



Brawford 2095

The Philatelic World

Vol. 1. No. 1.

Minneapolis, Minn. November 5, 1902

Weekly

The Early Minneapolis Stamp Papers.

John K. Tiffany.

(Extracted from an unpublished letter from the first and greatest of American philatelic literature collectors.)

I have in my library a copy of the Stamp Collectors' Review, the first, so far as known, published stamp paper in Minnesota. It is a four-page little paper, 4¼x5½ inches, dated January, 1874, and issued by Frank C. Lawrence, of Minneapolis. No second number appeared as far as is known. I have also some of the first numbers of the North Star Philatelist, a paper which is a burden because I have never been able to complete the file and in fact never to hear of any one who had any of the numbers I have not. I have, in Vol. I, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 12; none of Vol. II, and then some of Vol. III.

Nos. 1 and 2, January and February, 1884, are 5x7 inches, published by the North Star Philatelist Company, No. 108 South Seventh street, Minneapolis. The ad of Achard & Richardson, P. O. Box 303, appears in very large type twice in each.

No. 3, same publishers, contains also an ad of G. W. Achard, P. O. Box 303, and the last page a page advertisement of the paper with "For further particulars apply to the publication office, P. O. Box 303." Whether this indicates that Richardson was out of it might be assumed. No. 10 appeared with G. W. Achard, editor and proprietor.

I am somewhat suspicious of the story that the others of Vol. I were burned up. I think Vol. II was published under another name and is an amateur paper.

With the Auction Catalogues.

A. E. Richards.

Drew's.

Another fine offering is the Scott catalogue's number twenty-four of Turks Island, on a portion of the original cover, a stamp not priced now, I believe, by any list, but which Stanley Gibbons quoted at \$60.00 a few years ago. Two unlisted stamps—in Porto Rico; one, one cent claret with Habilidadado surcharge and two cent with Impuesto de Guerra surcharge, each doubly surcharged, are also offered.

Brown's.

Three New Brunswick shillings, three New Foundland shillings and two Nova Scotia shillings form an octette which are not frequently met with, but Brown's eight sale contains such an array. A pair of the six cent 1857 envelopes, one on white and the other on buff, are also offered as well as a full gummed entire sheet of Providence locals, a ten cent St. Louis on greenish paper, and an imperforate first issue twenty-four cent stamp.

Chicago.

In the Chicago sale of Nov. 1 there are offered in Turkish newspaper stamps the twenty paras and one piastre of the 1891 issue, with red surcharge; the ten paras, twenty paras, one piastre, and two piastres of the same issue, with blue surcharge; the same set with black surcharge, and the ten paras, twenty paras, one piastre, two piastre, and five piastres of 1892 issue, all with

inverted surcharge. None of these are listed in the Scott catalogue. A specimen of the half-penny surcharge of the one-penny gray, 1891 issue of New South Wales, with enny missing, is also offered and is likewise uncatalogued. Another unlisted stamp offered is the one Kreutzer Baden, issue of 1861, perforated 11½. A pair of Gaudeloupe with an n in place of the first u is also offered—one cent and five, 1891, issue, of which no mention is found in the standard catalogue.

Uncatalogued Turkey must be popular in Chicago this year as seven pieces of this country, not listed, are included in the Wolsieffer sale of Nov. 15th. The specimens are all imperforates and are in unsevered pairs with but one exception. They are the two piastres of 1869, the five para of 1886, the two piastres, five piastres, and twenty-five piastres of the same issue, and the twenty-five piastres. A tete-beche pair of the 1892 piastres is also offered. Several specimens of Mexicans of 1872 issue on Maltese cross watermarked paper are offered. Meekel listed these in both his 1894 and 1895 catalogues, but I believe the Scott Company never did.

A complete sheet of one hundred three cent 1861 stamps, with plate No. 37 is offered, and an interesting double rouletted half cent gray documentary. In the great rarities are used specimens of the Knoxville five cent envelope and one of the much disputed about issue of inverted four cent Pan-American surcharged specimens are the most notable.



Chicago Society Exhibits.

The Chicago Society on Oct. 16 held an exhibit of the Swiss and

Cantonal stamps and propose during the season to hold further exhibitions as follows: On Nov. 20, Turkey; Dec. 18, Portugal and colonies; Jan. 15, Norway and Sweden; Feb. 16, United States, and March 16, one hundred stamps from as many different countries. All exhibits are competitive. For the first two, as well as the one already held, Mr. Carl Willards, of Pforzheim, Germany, donates a first prize of silver cups, and the society a bronze medal as second; in the fourth the society a gold medal and the Boston society a silver one. The society gives a gold silver medal in the fifth and Mr. Wm. F. Gurley a gold one in the last, and the society a silver one. Adhesives only are to be shown, except in the case of are included. In the last exhibit the following specifications will be observed in making awards:

United States, where cut envelopes

At least 85 stamps to be unused and not more than 15 used.

At least 20 stamps to be imperforate and not more than 80 perforated.

None to be surcharged.

All to be of regular issue, and no minor varieties.

Errors of color or printing may be entered into competition, provided such errors are generally recognized to be legitimate.

No stamps to be considered that are not specifically listed in either Stanley Gibbon, Senf's, or Scott's catalogues, and no imperforate stamps where such imperforation is due to error, and the regular stamp is perforated or rouletted.

All stamps exhibited to be of issue in use before January 1st, 1898.

Pairs, blocks and strips to count only as one.

If any stamps exhibited should be found to be counterfeit or mended, the presence of such stamps will not exclude the collection from competition, the judges, however, considering the value of the exhibit after excluding such stamps as may be unsatisfactory.

Only members, either active or passive, can compete. The exhibitions will be in charge of a committee consisting of F. J. Lefevre, Irving Dickinson and F. N. Massoth.



Annual Report Fourth Assistant Postmaster General.

Washington, Oct. 29.—A total of 2,370 presidential postmasters were appointed last year, according to the annual report of J. Bristow, fourth assistant postmaster general, issued today.

This is the largest number appointed in any one year in the history of the postal service. The increase was due mainly to the expiration of commissions during the year and the advance of many fourth class offices to the presidential grade. The total number of appointments of postmasters of all classes was 16,970, an increase of 1,313. There was a slight increase in the number of removals of postmasters "for cause," as a result of a more strict discipline for carelessness and irregularities.

There were 3,038 postoffices established and 4,059 discontinued, the latter attributable mostly to the extension of the rural free delivery service and the consolidation of postoffices adjacent to large presidential offices. The number of postoffices in the United States June 30 was 75,924, of which 220 were first class, 1,023 second class, 3,488 third class, and 71,193 fourth class.

The report shows that burglaries of postoffices and the robberies of mail boxes are on the increase. Arrests and convictions for all offenses have materially increased. There were 1,746 robberies of postoffices, 11 robberies of mail trains, 16 of mail messengers, star route carriers and wagons, and 465 letter boxes.

Of the total of 1,721 persons arrested for violating postal laws, 304 were connected with the postal service, including 112 postmasters.

The administration of postal affairs in Cuba is commended as economical and efficient. The total revenues of the service in Cuba, from the beginning of the last fiscal year to May 19, when the island was turned over to the Cuban government, were \$335,916 and the expenditures \$372,574. Compared with the previous fiscal year the revenues increased about \$12,000, and the expenditures decreased over \$30,000, the decrease in the deficit being over 50 per cent.

Mr. Bristow renews his recommendations that a law be enacted requiring assistant postmasters, cashiers and other employes to give bonds to postmasters direct and that postmasters be held responsible under their own bonds for all acts and defaults at their offices. An appropriation is asked for the construction of "lookouts" for inspectors' use in postoffices whenever needed in the opinion of the postmaster general.

An amendment of the interstate commerce law is urged to prohibit telegraph and express companies or their employes from aiding in the green goods or lottery swindles or such swindles carried on partly by mail and partly by common carriers.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City, and Foreign Countries..... 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, *Benson, Minn.,*
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20, North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

Mr. J. A. Ringness is authority for the statement that at least one if not more of the values of the due stamps have been precancelled.

The splendid match and medicine stamp of Geo. L. Toppan, ex-president of the American Philatelic Association, will be sold at auction in January.

The counterfeit collection of the Birmingham, Eng., Philatelic Society numbers nearly 1,700 specimens and is extremely valuable for comparison purposes.

Mr. E. R. Wood, whom those present at the Minnetonka meets in 1896 remember as one of the most genial spirits there, has disposed of his collection, it being a part of the offerings of Drew's ninety-ninth sale.

The past week saw a new time record established on Trans-Pacific mail, the Korea, the Pacific Mail Company's new steamer, having made the trip from Yokohama to San Francisco in ten days.

We acknowledge the receipt of catalogue No. 16 of the Gould Stamp

Works, 5001 Washington Ave., Chicago, Ill. Any one needing rubber stamps will do well to remember the address.

The Marks Stamp Company, of Toronto, new wholesale catalogue No. 25 consists of 36 pages and is replete with bargains for the dealer in packets, sets and single stamp lots.

We also acknowledge the receipt of the check and price list of the Private Property stamps, sent out by P. G. Beals, of Boston. A most handy vest pocket list for collectors of this class of stamps.

A correspondent who will send the news from each of the larger cities is desired. News items from any point thankfully received and the editor would be pleased at any time to have manuscript of any philatelic nature submitted.

The World extends its congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Stewart, of Toledo, O., on the arrival of a twelve-pound heir on Oct. 26, and hopes that Master Albert Gordon will become as shining a philatelic light in the future as his sire before him.

A circular is at hand announcing the organization of the Club Norte Philatelico at Para. The officers are: President, M. Remijio de Belido; vice president, M. Dr. Victor Maria da Silva; treasurer, M. Jose Fernandes Antunes; secretaries, M. Gastao Gracie and M. Fausto Valente.

With the surrender of General Uribe-Uribe, the insurgent leader at Rio Frio, on Oct. 29, the backbone of the Columbian revolution is broken. Pacification is now complete in the departments of Mag-

delena and Bolivar and the revolutionists now have forces in the isthmus only.

A writer in the Youth's Realm advises the young collector in the cities to visit the offices of the foreign consuls and they will be rewarded with finds of stamps. If the youths in any great number follow the advice and the consuls find out why they come, we fear that the prayers of the foreign representatives will not be for the writer in question.

At the Pacific Philatelic Society's great exhibition at San Francisco, A. H. Weber captured seventeen awards, while H. J. Crocker came second with thirteen, making a total of thirty out of the seventy awards, which, with the classes where there were no entries practically make half of the honors captured by the fine displays of these two gentlemen.

Will collectors who were preparing to add a new page to United States colonials in the shape of the issues of the Danish West Indies continue to keep their holdings or will they be ready to pass along to those who collect the Danish stamps as Danish, may be a question now to be settled by those who confidently expect to see annexation of these "gems of the Antilles." The Folksthing, the lower legislative house of Denmark, declared in favor of the transfer, and it is supposed a favorable majority existed in the Lands-thing or upper house, but by some method or other several members suddenly had change of heart and voted against the treaty when it recently came up for consideration, and by a vote of 32 for to 32 against it was rejected. The influence of the members of the royal family, especially of Prince Waldemere, whom

it is reported will be appointed governor of the island, is said to have been the lever used.



Minneapolis Stamp Club.

OFFICERS 1902.

President, R. C. Osborne.
Vice president, A. Edsten.
Secretary, J. L. Mayer.
Treasurer, C. Whitely.
Librarian, Fred Wirth.

The twenty-second regular meeting, held Monday evening, Oct. 20, at 206 3rd St. N. Members present: Bosin, Converse, Jensen, Jones, Mayer, Megson, Mickles, Pettibone, Ringness, Stebbins and Whitely. Little except routine business was transacted, when, after a short recess, an early adjournment was had and members in a body proceeded to visit B. L. Drew, of Boston, at the West Hotel and examine the rarities he had with him. The next meeting will be held at 612 Masonic Temple, on the evening of Nov. 7th.

A collection of 3,000 stamps for sale in packets of 30 varieties each. Catalogue value 75c. My price

TWENTY-FIVE CENTS

J. A. RINGNESS, 527 Irving Ave. N.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00
Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. 36 page list of stamps and coins free.

Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete, 10c unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.

36 John Street, :: New York City.

With our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges, and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

Robinson's Review.

The Man on the Street forms the most interesting page in Robinson's Review for October. It also contains the announcement of its selection as official organ of the Philatelic Sons of America.

Omaha Philatelist.

The Omaha Philatelist, in its red jacket for September-October reprints an interesting article from the Perforator and has the usual quota of editorial matter and its advertising pages denote prosperity.

Mekeel's Collector.

In Mekeel's Stamp Collector for Oct. 20 appears the following: "Warning is issued against the labels of the Macedonian Revolutionary Committee, which appear to have been masquerading as stamps in some quarters. The type is said to show a chained female figure (Macedonia) about to be released by a Bulgarian "lion."

There are four values, 10, 20, 50 stotinki and 1 leva. They have no postal significance whatever, in fact, it has not been made altogether clear how they are being used. The review department, so ably conducted by L. G. Quackenbush, occupies the greater portion of this number.

The Philatelic West.

The October number of The Philatelic West and Camera News contains the usual array of good things. Besides articles on the non-philatelic topics there is much valuable infor-

mation upon stamp matters, there being twenty pages devoted to philately besides several pages of society reports and similar matter. The article on Roumania, translated from Le Philatelic Francais, is continued and E. R. Steinbrueck begins a new serial article, "The Bordeaux Issue of 1870." Frank Young writes an account of the fine collections of Swiss covers belonging to John F. Seybold. R. R. Thiele continues his serial, "Observations on Original Covers," and gives a goodly assortment of items translated from foreign papers in his review pages. Portraits of Jos. S. Davis, of Denver, Colo.; A. D. Blair, of Elmira, N. Y., and Leon G. Rodrigues are added to the gallery of philatelists which a file of this paper will bring together. Taken all in all this number is even better than its predecessors.

Weekly Stamp News.

Meekel's Weekly Stamp News for Oct. 25 contains a full list of the awards at the Pacific Philatelic Society's exhibitions, the usual news notes from the different philatelic centers, Severn's review columns, the finely illustrated new issue department, where, under the head of Hayti, I find specimens of the recently current set have been heralded surcharged "Juin" and "Juillet." We announced upon the authority of a foreign exchange recently that this overprinting had taken place. Our correspondent, Richard E. Miot, authorizes us to state that all such surcharges are of a spurious nature. Mr. Miot writes: "Nothing of the sort is intended, as the issue is commemorative of the overthrow of President Sam, on May 12th, and will therefore, remain as it is until the new government is

formed, when these stamps will be withdrawn. The quantities have been augmented, as the postmaster had calculated that the new government would have been formed in September. I have not had the time to get the quantities surcharged since my last list, but will do so and send the supplementary list."

Mr. Miot also calls our attention to the statement made by a weekly contemporary that Hayti has issued no surcharged fiscals, and incloses a provisional fiscal that has just been rendered necessary by a shortage of the 2c value. The 20c olive, a large, upright, rectangular fiscal, has been given a surcharge similar to the 1898 overprint applied to both the 20c brown and orange, regular adhesives. And nearly a page of interesting editorial matter from the pen of its scholarly editor.

Adhesive.

In the October Adhesive Miss Amy Swift has an interesting sketch, "The Letters Beneath the Stamps;" C. E. Jenney contributes a series of interesting notes and the valuable serial, "Stray Notes on Sheets of Stamps," has much valuable information. From this article I clip the following:

"The first issue of Bolivia has always had a peculiar fascination for collectors; the very crudeness of these stamps forms their attractiveness. They were local products and their appearance testifies to the low estate of the engraver's art as existent in Bolivia at the time. Reproducing processes were not yet known down there at the time, and hence each stamp on the plate was engraved separately, thus forming as many varieties as there are stamps in the sheet. The sheet of the 5c contained 72 stamps, arranged in 6

horizontal rows of 12. The plate was re-engraved a number of times—five, as usually given—but did not change its size. The 10c was from a larger plate; the sheet contained 78 stamps in 6 horizontal rows of 13. Both these sheets evidently have no relation whatever to the currency and probably owe their peculiar arrangement to the size of the plates employed for engraving. The 50 and 100c are both from smaller plates; the sheet of either value contains 30 stamps in 6 horizontal rows of 5. The lower four rows (20 stamps) of these two plates were later used for making fraudulent reprints, which appeared on the market quite numerous a few years ago.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

THE WORLD requests your support. It is strictly a business venture, issued by business men otherwise engaged but interested in the promotion of stamp collecting and willing to devote some of their time to that end.

We have ample capital for our needs and unless hampered by lack of time our paper will appear promptly Wednesday afternoons.

We wish to thank those who have so kindly contributed to the success of our initial number and trust its appearance will merit the support of others.

EBEN S. MARTIN.

FREE 100 DIFFERENT STAMPS for the names and addresses of two collectors and 2c postage.

5 1901 Revs. \$1.00 to \$5.00, fine cut.....	1.5c
6 Gt. Britain King's Heads.....	08c
20 Paris Exposition Sets.....	10c
50 Blank Sheets 10c-100.....	19c
10 Blank App. Books 15c-100.....	90c

TOLEDO STAMP CO. : : : : TOLEDO, OHIO

Neatest Thing Out 

PHOTO BUTTONS

Not Trash.

Something Nice.

10 cents each, postpaid.

ROBERT C. EDGAR, Wichita, Kan.

OLD STAMP COLLECTIONS

BOUGHT, SOLD or EXCHANGED.

Stamps sent on approval, 50 per cent discount.
Hinges 8c 1000.

