is chief executive until a general election is held. In the far East they have been "doing things" too. In August Japan annexed Corea and the name of that "empire" is now changed to Cho-sen meaning "The Land of Morning Calm." The names of new South American presidents so far as we have been able to learn are: Argentina, Dr. Roque Saenz Pena; Brazil, Marshal Hermes da Fonseca; Chili, Senor Figuerra; Colombia, Don Carlos E. Restrepo; and Peru, Dr. Augusto B. Leguia.

All the above having more or less bearing on things philatelic at a later day.



### **Philatelic Fairy Tale, No. 9**

HERE is something we gleaned the other day. It shows shrewdness, ingenuity and cleverness, and if it be true or not, is worthy of reproducing, so we give it. Certain it is that a

portion of it is true for we know that the receiver was formerly called upon to pay the postage. Here is the Tale:

Before the postage stamp came into general use, it was the custom with senders of letters to pay no postage but to have those who received the letters pay it. England was the first country to have prepaid mail. Sir Rowland Hill was one of the men who helped to bring this about. An incident is told of him which is said to have spurred him on to greater activity. He was staying at an inn in northern England and saw the postman take back a letter which was addressed to the innkeeper's daughter; she was unable to pay the postage. The girl, before giving it back, handled it very tenderly and examined eagerly every mark on the envelope. He took pity on the girl and paid the required postage. The girl afterwards told him that he had done an unnecessary though kind act. The letter was from her brother and she had known before opening the letter everything her brother wished to tell her. It seems that, as they were both unable to pay postage, they had agreed upon a code with which they could tell, by examining the outside of the envelope, what each wished to tell the other.

Mr. E. S. Moyer writes us that he was a subscriber to THE PHILATELIC TRIBUNE in the early days and that it was the first stamp paper he ever saw. "I have always remembered it with pleasure." It is nice to have these kindly words from old friends.

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## Editorial Notes

We have no apology to offer for this lateness. We simply could not help it.

We have to thank Geo. W. Linn, of the Stamp Collector for one of the handsomest and daintiest little booklets ever issued from a philatelic press. It is entitled "Poland—Historical and Philatelic." It is at once interesting and unique. The work is handsomely printed in blue and brown inks on an extra fine quality of paper and bound so that each succeeding two pages are blank. There are four plates of stamps and a map of the country, the whole enclosed in a specially attractive and novel cover. W. M. Linn & Sons Co. are the printers. The price is 50c. It was issued as a souvenir of the 25th annual American Philatelic Society convention. It



was compiled and arranged by Geo. K. Smith, Jr., Henry S. Adair and Geo. W. Linn. It is a valuable addition to any stamp collector's library.

In a recent issue of the Philadelphia Stamp News, brother Mann has the following: "Brother Stanton, in the June Tribune, says: 'There never was a \$500. postage stamp issued.' F. J. did you see our illustration a week or so ago?" We have seen the illustration mentioned and still maintain, that strictly speaking there never was a five hundred dollar postage stamp issued. The stamp bears the legend "postage and revenue." It is very evident that the stamp is purely a fiscal as no such amount could be expended for postage under existing rules and regulations of postal departments. A great many British and British colonial stamps are good for postage or revenue. How many, we wonder of those \$25.00 denomination postage stamps of certain British possessions have been seen that were postally used?

The August 15 number of the P. J. of A. contained some pretty hot shot aimed at the A. P. S. Now if what editor Mekeel writes is without truth it's up to some one to disprove it.

The death of Mr. C. Witt, of Yonkers, N. Y., occurred recently. Mr. Witt was one of the old-time collectors and his interest dates back many years. He was also one of the oldest A. P. S. members, his number being 17.

We are very grateful to brother Brodstone for a copy of "Stamp Hunting."

The anniversary number of The Southern Philatelist con-

sisted of 24 pages and cover. A rather pretentious number for our bright contemporary from Southland and a remarkably good one. We have watched the growth of the Southern with a great deal of interest and congratulate brother Grosjean on his success.

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There was a big slump in the prices of Ecuador revenue used as postage. We wonder if there won't be likewise a slump in the prices of triangulars?

