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Detailed description: This is a rectangular library label with a double-line border. At the top, the word 'LIBRARY' is printed in a bold, sans-serif font. Below this, the label is divided into a central section and two vertical side sections. The left side section contains the word 'PHILATELICAL' written vertically. The right side section contains the words 'COLLECTED BY' written vertically. The central section features a circular seal with a ship on a sea, surrounded by the Latin phrase 'IN LITTE RARE WE STAND DIVIDE WE FALL'. Two bears are depicted on either side of the seal, appearing to hold it. Above the seal, the words 'SALVT' and 'LOUIS' are written in a stylized, arching font, with 'Number 11' and the handwritten number '110039' in between. Below the seal, a banner contains the Latin motto 'SALUS POPULI SUPREMA LEX ESTO'. At the bottom of the central section, the words 'POST OFFICE' are printed in a bold, sans-serif font. Finally, at the very bottom of the label, the name 'JOHN K. TIFFANY.' is printed in a bold, sans-serif font. Small decorative floral symbols are placed at the corners of the inner border.



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VOL. I.

CHICAGO, APRIL 15, 1873.

No. 1.

NEWLY ISSUED STAMPS.

ICELAND.

The Danish stamps have been the only stamps used in Iceland up till now, as it is a colony of Denmark. But now that island has stamps of its own issued in Copenhagen. They resemble the latest issue of Norway, having "ISLAND" above the numeral. Two official stamps are also in use. Their values and colors are as follows:

Regular.—2 skilling, blue; 4 skilling, rose; 8 skilling, brown; 16 skilling, yellow.

Official.—4 skilling, green; 8 skilling, violet.

THE COLLECTION OF REVENUE STAMPS.

BY J. M. JACKSON.

Many collectors turn up their noses at the thought of collecting revenue stamps; and yet there is as much, if not more, propriety in collecting revenue stamps, as there is in collecting postage stamps. In a variable article on "the benefits of stamp collecting," in a recent number of the *Stamp Advertiser*, it is said that "a postage stamp is a convenient form by which the Government taxes the people," and gives that as one of the chief reasons for collecting stamps—the idea evidently being that one would be induced to look up the system of taxation of every country by the interest

he felt in stamps. Now revenue stamps are much more a matter of taxation than postage stamps, because the revenue derived from postage stamps barely pays (and in the United States falls short of it by \$6,000,000 per year) the expenses of the postal department, while revenue stamps, in the United States at least, have proved to be one of the most lucrative sources of revenue. Some may say, if this is the case, Congress would have repealed some other tax than the stamp tax. But there was not so much chance for stealing in the stamp tax as in the other taxes, and so Congress preferred to leave the duties where they and their "bummers" could steal the most.

Many persons who will not collect revenue stamps, saying there are too many kinds of them, go wild over "locals," of which there are tens of thousands of kinds against about 2000 kinds of revenue stamps. Indeed, there are so many different kinds of locals that no one has ever attempted the hopeless task of preparing a catalogue of them.

In short, revenue stamps are inseparable from postage stamps, and every reason which can be urged for the collection of postage stamps can be urged with two-fold force for the collection of revenue stamps, while every reason which can be urged against the collection of revenue stamps can be given with two-fold force against the collection of postage stamps.

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ADVERTISEMENTS.—Five cents per line, \$1.50 per half column, and \$2.50 per column.

A rare cancelled foreign postage stamp will be given (gratis) with every number.

CHICAGO, March 29, 1873.

MR. EDITOR—*Dear Sir:* According to your request I give you the following "Reminiscences of the Stamp Trade." About three years ago I commenced collecting stamps. It was then thought a wonderful thing to get an Italian or a Swiss stamp, and a boy who had nothing but a Cape of Good Hope or a Straits Settlements stamp, thought he had enough, and that he did not need to collect any more. A 1d blue Queensland, now selling for 2c, sold for 15c, and I distinctly remember when an Italian stamp (now a drug in the market at 1c) was sold for 25c, and no one ever aspired to the tremendous honor of possessing an Egyptian stamp.