JOHN L. MAYER,

206 No. Third St., - MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Guam's New Governor.

A recent press report from New York says: Accompanied by his family, Capt. William E. Sewell, U. S. N., sailed today on the station ship Supply for Guam to assume the governorship of the station. The Supply, which was Commander Pillsbury's flagship during the recent naval manouvers, has handsome quarters for the officers. There is also a suite on the ship for the accommodation of such distinguished Oriental passengers as may be entertained by the American governor.

Probably it will take her three months to complete the voyage to Guam. She goes by way of Suez, and will touch at Colombo and Cavite. Specially constructed heavy anchors will be used to moor the ship. The coast of Guam is full of reefs, and typhoons often rage around the island.

The new governor and his ship are likely to remain at the post three years.



Occasionally an Hong Kong stamp over printed D. P. is met with. It is not a surcharge, but shows that it was used on mail originating in the Daily Press office in Hong Kong.

It is said that the 1-2 shilling violet and 3 shilling rose of Bergendorf were in use but eleven days.

The 2c proprietary may be found surcharged "Fredk Brown Philada," and I know of one collector who arranges it alongside of his private die stamp of "Jamaica Ginger."

How many can tell the full name of the portrait on the current Portuguese stamps? It is Carlos Ferdinand Louis Marie Victor Mickel Raphael Gabriel Gonzague Xavier Francois-d' Assise Jos. Simon.

STAMPS ON APPROVAL

Prices below Scott's Catalogue and 50 per cent commission allowed. Buying or Selling catalogue of Coins, Stamps, and Paper Money, 10c each. Any of the following sent prepaid for 25c. 20 foreign coins, 10 old U. S. copper cents, 10 Confederate or 10 broken bank bill, or 300 varieties of foreign stamps. : : : * : : :
STAMP AND COIN EXCHANGE, 23 Ann St., Y. N. City

Block of Four, Scott's No. 2992 U. S.
Rev. O. G. Cat. \$.48 \$.20
1c Playing Card, perf " .. 3.00 1.20
5c Playing Card, " " .. .75 .30
5c Probate of Will, " " .. .85 .35
15c U. S. Internal Rev. No. 2910, " .. .50 .21
15c " " " " No. 2949, " .. .50 .21
50c " " " " No. 2916, " .. .75 .30
Postage extra under \$1. Money back quick if not entirely satisfied. Bank reference for the asking.
F. DEE BRAYTON, FREEPORT, MICH.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

U. S. and Foreign Postage Stamps

Taken in Exchange for

RUBBER STAMPS

For full particulars address:

W. A. Carr, 6 Sycamore St., Rochester, N. Y.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.

10 blank Approval Books, 10c.

100 Approval Sheets, 15c.

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world.

The Philatelic World

Vol. 1. No. 2.

Minneapolis, Minn. November 12, 1902

Weekly

NOTES FROM CLEVELAND.

W. H. Barnum.

What proved to be a noteworthy event in philatelic Cleveland was the exhibition of Mr. Geo. H. Worthington's Collection of United States Stamps, which took place the evening of Oct. 30th, under the auspices of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club.

Viewed by nearly 50 "phils" (by actual count, 46), the Club felt well pleased with the attendance. And the collection! How I wish I could go into detail. Here are a few of the good ones mixed in. First of all was the Baltimore stamp, in perfect shape; then four copies of the same envelope, two in black, one in blue and one in red ink (the latter, one of the two copies known). The Brattleboro and Millbury stamps were represented by perfect used copies. Of course, the Providence stamps were represented by an entire sheet of originals. Among the St. Louis "Bear" stamps is a copy of the 10c on pelure paper, probably the only one known.

The general issues were all there, all unused, many in blocks of four. Of the latter, a perfect block of 90c, 1869 issue, probably attracted the most attention. A block of six of the 30c, this issue, originals without embossing, also received many a longing look. One stamp Mr. Worthington lacks is this stamp with inverted center, though the 15c and 24c in "up-side-down" condition are shown in beautiful shape.

Of course the "Pan" inverts are shown; the 1c in strip of three with plate number 1168.

Most collectors would be contented with one copy of the 4c Columbian error, printed in the color of the 1c. Here we find a block of ten.

Among the oddities shown were

an imperforate pair of the 1868 3c grilled all over, and the entire set of 1890 imperforate in blocks of four. The balance of this collection, consisting of Departments, locals, proofs, essays, etc., etc., was in keeping with the above.

And now a word about the Club under whose auspices this exhibit was given, the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, one of the oldest and yet possibly one of the least known philatelic organizations in this country. Formed in March, 1890, nearly thirteen years ago, the club has the record of never having missed a meeting. These meetings are held once a month from September to June, inclusive. We hold a record that, I believe, no other similar society can boast of, that of retaining practically 50 per cent of the charter membership. Seven out of the fifteen organizers still retaining their membership. Organized as a Branch of the American Philatelic Association it became independent in 1898 and has since so remained. The secretary informs me that the membership is now approaching the sixty mark. The present officers are President, W. H. Barnum; vice president, Chas. Kress; secretary and treasurer, Alvin Good; Exchange superintendent, W. W. MacLaren; librarian, H. C. Crowell.

Mr. John N. Luff, of New York, was present at the exhibition, and spent several days here. Mr. C. A. Townsend, the Akron, O., dealer, was also present.

B. L. Drew and Warren H. Colson stopped with us for a day or two on their way west. Theodore Q. Pardee, of Detroit, was also a recent visitor.

The United Stamp Co., of Chicago, have moved to fine new apartments on the eleventh floor of the Marquette building.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

*ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
 Managing Editor.*

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by post upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

The item in our last issue relative to precancelled dues should have said "for Minneapolis."

By the time this reaches its readers the new 13-cent will probably be on general sale. The color approximates a mauve and the plate is numbered No. 1,474.

The album exhibited by Dr. S. L. Lee, of Carson City, Nev., at San Francisco is said to be one of the finest specimens of book binding ever seen on the Pacific coast.

The earlier election returns indicate the defeat of Congressman Loud of California, who has been the active element in the postal committee of the house for several years.

Mekeel's Stamp Collector advises collectors to wait until O. W. officials of Great Britain are offered at low prices before purchasing, as they are being offered at a few cents each in England, with the single exception of the ½d green, queen's head.

A new discovery in Hawaiians is reported. The 13c red surcharged with pen 5c. It is not likely that it will receive any recognition except from the most advanced of specialists in the stamp of this uninteresting country.

The membership of the American Philatelic Association on Nov. 1st was 557. There should be at least double this number in the leading American society, and American collectors should be able to maintain a society which would be without a peer anywhere. The World will cheerfully furnish any information concerning this society upon request.

Reports from North Lansing, N. Y., the latter part of last week, say that the venerable Roswell Beardsley, postmaster at that point, is dying. He is ninety-three years old and has held the appointment continuously for seventy-four years, being originally appointed during the administration of John Quincy Adams.

The special features of the remaining meetings this year of The Manhattan Philatelic Society are Nov. 20, a study of the stamps of Italy, Italian States and Spain; Dec. 4, Prize Competition—Great Britain and Colonies; Dec. 18, The Stamps of Africa.

Under date of Nov. 1st, the Associated Press sent out the following New York dispatch: "In its first issue today a new shipping periodical says that investigation led to the discovery before the repeal of the revenue stamp act of a \$400,000 fraud at the port of New York. The fraud was perpetrated through the use of cancelled and washed stamps. The blame is thrown upon the clerks and employes of custom house brokers."

As a general thing the collector on this side of the pond does not recognize the value of proof specimens as they do in the European countries. I quote from a recent English list a few prices on proofs of that country. The one penny black on cardboard, \$10; the two penny, also in black on cardboard, \$3.75; the one shilling 1856 printed in carmine, \$7.50; the two pence in red on Dickinson paper, \$30.

A Few Personals.

C. L. Annan is now connected with the Copper Range railroad and located at Houghton, Mich.

* * *

W. J. Wurtele, of Montreal, has been appointed purchasing agent of the Canadian Philatelic Society, vice Geo. W. Cornish, resigned.

* * *

At the Boston society's exhibit of Transvaal and Orange Free State, J. N. Luff took first award and M. H. Lombard second.

* * *

It is rumored that wedding bells will soon be ringing for the marriage of Fred Michaels, of Chicago.

* * *

The election returns show the election of Peter B. Olson as county clerk of Cook county, Illinois. Chicago at last has a stamp collector in office.

* * *

Rev. R. Stollenwerk, the counterfeit detector of the Kansas Philatelic Society, has charge of the parish at Liebenthal, Kans., and is now busily engaged superintending the building of a large new church and has little time to devote to stamps at present.

Minneapolis Stamp Club.

Twenty-third regular meeting was held Friday evening, November 7th, at 612 Masonic Temple. The meeting closed with an exhibition of stamps, Mr. John A. Ringness winning the prize. Present, Borin, Converse, Gile, Jensen, Mayer, Osborne, Pettibone, Stebbins, Whiteley and Wirth. Visitor, Mr. Tilton. Next meeting will be held Monday evening Nov. 17th, at 206 Third street north.

**FEATHERWEIGHT
EYE SHADE****Will Save Your Eyes.**

Light weight $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

OLD STAMP COLLECTIONS

BOUGHT, SOLD or EXCHANGED.

Stamps sent on approval, 50 per cent discount.
Hinges 8c 1000.

JOHN L. MAYER.

206 No. Third St., - MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

35 Different Fine FREE.

To those sending for approval selection and enclosing the names of two other collectors who are honest, 100 diff. and album 8c. 1000 finely mixed 18c. 60 diff. U. S. 20c. Our lists free for asking.

TIFFIN STAMP CO.,

TIFFIN, OHIO.

**A U. S. STAMP FREE.
40 YEARS OLD**

To each applicant for my approval sheets at 50 per cent discount. Send reference.
50 North American stamps.....25cts.
100 Selected Foreign stamps...10cts.

ALEX. WEATHERWAX,12 DE SALES PLACE,
BROOKLYN, N. Y.**J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM**

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album
published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00
Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. 36 page
list of stamps and coins free.

Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete, 10c
unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.

36 John Street, :: New York City.

DO YOU WANT IT?

THIS! 1898 1c blue Documentary War Revenue pre-cancelled I and G. N. R. R.? We are getting 15c for them. Try one. Your collection isn't complete without one.

The International Importation Co.,

AUSTIN, TEXAS.

STAMPS ON APPROVAL

Prices below Scott's Catalogue and 50 per cent commission allowed. Buying or Selling catalogue of Coins, Stamps, and Paper Money, 10c each. Any of the following sent prepaid for 25c. 20 foreign coins, 10 old U. S. copper cents, 10 Confederate or 10 broken bank bill, or 200 varieties of foreign stamps.

STAMP AND COIN EXCHANGE, 23 Ann St., N. Y. City

With Our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges, and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

American Journal of Philately.

Henry J. Crocker and John N. Luff, each the possessor of a magnificent collection of Hawaiian numerals, contribute articles on plating these varieties and advance some new facts upon these interesting series; Jules Bouvez's serial on Luxemburg covers the 1873-9 period, the English letter of Edw. Nankivell is exceedingly readable and ten pages are devoted to the San Francisco exhibition. In regard to the contest on Australia it says: "This was one of the few close competitions of the exhibition, the judges spending probably their hardest spell of work on this class. The contesting collection was that of Mr. H. J. Crocker. Comparison was made, issue by issue, in each colony and the results showed a superiority for Mr. Wm. H. Crocker. It will be almost impossible, from lack of room, to describe the two collections in this place. It must suffice to say there were between two hundred and three hundred Sydneys in each collection, the W. H. Crocker collection many unused; that each collection was contained in five books and very few catalogue varieties are not represented, either in unused copies or exceptionally fine used copies, shaded, and many rare blocks throughout. The winning collection includes one of the best lots of South Australia Departmentals in existence."

Of the United States contest it says, speaking of the Luff collection: "Mr. H. J. Crocker, when he saw the collection and knew it was entered for competition against his, was, I believe, very disquieted concerning the result, and won out eventually by weight of postmaster provisional issues and large blocks of valuable things in fine condition, while Mr. Luff's collection maintained the glory, even though having missed

the medal, of being the more scientific, technical and instructive of the two."

The Metropolitan Philatelist.

As usual, the Nov. 1 number consists of the valuable Washington letter, the English letter, the Chronicle and Father Scott's editorials. From the English letter, I quote: "At Messrs. Ventom, Bull and Cooper's last sale a block of four wood block Cape of Good Hope 1 p. scarlet, one being the error 4 p. scarlet, one entire envelope sold for £360 (\$1,750)."

Weekly Stamp News.

The issue of Nov. 1 is largely given up to the subject of Grenada, a long article by C. A. Howes occupying over a third of the reading space. News letters from Chicago and Boston, the new issue department and editorial matter complete the issue. The editor says, "Let the advertising of philately by word of mouth and by contagion of example proceed on the part of collectors; and as for the dealers, they are rightfully expected to go to some lengths to push the pursuit through which they gain a livelihood."

Block of Four, Scott's No. 2902 U. S.		
Rev. O. G.	Cat. \$.48	\$.20
1c Playing Card, perf	" 3.00	1.20
5c Playing Card, "	" .75	.30
5c Probate of Will, "	" .85	.35
15c U. S. Internal Rev. No. 2910, " ..	.50	.21
15c " " " " No. 2949, " ..	.50	.21
50c " " " " No. 2918, " ..	.75	.30
Postage extra under \$1. Money back quick if not entirely satisfied. Bank reference for the asking.		
F. DEE BRAYTON, FREEPORT, MICH.		

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

U. S. and Foreign Postage Stamps

Taken in Exchange for

RUBBER STAMPS

For full particulars address:

W. A. Carr, 6 Sycamore St., Rochester, N. Y.

The Philatelic World

Vol. 1. No. 3.

Minneapolis, Minn. November 19, 1902

Weekly

Philatelic Nutmeg Gratings.

Henry A. Chapman.

The Parcels Post.

In view of the reduced rates at which the English postoffice department and one of our express companies propose, under a recent contract, to deliver large parcels from England to cities in the United States, viz: Two shillings (about 50c.) for packages not over three pounds; three shillings (75c) from three to seven pounds, and four shillings (\$1.00) from seven to eleven pounds, it would seem as though the American postoffice department might rise to the possibilities of a parcels post system here. In Great Britain, parcels under one pound are delivered for six cents; here it is 16 cents a pound; there packages weighing 11 pounds are delivered at 2 cents a pound pro rata. Here no package weighing over four pounds can be mailed.

To be sure, our country is of larger extent, but the zone system of Germany could easily be put in force, notwithstanding the heavy rates charged by our railroads for carrying mails.

If the postal department can secure as low rates from the railroads as the express company will undoubtedly secure, we might have low rates for long distance. Any way, the zone system could be established in short meter.

Foreign Inaccuracies.

It is an old saying that if you want to get the news, go away from home. The Westminster Gazette (English) tells its readers that of our eligible

ex-presidents, after the 13c appears, all have been in the postal gallery except Johnson, Hayes and Arthur. Unless my eyesight is very poor, several others have been missing, such as Polk, Fillmore, Pierce, John Quincy Adams, Van Buren, William Henry Harrison, etc. The same journal also says our present issue has been in use twelve years. Nevertheless, triangles were not brought out till 1894, and some of the colors used now are of much later change.

Pre-Cancelled Eligibilities.

The writer doesn't pretend to much knowledge in this branch of stamp collecting, but has had earaches from the opinions of others. Some persistently claim that hand-cancelled dues are not pre-cancelled, and others say they are. While I do not claim anything as to their philatelic status I know that one office here in Connecticut cancels whole sheets of due stamps in advance and if that isn't pre-cancelling, what is it?

An Accommodating Postal Clerk.

Not long ago, one of my exchanges, the publisher or mailer of which is certainly very careless, did not arrive in time and I had given it up. One morning early, as I wended my way home from my all-night work, the postal car clerk hailed me, remarking: "Here's your 'Philatelic _____' The wrapper's gone, but it's yours, undoubtedly." Some of our papers and journals are dispatched in a manner calculated to make the receiver tear his hair. This particular journal has more

than once come to me sans wrapper, sans direction, and sometimes sans part of its contents, yet claiming to be the "greatest show on earth"—philatelically speaking.

Chicago Notes.

Phoenix.

On November 13, J. J. Oesch, Alex Holland and P. M. Wolsieffer went to Milwaukee to attend the meeting of the Philatelic Society of that city.

Nominations for officers of the Chicago Philatelic Society for 1903 will be held at the meeting of that body on Nov. 20. A. F. Merell will not run as president and the duties of J. J. Oesch, as sales superintendent of the A. P. A. makes it necessary for the society to select another treasurer.

Word has reached here that T. L. Uder, of Pittsburg, has come into possession of 102 United States \$3 gold pieces of the years 1879 and 1880, all in brilliant condition, with proof surfaces. This is a rare lot in view of the fact that there were only a thousand of these coins struck during the two years in question. Mr. Uder has hopes of getting 73 more of these coins during the next two weeks.

Last Saturday, P. M. Wolsieffer moved his effects into the new office of the United Stamp Company at 1149 Marquette building.

J. A. Pierce, Chicago's oldest stamp dealer, is again getting in a stock of stamps. Some years ago Mr. Pierce decided to go out of the stamp business and devote all his time to transfer pictures, but has now decided it was a false move, so returns to the stamp business.

A. C. Stewart, of the Toledo Stamp Company, and F. S. Parmalee, of

Omaha, Nebr., are expected here to attend P. M. Wolsieffer's next auction.

The local stamp trade, which has been dull during the past few months, has greatly improved during the past few weeks.