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Rasmus Bartleson, of Sunbeam, Minn., recently announced his intention of starting a philatelic subscription agency. If this pans out like the former attempts of this kind it will never become a howling success. However, the attempt has our best wishes and we hope it will make good.

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The West says that the 1862 Jackson, was made from a recut tobacco stamp plate.

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Very "foolishly" we used quite a number of the 2c experimental "blues" for postage, but that was before they were at all well known.

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Canada and Newfoundland will soon give us stamps bearing the portrait of King George. A half-cent stamp is the one for Canada. It will be remembered that only a short time ago it was reported that the half-cent stamp would entirely go out of usage in that country. It will also be remembered that the above two countries have already shown us King George's features, but not as king.

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| 48. Orange River Colony 8, Porto Rico 22, Queensland 4, Prussia 5, San Marino 1, Suriname 2, Russia 32 | 1.92       |
| 49. Philippines 19, New Foundland 4, Switzerland 45, Spain 24                                          | 2.46       |
| 50. Peru 30, Sweden 27, South Australia 5, Victoria 4, Straits Settlements 7                           | 1.62       |
| 51. Persia 12, Transvaal 12, Tasmania 4, Trinidad 4, Western Australia 6, Rhodesia 1                   | 1.49       |
| 52. Portuguese Indies 40, all unused, fine                                                             | .80        |
| 53. Roumania 49, Servia 17, Turkey 12                                                                  | 1.73       |
| 54. Salvador 49 Wurtemberg 24                                                                          | 1.53       |
| 55. Tunis 7, Uruguay 16, Venezuela 24                                                                  | 1.99       |
| 56. U. S. 104 postage, no envelopes, few duplicates                                                    | 2.12       |
| 57. U. S. revenue 35, telegraph and local 11                                                           | 1.66       |
| 58. Approval book, 59 varieties, foreign                                                               | 1.53       |
| 59. " " 48 varieties, foreign                                                                          | 1.79       |
| 60. " " 59 varieties, foreign                                                                          | 1.94       |
| 61. " " 59 varieties, foreign                                                                          | 2.47       |
| 62. " " 60 varieties, foreign                                                                          | 2.69       |
| 63. Scarce 1861 Confederate States 10c light blue on orig. cov.                                        | 1.00       |
| 64. U. S. Treasury 7c, corner damaged and mended                                                       | 1.50       |
| 65. U. S. Treas. 10c Am. print, unused but slightly soiled                                             | 2.00       |
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| 68. U. S. War 90c, rather heavy cancellation                                                           | -.75       |
| 69. U. S. Postage Due 3c red brown                                                                     | 2.00       |
| 70. " " " 50c brown                                                                                    | 1.25       |
| 71. Argentine, 1 punched, Belgium 48, Bermuda 2, Bolivia 7                                             | 1.88       |
| 72. Cyprus 1, China 7, Costa Rica 21, Cuba 47                                                          | 2.69       |
| 73. Curacao 2, Colombia 26, Guatemala 19, Great Britain 21                                             | 2.26       |
| 74. Egypt 15, Ecuador 19, Dutch Indies 14                                                              | 1.86       |
| 75. Greece 10, Guinea 3, Honduras 19, Hungary 54, Hayti 2                                              | 1.84       |
| 76. Leeward Islands 2, Iceland 1, Japan 36, Jamaica 5, India 27, Italy 44                              | 2.15       |

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| 80. Orange River 8, Norway 8, Nicaragua 16                                                 | 2.00       |
| 81. Roumania 45 including 7 unused "picture" stamps                                        | 1.38       |
| 82. Trinidad 4, Timor 1, Transvaal 10, Tasmania 4, Porto Rico 14, Reunion 3, Russia 29     | 1.56       |
| 83. Venezuela 36                                                                           | 1.62       |
| 84. Wurtemberg 28, Western Australia 3, Victoria 5, U. S. local and private proprietary 12 | 1.26       |
| 85. U. S. 115, no cut squares, a few shades                                                | 3.25       |
| 86. Ten filled approval sheets foreign stamps, 25 to the sheet                             | 5.00       |
| 87. Another lot same as last                                                               | 5.00       |
| 88. Another lot, five sheets, same as last                                                 | 2.50       |
| 89. Another lot of five sheets                                                             | 2.50       |
| 90. Five sheets, 50 stamps to the sheet                                                    | 2.50       |
| 91. Another lot same as last                                                               | 2.50       |
| 92. U. S. 1890 No. 220, three "b" and three "c"                                            | .60        |
| 93. U. S. Columbia issue 8                                                                 | .68        |
| 94. U. S. 1857, 10c                                                                        | .50        |
| 95. U. S. 1869, 15c, nicked                                                                | 1.50       |
| 96. U. S. 1870, 12c                                                                        | .50        |
| 97. U. S. 1870, 30c                                                                        | .50        |
| 98. U. S. 1870, 90c                                                                        | 1.25       |
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| France and dependences..... | 30  |
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| Persia.....         | 35  |
| Various others..... | 147 |