The fact is that then the fever was very high, because of the scarcity of stamps, and I am sure that the present dullness is caused by the great number of stamps in the market. Although stamps have gone down, yet the collector is no better off. For although a collection of 500 now costs no more than one of 100 then, yet as much pleasure was taken with the 100 collection then, as with the 500 one now. For I have noticed that the chief incentive to collecting is to beat others—to take the lead. I first collected

in the winter of 1869-70. The fever was then very high. But in 1870-71 it was low. I was in business then, in a small way. The entire stock, including our collections, of myself and another boy who was with me, was only 350, and yet our collections were considered large. I managed to keep it alive awhile, but it went down, and I was badly stamped. Nothing further was heard of stamps till the spring of 1872, when I managed to get it alive. At that time my collection was 348. Since then it has rapidly increased, till it now stands the second in all the neighborhood of Cottage Grove. In July I was agent for Wm. P. Brown, of New York. In August I gave up this agency to E. B. Tolman, now Vice-President International Stamp Co., and took agency for International Stamp Co. September was the best month for stamps for years. In that month I sold for \$20 and Tolman for \$50. Since then it has rapidly declined till now, when it is beginning to revive. Several large collections have been discontinued, but their place has been nearly supplied by numerous commencements of collections, which is a much more profitable business. I anticipate for next spring and summer the finest trade ever known in the United States. Winter used to be the best season for stamps—now it is summer.

I will, in conclusion, give you the extent and value of the four large collections of the Cottage Grove neighborhood:

Matt. B. Gray, 900, worth \$50; J. W. Jackson, 750, worth \$35; C. B. Tolman, 650, worth \$30; E. W. Clement, 550, worth \$30.

Very truly yours,

J. M. JACKSON,

President International Stamp Co

WHAT IS A STAMP COMPANY?

That is a question very difficult to answer in the city of Chicago, where new stamp companies make their appearance every day, when they have but a couple of hundred stamps on hand. They issue immediately a giant price list of their wholesale and retail prices, only for making collectors believe that it is a first-class company, with a stock not possible to be exhausted. But soon the collectors find out that it is only a humbug with those large lists, since in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred they get the answer that the company is very sorry not to be able to furnish the ordered stamps since the last quantity of *just that kind* was sold to a dealer the day before. That thing could of course happen to the best company, and would not show anything, if it was not the case ninety-nine times out of a hundred.

As soon as a stamp company of that kind is started, its first care is to send an article to the *Western Philatelist*, (when that paper was alive) or some other stamp journal of that stamp (the said journal getting well paid for said article of course) blackmailing all the other companies in the city, of which they (the new stamp *company so-called*) are afraid, and which can furnish their customers with stamps and not with words alone.

Their favorite way of spoiling (or trying to spoil) the reputation of other companies, is by telling that they chiefly deal in bogus stamps (see the last number of the *Western Philatelist's* long two months' existence, under the heading of "Forgeries,") where the said paper says that "the International Stamp Co., of Chicago," are dealers in bogus stamps, simply because that company's managers think that the

best way to keep up a stamp company is by low prices and quick sales, and are therefore able to sell stamps at much cheaper prices than any of the meteor stamp companies of the city, who, in their short existence, try to make as much money as possible by selling with five or six hundred per cent. profits.

What shows that their only intention, by acting this way, is to get other stamp companies which they are afraid of out of the market, is that they forget to mention in their paper that they themselves, or their secret agents, buy up collections of postage stamps, of which the greater part are bought of C. A. Lyford & Co., of Boston—that is, for instance, with Pierce & Co., agents for Beifield & Bell, publishers of the *Western Philatelist*.

By what is here told I will only advise stamp collectors to ignore what they find of that kind in stamp papers (with the exception of those published by large and reliable stamp companies) and they will be able to get up larger collections at much smaller expense.

I have been a collector myself for many years, and have been cheated out of a good deal of money by sending to such meteor stamp companies (for these stamp companies generally neglect to send back the money with their letter of apologies).

But in sending to the "International Stamp Co., of Chicago," I always have got my stamps, and not excuses, in return; and I always have found the stamps perfectly satisfactory. I therefore consider it my duty to inform stamp collectors, through the columns of this largely circulated journal, of the reason why articles such as that under the heading of "Forgeries," in the *Western Philatelist*, are given to the benefit (?) of stamp collectors. 8-7.