On the evening of Nov. 5, the Chicago Philatelic Society held its competition for collections numbering between 4,500 and 5,500. Chas. Schliekert, Irving Dickenson and R. A. Bultman secured the three prizes in the order named. Z. G. Stebbins also exhibited a collection of Central Americans which were much admired. Over forty members and visitors were in attendance.

A new discovery in Hawaiians is reported. The 13c red surcharged with pen 5c. It is not likely that it will receive any recognition except from the most advanced of specialists in the stamp of this interesting country.

BARGAINS.

	Cat pr.	our pr.
50c U. S. 1895.....	\$.10	\$.08
\$1.00 U. S. 1895.....	.45	.16
2.00 U. S. 1905.....	1.50	.90
1c I. R. surcharge inverted..	2.00	1.00

Albums 25c to \$6. Supplies of all kinds. Try us.

J. T. STARR STAMP CO.,
Coldwater, - - - Michigan.

NEWFOUNDLAND

27 Varieties—Price 80 Cents

POST FREE.

CENTURY STAMP CO.,

P. O. Box 197, MONTREAL, CANADA.



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

Quebec Notes.

By Canuck.

Quite a little find was made in this city a few days ago. One of the residents, in removing old stuff from the lumber room of his residence, came upon a lot of correspondence belonging to a relative long since passed away. Through curiosity he made a search of the papers and was rewarded by a find of several Canada seven pence half-penny stamps, ten penny, three penny, 12½ cents, etc., all on original covers. The Canada Stamp Company here are negotiating with him for the purchase of the lot, and it is probable that the covers will be advertised by these dealers shortly.

Quebec has quite a quota of collectors, too, the most prominent perhaps being Miss Charlotte Lloyd, a young lady of independent means, whose albums of stamps, postal cards and wrappers are real things of beauty. The collection of Major Wurtele, Sam Green, Ed Evans, Jack Thomson and a few others can compare favorably with those of older philatelists in other places, particularly in the issues of British North America.

A new stamp concern has opened up business in St. Joseph street here under the style of The Brunet Stamp Company. The more stamp shops there are started the better for the collector, as competition brings life into the hobby and keeps down prices.

Our dealers report quite a demand for albums, especially those prepared for the issues of the Dominion of Canada. So far this demand has been met by a neatly bound book gotten up by our old stamp company on d'Aiguillon street, which appears to

have taken well with collectors generally.

There is nothing to report in regard to the new issue of stamps for Canada, except it be that the stock in hand of the present issue at Ottawa is getting very low and unless something is done before long in the way of 1903 king's heads a new printing from the old queen's head plates will have to be ordered.

STAMPS ON APPROVAL LIBERAL DISCOUNTS.

Selections for advanced collectors or
beginners.

2000 Die Cut Stamp Hinges 15c.

GEO. H. HOPE,

87 Ring St. Providence, R. I.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album
published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00
Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. 36 page
list of stamps and coins free.

Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete, 10c
unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.

36 John Street, :: New York City.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from *best* quality imported paper.

Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand.

Liberal samples sent on receipt of name
and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by post upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Pittsburg has joined the list of Pennsylvania cities to use pre-cancelled. The one and two cent can both be found.

\$24.50 was the price that a collection of 3,800 stamps mounted in an 1899 album brought at Tuthills 53d sale.

Those of the pupils of the St. Louis high school interested in stamps have formed a society which meets weekly in the building and will undoubtedly do missionary work in a good direction.

It is reported that Mr. J. M. Bartels has secured about 150 of the McKinley card rejected die, practically all that are known except 350, which will not for some time come upon the market, if they ever do.

An Eastern dealer who can still supply blocks of the two cent and two and a half cent proprietary

stamps, part rouletted, states that only two hundred and forty of the former and four hundred of the latter exist.

Six of the prominent Boston firms have united in signing a card declaring their innocence in the matter of fraudulent stamp dealing, which was investigated by a committee of the Boston society.

If the following clipped from a recent letter from New York is true, some of the collectors of that burg ought to awake:

One of the oldest and best known philatelic societies in this neighborhood has hardly had a meeting for over a year and is almost disbanded. Many of the members have not paid their dues and consequently the society is considerably in debt, and unless some of the members put their hands deep down in their pockets, the society is likely to sleep for some time.

The World cannot refrain from repeating what the membership committee said last year in their circular:

The American Philatelic Association is a concrete, tangible evidence of philatelic power. It is a multiplication by the number of its members of the worth or fitness of the average member. The sum of the individuals becomes a giant for purposes of pushing philately ahead and hoisting it higher; and commanding attention by the display of strength alone. It is to the advantage of every stamp collector to have a large and influential society, devoted to the interest of philately, but a society to be influential must have the loyal support of all interested in the purpose for which the society was formed.

The well-known newspaper correspondent, Frank Stillson, pays the following tribute to the efficiency of the New Zealand postmasters:

"The right and only man for the traveler in trouble over the language or anything else to seek out is the postmaster. New Zealand's postmasters come pretty near being 'the whole thing.' They are registrars of births and deaths. They collect all taxes, municipal and governmental, and all customs and internal revenues. They insure their fellow citizens in the government's life insurance company, and receive their deposits in the Postoffice Savings Bank of New Zealand, also a governmental institution. This bank has 212,436 depositors, and the money deposited by them aggregates \$32,000,000. Over one-fourth of the island's population keeps its money in this institution."

Notes From New York.

L. T. Brodstone, of the Philatelic West, was a recent visitor here.

The November exhibit of the Philatelic Society will be competitive for the best exhibit of stamps displaying portrait identified.

The proof sheets of the year book of the American Philatelic Association is said to be engrossing the spare time of Alex Holland, the president of that organization.

The dealers are complaining of poor business and are somewhat concerned as to what the season's outcome may be. Possibly the mild weather we have enjoyed here has not sufficiently stimulated philatelic pursuits or collectors are hoarding their money to buy coal in anticipation of a severe winter.

Mr. Thos. J. Cushing secured the prize—a valuable stamp donated by the treasurer, Mr. Geo. H. Blake—at the competitive exhibit of The Manhattan Philatelic Society on the 6th for 25 stamps cataloging over \$5.00. His display catalogued over \$200, embracing among others U. S. 1856 90 cent unused, Bahama 4d on 6d, Dominica 1 shilling lake, Nova Scotia 1d and 6d, St. Lucia 6d blue, Hawaii 5c blue. The next contest will be Dec. 4—Great Britain and colonies.

Reduced Foreign Postage.

A New York Herald special from Washington under date of November 15 says: A 2-cent letter rate between the United States and Great Britain, France and Germany will be the recommendation of Postmaster General Payne in his annual report.

The present rate is 5 cents a half ounce. For all ordinary correspondence this reduction would make the rate the same as that charged within the United States.

These three countries have been selected because of direct steamship communications, and because they represent 60 per cent of the foreign letter mail and over 70 per cent of other foreign postal matter.

If the proposition is accepted by foreign governments a rearrangement of steamship mail carrying contracts may become necessary, as it is believed the volume of correspondence will be largely increased.

The 2-cent rate to Canada and Mexico has developed correspondence with mutual profit. The same principle can be applied, it is believed, to the foreign countries named.

With our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

Weekly Stamp News.

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News for Nov. 8 opens with the official report of the C. P. S. meeting of Oct. 16, the chronicle of New Issue follows, succeeded by an article by Francis C. Nicolas on "A New Delivery Stamp," which is illustrated and is used by the Exploration Line in "Southern Countries." Wylie and Severn contribute the usual Boston and Chicago notes, W. Joerg gives an entertaining two column article on "The Postal Museum in Berlin," and the editor furnishes the usual "In A Few Lines" press review and editorial comments.

The New York Philatelist.

The November number opens with an article on Poland, translated from the French, followed by Miss Swift's review column and a report of the London Fiscal Society. Lloyd Jones furnishes his list of precancelleds comprising five varieties of Ansonia, one of Attica, four of Binghamton, two of Chattanooga, three of Columbus, two of Danburg, one of Jackson (a blue ink surcharge variety), and fourteen of Minneapolis. The editorials and the reports of the S. of P. and other societies which this paper serves as official organ constitutes the balance of the reading pages of the number.

Weekly Philatelic Era.

In his literature department, in the Nov. 1 number, W. C. Stone reprints from the English magazine "Notes and Queries" an interesting article on early philatelic literature from the pen of P. J. Anderson, who

some ten years ago ran a series of articles on the same subject in the Philatelic Record of London. The article would well repay all collectors to read and we regret we cannot reproduce it in full, as it is too valuable to "hash up." In the report of the proceedings of the Boston society, a long report from the investigating committee on fraudulent surcharges is given, the gist of which is that the business of placing faked surcharges is broken up in the Hub. The various news letters complete the number.

News letters from Boston, New York, Chicago and Detroit are found in the issue of Nov. 8, an installment of Thiele's article on sheets is reprinted from the Adhesive, and Henry A. Kidder's new issue report takes nearly two pages. In the official reports of the American Philatelic Association a single applicant is noted.

The Adhesive.

Herbert Watts contributes an interesting article on "Plating the New Persian Provisionals" in the November Adhesive, there is the London letter, the review and editorial matter and an installment of the Stray Notes on Sheets of Stamp, in which appears:

"The three values newly issued in 1897, the 1d rose, the 2d blue and the 2½ purple, are known as the 'Record Reign' issue. They were all engraved by W. Amor, the plates being made by the Government Printer. The 1 and 2d, at least, are printed in sheets of 240, in 4 panes of 60 each, arranged in 10 horizontal rows of 6. I do not know whether the 2½d is now printed in sheets of this size also; at first it was printed in sheets of 120, arranged as usual. The

paper now used is watermarked to correspond with the plate of the 1d, on the margin between the panes horizontally is the watermarked legend NEW SOUTH WALES POSTAGE. The old 5d green of the square issue is now also printed on this paper, but in sheets of 200, 20 rows of 10, the stamps being issued in halvesheets of 100, 10x10. It will be seen that this does not anywhere near fit the watermarks, hence a row often falls on the center inscription and the top and bottom rows are often unwatermarked."

SOME P. S. OF A. NOTES.

By a Director.

This once popular society, after remaining dormant for a long period, bids fair to again become the popular younger American organization. There is no doubt but that a lively society for the average collector is needed and is a good thing for American philately. It is anticipated that before the season is ended this society will have recovered its membership to a large extent and resumed its place as the premier organization of the class.

* * *

It has been given out that Robinson's Review was selected as official organ only after the bids submitted by the various weeklies and monthlies had been carefully gone over by the board of directors. The Review is a good paper, and the fact that it is to be furnished at a price that is more than fifty per centum less than any other paper offered no doubt influenced the board in making their decision, for the financial condition of the organization is not such that it can afford to invest heavily in an official journal.

The board, it is understood, is exercising great care in selecting the appointive officers. This is commendable. Even though the appointments are delayed, delay is preferable to incompetent men. It is probable that Mr. H. A. Swenson will be re-appointed as attorney. Mr. F. S. Parmelee, of Omaha, has been pushed by his friends for the exchange superintendent's chair, but there appears to be some reluctance on his part in accepting, and it seems probable that he will decline.

The organization is fortunate in having such men as Wolsieffer, Massoth and Oesch for the vice presidents. They have evinced their willingness to proceed to work by organizing.

The organization will start out with a membership of about four hundred, the list certified to as being in good standing at the convention of 1901 being used as a basis, all these being made in good standing until December 31st, 1902. The board of directors appear to have adopted this peaceable way, and have certainly evinced a desire to avoid any controversy.

SPECIALITY

Roumanian, Bulgarian and Servian Stamps.
Wholesale and Retail.

Cheapest prices in the World. Wholesale or retail list sent gratis on demand.

JACQUES WORTMAN,
61 Avenue de la Republique,
PARIS, FRANCE.

SOME BARGAINS. Cat. Our Price.

20c Foreign Exchange....	\$1.00	\$.40
15c Foreign Exchange....	.60	.25
25c Entry of Goods.....	.10	.04
*Persia Scott No. 151 O.G. fine.	\$9.00	3.75
*Canada No. 12 O. O.....	12.00	5.00

* Unused. Want lists filled.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,

Masonic Temple,

CHICAGO.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

With the Auction Catalogues.

A. E. Richards.

Geo. R. Tuttle holds his 53d sale on the 7th inst. Among the good things offered are an Indian paper set of the premiere gravures of 1861, a full set of the 1875 reissue of 1869 save the six cent, a fine specimen of the Dutch Indies 1c red-brown error, and a large fine collection of postal cards, divided into 357 lots. I have no recollection of a card collection being offered before at auction sale, at least not a large one like this, there being nearly 5,300 cards in the lot.

Bogart & Durbius' 185th sale is listed for the afternoon on Nov. 15, and contains 808 lots, of which 302 are United States. The sale is mostly of medium grade stamps, but includes a fine collection of mint Uruguay, no less than one hundred and fifteen lots comprising four hundred and sixty-eight stamps; a rare 8c double surcharged Patiala and a set of United States 1897 envelopes surcharged Universal Postal Congress are offered.

35 Different Fine FREE.

To those sending for approval selection and enclosing the names of two other collectors who are honest, 100 diff. and album 8c, 1000 finely mixed 18c, 60 diff. U. S. 20c. Our lists free for asking.

TIFFIN STAMP CO.,

TIFFIN, OHIO.

Join the **AAA**

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world.

Block of Four, Scott's No. 2999 U. S.		
Rev. O. G.	Cat. \$.48	\$.20
1c Playing Card, perf	" .. 3.00	1.20
5c Playing Card, "	" .. .75	.30
50c Probate of Will, "	" .. .85	.35
15c U. S. Internal Rev. No. 2910, " ..	" .. .50	.21
15c " " " " No. 2949, " ..	" .. .50	.21
50c " " " " No. 2918, " ..	" .. .75	.30
Postage extra under \$1. Money back quick if not entirely satisfied. Bank reference for the asking.		
F. DEE BRAYTON, FREEPORT, MICH.		

U. S. and Foreign Postage Stamps

Taken in Exchange for

RUBBER STAMPS

For full particulars address:

W. A. Carr, 6 Sycamore St., Rochester, N. Y.

A U. S. STAMP FREE. 40 YEARS OLD

To each applicant for my approval sheets at 50 per cent discount. Send reference.
50 North American stamps....25cts.
100 Selected Foreign stamps...10cts.

ALEX. WEATHERWAX,

12 DE SALES PLACE,
BROOKLYN, N. Y.

DO YOU WANT IT?

THIS! 1898 1c blue Documentary War Revenue pre-cancelled I and G. N. R. R.? We are getting 15c for them. Try one. Your collection isn't complete without one.

The International Importation Co.,

AUSTIN, TEXAS.

STAMPS ON APPROVAL

Prices below Scott's Catalogue and 50 per cent commission allowed. Buying or Selling catalogue of Coins, Stamps, and Paper Money, 10c each. Any of the following sent prepaid for 25c. 20 foreign coins, 10 old U. S. copper cents, 10 Confederate or 10 broken bank bill, or 200 varieties of foreign stamps.

STAMP AND COIN EXCHANGE, 23 Ann St., N. Y. City

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.

10 blank Approval Books, 10c.

100 Approval Sheets, 15c.

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

The Philatelic World

Vol. 1. No. 4.

Minneapolis, Minn. November 26, 1902

Weekly

SOME AUCTION PRICES.

At New York.

Mr. A. E. Tuttle has favored us with the prices realized at his last sale upon the following lots, selected as of special interest to collectors in general.

Cape of Good Hope, 1d wood block, poor	\$1.00
Dutch Indies, 1876, 1c error—red brown	2.20
Great Britain Mulready envelope, 2d blue, poor.....	3.00
Roman States, 15c	1.25
Victoria, 10£, used postally..	4.00
United States—	
Set India paper, 1861, Aug. issue	1.00
India, paper proof, \$60 newspaper in black .....	.65
Set perforated proofs, dollar value, State Dept.....	3.20
1847, 5c and 10c, reprints, unused	1.00
1861, 5 cent olive-yellow.....	4.00
1869 issue, 1875 reprint, 1 cent.	2.00
Same, 2 cent	1.00
Same, 3 cent	1.05
Same, 10-cent	3.00
Same, 12-cent	3.00
Same, 15 cent	3.50
Same, 24-cent	5.00
Same, 30-cent	8.00
Same, 90-cent	18.25
Newspaper 1867 25-cent on pelure paper	1.10
Executive set, "Specimen" ...	2.50
Second Issue, Revenue, \$20, double perf.	3.10
Same, \$25	5.10
Same, \$50	3.10

At Chicago.

Our regular correspondent favors us with the prices on the following lots at Wolsieffer's 30th sale:

United States 1-cent Pan-American, inverted centre, small tear at left hardly noticeable	10.50
4-cent Pan American, inverted centre, surcharged specimen, O. G. and fine	41.00
Agriculture 15c, Interior 1c, "Specimen"	1.15
Agriculture 24c, O. G., and fine	3.20
90c, 1869, average condition..	8.50
Justice 90c, used	18.10
Knoxville envelope 5c, entire; catalogued at \$100.....	41.00
Hawaii 2c (No. 57) error with 1893 at top, and second copy without 1893 O. G., the pair.	5.00
18c (No. 71), no period after Govt., O. G.....	1.90
2c (No. 66) No period after Govt., used	1.60
Officials, complete, O. G., set fine	3.15
Transvaal, Rustenburg, V. R. 1-2d (No. 193), on part of original cover	4.50
Victoria £5 (No. 338) cancelled Melbourne 1889	6.60



THE PLATE NUMBER CATALOGUE.