Not nearly as many stamps were issued as during the previous year.



## The 26th Annual Convention



THE 26th Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Society will convene at Chicago, August 22d. There is a lack of interest manifested this year as regards the election of officers and the convention promises to be without strife. There is no question of every member who attends having a good time as Chicago philatelists are never outdone when it comes to the matter of entertainment. The competitive stamp exhibit that is to occur during the convention will be a feature.



## Portraits on Stamps



'ECHO de la Timbrologie recently had a compilation of the portraits of celebrities that had appeared on more than thirty different stamps. This compilation was from a catalogue for 1910 and so does not include any late issues. Good Queen Victoria heads the list of rulers and will for many years to come. It will be noticed that numerous people hold a like record. Here follows the list:

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Victoria.....   | 3193 |
| Edward VII..... | 1080 |
| Don Carlos..... | 840  |

|                             |     |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| Alphonso XIII.....          | 695 |
| Don Louis I.....            | 384 |
| Alphonso XII.....           | 333 |
| Bolivar.....                | 213 |
| Francis Joseph I.....       | 199 |
| Isabella II.....            | 172 |
| Charles I of Roumania.....  | 163 |
| Victor Emmanuel III.....    | 133 |
| Wilhelmina.....             | 119 |
| Columbus.....               | 107 |
| William III.....            | 81  |
| Nicholas Petrovitch.....    | 80  |
| Hidalgo.....                | 78  |
| Leopold.....                | 76  |
| Menelik.....                | 75  |
| Rocafuerte.....             | 75  |
| Christian IX.....           | 56  |
| Mozaffer-ed-Din.....        | 55  |
| Humbert I.....              | 52  |
| Victor Emmanuel II.....     | 51  |
| Nassur-ed-Din.....          | 51  |
| Chulalongkorn.....          | 50  |
| Washington.....             | 46  |
| Ch. Brooke.....             | 45  |
| Adolph de Nassau.....       | 44  |
| Alexander I.....            | 41  |
| Ibrahim of Johore.....      | 37  |
| Barrios.....                | 37  |
| Dom Pedro II.....           | 37  |
| Frederick VIII.....         | 37  |
| Franklin.....               | 37  |
| Faidherbe.....              | 34  |
| 1st Sultan of Zanzibar..... | 34  |
| Napoleon III.....           | 32  |
| Rivadavia.....              | 32  |
| San Martin.....             | 32  |

Stamps from 1c to 1\$



STAMP COLLECTOR of Denver, Duke DeKamp, recently compiled a list of the stamps of the 1911 Scott catalogue ranging in price from one cent to one dollar. The total is 19,753. We wish he had made the list complete and told us about the number catalogued over a dollar. Here is his list and if you don't think it correct, go ahead and prove it otherwise:

|          |      |          |      |          |      |
|----------|------|----------|------|----------|------|
| 1c.....  | 736  | 14c..... | 59   | 45c..... | 35   |
| 2c.....  | 1525 | 15c..... | 1068 | 50c..... | 1173 |
| 3c.....  | 1216 | 16c..... | 33   | 60c..... | 442  |
| 4c.....  | 998  | 17c..... | 11   | 65c..... | 167  |
| 5c.....  | 1225 | 18c..... | 441  | 70c..... | 44   |
| 6c.....  | 1040 | 20c..... | 758  | 75c..... | 776  |
| 7c.....  | 19   | 25c..... | 1409 | 80c..... | 32   |
| 8c.....  | 1125 | 30c..... | 415  | 85c..... | 195  |
| 9c.....  | 69   | 32c..... | 88   | 90c..... | 35   |
| 10c..... | 1355 | 35c..... | 735  | \$1..... | 1066 |
| 12c..... | 876  | 40c..... | 578  |          |      |



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We are woefully late and we haven't an excuse or a promise to offer. We're sorry, however.