5,000
Danish Stamps

FOR SALE CHEAP!

THEY INCLUDE

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A Splendid offer for Dealers.

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Will furnish Stamp Collectors with genuine and cheap Stamps, in splendid condition.

Send stamp for circular. Agents wanted.

The International
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In the United States.

Agents wanted in all parts of
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Send three cent stamp for price
list.

J. M. JACKSON, President.

EDGAR B. TOLMAN, Vice Pres't.

37 University Place,

CHICAGO, ILL.

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CHICAGO, MAY 15, 1873.

No. 1.

COLLECTORS.

We wish to call your attention to this, the first number of the WESTERN STAMP COLLECTOR, published by the "Eagle Stamp Company" of Chicago.

We sent out an advertising number the 15th of April, and received a large circulation in the East and in Canada. We wish to introduce it among the collectors in *Chicago* and in the *West*. We intend to enlarge it and make it the leading stamp paper of the West.

We call on you, collectors. Subscribe, and the WESTERN STAMP COLLECTOR shall be a paper, the need of which is now greatly felt.

EAGLE STAMP COMPANY.

NEWLY ISSUED STAMPS.

BAVARIA.

An unstamped reply-paid card has been issued, with black inscription on green.

CHILI.

Shortly before the 15th of January, two more values of the new envelope series came in use, viz., the "10 centavos," on yellow-tinted, and the "15c.," on white paper, both full-sized envelopes; and on the same day the "5c.," note size, was issued, on yellow-tinted paper.

DANISH W. INDIES.

The "three cents carmine," having existed for thirteen years, has at length been joined by a second value, a "4c." ultramarine on white, perforated. The water-mark of the 3c. is repeated on the new stamp.

DANUBIAN STEAM NAVIGATION

Stamps have ceased to exist, because Messrs. T. B. Morton & Co. (by whom

they were issued, to be used on their steamers between the Black Sea, the Danube and Constantinople,) have withdrawn their line.

NEW FOUNDLAND.

We are informed that on the 1st of April, post cards and a new 3c. adhesive have made their appearance.

NORWAY.

A "2 skilling" envelope has been issued, impressed stamp (same as the adhesive) to right, and the same flap ornament (lion within a crowned shield) as on the "3 sk." envelope.

SPAIN.

A postage stamp has been issued by the Carlists. The designs are as follows: Large rectangle; imperforated, water-marked with a single-lined *fleur-de-lis*; full-faced portrait of Don Carlos in central pearled circle, resting on a knot of ribbon, on which is the word "PAZ" (peace); oak and olive branches on either side; diagonal rays in the upper spandrels. On a white frame, embossing the portrait, etc., are "CORREOS" at the sides; "FRANCO" below; "ESPANO UNIDA" above, separated by the arms of Spain. The impression is light mauve, portrait black. The letter "C" is at the end of the ribbon.

SWITZERLAND.

A new newspaper wrapper stamp has been in use since the 1st of February, 1873. It is struck in relief to the left, and a broad line in rose runs along the upper and lower edges of the wrapper. The impression is in rose, and the value "2 centimes." There is also a "5c." of the same color in use.

TURKEY.

The emission of a new series of stamps at Constantinople is, it appears, being discussed, the stock of the existing type being almost exhausted, and the supply of envelopes having already disappeared completely.

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HERM. WINSLOW Branch M'gr,
853 Degraw St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
J. B. MILLS, Gen'l Ag't for Canada,
U. C. College, Toronto, Canada.

REVENUE STAMPS.

We have just received a choice variety of genuine California revenue stamps, and offer them for sale at cheap prices. They are ready for inspection, at our office, 130 North Clark street, from 6 to 8 P. M.

EAGLE STAMP CO.

HAMBURG LOCAL STAMPS.

Genuine Hamburg local stamps are among the very hardest local stamps to procure, and still you will find, in a great many price lists of stamps, "116 Hamburg local stamps for 25 cents," or sometimes still cheaper, which plainly shows that those dealers sell bogus Hamburg locals. Some dealers sell them at higher prices, and think that they then will be more likely taken for genuine; but in nearly all cases, they are the same kind of stamps, and manufactured by counterfeiters in Germany. We expect, in a few months, to have some few genuine of them on hand, and will then get "116 Hamburg locals for 25 cents," for showing our customers the difference between genuine and counterfeit.