J. M. Bartels Co., of Boston, have issued a twenty-eight page supplement to their plate number catalogue. The little work is a valuable addition to the literature pertaining to United States stamps, and should be possessed by all who devote es-

pecial attention to the stamps of "native land," whether plate collectors or not. Not being priced it is valuable chiefly as a reference list and is, I believe, the only published list since 1898 readily accessible to all. Two hundred different one-cent green plates are listed, two hundred and twenty-eight two-cent rose, besides sixteen of the special plates for the "book stamps," twelve four-cent brown, twenty-eight five-cent blue, eight each of the ten-cent special delivery and the eight-cent price, five each of the six-cent magenta and two-cent due and twelve of the ten-cent brown.

The Pan-Americans are carefully listed and is said to be complete in all combinations of both plate numbers.

Nearly half the book is devoted to the colonial plate numbers, the list of which would seem by its length to be complete. While the new plates listed are not priced, three pages are given to revising prices in the fourth edition, of which I quote a few, the first being the old price, the second the new, the price being identical for either top or bottom strips.

660 Omaha .....	.25	\$1.25
662 Omaha .....	.25	1.50
664 Omaha .....	.20	1.50
667 Omaha	1.00	3.50
669 Omaha .....	.50	.20
672 Omaha .....	.35	.25
691 Omaha .....	.10	4.00



PROPOSED NEW RATE.

From the report of the third assistant postmaster general, Edwin C. Madden, we cull the following recommendations:

A new rate of 4 cents a pound for all publications now admitted to the

second-class mail, except daily, tri-weekly, semi-weekly and weekly newspapers, in the general understood sense of the word "newspapers." This rate is to be paid on the bulk weight, without regard to the number of pieces, the same as is now the case under the pound rate.

The consolidation of the third and fourth classes of mail matter, and that the postage thereon be at the rate of 1 cent for each two ounces, or fraction thereof, to be prepaid by stamps affixed.

Congress also is asked to authorize the postmaster general to accept, under suitable regulations, mailings of large quantities of identical pieces of printed matter and small articles of merchandise without the necessity of affixing postage stamps to the individual pieces.

Mr. Madden recommends that congress be requested to pass a law

NEWFOUNDLAND

27 Varieties—Price 80 Cents

POST FREE.

CENTURY STAMP CO.,

P. O. Box 197, MONTREAL, CANADA.



FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

The Catalogue prices are the 1908 prices in advance sheets.		
	Cat. price	Our price
50c U. S. 1896 .....	.10	.03
\$1.00 U. S. 1896 .....	.45	.16
2.00 U. S. 1896	\$1.50	.90

The three stamps	\$1.00	Post paid
Scotts 1908 Catalogue .....	.58	" "
International Album	1.50	" "
20th Century Album	1.00	" "

J. T. STARR STAMP COMPANY,
COLDWATER, MICH.

allowing a reply envelope and reply postal card service, under a plan for the collection of postage at the place of delivery, rather than at the place of mailing.

Concerning the public impression that 1-cent postage is probable in the near future, Mr. Madden says it is altogether too soon to consider a reduction of the letter rate of postage on the mere basis that the reforms in second class mail matter will save enough to the government to compensate it for the loss of revenue through the reduction of the letter rate.

"Had the proposed 4 cents per pound rate and this anticipated rate of 1 cent per one-half ounce for letters existed during the last fiscal year," Mr. Madden says, "the results, based upon an estimate, would have been an aggregate estimated deficiency of \$19,000,000.

"Thus, even under an increase in the rate of postage on periodicals, as recommended, it will not be practicable to establish a 1-cent letter rate before the postal service is thoroughly adjusted, not only to the reforms in second-class mail matter, but also to the enormous expenditures necessary to completely and satisfactorily establish the rural free delivery system."



The Oswego Stamp Co. of Oswego, N. Y., have sent out a list No. 2 of rarities, dated Nov. 10.

To those of our readers who may be devotees of the camera a line addressed to the Hammer Dry Plate Co., St. Louis, Mo., will bring a copy of their valuable new little book on "Negative Making."

During the comparatively short existence of the English postoffice savings bank since 1861, its transactions have exceeded the enormous sum of £1,000,000,000.

Nearly 26,000,000 depositors invested £604,494,060, while 17,000,000 have withdrawn £474,374,455. In the first year of establishment it commenced modestly, with 180,000 accounts, but each year since these have increased at a prodigious rate, until, at the end of last year, there were 8,000,000, representing in value an amount sufficient to cover the cost of the South African war, even if this equals £130,000,000.



The catalogue value of the Postage Due stamps of Trinidad is \$10.55 unused. I have a splendid set that I will sell for \$4.00.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00
Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. 36 page list of stamps and coins free.

Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete, 10c unused.

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.

36 John Street, :: New York City.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper.

Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand.

Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Over \$4,000,000 was expended in the last fiscal year upon rural free delivery experiments.

It is said that only two sheets of the 2c or 3c Danish West Indies provisional with date 1901 were issued.

Racine precancelleds received this week are undated. This, I believe, now leaves no city using the dated ones.

The ashes of Columbus have been again removed and redeposited, but strange to say, no commemorative stamp issue is yet reported.

The World is still looking for a news correspondent in New York city and would be pleased to hear from any one who would serve.

The last American Philatelic association report shows two applicants, both from Chicago. By the way, are you a member? If not, why not?

We acknowledge the receipt of a handsome souvenir card of Seattle from the New Century Stamp Co., of that city.

The agitation for a 25c stamp is being continued in some quarters. The demand being for a value between 15c and 50c for the use of the mail order department stores.

A new society for collectors of philatelic literature is being fostered by the publishers of the Philatelic Inter-Ocean. Let us trust it will be more successful than its predecessors have been.

The Precancelled Stamp club, the organization of which was started in July by Clarence Dalton, of Stillwater, Okla., is growing slowly, but has been hampered by the non-appearance of the Philatelic Fortnightly which was appointed official organ in August, but we are informed a new organ is being arranged for and the election of permanent officers will occur before the New Year.

How many of us remember the first foreign stamp which ever stimulated our interest in collecting? The venerable father of American philately—John W. Scott, of New York, attributes his interest as dating from the time when a strip of Jamaica shillings fell into his hands when he was about fifteen years of age and since that date his heart has always been true to Philatelia.—Ex.

Dr. George Hetrich exhibited at the Springfield convention two gems in medicine stamps, both of which Mr. Toppan and other experts present pronounced genuine. They were 2c Jayne, black, uncut and perforated, a stamp not priced by Scott's Catalogue, and said to have been issued for only a month or so in 1863. The

other, a silk paper specimen on yellow paper wrapper of the U. S. Proprietary Co., said by the doctor to be unlisted before.

Several years ago Mr. T. J. Mitchell, of Chicago, described a counterfeit Hawaiian, which seems to fit exactly a specimen recently seen. As there may be more floating we quote description: In the genuine stamp the head appears in a background of crossed lines, eyes of face very distinct and bright, above the frame are the words Uka Leta, the last "a" followed by a plain period. The stamp is printed in a rose color on a straw colored paper, color is laid on smoothly and is rather subdued. In the counterfeit or reprint, the head is printed on a solid ground in the frame, there is a blur or comma-shaped mark at the upper part of the "U" in the word "Uka," the word "Leta" is followed by an almost indistinct period. The eyes in the face are large and the blurred pupil of the eyes very small, stamp is printed in a carmine on a thin blue-tinted paper.



Chicago Notes.

Phoenix.

F. Massoth announces that the next C. P. S. sale will be held December 13.

The date for F. Michael's wedding is December 28. The bride is Miss Hattie Marx.

E. C. Dodd is suffering with a blood poisoned thumb. How it happened he refuses to state.

The United Stamp Co. are now finally settled in their new offices in the Marquette building.

Archie L. Doherty, of the United States Coin & Stamp Exchange,

has gone to Denver to purchase a large collection of stamps. He claims it is one of the largest collections in the country.

P. M. Wolsieffer's 30th sale took place on the evening of November 15 in the Chicago Philatelic Society club room. The bidding, at times, was very lively, there being between sixty and seventy buyers present. The prices realized were, as a rule, good, but the bargain hunters succeeded in securing an occasional lot. A. C. Stewart, of the Toledo Stamp Co., was among the several out of town buyers present.

Nominations for officers of the Chicago Philatelic society for the year 1903 were opened at the meeting held November 20. Further nominations will likely be made at the meetings of December 4 and election held December 18. The attendance was poor compared with previous meetings, but the lack of numbers was made up for by the enthusiasm displayed. W. F. E. Gurley and W. H. Wolseley both declined the nomination for president, while several others declined for other offices. Those nominated were:

President—C. Schliekert.

Vice-President—F. H. Farrell.

Secretary—Irving Dickenson.

Treasurer—T. D. Allin.

Board of Directors—A. F. Merell, R. A. Bultman, W. Staab, W. F. E. Gurley, L. Michael, R. Robinson, F. Lively and W. H. Mambe. The silver medal for the best collection of the stamps of Turkey was won by Mr. Gurley, with a magnificent display, which included a number of varieties not listed in any catalogue. The bronze medal went to E. Doebelin, of Pittsburg. After the informal auction sale the meeting adjourned.

With our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

Weekly Philatelic Era.

Stone literature department in the issue of November 15 is as valuable as ever. The news notes from Chicago, Detroit, Boston and New York are bright and gossipy and Kidder's New Issue department takes up nearly two pages. The correspondence relative to the use of the due stamps as regular paid postage is the most interesting matter this week and I clip Mr. Perry's letter to the postmaster at Manila:

Dear Sir:—Having noticed that local letters received by me from the 6th to the 16th inst. have been stamped with the one-cent postage-due stamp instead of the current one-cent green stamp, I respectfully request to be informed relative to this matter. Was the use of the postage-due stamp due to an exhaustion of the current one-cent postage stamps, and, if so, how long and what number of postage due stamps were used in this manner?

I will also thank you for a copy of any order that may have been issued promulgating the change.

Very truly yours,

J. C. Perry, M. D.

And the answer from the director general:

September 19, 1902.

Dr. J. C. Perry, City.

Sir:—Your letter of the 17th instant to the postmaster at Manila relative to the use of postage-due stamps for the payment of postage has been forwarded to this office. In reply, I beg to state that the supply of 1c postage stamps run very low about the 5th instant. Therefore, owing to the fact that a further supply would not be received until the arrival of the next transport, the postmaster at Manila was directed to economize on one-cent stamps as much as possible, by using the 1c postage due stamps on matter for the Philippine

Islands presented at the stamp window to be stamped. About four thousand 1c postage-due stamps were used for this purpose. No formal order on the subject was issued.

Very respectfully,
C. M. Cotterman, Director.



Anent Mexican Postal Service.

Knowing it would be of interest we take the liberty of reproducing the following interesting remarks from a letter recently received from H. C. Barr (American Philatelic Association No. 1633), who is now engaged in a mining venture at Parral, Mexico:

There may be some collectors here, but if so I have not as yet discovered them. I understand there are a number in Mexico City and other large towns in the country, but up around here a great many of the people don't even know there are such things as postage stamps. I have noted that the few who do use them invariably paste the stamp in the lower left hand, or lower right hand corner of the envelope, when they mail their letters. They never buy more than one stamp at a time, and as the postoffice provides no desk for their convenience, they generally place the envelope against the wall and pound the stamp with their fist to make it stick.

Everybody who receives mail to any extent, such as the business firms, and most all of the Americans, has an *apartado* or P. O. box, and all letters bearing this *Apartado* number are put into his box. If the letter does not bear this number, it is held back and placed on the regular list, which is hung in the office every morning at an hour after train time. This will happen, although the P. O. authorities are perfectly familiar with the man's name and

know his Apartado number by heart. When your name appears in this list it is necessary to go to the stamp window and ask for your letter when the man in charge will run over a whole bunch, and if it is not there will ask you to come again tomorrow, as the letter must have been mislaid in some manner. Sometimes, too, they will deliver letters to your house number, and in fact they have all kinds of ways for doing business. You never can tell just how or when you will receive your mail. If letters are addressed to Apartado numbers, however, they are generally well taken care of.

The P. O. building itself is also a moving institution. Whenever a new postmaster is appointed, he immediately moves the entire outfit into his own house and conducts the office there. A short time ago, while on a trip over into the state of Durango, I witnessed for the first time the operation of the Wells Fargo franks, as a means of transporting letters. The town of Rosario is connected with Parral by railroad, on which the Wells Fargo Express Co. operate, and the trip takes about four hours. I happened to be riding on the caboose with the express agent, and noticing that he had a number of Wells Fargo envelopes among his other packages, I questioned him in regard to them.

It seems that the government has no mail contract with the railroad, but transports the mail between these two towns by a circuitous stage route, which lengthens the time to about four days. By paying ten cents instead of five, you can mail your letter with the Wells Fargo Company and secure this considerable reduction in time.

This is the limit of knowledge I have concerning Philatelic matters in Mexico, and if you were fully aware of the environment in Parral, you would consider this to be a great deal.

BARGAINS IN STAMPS.

If you are desirous of securing bargains in *fine* stamps from the commonest to the scarcest varieties, send for my *Bargain Lists*, embracing complete sets and single stamps, prices at from 25 to 75 per cent below catalogue. Lists mailed free.

On approval. A fine lot of Br. Colonies, used and unused, at rock bottom prices.
L. N. HERBERT,
1520 Washington Ave. - New York.

NET BOOKS

of Medium, Foreign and U. S. on approval at Bargain Prices. Reference desired. Also fine 50 per cent sheets for agents.

CHAS. C. DESELMS,
Richmond, Ind., U. S. A.

35 Different Fine FREE.

To those sending for approval selection and enclosing the names of two other collectors who are honest, 100 diff. and album 8c. 1000 finely mixed 18c. 60 diff. U. S. 20c. Our lists free for asking.

TIFFIN STAMP CO.,
TIFFIN, OHIO.

UNITED STAMP COMPANY

P. N. WOLSIEFFER, Pres.
P. N. HASSOOTH, Sec'y. Treas.

Succeeding to the business of Messrs. Massoth and Wolsieffer.

Former contracts of both firms completed Auctions, Approval, Want Lists etc., attended to as before.

A large stock of the medium and cheap stamps you are looking for. Also many rarities.

Wolsieffer's Pocket Ed. Stock Book cloth, to hold 500 stamps still sold at 25c post paid.

UNITED STAMP COMPANY,
1149 Marquette Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

With the Auction Catalogues.

A. E. Richards.

On Saturday of this week the Bogert-Durbin hold their 187 sale at their rooms in the Morton building, New York. No varieties are offered though many valuable medium grade stamps are included in the 935 lots offered, of which nearly a third are United States stamps.

In Bartel's sale of Dec. 5, there is offered a 1r error corros of the 1854 Philippine issue. Of it the Cataloguer says: "It is a fine specimen, has margins on all sides, cancelled by customary pen cross. Color of stamp is, as usual, not very bright, yet this is to be considered a fine specimen of a great variety. The first copy we have ever had. We once saw \$300 offered for an unsevered pair of this stamp, the other being, of course, the regular variety."

SPECIALITY

Roumanian, Bulgarian and Servian Stamps.
Wholesale and Retail.

Cheapest prices in the World. Wholesale or retail list sent gratis on demand.

JACQUES WORTMAN,

61 Avenue de la Republique,
PARIS, FRANCE.

SOME BARGAINS. Cat. Our Price.

20c Foreign Exchange....	\$1.00	\$.40
15c Foreign Exchange .....	.60	.25
25c Entry of Goods.....	.10	.04
*Persia Scott No. 151 O.G. fine.	\$9.00	3.75
*Canada No. 12 O. O.....	12.00	5.00

* Unused. Want lists filled.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,

Masonic Temple,

CHICAGO.

If you are interested in Souvenir Cards send your address to

**ATLAS International Souvenir Card
Collectors Society.**

151 8th Avenue, : : New York, N. Y.

U. S. and Foreign Postage Stamps

Taken in Exchange for

RUBBER STAMPS

For full particulars address:

W. A. Carr, 6 Sycamore St., Rochester, N. Y.

A U. S. STAMP FREE.

To each applicant for my approval sheets at 50 per cent discount. Send reference.
50 North American stamps....25cts.
100 Selected Foreign stamps...10cts.

ALEX. WEATHERWAX,
12 DE SALES PLACE,
BROOKLYN, N. Y.

DO YOU WANT IT?

THIS! 1898 1c blue Documentary War Revenue pre-cancelled I and G. N. R. K.? We are getting 15c for them. Try one. Your collection isn't complete without one.

The International Importation Co.,
AUSTIN, TEXAS.

STAMPS ON APPROVAL

Prices below Scott's Catalogue and 50 per cent commission allowed. Buying or Selling catalogue of Coins, Stamps, and Paper Money, 10c each. Any of the following sent prepaid for 2c. 20 foreign coins, 10 old U. S. copper cents, 10 Confederate or 10 broken bank bill, or 200 varieties of foreign stamps.

STAMP AND COIN EXCHANGE, 23 Ann St., N. Y. City

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.
10 blank Approval Books, 10c.
100 Approval Sheets, 15c.
Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

Join the **AAA**

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world.

The Philatelic World

Vol. 1. No. 5.

Minneapolis, Minn. December 3, 1902

Weekly

USED OR UNUSED.