We wish to call attention to two important things in this issue, namely: reduction in our subscription price to 25 cents a year and our 103d Auction Sale.

Seldom does one city boast of more than one philatelic paper, but Shreveport, Louisiana, can claim a pair, and of the wide-awake order too.

We have to thank Mr. Ralph Wedmore, the Secretary of the Junior Philatelic Society for a very neat souvenir of Coronation Day, June 22. The above society is very flourishing, has a membership of about one thousand, and is to hold a stamp exhibition next year.

At last we have a really attractive post card. The new Lincoln card is a great improvement but after all we never had a neater card than the very first issue, goddess of liberty.

No one can see the charity stamps of Roumania but to admire them. They were designed by the Princess Marie, who is a daughter of the late Duke of Edinburgh. She is a stamp collector.

The magnificent collection of George H. Worthington of Cleveland, Ohio, is to eventually find a permanent place in the Cleveland Museum of Fine Arts.

We can remember when stamp hinges, or one kind of hinges, came in sheets that were perforated. Occasionally stamps will be found that have a portion of these old perforated hinges on the backs. They were the worst thing that was ever introduced for the purpose and many valuable stamps have been damaged in trying to remove the hinge.

There are staphylococci on and in the gum on the backs of postage stamps. Lud 'elpus will we always be in danger? Keep out of dark places and don't go into the woods 'thout a gun!

In the year 1878 the money order business of this country amounted to some ninety millions of dollars and there was \$700,000 uncalled for by reason mainly of misdirection.

The postal affairs of the principality of Monaco are under the jurisdiction of the French government. Monaco has but two postoffices, Monaco and Monte Carlo.

A French dealer offers more than catalogue prices for the King Ferdinand head issue of 1859 Sicily.

The postal savings bank stamp is a very ordinary looking affair it is said with no portrait and for use only on official mail exclusively used in the transaction of postal bank business.

Chili passed through several national bereavements during the last year. President Montt died in August and Vice President Albano who succeeded him died in September. Minister of Justice Figueroa acted as President until the election of Ramon Barros Luco, the present executive.

The death of King Edward precluded the issuing of a historical set of stamps by Gt. Britain. It was proposed to show all the noted kings and queens in a philatelic portrait gallery and would have been similar to the Austrian set.

Uncle Sam always was a good giver. He has given us postal savings banks and now a parcels post seems an assured thing. It was about time that a move was made to check the express robbers.

For a great many years De la Rue & Co. printed the stamps of Gt. Britain. They recently lost the contract which is now held by Harrison & Sons.

The Hawaii 2c "missionary" stamps so far as known are located as follows: One in the Crocker collection, one in the Honolulu museum, two in the British museum, one in the Berlin museum, two in the Ferrari collection, two in the Duveen collection, one in the Worthington collection and one in the recent Paul collection. Eleven copies all told.

The new issue of Spain is liked much better than the preceding one.

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## Character Development from the Collecting of Postage Stamps



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By the time the ship reached Chinese waters he was a collector in earnest. When he went ashore with fellow

sailors at whatever ports the vessel touched, he rarely failed to invest at the postoffice some of the money that might easily have gone in less profitable amusements. As far as his means would permit, he secured the complete unused sets in current use.

This method he kept up on a number of subsequent voyages in different quarters of the world. When in home ports he added to his collection, filling it in where it was weak, and replacing, with clean specimens from the supplies of dealers, old mutilated copies with which he had been content in his original lot.

At the present time his collection contains about fifteen thousand varieties, many of them extremely scarce, and a large part of them unused, in "mint condition." They would probably bring over five thousand dollars if he wanted to sell them. But he wisely has no intention of doing so.