B——, April 29, 1873.

To the Editors Western Stamp Collector:

GENTLEMEN: I received the first copy of your paper, and am completely satisfied with its contents, only I wished to have seen some more about newly-issued stamps, and stamp dealers' advertisements.

I have got a collection of about 850 genuine stamps, and am collecting with more pleasure now than when I commenced. I am especially trying to get Spanish stamps, as they give us a large variety of both rare and common. I think, and so do many other collectors, that a good assortment of Spanish stamps is the best part of a collection. If you have got some rare kinds, please give me the description of them. I have, at the present, twenty-seven very good from Spain and nine from Cuba. I am willing to pay as high as fifteen cents apiece; dearer you need not send me.

Hoping soon to see a new price list from the "Eagle Stamp Company," I remain,

Your friend,

P. W. B.

LOOK OUT.

As an example how easy beginners of stamp-collecting can be swindled, we will hereby describe one of the best made counterfeits and its differences from the genuine, which is only possible to find out by close examination and by long study of philately.

The stamp is one of the "Philippine Isles," 10 quartos, 1854-55. The points of difference are as follows:

GENUINE.	COUNTERFEIT.
55, upright.	55, sloping.
43½ pearls, round and pretty regular.	40 pearls, imperfect and very irregular.
Lines of shading, thick.	Lines thinner.
Crown of head left white.	Head filled with lines.
Coronet, irregular.	Coronet, regular.
Intense red.	Dull lake.

AMERICAN REVENUE STAMPS are on hand in large variety, and values from 1 cent to \$50, including some very rare specimens from the years of the war. Parties in want of them can apply to

EAGLE STAMP CO.,
130 N. Clark St., Chicago.

THE NEW DISCOVERER.

[From the Stamp Advertiser, published by G. C. Ledyard, Jr., 718 Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill.]

"MAURATIS."

"Two new envelope stamps have been issued. The values and colors are: Ten pence, maroon; one and eight pence, blue."

Who discovered *Mauratis*?

Probably "Columbus, Jr."

Is he a family of the famous Christopher Columbus?

Who can contradict that this world is a world full of wonders? New planets, sewing machines, countries, or may be whole worlds (nobody can tell) are discovered and patent taken on immediately.

Who knows in what part of the world "Mauratis" is to be found?

Who will not in vain, like we, study all geographies, dictionaries, cyclopædias and "Edwards' City Directory," and still not find it?

Who don't suppose it to be a newly civilized country, either in the middle of the Sahara, in the moon, or at 718 Michigan avenue?

Who knows about the inhabitants— if they are white, black, red or yellow?

Who don't think it to be a splendid contribution to Appleton's Cyclopædia?

Who has informed G. C. Ledyard, Jr., 718 Michigan avenue, Chicago, Ill., about that startling fact, that wonder over all wonders in the last century?

Who won't be greatly obliged if G. C. Ledyard, Jr., 718 Michigan avenue, Chicago, Ill., in the next number of his paper, will inform his subscribers about that enormous discovery—a still not known country, civilized to that extent that it already issues stamps?

Who is the famous discoverer?

EDS. WESTERN STAMP COLLECTOR,
130 N. Clark St., Chicago.

WE would call the attention of our readers to the advertisement, on our fourth page, of E. D. Barton, 220 East Kinzie street, Chicago, manufacturer of the Corner Clock and Bracket.

HOW I BECAME A STAMP COLLECTOR.

BY X.

About fifteen years ago, I was a boy of six, and had just begun school. I then, of course, did not take any interest in matters like collecting stamps or coins. The only coins I then collected were one-cent pieces, and my collection never got larger than to the sufficient amount for buying cakes or candy, and when I saw a postage stamp, my first idea would be to tear it up.

One day my father had received a letter from France, and I picked up the envelope and had just torn the stamp in half when a friend of mine, about three years older than I, ran up and grabbed the pieces. I was curious to see what he wanted to do with them, and therefore followed him home, where I saw him very carefully paste the broken stamps together, and then stick them in a book, where he already had several other stamps, but most of them were common three cent stamps.