C. L. Annan.

Why should one prefer to collect the unused stamp, while another takes more interest in the used one? The mania for stamp collecting has been time and again accounted for and the apology has come to be quite generally accepted. All earnest collectors are moved by the same general impulse, but each individual is nevertheless a law unto himself. The methodical man, with a mildly studious tendency and acquisitive turn, persistent and patient, makes one sort of a collection, while the keen, speculative, impulsive party may gather quite another sort. Type 1 may be termed the plodder, Type 2 the plunger. The plodder early discards the printed album, with its rough wood cuts. To his discriminating eye these black counterfeits mar the appearance of his collection to an intolerable degree. Then, again, he must have room for his little diversions in minor varieties. So the blank album only will answer his purpose, and in spotting its pages with rectangles, perforate and imperforate, he proceeds to enjoy himself at all leisure moments. He casually mentions his fad to each new acquaintance and cultivates kindred spirits. He exchanges, buys odd lots and collections and uncovers batches of stamps among old papers, and all these he pores over and studies, indulging in the delights of discovery. He looks for a particular stamp in dealers' stocks and in the society exchange books and the longer it takes him to find it the

greater his final satisfaction. Additional spaces filled, one by one, fix pleasant reminiscences, veritable haec olims for contemplative moments or for recital to sympathetic fellow collectors. A bright, well centered stamp which bears the impress of having done service and which carries a clean-cut post-mark is a thing of beauty to this connoisseur, for such a stamp is individualized and given a character that is wanting to the O. G. P. O. label, one of many acquired without incident. The plodder will also cherish the rare stamp with the invisible tear and even harbor the specimen somewhat frayed until he can replace it with a better and thrill with the satisfaction of such replacement.

How does Type 2 carry himself? He has an eye to bargains only. If he has time or inclination to mount his stamps at all, he prefers the printed album. It lays out his work for him and saves him some drudgery, and as long as the stamp is a perfect specimen he cares little for its look in position.

He gets all the new issues as they come out, for the unused stamp stands the best chance of appreciating in value. With his glass he looks for the infinitesimal tear in the stamp which has done duty and, finding this defect, will not touch the stamp at any price. The accent is very light on the first syllable of philately in his case, but he enjoys his quest. It is not to be said, of course, that Type 1 is not alive to the fact that he has an asset in his collection, but if called upon to part with it, he would be desolated. The

other would be more easily comforted. In the great body of collectors, perhaps, these two types are merged in varying proportions, though typical cases are not rare. From the foregoing may be inferred: If it is a question of dollar returns, then "unused" is the word. If it is a question of philately, "used" has the call.



PHILADELPHIA AUCTION PRICES.

The following are a few of the prices realized on some of the more bin 186th sale, held in Philadelphia bin 186 sale, held in Philadelphia on November 21-22:

Unsevered pair, New York, 1845, 5c.....	\$ 8.50
St. Louis, 5c, on grey-lilac paper, No. 23.....	105.00
"Horseman" Carrier, 1 sent, red	30.10
Baltimore Carrier, unsevered pair, 1c, blue.....	25.00
Pan-American, 1c, invert, fine.....	14.00
Same, 2c	90.00
Navy, 7c, used.....	4.00
State, \$20, unused, fine....	39.00
Raleigh, 5c, on white entire envelope	25.00
Belgium, 1870, 2c, imperf. block of four.....	10.00
Ceylon, 32c, perf. 14x12½, unused	60.00
Ceylon, 24c, brown, unused.	101.00
Ceylon, 2½r, perf. 12½ (No. 76), unused.....	106.00
Shanghai, 1893, 2c, black and red, with inverted centre, unused	12.00
Cuba, Puerto Principe, 2c, on 2 m., with inverted surcharge.	35.00
Egypt, 1872, 10 para. tete. beche, pair.....	10.00

Gold Coast, 1889, 20s, unused	42.00
Great Britain, 1865, 5s, imperf., unused.....	35.00
Guatemala, 1882, 5c, inverted centre	28.00
Hanover, 1850, 1 gg, blue, unused	29.20
Hawaii, 1859, 2c, on white-laid paper	6.80
Hawaii, 1869, 13c, dull rose, on thin paper.....	7.00
Labuan, 1879, 16c, entire sheet	29.25
Mauritius, 1860, 6d, imperf., no water mark, unused...	5.70
Mauritius, 1860, 1s, same..	6.00
Nevis, 1879, 1d, second retouch, No. 1, in sheet, unused	26.00
Philippines, 1854, 10c, rose..	27.00
Same, block of ten varieties.	161.00
Philippines, 1854, 1r., blue, surcharged, Habilitado, unused	62.00
Puerto Rico, 1877, 10c, brown, error	31.00
Portuguese Indies, 1876, 3oor., violet, no figure of value	66.00
St. Lucia, 1871, 1s, perf., 11x 15, unused	11.00
Seychelles, 3c on 4c, double surcharge, unused.....	11.60
Seychelles, 12c or 16c, cents omitted, unused....	14.30
South Australia, 1855, 2d, blood-red, block of six, o. g.	81.00
Basle, 2½r., fine used, copy.	17.70
Tasmania, 1857, 2d, imperf., block of six, o. g.....	43.75
Prices ranged good on the entire 1,400 lots offered.	

The Catalogue prices are the 1908 prices in advance sheets. Cat price Our price
 50c U. S. 1896..... .10 .03
 \$1.00 U. S. 1896..... .45 .18
 2.00 U. S. 1896.....\$1.50 .90

The three stamps.....\$1.00 Post paid
 Scotts 1908 Catalogue..... .58 " "
 International Album.....1.50 " "
 20th Century Album.....1.00 " "

J. T. STARR STAMP COMPANY,
 COLDWATER : : : MICH.

BOSTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

C. A. Howes, Sec'y.

The 120th regular meeting was held on November 18. There were forty-six present, including a delegation of fifteen from the Rhode Island Philatelic society. Four new members were admitted and two applications posted. The secretary offered two medals, of silver and of bronze, for the best two essays on subjects connected with the study of postage stamps. The exhibition committee for 1903 announced that their program would be issued next month.

President Lombard welcomed the Rhode Island Philatelic society, and President Mason responded for the visitors. There were no other formalities, but all joined in looking over the regular exhibitions for the evening. One was for St. Lucia and St. Vincent, in which Mr. Luff carried off the silver medal and Dr. Gascoyne the bronze medal. Both collections were very complete, but Mr. Luff's excelled in unused copies and was replete with shades. The other exhibition was of stamps in pairs, strips and blocks. Mr. Lombard won the silver medal in this and Mr. Alex. Holland the bronze medal. Both collections were magnificent and their estimated value was very close to \$5,500 each.

Mr. Hopkins brought from Providence his collection of blocks of four, which was greatly admired, and Mr. Dawson also brought a very entertaining album of freaks and oddities from the postal service. Altogether the evening was most enjoyable. Refreshments were served before adjournment.

CHICAGO NOTES.

Phoenix.

It is understood that the C. P. S. banquet will be held during February, but as yet no date has been set.

The C. P. S. elections, which will be held December 18, are exciting much local interest, as several other candidates will be nominated at the next meeting.

F. J. Lefever has received an offer of \$2,000 for his stamp collection. This collection he has put together during the past three years and has been mostly attained by trading revenues he found in old drug stores.

Robinson's Review for November did not appear until the end of the month. This delay was caused by the secretary of the P. S. of A. not sending in his report until November 15, having taken since August in preparing it.

Thanksgiving day had a noticeable effect upon the stamp trade, as little if any business was done. The United States Stamp company took the opportunity of having their floor varnished, and consequently, were closed for a couple of days.

NEWFOUNDLAND

27 Varieties—Price 80 Cents

POST FREE.

CENTURY STAMP CO.,

P. O. Box 197, MONTREAL, CANADA.



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N.J.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

The death of H. G. Ramborger, of Philadelphia, for several years an American Association member, is reported in the *Era* as having occurred on February 23.

An entire double sheet of the 16 skillings, gray-green, was one of the great rarities shown at the stamp exhibit held at Copenhagen in September.

The various members of the Manhattan Stamp Society will hold a competitive exhibit of the stamps of Great Britain tomorrow night at the Collector's Club, New York.

Among the greatest bargains picked up this year in the auction rooms was a set of ten volumes of *The London Philatelist* for 12s at a recent London sale.

The annual report of the Birmingham (Eng.) society shows a membership of 300, of whom ninety-two

live outside the United Kingdom. The society held two auctions and one private sale during the past year and had one lecture, illustrated by lantern.

A New York correspondent says that it will be at least the middle of December before the new catalogue will be sufficiently distributed for collectors to get accustomed to the new prices.

Have you made up your mind yet to affiliate with the oldest and best of our national societies? If not, why not? Either the publisher or editor will cheerfully answer any questions concerning the American Philatelic Association.

Mr. R. L. Payne, at one time a prominent philatelist of Nebraska, is now resident in the Barbadoes and is scheduled to deliver three lectures on philatelic subjects before the Y. M. C. A.

Recently some enterprising thief in Chicago stole not only a lot of registered mail, but the mail wagon as well. When it comes to robbery in the mail service "the city by the lake" is always in the van.

The procuring of priced auction catalogues for circulation among members, as is about to be done by the Kansas Philatelic Society, is a good move and one which could be followed with advantage by other organizations.

In an interesting account of "The True Captain Kidd," in the current *Harper's Magazine*, Duncan Campbell, the postmaster at Boston (1699-1700), is accredited with being an envoy of the government to Kidd prior to the latter's capture.

Mr. F. L. Smith, of Brooklyn, reports that the 3-cent and 4-cent were

also precancelled at Pittsburg, Pa., and that the 1-cent can also be found inverted; also that he has a specimen of the one-cent blue used at Lowell.

The description, as published recently in the Metropolitan Philatelist, of the proposed new design for the envelope stamps, calls for a radical departure in appearance, the old familiar oval shape giving place to a square. It is doubtful if the change will meet with public approval.

Why is it Minnesota has never been able to maintain a state society? Other states with no larger number of collectors within their borders have been able to establish highly successful ones and to conduct them successfully. A state society would bring into touch the country and city collectors and do much good.

The Ansonia, Conn., precancelleds seem doomed to follow the Omaha, East Clarendon and other "made to order" specimens out the tabooed list. In reply to a letter of Mr. Walter L. Gates, of Teaticket, asking for information concerning the circular cancellation found on these specimens, the postmaster replied: "We do not use above stamps."

In a sale to be held in Boston this week a specimen of the celebrated Stamp Act revenue of pre-revolutionary times is offered. The cataloguer describes it "1765, 2 sh. 6p. REVENUE, hand stamped on blue paper, British colonial, with word 'America' at top, size 43x43 mm., splendid copy of a very rare article. This is the first copy we have ever seen, and should be of great interest to any collector of revenue stamps. We understand that this stamp is sold at \$50.00, which is not considered a high price for it. It is on a piece of the original document."

UNITED STAMP COMPANY

P. N. WOLSIEFFER, Pres.

F. N. MASSOTH, Sec'y. Treas.

Succeeding to the business of Messrs. Massoth and Wolsieffer.

Former contracts of both firms completed. Auctions, Approval, Want Lists etc., attended to as before.

A large stock of the medium and cheap stamps you are looking for. Also many rarities.

Wolsieffer's Pocket Ed. Stock Book cloth, to hold 500 stamps still sold at 25c post paid.

UNITED STAMP COMPANY,

1149 Marquette Building,

Chicago, Illinois.

XMAS PACKET

50 different used stamps from Portuguese Colonies.

Angola, Angra, Azores, Cape Verde, Funchal, Guinea, Horta, Lourenço Marques, Macao, Maderia, Mozambique, Ponta Delgada, Portuguese Africa, Portuguese Congo, Portuguese India, Portuguese St. Thomas & Prince Timor.

PRICE: 75c post free.

VOHAN MOZIAN,

334 FOURTH AVE., - - NEW YORK.

MAIL AUCTION SALE.

All bids must be in by
noon December 15th.

	Catalogue.
a—Azores, 1871—50r, green .....	.60
b—Antiqua, 1863—1p, lilac rose.....	.50
c—Antiqua, 1863—1p, vermillion.....	.35
d—Alace and Lorraine—5 varieties, damaged	3.41
e—Hawaii, 1865—6c, green .....	.60
f—Hawaii, 1864—4c, blue, bluish.....	.70
g—Great Britain, 1869—10p, red, brown	.75
h—Great Britain, 1867-69—9p, bistre...	.75
i—Maderia, 1871-74—80r, orange, black surcharge	1.25
j—Nova Scotia, 1860—10c, vermillion...	1.50
k—Nova Scotia—12½c, black, damaged..	1.25
l—New Zealand, 1862-63—2p, blue, and 4p, orange .....	.72
m—St. Christopher, 1870—4p, green.....	.60
n—So. Australia, 1860—1sh, red, brown	.50
o—Wurtenburg, 1858—18k, blue, badly damaged .....	.75
p—U. S., 1873—90c, rose, carmine.....	1.50
q—12 packets, each containing 25 stamps catalogued at \$1.00.....	12.00
r—Six 100 variety, packets.....	6.00
s—Tour approval books containing 96 stamps	7.69

GEO. H. HOPE,

87 Ring St., : Providence, R. I.

With our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

Weekly Philatelic Era.

The issue of November 22 contains a further addition to the Reference List of precancelleds, listing about 150 varieties. The new issue department, the usual newsletters and report of meetings of the Collectors' Club and Bridgeport (Conn.) Society complete the number.

The Philatelic Star.

No. 10, of Burton's bi-colored paper at hand. A sketch, with portrait of Thos. O. Young, of New Haven, N. Y., and Stamp Notes, Ad. Hints and editorials comprise the number. We cull the following sentiment:

"Can a stamp collector place a money value on his hobby? We are confident that it would be impossible for us to part with the spirit or the great pleasure we take in displaying our treasures to interested friends. No money could purchase such delight or gain for one of the very fast friends we make through our stamp acquaintances."

Canada Stamp Sheet and Energy.

The November number of Canada's representative opens, as usual, with the editorial matter, "The Leather Chair," in which the value of Canadian stamps is especially discussed, Usona contributes a half-page upon United States stamps. The reports of the Dominion Philatelic Association fill a page, showing a single applicant and that the sales in the exchange department for the past year were practically 18 per cent of the offerings. The list of animals found upon stamps, compiled by A. J. H. S., is reprinted from the Philatelic Journal of America, forty-one species being represented. An article on Russian

stamps, a page of comments and a partially philatelic article on "Little Slips that Ruin" complete the number.

Philatelic West.

The November number of this magazine consists of 108 pages and cover. Portraits of Harold Roe Smith, of Cincinnati, and Antonio Rincon, of Bogota, Columbia, adorn the cover and the group picture taken during the recent convention of the Kansas Philatelic Society is reproduced. This shows the following members of that organization—Maurer, De La Mater, Phinney, Kelly, Henderson, Lilly, Broadbent, Barker and Beshler. Two plates of rare confederates to be sold tomorrow in New York are also shown. The stamp matter includes Wilkinson's editorials, Bermuda counterfeits by Lacus Viridis, Notes for United States collectors, Thiele's Review of Foreign Journals, the conclusion of Steinbrueck's article on "The Bordeaux issue of 1870," A Canadian Error, by F. D. Murphy, installments of Thiele's two serials, "The Stamps of Roumania" and "Observations on Original Covers," Washington Notes, the Revenue Stamp by Charles Nast and Inquiry department, conducted by the Rev. Mr. Dorpat; "Postal Cards—Collect Them," by Rev. Edwin Ewell, a European letter from J. C. auf der Heide and the usual notes and society reports.

The Stamp Exchange.

The October number opens up with a controversial article, with Bro. Chapman, the subject of discussion being the next convention seat of the A. P. A. I do not wish to take part in the discussion, but regarding Clayton, would say

whatever it may be to westerners, in general, it should not be unheard of to association members when two annual conventions have already been held there. A. L. Jones contributes two pages of "With Associate Editor," from which I clip:

"Do you wear a stamp button? You will undoubtedly form many new and agreeable acquaintances if you will wear one. Recently I noticed a stamp button on a person with whom I had been thrown in daily contact for some time but was unaware he was a collector until he began wearing his stamp button. By the way, his button was the neatest I have yet seen and I made haste to secure a like one. It is a dark, small and very tasteful lapel button. The reason I have not been wearing a stamp button for some time was because the one I had was of dinner plate size and so conspicuous it invited too many remarks. The new one I'm wearing is large enough to make me known to fellow-philatelists but is not a glaring advertisement."

J. F. Dodge, who with this number begins his association with the paper, contributes a number of interesting personals, and Frank Hill continues his sketch of the "Postmaster Generals of the United States," and a page of "Philatelic Gleanings" concludes the number, wherein the following list is given as overpriced stamps:

North Borneo, 1893 issue.
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.
Numerous baby-head issues of Philippine Islands.
Ecuador, 1896, jubilee issue.
Costa Rica, 1892, set unused.
Venezuela, 1896, map stamps.
Venezuela, 1899 and 1900 issues.
Honduras, 1892, 25c bistre brown, unused.

The catalogue value of the Postage Due stamps of Trinidad is \$10.55 unused. I have a splendid set that I will sell for \$4.00.



35 Different Fine FREE.

To those sending for approval selection and enclosing the names of two other collectors who are honest, 100 diff. and album 8c. 1000 finely mixed 18c. 60 diff. U. S. 20c. Our lists free for asking.

TIFFIN STAMP CO.,

TIFFIN, OHIO.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

U. S. and Foreign Postage Stamps

Taken in Exchange for

RUBBER STAMPS

For full particulars address:

W. A. Carr, 6 Sycamore St., Rochester, N. Y.

BARGAINS IN STAMPS.

If you are desirous of securing bargains in fine stamps from the commonest to the scarcest varieties, send for my *Bargain Lists*, embracing complete sets and single stamps, prices at from 25 to 75 per cent below catalogue. Lists mailed free.

On approval. A fine lot of Br. Colonies, used and unused, at rock bottom prices.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Ave. - New York.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1908 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00

Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. 36 page list of stamps and coins free.

Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete, 10c unused..... 10c

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.

36 John Street, :: New York City.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper.

Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand.

Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

If you are interested in Souvenir Cards send your address to

ATLAS International Souvenir Card Collectors Society.

151 8th Avenue, : : New York, N. Y.

SOME BARGAINS.	Cat.	Our Price.
20c Foreign Exchange....	\$1.00	\$.40
15c Foreign Exchange....	.60	.25
25c Entry of Goods.....	.10	.04
*Persia Scott No. 151 O.G. fine.	\$9.00	3.75
*Canada No. 12 O. O.....	12.00	5.00

* Unused. Want lists filled.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,

Masonic Temple,

CHICAGO.

SPECIALITY:

Roumanian, Bulgarian and Servian Stamps.
Wholesale and Retail.

Cheapest prices in the World. Wholesale or retail list sent gratis on demand.

JACQUES WORTMAN,

61 Avenue de la Republique,
PARIS, FRANCE.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.
10 blank Approval Books, 10c.
100 Approval Sheets, 15c.
Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

Join the **AAA**

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world.

DO YOU WANT IT?

THIS! 1898 1c blue Documentary War Revenue pre-cancelled I and G. N. R. R.? We are getting 15c for them. Try one. Your collection isn't complete without one.

The International Importation Co.,

AUSTIN, TEXAS.

SPECIAL



American

Philatelic

Association

Number



First Febuary Issue

Thirty-six Pages in Colors

Five Times our Usual Circulation



Write for full particulars

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16-18-20 North Fourth St.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

The Philatelic World

Vol. 1. No. 6.

Minneapolis, Minn. December 10, 1902

Weekly

Chicago Notes.

Phoenix.

The poisoned thumb of E. C. Dodd shows no improvement. It will have to be amputated—that's all.

The Randolph Stamp Co. expect to move from the Masonic Temple on May 1st next.

As sales superintendent of the A. P. A., J. J. Aesen is doing remarkably well. So far he has disposed of stamps to the value of over \$1,000.

F. J. Lefever was nominated for secretary of the C. P. S. to oppose Irving Dickenson, at their meeting this week.

The catalogues are out for F. N. Massoth's auction sale, which will be held in the C. P. S. clubroom on the evening of December 13. P. M. Wolsieffer's next sale will be held on December 20. Some very good lots, both wholesale and retail, are offered in both sales.

A local stamp firm ordered a few cheap stamps from a small boy of eleven summers, who calls himself a stamp company. The next day they received a letter which began in these words: "Dear Sir—I regret to say we are out of the stamps you ordered of our firm yesterday, but expect some more in during the next few days." This from a boy of eleven is considered rich.



A FEW PRECANCELLED.

Mr. D. W. Osgood has called our attention to an error of spelling which may be found in the current Lockport one center—Lockprot.

The Rev. Mr. Madtes writes that

the 3c, 4c and 6c exist for Pittsburg, Pa., also the 1c inverted.

Walter A. Gates reports the \$1.00 with the current Chicago surcharge in red.

Mr. F. L. Smith calls attention to three union varieties which may be found in the current Attica in the separation of letters and lines. The first $4\frac{1}{2}$ and $12\frac{1}{2}$ mm., the second $5\frac{1}{2}$ and $13\frac{1}{2}$ mm., and the third 5 and 13 mm.

Mr. R. F. Chambers, of Providence, has in his collection, the following of that city, with double impression—Providence, R. I., type on 2c due in both red and purple ink, also triple impression in purple. Prov., R. I.; type on 1c, 2c and 10c.

It is stated on good authority that only a single sheet of the Pan American was issued precancelled inverted at Minneapolis. In fact, the entire output of the Pan-Am. precancelled for this city was used by a single firm.

The ten cent precancelled for St. Paul recently used was employed together with a one cent stamp to pay the postage on the price list of the novelty dealers, G. Sommers & Co.



In a recent issue the Youth's Realm says:

Perhaps no place outside of London and Paris shows a deeper interest in philately than Chicago. The city boasts of one collection, that of Mr. W. F. Gurley, which is valued at \$25,000, while the most valuable collection of German stamps in America is owned by Mr. J. J. Oesch, of Chicago, every German issue being represented.

With our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

NEW YORK PHILATELIST.

The December number opens with a continuance of the translated article on Poland. Mr. Young contributes an interesting and very readable article on Triangular Capes. Miss Swift occupies nearly two pages with her review, which, as always, is ably conducted. The society reports occupy nearly two pages; but four, including the Son of Philatelia, fail to show any reports and are represented by list of officers only.



ROBINSON'S REVIEW.

With the November number this becomes the official organ of the Philatelic Sons of America, and nearly eight pages are given up to official matter, the greater portion being the proceedings of the Denver meeting of last August. The secretary's report shows fourteen applications for membership. Notes upon stamp topics and personals constitute the bulk of the reading matter and Sylvia contributes an interesting bit of poetry in the "cockney" dialect. The World thanks the editor for the greeting given and grasps the "mitt" extended gladly and thankfully, and returns the Review its best wishes for the future which the full advertising pages assure.



THE PERFORATOR.

The November number opens with two fine illustrations of covers in the Seybold collection, the first from Switzerland, franked with a four

raper (var. 3) and six raper (var. 4) of Zurich, the second with three one-third Groschen Oldenburg stamps (cat. No. 5). The articles which won the prizes in the manuscript contest are published, being "Coinage System and Philately," by A. R. Butler, "The Evolution of a Century," by Frank D. Murphey, and "The Lack of Time," by Joseph L. Winter. J. E. Handshaw contributes "A Reminiscence of 1883," and "Pete Belcher" writes a humorous account of stamps in Pochunk with "Josh Billings" spelling. E. B. Sterling continues his valuable list of proprietary cancellations, this installment being elevated to the Od Chemical Co., The Pisc Co., Radway & Co., The Anti-Kamnia Co., The Centaur Co., Hostetler and Warner Safe Cure Co. For the Anti-Kamnia Co. he lists one variety of 5/8c, three of 1/4c, twenty-five 2 1/2, and five of the 3 3/4. (1-15-1901 not listed also exist, as does 5-6-1901). The official matter of the Empire State Philatelic society is now published in this paper and four new members noted. The editorial page as usual is distinctly "high class" and "The Opening of the Annual Stamp Season," condition and quality, foreign exchange relation and the Monthly Philatelic Publication are the subjects treated. From the third we quote:

"The only word of advice we can give to our readers, is to leave foreign exchanges severely alone, unless the person who wishes to exchange with you is highly recommended by dealers or others who are thoroughly responsible and reliable themselves and able to give whatever information you request. * * * American collectors ought to be able to exchange all their duplicates at home, thus doing away with foreign exchange. We believe there are plenty of collectors in this country who can give as good as they receive."

Mekeel's Stamp Collector.

Nos. 44, 45 and 46 came together this week. The first is the magazine number and contains a fine illustrated article, "New Haven Postmaster's Provisionals," by C. H. Mekeel. In reference to the reprints he says:

"The first lot, consisting of about twenty, were made in 1871 for William P. Brown, the dealer who discovered the stamp. They were in dull blue on hard white paper and signed, the word copy was written across the face of most of them.

"The second lot, of about thirty, was made soon after in the same year for J. A. Petrie. These were in carmine red on hard paper, signed some in blue and some in black ink.

"The third lot, consisting of a larger number, few of which were signed, were struck for W. F. Seebeck (of Seebeck renown), who was at that time a stamp dealer in New York. These were in dull red on soft yellowish white paper. Some of these are known with a forged signature. No reprints are known on envelopes, all that have appeared are upon pieces of paper."

The subject of albums and catalogues occupies the space given up to editorials. L. G. Quackenbush contributes an interesting article, "A Venture Into Heresy," as well as the "Department of Review." This section is very ably handled, the only regret is that Bro. Quackenbush does not catch up better with Father Time's flight. Then follow eleven pages devoted to coins. "The Bibliographer" devotes five pages to a review of volume one of Mann & Kendig's Philatelic Gazette, published in Altoona in 1884-5. The series of 1902 and the need of a 25c stamp occupies two pages. The Boston society's resolutions are again printed and the San Francisco exhibition treated at length. In the foreign notes, under Holland, we find:

"N. Vaar & Co., of Amsterdam, inform us that they have bought the Orange River Colony's greatest rarity, viz: 1d. mauve, second printing, used V. R. I., the V being an inverted A, showing thus:

V R I

1 d

Mr. Reubens, manager of the South African Stamp Co., London, and Mr. Schlesinger, the well-known Berlin expert, have both examined the stamp and pronounced it to be a genuine and scarce variety. The stamp is not for sale."

The Chronicle occupies three pages and a third installment of C. H. Mekeel's valuable "Notes on Mexican Stamps" concludes the number.

Oliver Crinkle occupies nearly the whole of No. 45 with "Philatelic Sights and Insights." Percy Bishop contributes a letter from London and the editor (presumably) discusses the Earl of Crawford's succession to the vice-presidency of the London Philatelic Society. Lapse of Charter Members (Son of Philatelia), Precancelled Stamps, Summer Auctions, Echoes of Martinique Disaster, Omaha's Societies and Death of Mr. Laurie.

In No. 46, Crinkle's article is continued, while the new United States stamps come in for notice. Two pages of notes complete the number.

NEWFOUNDLAND

27 Varieties—Price 80 Cents

POST FREE.

CENTURY STAMP CO.,

P. O. Box 197, MONTREAL, CANADA.



TRADE MARK,

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

The death of the Rev. W. Bell, of Kilmeen, the best known Irish philatelist is announced in the Stamp Collector.

Report has it that the Nestor of Pittsburg, Pa., stamp life—Ignaz Stauffer—is about to leave that city for the Pacific coast.

We haven't yet heard any predictions of evil from the superstitious minded people regarding the thirteen-cent stamps.

It must be the Minneapolis Times considers the new eight stamp a joke, as in Sunday's issue it puts a notice of it in the columns of its comic page.

Report says that J. A. Pierce, the veteran dealer of Chicago, who has neglected philately for several years, is intending to again embark in stamp lines. May success attend him.

We understand that Charles A. Townsend, of Akron, O., has disposed of his fine collection of precancelleds, which was surpassed by only a very few other collections of this class of stamps.

One of the interesting souvenirs of the Springfield meet was J. D. Bartlett's card, decorated with a one-cent stamp, which was surcharged Springfield, Mass., between lines, with, in very small type above "Not a," and below, "Precancelled."

A lecture was recently delivered in St. Paul where the speaker devoted a considerable portion of his time to scoring the government for violating the Sabbath in permitting mails to be carried, distributed and received by the public.

In 1895 a writer in a Minnesota magazine said: "I consider a person who will part with a \$1 Columbian for less than \$500, as temporarily afflicted with a bad form of mental aberration. Hang onto the dollar ones." Wonder if he still thinks the same.

The eastern members of the Philatelic Sons of America are endeavoring to induce C. B. Rice, of Oswego, N. Y., to become a candidate for the exchange superintendency. It would be a graceful move on the part of the board of directors, which is so largely western, to recognize the claims of the east.

The catalog of the 19th sale of the Chicago Society received; 584 lots are offered, over half of which are wholesale lots of low priced stamps. The election of officers in the Philatelic Literature League has been called. The names of several well known specialists in this line are among those nominated for the various officers.

From Maine on the east, from California on the west, from Minnesota on the north, from Louisiana on the south, can be found members of the American Philatelic Association, and all other sections are well represented, but still there's room for more. Write the secretary, H. E. Deats, Flemington, N. J., for an application blank, or, if you prefer, send to The World for one.



WHAT ROOSEVELT SAYS.

In his annual message to Congress the president speaks thus for the postal service:

The striking increase in the revenues of the postoffice department shows clearly the prosperity of our people and the increasing activity of the business of the country.

The receipts of the postoffice department for the fiscal year ending June 30 last, amounted to \$121,848,047.26, an increase of \$10,216,853.87 over the preceding year, the largest increase known in the history of the postal service. The magnitude of this increase will best appear from the fact that the entire postal receipts for the year 1860 amounted to but \$8,518,067.

Rural free delivery service is no longer in the experimental stage; it has become a fixed policy. The results following its introduction have fully justified congress in the large appropriation made for its establishment and extension.

The average yearly increase in postoffice receipts in the rural districts of the country is about 2 per cent. We are now able, by actual results, to show that where rural free delivery service has been established to such an extent as to

enable us to make comparisons the yearly increase has been upward of 10 per cent.

On Nov. 1, 1902, 11,650 rural free delivery routes had been established and were in operation, covering about one-third of the territory of the United States available for rural free delivery service. There are now awaiting the action of the department petitions and applications for the establishment of 10,748 additional routes.

This shows conclusively the want which the establishment of the service has met and the need of further extending it as rapidly as possible. It is justified both by the financial results and by the practical benefits to our rural population; it brings the men who live on the soil into close relations with the active business world; it keeps the farmer in daily touch with the markets; it is a potential educational force; it enhances the value of farm property; makes farm life far pleasanter and less isolated, and will do much to check the undesirable current from country to city.

It is to be hoped that congress will make liberal appropriations for the continuance of the service already established and for its further extension.

DANISH WEST INDIES.

1865 3 cent, red, dark green, used, fine.....	\$1.60
50 cent purple mint.....	1.00
10 cent on 50 cent "	.35
1 cent on 7 cent "	.50
12 cent unused o. g. fine.....	.30
2 cent on 3 cent 1902 small.....	.15
2 cent on 3 cent 1902 large.....	.10
8 cent on 10 cent 1902 small.....	.25
8 cent on 10 cent 1902 large.....	.15
Dues, set of 4, all unused.....	1.00

Plenty of other stamps.

Kings head stamps as issued.

FRANK P. BROWN,
333 WASHINGTON ST., BOSTON.

Bridgeport Conn., Society.

H. M. Wickmann, Sec'y.

The meeting of the Bridgeport Philatelic Club was held at their rooms in the Sturdevant Building, No. 925 Main street, last Tuesday evening.

Owing to the very stormy evening only twelve members were present. After the regular routine of business the stamps of Uruguay were taken up for discussion.

We wish to thank Mr. W. F. Gregory of New York City, through the columns of The Philatelic World, for his interest in the club's welfare, although not able to be present, was ably represented by Mr. Cole, in exhibiting the most complete collection of this country.

We learn from good authority that the collection did not return to New York, it having been purchased by Mr. Wilmot.

The several duplicate stamps received by the secretary from the members for the drawing catalogued from 22c to 60c each, and were won by Mr. Reeve. The members have completed arrangements through the president, whereby they are to receive completed sets of the new issues of stamps from every country as soon as issued, both in used and unused condition, and not less than ten sets to be received at any one time.

During the month of December the meetings of the club will be held on Tuesday evenings.

The next meeting will be wholly taken up by the country of Venezuela.

UNITED STAMP COMPANY

P. N. WOLSEFFER, Pres.

F. N. MASSOTH, Sec'y. Treas.

Succeeding to the business of Messrs. Massoth and Wolsieffer.

Former contracts of both firms completed Auctions, Approval, Want Lists etc., attended to as before.

A large stock of the medium and cheap stamps you are looking for. Also many rarities.

Wolsieffer's Pocket Ed. Stock Book cloth, to hold 500 stamps still sold at 25c post paid.

UNITED STAMP COMPANY,

1149 Marquette Building,

Chicago, Illinois.

DANISH WEST INDIES

	Unused.	Each.	Per 100
1c red violet.....		\$.16	\$15.00
4c dull blue.....		.12	11.00
1902 2 on 3c first issue.....		.30	18.00
8 on 10c ".....		.30	25.00
2 on 3c second issue.....		.20	18.00
Postage due 10c.....		.25	
1c green used.....			1.00

HENRY KOCH,

19 Crawford St., : : Newark, N. J.

MAIL AUCTION SALE.

All bids must be in by
noon December 15th.

	Catalogue.
a—Azores, 1871—50r, green.....	\$.60
b—Antiqua, 1863—1p, lilac rose.....	.50
c—Antiqua, 1863—1p, vermilion.....	.35
d—Alace and Lorraine—5 varieties, damaged.....	3.41
e—Hawaii, 1865—6c, green.....	.60
f—Hawaii, 1864—4c, blue, bluish.....	.70
g—Great Britain, 1869—10p, red, brown.....	.75
h—Great Britain, 1867-69—9p, bistre.....	.75
i—Maderia, 1871-74—80r, orange, black surcharge.....	1.25
j—Nova Scotia, 1860—10c, vermilion.....	1.50
k—Nova Scotia—12½c, black, damaged.....	1.25
l—New Zealand, 1862-63—2p, blue, and 4p, orange.....	.72
m—St. Christopher, 1870—4p, green.....	.60
n—So. Australia, 1860—1sh, red, brown.....	.50
o—Wurtenburg, 1858—18k, blue, badly damaged.....	.75
p—U. S., 1873—90c, rose, carmine.....	1.50
q—12 packets, each containing 25 stamps catalogued at \$1.00.....	12.00
r—Six 100 variety, packets.....	6.00
s—Tour approval books containing 96 stamps.....	7.69

GEO. H. HOPE,

87 Ring St., : Providence, R. I.

May We Enter Your Subscription?

Rural Free Delivery.

In an interview published recently in the St. Paul Pioneer Press, Congressman F. C. Stevens says:

"I shall also urge that a division of the rural delivery service with headquarters at St. Paul be established. There is room for the headquarters in the new building. Minnesota now has 450 rural delivery routes, and there will be many more by spring. Whenever there are 1,200 or 1,500 routes in a locality, a division and headquarters having general supervision over the system is established.

"I shall also ask for additional men and facilities for the railway mail service. The northwest is growing and increased facilities are badly needed, to have the service keep pace with the needs of the country."