That a man who showed such constancy of purpose in the pursuit of a hobby should have had his eyes open to other opportunities in his profession besides stamp collecting was natural. At sea and on land he devoted his spare time to studying engineering, until eventually he was fitted to present himself before a naval board for examination. He passed and became a commissioned officer.

Today he holds the rank of assistant civil engineer, and is in line for promotion to the higher grades of service that the navy offers.--J. S. Allen.



There are certainly distinctions without a difference. In this country the authorities reprint certain stamps and we call them re-issues.

## The Teacher, "Experience," in Publishing a Stamp Paper



NOT long since a party who publishes one of the smaller of the philatelic papers wrote me that "it is no fun to publish even a small paper." It doesn't take long to find this out. The cost of issuing seems small but when not only this, but time, postage, etc., is taken into consideration, the aggregate is considerable. Dealers, who can as well as not patronize the smaller papers, turn them down without compunction, never considering the fact that it is the smaller papers and not the larger ones that are the real means of keeping growth in the ranks of recruits. We know what we are talking about in this matter as many years experience with this paper in its earlier years produced a small army of recruits and today there are many of the old collectors who can point their start in stamp collecting to the old Philatelic Tribune. We know too, in these later times, from actual experience, that some of the vaunted benefits that are to be derived from some "high toned" philatelic publications, is simply the thinnest kind of "hot air." We know also that the money we expended, though not a large sum, had it been placed in less pretentious and smaller papers, would have brought us at least twenty-five times as great returns. Before me is a letter from a dealer, who offered some excellent bargains at a price that should have moved them, in a certain large publication that claims a big circulation. He says not a single answer came. Moral: Give us little roosters at least half of half a chance and we know you will obtain good results.



## Pertinent



**A**LTHOUGH written a long time before postage stamps came into use, the following pertinent paragraph, ascribed to the famous Dr. Samuel Johnson, can be applied to stamps as well as any other branch of collecting:

“The pride and pleasure of making collections, if it be restrained by prudence and morality, produces a pleasing remission after more laborious studies--furnishes an amusement for that part of life (the greater part of many lives) which would otherwise be lost in idleness and vice; it produces a useful traffic between the industry of indigence and the curiosity of wealth; it brings many things to notice that would be neglected; and, by fixing the thoughts upon intellectual pleasures, maintains the mind in her lawful superiority.”



## Origin of “Britannia”



**B**RITANNIA, the emblematical figure of Gt. Britain, had its origin in a real personage, that of Frances Theresa Stuart, Duchess of Lenox, the most admired beauty of the court of Charles II. The portrait represents a tall woman with that beauty of figure and person that is characteristic of the paintings of Lely.

She leans upon the base of a pillar and has an aspect of utmost sweetness. Her luxuriant hair falls upon her fair white shoulders and her half-seen bosom. She is magnificently attired in purple while a profuse robe of green falling from her shoulders, is wrapped closely about her, and draws the purple garment nearer to her figure.

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## EDITORIAL NOTES

The other day a postal card brought us this request: "Send me catalogue, copy of Philatelic Tribune, ten stamps, etc. I want all I can get for nothing."

Without entering into varieties up to 1910, it is said that Gt. Britain has issued for that country and her colonies, stamps as follows: In Europe 210, in Asia 876, in Africa 1404, in America 818 and in Oceania 817, a grand total of 4,125.

The postoffice authorities supply stamps in rolls of 500 and 1,000. They are perforated and joined sideways.

There are towards six hundred different cities, provinces, states, countries, etc., that have issued postage stamps.

The collecting of philatelic literature is again gaining in popularity. Any stamp collector who has a good philatelic library possesses something much to be desired. Recently there have been several sales of philatelic libraries at large figures.

It was not until after the printing of his adv't in this issue that we learned of the death of Mr. W. P. Arnold, of Wakefield, R. I.

We lately had sent us the prospectus of a new magazine and among the things setting forth its many good points was the following, which struck us as being something at least original: "This magazine is devoted to the interest of original stories. Having an up-to-date stamp notes of new issues and its by-products."

Belgian postoffice authorities have sought to aid the sorting of letters by asking the public to use different colored envelopes. Red for those to Brussels, yellow for the provinces and green for those going abroad. This plan ought to work.