I went home and began ransacking my father's paper-basket, and was very glad to find several stamps, which I pasted in a book, most of them crooked and upside down, to be sure, but by practising this for a while, I soon learned how to put them in straight, and right side up.

A couple of years later, I had a collection of about fifty varieties. The duplicates I soon learned to sell or trade with. But my collection was in want of scarce and obsolete stamps, until one day my father presented me with a little stamp album containing a stamp dealers' directory, and from that day all my spare money was spent in obtaining foreign postage stamps.

In 1864 I went with my parents to Europe, and on that trip my collection was greatly enlarged by my buying a set of all the stamps in use there. Besides, I got some very valuable additions to my collection, among which were the double 10 cent. green, from Switzerland, and a couple of Russian local stamps.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

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130 North Clark Street,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS,

Will furnish stamp collectors with genuine and cheap Stamps, in splendid condition.

Send always stamp for return postage, except orders over 50 cents.

All remittances over \$2.00 should be made in Post Office Money Order, payable to Fr. Hansen, Secretary.

AGENTS WANTED.

We supply all our agents with between \$5.00 and \$10.00 worth of stamps, change those every week, and give twenty per cent. discount.

Apply: EAGLE STAMP COMPANY,
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HERM. WINSLOW, Branch M'gr,
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DEALERS' DIRECTORY.

EAGLE STAMP CO.,
130 North Clark St., Chicago.
(WESTERN STAMP COLLECTOR.)

D. A. K. ANDRUS,
P. O. Box 733, Rockford, Ill.
(Curiosity Hunter—\$1 per annum.)

L. W. DURBIN,
106 S. Tenth St., Philadelphia.

A. A. FELLOWS,
P. O. Box 492, Iowa City, Iowa.

KERR & ABELL,
903 Battery St., San Francisco, Cal.

J. W. SCOTT & CO.,
75 and 77 Nassau St., New York City.
(The American Journal of Philately.)

CHICAGO COLLECTORS.

Our Stamps can be inspected and bought of the following agents in this city:

J. M. JACKSON, Gen'l Agent, 37 University place.

W. C. ASHTON, 288 Ohio street.

WM. V. R. GRIFFIN, 124 North Dearborn street.

CHAS. R. HUNTINGTON, Jr., Oakland school.

E. B. & J. A. JENNINGS, 1216 Indiana Ave.

GEO. KING, 22 Waupansseh, and Cottage Grove school.

HENRY KING, 125 Rush street.

GEO. SILVEY, Douglas school.

H. SCHMIDT, 218 North State street.

F. SUNDELL, Lincoln school.

E. B. TOLMAN, 21 University place and Cottage Grove school.

STAMP COLLECTORS

Send a 3 cent stamp to L. W. DURBIN, importer of Foreign Postage Stamps, No. 106 South Tenth Street, PHILADELPHIA, PA., for Monthly Price List and List of Packets and Albums.

EAGLE STAMP CO.

M. CHRISTENSEN, Pres't, 125 Front St., New York City.

FR. HANSEN, Sec'y and Treas.,
130 N. Clark St., Chicago, Ill.

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Packet No. 1—25 different varieties, 15 cents.

" No. 2—50 " " 25 "

" No. 3—100 " " 60 "

" No. 4—200 " " \$1.50

FOR PRICE LIST,

APPLY TO

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(Patented Dec. 24, 1872.)

A first-class Time-Keeper in a carved black walnut case, furnishing the combined advantages of beauty, economy and usefulness. It hangs in the corner, dispenses with the use of a shelf, is firm in its place, and can be seen with ease from any part of the room.

Send for price list to

E. D. BARTON,

MANUFACTURER,

220 EAST KINZIE ST., CHICAGO, ILL.

THE Western Stamp Collector

VOL. I. CHICAGO AND NEW YORK, JUNE 15, 1873. No. 2.

CHANGE.

We have changed the name of the "Eagle Stamp Co. of Chicago" to the "Eagle Stamp Co. of Chicago and New York."

NEWLY ISSUED STAMPS.