The Catalogue prices are the 1903 prices in advance sheets. Cat price Our price

50c U. S. 1896	.....	.10	.....	.03
\$1.00 U. S. 1896	.....	.45	.....	.16
2.00 U. S. 1896	.....	\$1.50	.....	.90

The three stamps	.....	\$1.00	Post paid
Scotts 1903 Catalogue	.....	.58	" "
International Album	.....	1.50	" "
20th Century Album	.....	1.00	" "

J. T. STARR STAMP COMPANY,
COLDWATER : : : MICH.

SOMETHING GOOD.

Nicaragua 1869 complete set of 5	.....	20c
Nyassa 1897 complete set of 13	.....	50c
Nyassa 1901 complete set of 13 pictures	.....	65c
British Protectorate 1901 complete set of 9	.....	50c
Chili 1898 30c 50c	.....	15c
Chili 1901 30c	.....	20c
Ecuador Jubilee complete	.....	20c
Costa Rica 1901 1-2-5-10-20c	.....	08c
Newfoundland 1898 1/4-1-2-3-5c	.....	08c
Newfoundland 1901 4c	.....	02c

Stamps on approval.

FRED GREENLADE,

HIGHLAND PARK, - - ILL.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.



The catalogue value of a set of Ecuador 1896 unused is \$1.25. I will sell you a set for 35 cents.

Send for copy of

THE JUNIOR.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

U. S. and Foreign Postage Stamps

Taken in Exchange for

RUBBER STAMPS

For full particulars address:

W. A. Carr, 6 Sycamore St., Rochester, N. Y.

BARGAINS IN STAMPS.

If you are desirous of securing bargains in fine stamps from the commonest to the scarcest varieties, send for my *Bargain Lists*, embracing complete sets and single stamps, prices at from 25 to 75 per cent below catalogue. Lists mailed free.

On approval. A fine lot of Br. Colonies, used and unused, at rock bottom prices.

L. N. HERBERT,
1320 Washington Ave. New York.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00

Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free, 35 page list of stamps and coins free.

Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete, 10c unused

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.

36 John Street, :: New York City.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper.

Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand.

Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

If you are interested in Souvenir Cards send your address to

ATLAS International Souvenir Card Collectors Society.

181 8th Avenue, : : New York, N. Y.

SOME BARGAINS.	Cat.	Our Price.
20c Foreign Exchange....	\$1.00	\$.40
15c Foreign Exchange ....	.60	.25
25c Entry of Goods.....	.10	.04
*Persia Scott No. 151 O.G. fine.	\$9.00	3.75
*Canada No. 12 O. O.....	12.00	5.00

* Unused. Want lists filled.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,

Masonic Temple,

CHICAGO.

SPECIALITY

Roumanian, Bulgarian and Servian Stamps.
Wholesale and Retail.

Cheapest prices in the World. Wholesale or retail list sent gratis on demand.

JACQUES WORTMAN,

61 Avenue de la Republique,
PARIS, FRANCE.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.

10 blank Approval Books, 10c.

100 Approval Sheets, 15c.

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

Join the # # #

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world.

1st Weekly Bargain.

100 Different Stamps and 1000 Hinges,

Post free, only.....\$.15

Selections on approval 60 per cent discount.

PACIFIC STAMP CO.,

133 N. 38th Ave., OMAHA, NEB.

SPECIAL



American

Philatelic

Association

Number



First February Issue

Thirty-six Pages in Colors

**Five Times our
Usual Circulation**



Write for full particulars

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16-18-20 North Fourth St.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

The Philatelic World

Vol. 1. No. 7.

Minneapolis, Minn. December 17, 1902

Weekly

REPORT OF SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION I. P. A.

The sixth annual convention of the Interstate Philatelic Association of Oregon and Washington was held at the office of the sales and auction superintendent, Herman Moeller, in Portland, Oregon, on the evening of November 25th, 1902.

After the president, L. A. McArthur, had delivered a brief opening address, he appointed the usual committees and recess of ten minutes was taken for the credential committee to count ballots and proxies. After convention came to order the election of the following officers, etc., for the ensuing year was announced:

President, Dr. C. H. Gardner, Port Townsend; vice president, H. P. Strickland, Seattle; secretary-treasurer, Frank L. Applegate, Yainax; sales and auction superintendent, H. C. Griesel, Woodstock; librarian, H. O. White, Salem; trustees, A. Rae, C. H. Precemeder, Lewis A. McArthur, Portland.

Official organ, New York Philatelist.

Convention seat, 1903, Portland.

Secretary-Treasurer Griesel's report showed that there had been ten new members added during the year, the present membership being thirty-nine, of whom thirty-five were in good standing. Cash on hand at first of year, \$8.57; receipts from all sources, \$14.85; expenditures, \$18.85, leaving a balance in treasury of \$4.57. Insurance fund, \$2.11; unpaid accounts, none.

The sales and auction superintendent reported as follows:

	No.	Value.
Number of books on hand		
December 16, 1901....	17	\$115.74
Received during year....	69	523.23
		— — — — —
Total		\$638.97
Number of books retired.	71	\$411.44
Sales from same.....		194.71
Percentage, 47.3.		
Number of books now in department	15	227.53
Insurance received and turned over to treasurer,		\$1.95.

Both of these reports were found correct by committees to which they were referred, and adopted.

The committee on constitution and by-laws recommended that the constitution be so amended as to make collectors throughout the United States and Canada eligible to membership, but restricting the officers to the States of Oregon and Washington; also so as to merge the sales and auction-purchasing departments. There not being the necessary number of members represented in person and by proxy to amend the constitution, Secretary-elect Applegate was instructed to hold a mail vote at the earliest possible moment, as provided in the constitution.

President McArthur tendered Mr. M. L. Gumbert, of Portland, the prize consisting of United States and British Colonials for securing the largest number of members during the year. In declining this, Mr. Gumbert paid a warm tribute to Secretary Griesel's activity and the latter, also refusing to accept the

prize, it was again put up for competition during the ensuing year. After a general discussion as to the future of the association, the convention adjourned, to meet in Portland in the fall of 1903.



SOME AUCTION PRICES.

Realized at J. M. Bartels & Co.'s sale of Dec. 5, at 230 Washington st., Boston, Mass.:

United States Stamps.

1895, fine, imperfect, 3 cent.	\$1.00
A rejected die McKinley post-card	2.00
1865, 10c newspaper, pelure paper	3.80
Bond, 25c, imperf.	2.25

Foreign Stamps.

Ceylon, 8d, C. C., watermark o. g.	2.50
New South Wales, imperf. block of four 1d carmine catalogue No. 98, but not listed in this condition	10.25
Niger Coast, 1892 set, o. g.	2.00
Nova Scotia 6d, dark green superb	8.55
St. Lucia, 4d deep, state blue o. g.	4.00
St. Lucia, 6 d, emerald green, o. g.	4.00
Trinidad, 5s, claret, block of four	8.00
Turks Island, 1s, state blue.	4.45
Argentine catalogue No. 13, on o. c.	1.70
Congo, 10 fr., used	1.70
Danish West Indies, 2c on 3c, date 1901, o. g.	12.25
Hawaii, 5c Hawaiian postage No. 1 in plate	10.55
Mecklenberg, 4-4s, on o. c.	1.40
Persia, 1902, set surc., in red.	7.50
Philippines, 1854, 1r blue error Corros	75.00

The following prices were realized at Drew's 100th sale, a report which contains these and about thirty other lots miscarried and reached us after ten days' delay, consequently we only quote a few prices on seldom offered U. S.

Pan American 2-cent invert.	\$139.00
Pan American 4-cent invert., "specimen"	60.00
Revenue, 1898, \$100	6.05
Revenue, 1898, \$500	46.00
Revenue, 1898, \$1,000	36.00



Extract from the Postmaster General's Report.

"On June 30, 1902, there were 2,844 railroad routes, the total length of which was 187,129 miles, with an annual travel of 312,521,478 miles, costing \$35,049,211.22. The increase in the length of routes was 3,771 miles, in annual travel 9,908,153 miles, and an annual expenditure \$1,167,820.98.

"At the close of the year there were 1,350 lines of traveling post-offices, covering 178,796 miles in length. The number of clerks employed was 9,731, annual travel by them in cars 221,589,999 miles. To accomplish this, 3,785 cars and apartments were used on the steam roads besides twenty-four cars on the electric lines under the supervision of the railway mail service, and eighty-three apartments on steamboats. It is estimated that these clerks handled 15,062,830,640 pieces of ordinary mail and 24,174,174 packages and cases of registered mail. The errors by clerks in handling the mail as reported indicate but one error made for every 11,502 pieces correctly distributed.

"The business and social relations of the people of this country with

those of certain European nations have grown to such an extent that it is believed the time has come to reduce the foreign rate of postage, the present rate being considered excessive and a hindrance to the development of commerce and trade between the United States and the great commercial nations of Europe. I recommend, therefore, that negotiations be undertaken with Great Britain, Germany and France for the purpose of modifying the rates of postage as suggested."

The following recommendations for legislation are submitted for the consideration of congress:

"That the extension of free delivery to towns of not less than 5,000 population, or \$5,000 gross annual postal receipts, be authorized.

"That substitute letter carriers in cities of 75,000 population and over be guaranteed monthly earnings of not less than \$30, and in cities of less than 75,000 population not less than \$25.

"That the rural letter carriers be allowed an annual leave of absence of not to exceed fifteen days with pay.

"That the maximum fee for a money order be fixed at 25, instead of 30 cents.

"That the interstate commerce law be amended to prohibit common carriers, or any of their employes, from aiding and abetting in the green goods or lottery swindles, or any other scheme carried on partly by mail and partly by common carrier and which is in violation of the postal laws.

"That the department be authorized to adopt a system of postal checks.

"That a statute be enacted authorizing the receiving and dispatch-

ing of certain classes of mail matter without the necessity of affixing postage stamps to individual pieces.

"That an act be passed conferring upon the department specific authority to introduce a system of reply postal cards and envelopes."



The 2½d, 4d, and 6d carmine seem to be conspicuous by their absence from advertised offerings of the V. R. I. provisionals. Of these the number issued as given by the Monthly Journal was 19,200; 74,400; and 7,200 in the order above named. Of the 5sh the list gives the number as 232,800, but the A. J. of P. expresses doubts as to the accuracy of this, saying, "It seems decidedly unlikely to us that the government of the Orange Free States should have kept in one city so large a quantity as 232,000 of the 5sh stamps, the sales of which in a year did not, in all probability, exceed 5,000. This stamp had been in use for so long a time that the post office authorities of the Orange Free State were well aware of the small demand that existed for it, and it seems almost impossible that they should have carried in stock so large a supply, in view of the extremely limited demand." There is much information yet to come in concerning South African Provisionals of the past year generally, and when it is all before us we will know more about the various issues.—Philatelic Era.



50c for 10c.

If you mention this paper I will send you an unused 3 cent Newfoundland of 1880 for 10c.

It catalogs at 50c.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

The Security Stamp Co., of Galveston, Tex., hold a mail auction sale on Jan. 12.

Makin & Co., of San Francisco, Cal., announce that they will issue a larger new wholesale price list early next year.

Only a few of our exchanges have sent copies, and unless we receive copies we shall cut off sending to those who fail to reciprocate.

The match and medicine stamp collection of Geo. L. Toppan will be offered at Wolsieffer's January sale. With very few exceptions it is the peer of any similar collection.

War seems existent between Germany and Venezuela without any declaration, with England assisting the former. Now look out for special issues in Venezuelans to be the popular philatelic fad.

It is reported that President Diaz,

of Mexico, will retire to private life early next year. It is to be hoped that our southern neighbor will continue to progress as she has under the rule of the "Great Pacifier."

An election has been called by mail in the Pre-cancelled stamp club, the vote to be counted on the 20th inst., and the new officers are expected to be in charge and pushing the organization with the beginning of the year.

Ed. S. Estoppey, the secretary of the Lausanne, Switzerland, Philatelic Society, has made arrangements with the publishers of Schweizer Briefmarken Zeitung to issue an advertising supplement entitled *Announce Universelle* in connection with that paper.

Wolsieffer's 31st sale will occur on Saturday night. The greater portion of the sale consists of wholesale offerings from the stock of the well-known dealer, F. Noyes, of Alice, Tex. The single stamps offered are good medium grade stamps but no great varieties.

The annual weeding out in the American Philatelic Association occurred last week, quite a goodly list being dropped for non-payment of dues. Several well known names appear and it is evidently an oversight on their part and reinstatements of at least a score are looked for. A membership of 516 was left.

We are in receipt of an advertising blotter from Hermann Streissguth, of Milwaukee, bearing a facsimile of a cover received by him and franked with five Egyptian stamps.

The stock of the United Stamp Co., of Chicago, is now being offered at \$25 per share. Messrs. Wolsieffer and Massoth will, we understand, retain a majority of the stock and applications for small holdings be given preference over larger ones.

CHICAGO NOTES.

E. C. Dodd has had the offer of a large collection in the east. It is now on the way here for inspection.

That prominent collector of Denver, Col., C. A. Nast, the specialist in type cancelled proprietaries, was a recent Chicago visitor.

J. F. Negreen, formerly connected with the Omaha Stamp & Coin Co., passed through the city the other day on his way to New York, where he intends opening up a stamp and coin business.

The Chicago Branch meeting of the A. P. A., held last Thursday (December 11), was well attended, over twenty members being present. Several interesting remarks were made by some of the members present.

A local dealer recently shipped 270,000 of the 1898 documentary revenues to a firm in England. They consisted almost entirely of the 1, 2, 5 and 10-cent values. Another large lot is now being put together by the same party.

The annual elections of the C. P. S. will be held at the meeting of December 18. It is thought that the new officers will be: President, C. Schliekert (unopposed); vice president, R. Bultman; treasurer, T. D. Allin; secretary, Irving Dickenson. The stamps of Portugal and colonies will be the subject of exhibit.

A persistent rumor has been quietly floating around philatelic circles for some time, that the newly formed United Stamp Co. will soon lose the services of two of their pretty and efficient lady helpers, although the names are not freely mentioned, it is understood that a prominent member of the C. P. S. House com-

mittee and a stamp collector formerly of La Grange, are the lucky chaps.



SOME CHEAP SETS.

Austria, unpaid, 1900, 8 varieties	\$0.25
China, 1898, 6 varieties .....	.12
China, 1898-1900, 7 varieties..	.15
Cuba on U. S., 1, 2, 2½, 3, 5 and 10c, 6 varieties .....	.32
Cuba 1899, new issue, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10c, 5 varieties .....	.12
Cuba, 1868, 5, 10, 20 and 40c, 4 varieties, complete .....	.50
Cuba, 1869, 10, 20 and 40c, 3 varieties .....	.50
Ecuador, Jubilee, 7 varieties, complete .....	.25
Egyptian Soudan, 1897, 1, 2, 3, 5m, 1 pia, 5 varieties.....	.35
Egyptian Soudan, 1898, 1, 2, 3, 5m and 1 pia, 5 varieties .....	.20
Greece, 1901, 6 varieties .....	.08
Hayti, 1896-98, 1, 2, 3, 5, 7 and 20c, complete .....	.25
Hayti, 1898, 2 and 5c .....	.06
Italy, 1901, 6 varieties .....	.05
Jamaica, 10 varieties .....	.10
Japan, Jubilee, 1894, 2 and 5s..	.06
Lubuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1, 3 varieties, complete .....	.50
Labuan and North Borneo, Monkey set, 4 varieties ....	.15
Montenegro, Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 19, 4 varieties .....	.10
Salvador Jubilee, 1897, 2 varieties, complete .....	.12
Spain, 1900, 8 varieties .....	.10
Venezuela, 1900, Nos. 130, 131, 132, 133, 4 varieties .....	.16
Venezuela, 1900, Nos. 136, 137, 139 and 140, 4 varieties, (catalogue 68) .....	.15
Venezuela, 1900, Nos. 136, 137, 139 and 140, 4 varieties, seconds .....	.10
Venezuela, official, 1898, 5 varieties, complete .....	.50

Orders 50c or more post free.

Choice stamps on approval against satisfactory references.

TIDAL WAVE STAMP CO.,

P. O. Box 16,
Galveston, Texas.

FREE 100 DIFFERENT STAMPS for the names and addresses of two collectors and 2c postage.

13c-The new U. S.-13c Fine used copies..\$.18
 Roumania Jubilee 1891 Complete unused 1.75
 We want to buy Pan American, Omahas, Special Delivery, etc.

TOLEDO STAMP CO. : : : : TOLEDO, OHIO

DANISH WEST INDIES

Unused.	Each.	Per 100
1c red violet.....	\$.16	\$15.00
4c dull blue.....	.12	11.00
1902 2 on 3c first issue.....	.20	18.00
8 on 10c ".....	.30	25.00
2 on 3c second issue.....	.20	18.00
Postage due 10c.....	.25	
1c green used.....		1.00

HENRY KOCH,

19 Crawford St., : : Newark, N. J.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price.
1885 1c.....	\$.20	\$.06
1879 2c.....	.30	.12
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.15

OTHER BARGAINS.

EBEN S. MARTIN,

MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.



DEPARTMENT STAMPS

At Surprisingly Little Prices

Money refunded if not satisfactory.
 The first price is for unused—the second for used.