Does stamp collecting teach geography? Ask some of your friends to tell you the location of Aitutaki, Alwur, Brunei, Bundi, Bussahir, Charkari, Dhar, Duttia, Kishengarh, Niue, Mongtse, Packhoi, Vathy, Volksrust, Wolmaranstad, Yca, Zelaya, and after they inform you, there are a lot more that will furnish good hunting for their spare time.

In Stockholm, the Swedish philatelic headquarters has a club license and lunches a la carte and refreshments are served to visiting members and their friends.

This country uses about sixteen million postage stamps a day.

Three little heard of Associations amalgamated into the Central Philatelic Association. They were the Imperial, Central and American Junior. Don't hear much of the Central.

The portrait of the late Queen Victoria, which is found on the third issue bill stamps of Canada is the best portrait of her majesty ever used.

It is said that if the stamps that are printed for the American people were to be placed end to end they would circle the earth four times.

This country destroys all of her remainders. At the close of the Pan-American Exposition nearly a million dollars' worth of stamps were burned.

How many of our readers have the 2c carmine, 1890, with "cap" on right "2"? And why isn't this stamp given a price?

Young collectors wonder why stamps are with punched initials. It is to protect them from being stolen by employees.

The words "Escuelas" and "Instruccion" on several stamps of Venezuela literally mean "schools." In certain cases funds arising from sales of such stamps can be used for national school purposes.

It is deplorable, but there never was in the history of philately, so many thieves, substituters and dishonest collectors as now.

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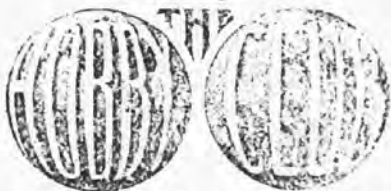
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### A New U. S. Set

**R**EPORTS have been current for some time that a new set of stamps consisting of eleven values is to be forthcoming in the near future and we think the report is correct as it came from Washington. Five values are to bear the head of Franklin and six that of Washington and the matter of color distinction is to receive attention. A new design 2c post card and a 10 cent registration stamp are also the promised things for the new year.



### Up Go Their Noses

**O**UR English cousins are turning up their noses at their new set and we don't know that we blame 'em a whole lot either for the stamps are not the best portrayals of King George that might be had. It is likely that they will be in use for some time anyway as it takes time to engrave a new set, and then, too, many millions are printed. In these days art counts with the people. Newfoundland believed it and judging from all reports has issued the handsomest set of late years.

### Philatelic Fairy Tale, No. 10



**T**HIS is a tale of a postage stamp that very few of us have in our collections, namely, the twelve pence of Canada. It is said that a certain Canadian gentleman who lived on the banks of the St. Lawrence River, was about to post a valuable package, which had been placed for safety in a small iron cash box. A man entered his room and endeavored to take the box from him. There was a struggle, the lamp was overturned, and the thief fled leaving him in an almost helpless condition. The owner of the box, with such strength as remained in him, threw it out of the window and into the river. The following day his body was found amid the charred ruins of the house. This all transpired in the year 1851. In 1892 this iron box was brought to light by a river dredge. In it on the postal package, was a perfect specimen of the twelve pence Canada stamp.



### Always Saying Nice Things



**N**O person in the whole field of philatelic journalism wields a more versatile pen than the editor of Redfield's, our good friend Quackenbush. He has had a "warm spot in his heart" for The P. T. from the days of its inception back in the '80's, and he always cordially welcomes it. He has just said, "Frank J. Stanton's clever little paper, 'The Philatelic Tribune,' is out once more. The July and August nos. are replete with bright and taking items that make the little sheet one of the most welcome in the whole category of stamp periodicals."

## Newfoundland's New Set



NEWFOUNDLAND'S new commemoration set can appropriately be termed a royal portrait gallery set. The stamps portray on the

- 1c Queen Mary
- 2c King George
- 3c Prince of Wales
- 4c Prince Albert
- 5c Princess Mary
- 6c Prince Henry
- 8c Prince George
- 9c Prince John
- 10c Queen Alexandra
- 12c Duke of Connaught
- 15c Arms of Newfoundland



## A Love That Lingers



WHEN a person once becomes interested in the collecting of stamps it is a very hard matter for him or her to break entirely away from the pursuit. There are many collectors who sell their collections and give up all apparent interest for years, but sooner or later, something or other occurs that tends to resurrect and rekindle their old love and they are at it again with a renewed and stronger interest and that satisfying delight in acquiring and adding a desired specimen, that grows with a collector's years, burns within them as of old. And there lingers the regret that they had ever retired.