GERMAN EMPIRE.

Post-cards, with stamps impressed, have at last been issued by the German authorities. Values, $\frac{1}{2}$ groschen and 2 kreuzer, brown. The designs of both are exactly the same, the value only being changed. We have received some few envelopes, values $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$ gr., and 1 kreuzer. Colors same as adhesives, but printed on numberless varieties of colors.

GUATEMALA.

It will be remembered that on the first appearance of the one peso green and its companion stamps, in 1869, they were condemned as spurious. Specimens are now coming over on letters; but it is supposed that their postal employment is accidental or temporary, and that they are in reality revenue stamps. The one peso *yellow*, recently mentioned, has been ascertained by M. Moens to bear the same arms (black scroll, etc.) as the four reals *mauve*.

LUXEMBOURG.

New unstamped yellow, red and solferino colored post-cards, with German inscription, printed in black, have made their appearance, and similar cards, with French inscriptions, are to be issued, the whole to be finally followed by cards bearing impressed 5 c. stamps. The unstamped cards just out are of both kinds, single and reply-paid. By an official notice, it appears

that rural letter carriers, when delivering a reply-paid card, may wait for a period not exceeding five minutes for the reply.

We have just received the 20 c., printed in a dark greyish brown, a shade which contrasts strongly with the former warm reddish brown of this stamp.

HOW I BECAME A STAMP COLLECTOR.

BY X.

(CONTINUED.)

The 10 cent. green, from Geneva, Switzerland, I got in a curious way.

One day, as I was going down to the city from the hotel, which was outside, where my parents boarded, I saw a curiosity shop, which I entered to get some new varieties of stamps for my collection, and found, to my great pleasure, that I could get an old album containing some old and rare specimens for the cheap price of three francs. I bought it immediately, and went home satisfied with my work; but when I came to look over my collection, I found that I had more of the stamps in my album already than I believed when I bought the book. This taught me to look better to my stamps, and remember what I had and what I lacked.

I thought first of returning the whole, but, as the storekeeper probably would not take it back, I decided to take out the stamps and trade them when I came home to America. When I removed the Switzerland stamps, I was agreeably surprised at finding the double 10 cent under a more common Switzerland, which plainly showed me that the former owner of the book had not appreciated the worth of the stamp.

That stamp made up for the loss on the rest, and I was glad that I had not tried to return the book.

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U. C. College, Toronto, Canada.

THE well-known firm of "Beifeld & Bell" has lately changed its name to Jos. Beifeld, P. O. box 384, Chicago, Ill. We suppose that Mr. Jos. Beifeld bought out his partner and now is owner of a large and first-class stamp business.

TURKEY.

COUNTERFEITS FROM TURKEY.

With this number of the WESTERN STAMP COLLECTOR we have the pleasure of giving a specimen of a fac-simile of the worst kind. But as the stamps are quite rare, young collectors should be careful that they are not cheated in buying. Said specimen is printed on rice paper when it is genuine, but in this case it is only tissue paper, oiled or varnished, and the printing of it is miserable. We have only seen a few genuine specimens of this issue of stamps, and having none on hand we are not able to give a distinct description. The counterfeit, however, is badly made in every respect, the smell of it alone is able to make a stamp collector aware of the fact that it is counterfeit.

We have heard a little anecdote about that same stamp, plainly show-

ing the benefit counterfeit dealers have in selling stamps to beginners.

A boy had bought from an eastern forger a set of that same issue of Turkey and proudly showed it to his schoolmates, who all admired their beauty except one, who glanced at them with a suspicious look, and at last declared them counterfeits. The owner answered him, indignantly, that he only said so because he did not have the stamps himself, and holding them under the nose of the offender, he said, "Just smell them, and you will find out that they aint bogus."

When we heard the story we could not help thinking of the smart boy in Boston, whose father had sent him to buy a sheet of 3-cent stamps, and who, on his way home, licked off all the gum on the back of the stamps because it tasted sweet, and who never since that day got cheated with a bogus 3-cent stamp. He only tasted them, and as it is a fact that the gum on counterfeit stamps never is the same as on the genuine, the taste of that sometimes is a mark to find a bogus.

Of your five senses the four can help your collection, as you, by hearing somebody tell it to you, lose the pleasure of finding out yourself, and therefore we don't reckon the hearing as a helper in that respect.

COUNTERFEIT AND SWINDLE.

C. A. LYFORD, BOSTON.

We warn all our subscribers and all stamp collectors of one of the worst kind of swindlers in the country.

C. A. Lyford, 20 State street, Boston, is a well-known bogus stamp dealer in the East. One of our customers bought some sets of him some time ago, and came to us and asked us if they were bogus, as he did not like the looks of them. We declared them to be bogus, and wrote to C. A. Lyford and asked him to return the money, sending him one of the nice looking specimens sold. His answer was what we expected—a rude and insulting letter.

He said he had an agent here in Chicago, but we doubt this seriously. If, however, there be such an agent here we shall be able to give his name in the next number of our paper.

And we warn all collectors and all our subscribers to buy no stamps of him unless they desire to be swindled, for he is alleged to perpetrate the most glaring frauds and to be the most brazen swindler in the trade.

A more extended statement of the facts may be obtained by calling at or writing to Fr. Hansen, Sec'y Eagle Stamp Company of Chicago and New York, 220 Kinzie St., Chicago.

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For the Benefit of G. C. Ledyard, Jr.

QUESTION AND ANSWER.

*The Western Stamp Collector
and The Stamp Advertiser:*

In our April number we asked G. C. Ledyard, Jr., 718 Michigan Avenue, Chicago, as follows:

Who discovered "Mauratis?"

(So he named a country in the Stamp Advertiser, published by him May the 15th.)

His answer in his June number is:

"We are very much obliged to the Eagle Stamp Company for the column advertisement that they gave us in the last issue of their paper.

"As we have received no bill, we suppose it was gratis. We should like to see the Hamburg locals they are expecting, if they are any different than those sold by L. A. Taylor, of Boston."

How is that for high?

Such an answer on such a question we only could expect from an inmate of a lunatic asylum, but as G. C. Ledyard, 718 Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Ill., probably overlooked our one-column large question, we are obliged to await answer in his next number and ask again:

Who discovered "Mauratis?"

Where is "Mauratis?"

If we should not get an answer in his next number we shall probably ourselves be able to answer this question.

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Jamaica.....	3
Lubeck.....	3
New South Wales.....	5
New Zealand.....	3
Norway.....	7
Prince Edward's Island.....	4
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CHICAGO, SEPTEMBER 1, 1873.

No. 3.

SANDWICH ISLAND
POSTAGE STAMP,
Presented with the
September number of
WESTERN STAMP
COLLECTOR.

A CHANGE in the Company's management took place on the 15th of July, as follows: Mr. CHRISTENSEN retires, and is succeeded by C. H. HOBART. FR. WINSLOW retires, and is succeeded by MASON STARRING. H. WINSLOW retires, and the Brooklyn office is closed. F. H. BORRADAILLE succeeds J. B. MILLS in the General Agency at Toronto. J. M. JACKSON also takes a share in the management as Assistant Secretary. The name has been changed by dropping New York. The capital and facilities of the Company have also been enlarged. They are better prepared for business than ever.

NEWLY ISSUED STAMPS.

ANTIGUA.—The penny is now printed in an effective deep red, with cc. and crown watermark. The gum is much thinner than on preceding issues; probably a different composition has been adopted, to prevent that deterioration and change of color to which the Antigua penny are so peculiarly liable.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.—*The American Journal of Philately* states that the set of Argentine stamps is to be completed by the addition of the three following values—30 c., 60 c. and 90 c.

CEYLON.—The 4 cent envelope, originally of a dull, greyish blue, is now printed bright blue.

FINLAND.—A new post-card for this country is announced.

FRANCE.—We have just received a buff-colored 10 centime post-card, somewhat larger than the preceding emissions, with the same ornamental border as the first edition, and the inscription **PRIX: 10 CENTIMES** in the center. The figures 10 are in thick type, at least the eighth of an inch high. The adhesive stamp is the new 10 c. On the back, running along the top, are four advertisements in as many compartments, and one of the advertisements appropriately consists of the description of a Guide to Phonetic Stenography, for the use of post-card writers who wish to keep their communications secret. This card, we presume, to be the one of which we quoted a description from *Le Petit Journal* some time since. We observe that the system of advertising on the back of post-cards has been patented by the "inventor," and that the card before us is one of the 1001st series.