## Our Uncle Samuel



AS we have no doubt said before, our Uncle Samuel does things on a big scale. He has recently had designed and constructed at a cost of eighteen thousand dollars each, two of the very largest and fastest printing presses in the world, and has installed them in his print shop in Washington. These are automatic cylinder presses printing from continuous rolls and are used for printing post cards only. The two are capable of turning out more than half a million post cards every hour or 4,400,000 in an eight-hour work day. A single roll of the postal card paper as it goes to these presses weighs about twelve hundred pounds.



## Skidoo



POOR old Simon, formerly of Hayti, is now languishing these early August days in Kingston, Jamaica. He had to eat the same kind of pie that he made his predecessor eat. It was of the "humble" kind. His own war ships fired him a parting "skidoo." Look for some new Haytien issues of stamps soon.



A distinguished guest of the United States in August was Admiral Togo of Japan and we have seen it stated that the Prince of Wales was soon to be shown American sights. No commemoratives heard of yet.

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Very much more is made of stamp collecting in the older countries than here. Whereas in this country it is looked upon more in the light of a pastime, there, it is pursued much more seriously and studiously.

The 18-pence Victoria 1889-91 issue has the honor of being the stamp on which is expressed the highest value in pence.

The government keeps a surplus stock of about seventy millions of post cards on hand. Did you know that the first post card was issued by Austria in 1869? It was the idea of Dr. Emanuel Hermann of Wien. The first double or reply card originated in 1872 in Germany. At one time many reply cards were used in this country.



King George exhibited his collection of the stamps of Nevis at the International Exhibition held at Berne, in Switzerland.

The word "Freimarke" on German stamps, "Frimharke" on Swedish, and "Frimaerke" on Danish and Norwegian, means "postage stamp." "Correio" on Portuguese and "Correos" on Spanish and other stamps means "postage."

In May, 1835, the United States commenced to watermark her postage stamps. This was brought about by the discovery that the 2c carmine, issued the year before, had been counterfeited. Prior to the year mentioned, none of our postage stamps had been watermarked, but many of our private proprietary stamps had.

Those red, blue and brown Army Franks that certain dealers have been selling, are the worst kind of trash and have no philatelic value whatever. The other day we noticed a lot being offered in an auction catalogue. Spool labels are just as valuable.

"U. S. A.," on a letter not only may mean "United States of America" but it may also mean "Union of South Africa."

Postal savings banks are being quite rapidly installed in the various smaller cities. At first there was but one to a state.

If a collector wishes to specialize we know of nothing nicer or more fascinating than the collecting of various shades in stamps.

It is said that A. M. Huntington bought a \$50,000 collection while abroad last year.

Our Postoffice Department has 59,580 buildings with that number of people in charge, and with 179,480 assistants and 41,152 men and horses for delivery in the rural districts.



## Parcels Post Stamps

**P**ARCELS posts are becoming more and more popular the world over and many countries have enjoyed their privileges for years. Until recently this country has not been alive on the subject and express companies have practically had things their own way. We have thought a list of the countries using parcels post stamps and inscriptions indicating same would be interesting, so here they are:

"Chemins de Fer," railways, on all the issues of Belgium.

"Colis Postaux," parcels post, stamps of Congo, Martinique, Ivory Coast, Persia and Tunis.

"C. P.," an abbreviation of the last, seen on some of the stamps of Ivory Coast.

"Fardos Postales," parcels post, on stamps of Salvador.

"Pacchi Postali," parcels post, on stamps of Italy.

"Porte de Conduccion," portorage for carrying that is charge for conveyance, on stamps of Peru.

"Taxa de Eactagi," charge for portorage, on stamps of Roumania.

"Sporwegen," railways, equivalent for "Chemins de Fer," and found on Belgian parcels post stamps issued since 1895.

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