HELIGOLAND.—We have received official intelligence from the island that two new adhesive stamps, value, respectively, $\frac{1}{4}$ sch. and $\frac{3}{4}$ sch., are expected to make their appearance very shortly, and that they will be accompanied by new post-cards. We are promised full details at an early day.

JAPAN.—From *Le Timbre Poste* we learn that a 4 sen rose has been issued, of which the design resembles that of the current 2 sen.

NATAL.—The shilling has just come over in a new color—a kind of reddish violet, with the surcharge, **POSTAGE**, in in Roman capitals crossing the stamp from bottom to top.

NEW GRANADA.—The new one cent adhesive exists in two shades of rose, pale and bright, and the unpaid letter stamp, $2\frac{1}{2}$ c., is no longer violet, but *pensee*.

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We send with this number a counterfeit of a Dutch East Indies stamp. This stamp was manufactured at Hamburg, and is one of the most dangerous counterfeits that the collector has to deal

with, as it is so finely done as to require a very experienced eye to detect it. It is extensively sold by the well known Eastern forgers.

The difference between that and the genuine stamp is:

GENUINE.

Letters and print plain. Shade on face very finely executed.

Mark at the eye. Portrait looking young. Ground of even lines.

COUNTERFEIT.

The same not plain. The same done very rough. Missing.

Looking old and bald-headed. Very poor lines.

The top picture at sides altogether different. No water-mark on either.

The only way for the collector to avoid such counterfeit is by carefully reading such well informed journals as the WESTERN STAMP COLLECTOR.

"CAUTION.—All dealers in and collectors of foreign postage stamps are hereby warned against buying or selling stamps, or transacting any busi-

ness of whatever nature with a company of swindlers resident at Summer-side, P. E. I., and trading under name of 'Prince Edward Island Stamp Co.' the same being but a gang of impudent scoundrels and consummate knaves."

This is what the Secretary of the Foreign Stamp Depot of St. John writes us. Beware, collectors!

WHAT AN OLD STAMP COLLECTOR THINKS ABOUT COLLECTING COUNTERFEITS.

I have read, in your last number, the article against C. A. Lyford, Boston, and of course I, as well as every collector reading your paper, am obliged to you for your article against one of the most noted swindlers in the stamp business.

I have myself about 250 well executed counterfeits, which I bought, well knowing what they were, but it was only to fill out in my collection places which I could not fill with genuine specimens without large expenses.

I have a large collection of genuine stamps, but I would not take out the counterfeits before I got the same stamps genuine, as they not only show how the stamps look, but give a comparison between counterfeit and genuine, since these are stamps so seldom seen and so well counterfeited, that you probably would get cheated out of a much larger sum in buying them from a so-called genuine dealer, than by buying them from a dealer known to deal in bogus stamps.

I call C. A. Lyford a swindler, and that he is, because he sells counterfeit stamps for genuine, but for a very low price; but I don't reckon the sale of counterfeit stamps less honest than the sale of genuine, when they are sold as such. Many a collector would rather spend 15 or 20 cents in a whole set of bogus rare stamps than pay 50 cents for a single genuine of same kind. I therefore think that when our counterfeit dealers will advertise; "A. B. & Co., dealers in *fac-similes* of rare stamps, at one-fifth of the price of the genuine, many of

which are not obtainable at any price," then they would do just as much business, and their trade would not be of that kind that they could be pointed out as swindlers by every stamp collector. If they would act in this manner, I would advise stamp collectors to buy specimens of bogus stamps to fill out the places for stamps which cannot now be bought at any price. 8-7.

EXCHANGES.

Our Enterprise is not excelled by any of our exchanges. We especially recommend this paper.

Exeter Gazette is good for its size. We judge it to be printed on a \$5 press.

Virginia Gazette is very interesting, but we recommend better arrangement.

Crescent City Amateur is good, but a little too much of the style of a ten-cent novel.

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