1c Agri. 1 50 1 00	2c Specimen 50	2c 1 00 30	2c Specimen 2 00 1 85
1c Specimen 50	3c 1 00 40	3c 1 00 40	3c Specimen 50
2c 40 35 6c	4c 1 00 40	4c 1 00 40	4c 40 30
3c 15 19 10c	5c 1 25 1 30	5c 1 25 1 30	5c 1 25 1 30
6c 15 19 10c	1 25 1 00	7c 1 25 1 00	7c 1 25 1 00
10c 2 50 2 00 15c	3 00 2 40	10c 3 00 2 40	10c 3 00 2 40
12c 3 50 3 50 24c	9 00 7 50 12c	12c 9 00 7 50	12c 9 00 7 50
15c 1 45 1 50 30c	10 00 8 00 15c	15c 1 90 1 85	15c 1 90 1 85
24c 1 80 1 80	21 00 19 00 24c	24c 4 00 3 85	24c 4 00 3 85
30c 2 00 1 90	1c Navy 60	30c 4 00 3 40	30c 4 00 3 40
1c Executive 3 00	1c Specimen 40	90c 6 00 6 00	90c 6 00 6 00
1c Specimen 50	2c 40 20	\$2.25 to \$12.00 each.	
2c 2 25 3 00 3c	3c 25 35	3c 25 35	3c 25 35
2c Specimen 50	6c 30 20	10c 50 00 45 00	10c 50 00 45 00
3c 3 00 2 50 7c	10 00 5 00	42c 40 00 35 00	42c 40 00 35 00
3c Specimen 60 10c	1 00 80	1c Treasury 50	1c Treasury 50
6c 10 00 8 00 12c	1 00 65	2c 15 08	2c 15 08
6c Specimen 85 15c	1 75 1 15	3c 05 02	3c 05 02
10c 3 00 5 00 24c	2 00 1 50	6c 10 05	6c 10 05
1c Interior 10 10 30c	1 90 7c	1 25 80	1 25 80
2c 03 04 90c	10 00 5 00	10c 20 12	10c 20 12
3c 16 04 1c P. O.	11 15 12c	25 10	25 10
6c 18 2c	12 12 15c	20 12	20 12
10c 25 90 6c	08 08 94c	7 50 1 25	7 50 1 25
12c 20 16 10c	1 00 1 00	20c 12	20c 12
15c 30 25 12c	40 30 90c	90 25	90 25
24c 40 30 15c	1 00 50 10c War	40 12	40 12
30c 40 30 15c	45 40 12c	40 12	40 12
90c 2 00 1 00 30c	40 15c	08 08	08 08
1c Justice 30 50 90c	1 00 75 94c	08 08	08 08
1c Specimen 45	1c State 1 00 1 00	20c 20 20	20c 20 20
2c 1 20 1 30	1c Specimen 60	90c 40 40	90c 40 40

Wm. v. d. Wettorn, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

BARGAINS IN STAMPS.

If you are desirous of securing bargains in fine stamps from the commonest to the scarcest varieties, send for my *Bargain Lists*, embracing complete sets and single stamps, prices at from 25 to 75 per cent below catalogue. Lists mailed free.

On approval. A fine lot of Br. Colonies, used and unused, at rock bottom prices.
 L. N. HERBERT,
 1520 Washington Ave. New York.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00 Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free, 36 page list of stamps and coins free.
 Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete, 10c unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.

36 John Street, :: New York City.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
 MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

NORTH BORNEO.

1897-90, 9 varieties complete.. 1.85
 1893, 1 to 24c, 9 varieties..... 5.50
 1897, 1 to 24c, 9 varieties.... 4.40
 1901, s'chd., "British Protectorate," 10 var. complete.... 5.55
 NYASSA.
 1898, 13 varieties, complete.. 6.67
 1901, 2 1/2 to 100 reis, lightly cancelled, 10 var. 4.40

TIDAL WAVE STAMP CO.,
 Postoffice Box 16,
 Galveston, Texas

SEND FOR New Price List of
British North American Postage Stamps.

CENTURY STAMP CO.,
P. O. Box 197, MONTREAL, CANADA.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c
A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Dennison,
P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

STAMPS YOU WANT.

1854 Norway, 4s blue No. 1, fine	\$0.12
1856 Norway, 2s yellow, No. 2, fine .....	.30
1856 Norway, 3s lilac, No. 3, fine .....	.12
1883 Norway, 12 ore green, No. 38, fine .....	.60
This No. 38 is one of the hardest stamps to pick up.	
1883 Norway 12 ore No. 39, fine .....	.16
1889 Norway, 50 ore No. 105, fine .....	.10
1882 Finland 1 Mark No. 30, fine .....	.08
1891 Finland, 14k, No. 52, fine.	.08
1891 Finland, 20 k, No. 53, fine .....	.15
1871 Sweden 6 ore Official Gray, very fine copies; scarce	.75

UNITED STAMP CO.,
1149 Marquette, Chicago.



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

Uncle Sam, the Bearer of Tidings.

Even whaling ships are used by Uncle Sam. They go far north into Bering sea. One mail route of Uncle Sam is attended to entirely by steam whalers that sail from Seattle, in Washington. These ships take letters and packages from home to men hidden away in the frozen country north of Bering straits. The whalers and sealers in the Arctic Circle are hunted for by Uncle Sam, and he tries to deliver their mail to them, though they may have been cruising for a year or more. Sometimes he will send their mail from ship to ship until at last one will find the vessel and send the letters aboard. They may be many months old by that time, but they are none the less welcome for that, you may be sure, and they are read over and over in the dim light from oil lamps in the laboring, tempest-beaten ships.

One of Uncle Sam's mail routes in Alaska uses ships and canoes and dog teams and sleds. It is a route more than four thousand miles long and carries the mails into the far interior, where the mighty Yukon roars in the solitudes. Four round trips are made over this route each year, and each trip costs Uncle Sam \$1,495.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good.* Six associate editors. The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

SOME SPECIAL SETS.

China, 1898, 6 varieties .....	.12
China, 1898 and 1900, 7 varieties .....	.15
Greece, 1901, 6 varieties .....	.08
Italy, 1901, 6 varieties .....	.05
Spain, 1900, 8 varieties .....	.10

Postage extra.

TIDAL WAVE STAMP CO.,
Galveston, Texas.

P. O. Box 16.

If you are interested in **Souvenir Cards** send your address to

ATLAS International Souvenir Card Collectors Society.

151 8th Avenue, : : New York, N. Y.

SOME BARGAINS. Cat. Our Price.

20c Foreign Exchange....	\$1.00	\$.40
15c Foreign Exchange .....	.60	.25
25c Entry of Goods.....	.10	.04
*Persia Scott No. 151 O.G. fine.	\$9.00	3.75
*Canada No. 12 O. O.....	12.00	5.00

* Unused. Want lists filled.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,

Masonic Temple,

CHICAGO.

The Catalogue prices are the 1908 prices in advance sheets. Cat price Our price
 50c U. S. 189610 .03
 \$1.00 U. S. 189645 .16
 2.00 U. S. 1896 \$1.50 .90

The three stamps..... \$1.00 Post paid
 Scotts 1908 Catalogue..... .58 " "
 International Album..... 1.50 " "
 20th Century Album..... 1.00 " "

J. T. STARR STAMP COMPANY,
 COLDWATER : : MICH.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The **PHILATELIC STAR**"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. **Send for Sample Copy.** It pays advertisers to be in it—**Are You?** Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for **15c.**
 10 blank Approval Books, **10c.**
 100 Approval Sheets, **15c.**
 Fine Approval Books of Stamps at **65** per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
 MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

Join the **AAA**

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world.

2nd Weekly Bargain.

30 Different Sweden \$.10
 1000 Different Stamps and 1000 Hinges,
 Post free, only..... \$.25
 Selections on approval 60 per cent discount.

PACIFIC STAMP CO.,

133 N. 38th Ave., OMAHA, NEB.

SPECIAL



American

Philatelic

Association

Number



First February Issue

Thirty-six Pages in Colors

Five Times our Usual Circulation



Write for full particulars

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16-18-20 North Fourth St.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

The Philatelic World

Vol. 1. No. 6.

Minneapolis, Minn. December 24, 1902

Weekly

CHICAGO NOTES.

H. O. Talbot, who managed the philatelic section at the Brooklyn Institute of Arts last summer, was in the city recently and attended the C. P. S. auction.

The new catalogues are promised for Chicago by Dec. 23. They will be shipped from New York on the 20th, so says a letter from the publishers.

H. A. Fowler, who got out two numbers of a stamp paper in Toronto some ten years ago, contemplates the issue of another publication shortly. He has not yet said whether he will run it on the same plan.

On December 18 a local stamp dealer paid \$1.50 for a hundred used copies of the new 8c stamp. They were immediately sent to an English firm.

Dr. Paul Welcher, of the German Consulate in Chicago, who was an ardent philatelist, died recently.

The new 8-cent stamp, bearing the likeness of Martha Washington, was seen here on December 17. A number of physicians' handbooks were mailed from New York and each bore the new stamp.

Chas. A. Townsend, of Akron, O., recently fell on the ice in front of the postoffice and sustained a fractured rib. He was starting on his morning delivery and had two heavy bags of mail. He did not discover his injury until the next morning, when the pain made him lay off.



THE C. P. S. ELECTION.

The following was the result of

the annual election of the Chicago Philatelic Society held last Thursday evening:

President, Chas. Schlieckert (unopposed).

Vice President, F. H. Farrell, 20; Robt. Bultman, 7.

Secretary, I. Dickinson, 24; F. J. Lefever, 3.

Treasurer, Thos. D. Allin (unopposed).

Governing Board—A. F. Merrill, 23; W. F. E. Gurley, 13; Robt. Bultman, 12; L. Michael, 12; F. N. Massoth, 11; R. Robinson, 11; F. J. Lefever, 11; W. O. Staab, 10; F. B. Merrill, 6; G. F. Fiske, 6; Stan Zajicek, 6; E. C. Dodd, 4; P. J. Flanders, 4; I. Dickinson, 4; W. H. Mampe, 2.

The first four were declared elected, and a further ballot taken to select the fifth director, F. J. Lefever having withdrawn, resulted:

R. Robinson, 14; F. N. Massoth, 13.



AUCTION PRICES.

The following prices were realized at the Chicago Philatelic sale held on December 10:

U. S. pair of 90c, 1890, unused	
8c	\$1.95
U. S. 1894, \$1.00 unused, fine..	.90
U. S. 1894, \$2.00 unused	1.50
U. S. 1894 \$5.00 unused, fine..	6.00
Newfoundland 1863, 1 shilling,	
unused, cat. \$1.25	1.10
United States 1c Continental,	
200 stamps .....	.95
United States 1,000 1c Columbian	1.20
United States 60 copies of 8c,	
Omaha	1.30

United States 300 1c Buffalo..	.70
United States \$1, Manifest six stamps	1.20
United States \$10 black, 1898 uncut, 8 stamps	2.85
United States, 1,000 cut 4c documentary	2.00
United States 2,000 cut 25c....	.50
2011 varieties in stock book...	14.10
3019 varieties in stock book...	30.10



THE ELGIN SOCIETY.

At a recent meeting the annual election of officers for the ensuing year was held, which resulted:

President, Dr. F. S. Lombard.

Vice President,, Ed. Althen.

Sec.-Treasurer, E. Stohr.

Governing Board—Dr. F. S. Lombard, F. Ackerman, E. Stohr.

Owing to pressure of business the late secretary, G. W. Hancock, was unable to accept any office, much to the regret of the entire membership.



WILLADT LIST NO. 7.

Carl Willadt & Co., Pforzheim, Germany, have issued a 160-page new list, which prices a majority of the stamps of the different countries, except the very common varieties, and every stamp priced is said to be in stock. The old German stamps are nearly all listed in three conditions, merit, unused minus gum, and used, and a liberal sprinkling o. c. are also quoted. Large packets are also quoted 3,000 varieties for \$50, 4,000 for \$85, 5,000 for \$175, 6,000 for \$300, 7,000 for \$600 and 8,000 for \$1,000.



AN EARLY DIRECTORY.

E. R. Aldrich.

In looking over the pages of a volume of The Boys' Own Magazine,

which recently came into my possession, I found in the January, 1862, number the following, which contains the earliest list of collectors which I have ever seen mentioned. Just what the contest referred to was might be told if access could be had to the preceding volume, but inferentially would seem to be the display of the collections.

"There is not a shade of doubt, all things considered, that the winner of this prize is entitled to it, still there are several other very good collections. The best collection possesses the following characteristics—a tersely written introduction, admirable arrangement, great variety, and remarkable neatness in mounting."

On the first opportunity, we will publish, in the Boys Own Magazine, a selection from these foreign stamps. Many of our stamp collecting subscribers will be pleased to possess the following list of those with whom they may correspond with reference to their common pursuits:

1. H. F. Winter, The College, Chester (Prize).
2. A. Phillips, Clifton Villas, Bradford, Yorkshire.
3. B. J. Massiah, 8 Belle Vue, Clifton.
4. E. B. Emanuel, High St., Portsmouth, Hants.
5. John B. Wilson, Brunswick House, "The Moors," Sheffield.
6. F. Danby, 7, Hotham Villas, Putney, Surrey.
7. J. G. B. Mawson, 17, Sun St., Exmouth St., Birkenhead.
8. R. Meldrum, 160 West George St. Glasgow.
9. E. D. Stead, 33, Clarence St., Liverpool.
10. F. C. Bishop, Regent Hotel, Leamington.
11. A. Hill, 22, George St., Cork.
12. Verdier Paul, Cliffe House, Lewes.
13. H. Filmer, 69, Broad St., Canterbury.

PACKET.

100 varieties of fine stamps.....	\$ 15
200.....	25
400.....	40
1000.....	100
1000 Mixed U. S.....	15
1000 Mixed U. S. Revenue	15

Stamps on approval 50 per cent discount.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
MASONIC TEMPLE, CHICAGO.

With our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

CANADIANA

for November, published at Grenfalls, Northwest Territory, Canada, is received. This publication is devoted to stamps and newspapers, and is published partially in English and partially in French and contains many interesting notes on both hobbies.

Morley's list of English newspaper tax stamps is continued, as well as the articles on British Railway Stamp, by "K" and the study on firm mark on English stamp and the chronicle lists seventy new varieties of fiscals, mostly king's heads for England. The four page supplement continues municipal issues of the Argentine.

MORLEY'S PHILATELIC JOURNAL.

The November number opens with an interesting article by Emil Tamsen on "The Telegraph Stamps of the Transvaal." From this article it would seem that both revenue stamps and postage were used by this branch and can be distinguished by cancellation. The reference list given consists of ten stamps under British rule in 1880, thirty-six under the native rule, and seventeen since the recent English occupation.



IN 1867-8.

Veda.

The earliest volume of American stamp literature in my library is Vol. I of the American Stamp Mercury, the first number of which is dated October 25, 1867, and feeling that few of the readers of The World

have access to it, I propose to skim through the volume after the manner of the reviewer. Ninety-two pages complete the volume, each number containing eight pages, except number one, which is but four, and which contains the announcement, "If we receive two hundred subscribers before November 10, we will increase our size to eight pages, the making it the largest stamp journal in America." The publisher was the late F. Trifet, who was then located at 55 Court, Boston, and the subscription price was 50 cents, besides which "the postage (12 cents) must be paid at the office where the paper is received."

In No. 1, the subhead and prospectus fill the first column of the first page, the second column and half of the first of the second page is given up to "Newly Issued Stamps," the list given being 25 kr. and 50 kr., 25 soldi and 50 soldi of Austria and Austrian-Italy, 5c Bolivia, 5d Ceylon yellow-green, 4s Norway, 10c and 20c Peru, 25r. Portugal, together with the following notices:

Argentine Republic.—The current issue of 1866 being exhausted, the 5 cent avo is temporarily struck off on a thinnish paper without watermark and unperforated.

Italy.—Le Timbrophile gives currency to the report that Italy is going to issue a new series of stamps bearing the head of Victor Emanuel, encircled with the famous Iron Crown.

The balance of the first column is filled with answers and minor items, the second column with an article—To Young Collectors.

The third page is occupied with a priced list of United States Revenues, which, would space permit, I would like to reproduce, but will be content with quoting the following:

(Continued on page 57.)

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

The Collectors' Club, New York, will enjoy an entertainment on Jan. 17.

We acknowledge receipt of Francis R. Dennison's, of Waterloo, N. Y., 1903 list.

Geo. F. Duck, of Pittsburg, reports the Chicago pre-cancelled in the current type.

A recent number of the St. Paul Daily Globe devoted over a quarter of a column to the new 8c stamp.

With the new catalogue probable this week the philatelic season of 1902-3 can be said to be at its height.

The World wishes its readers a Merry Christmas, and trusts that the Yule tide may be a season of joy to all.

A correspondent states that the Lockport pre-cancelleds have also franked matter through the Buffalo, N. Y., office.

The only national society financially sound is the American Philatelic Association, which has over \$3,000 in its various funds. Isn't that a good enough guarantee to join?

Six reinstatements are noted in the last American Philatelic Association report, one new member and two applicants. If you were not one of the latter and are not a member write us for an application blank.

Our Chicago correspondent reports that Fowler, of Canadian Journal of Philately renown, will soon again engage in philatelic journalism. If anything like his former paper appears it will undoubtedly be well received.

In last Saturday's Minneapolis Journal among portraits of legislators published was that of Thos. C. Hawley, of Lake Park, Minn., who was, if we mistake not, a charter member of the American Philatelic Association.

A competition such as should be encouraged is the one to be held Jan. 23 by the section of Philately of the Brooklyn institute—50 cancelled stamps, condition only without regard to rarity, legible town cancellation counting higher than others.

Ever since E. B. Jones, of Sioux City, Ia., issued his check list of stamp papers, it has been the standard, and collectors will be glad to learn that some time in the near future he expects to issue a list covering England and the English colonies.

May we enter
Your Subscription

Conveyance, ten dollar, .25; twenty dollar, \$1.25; fifty dollar, \$2.50; mortgage, ten dollar, .25; fifteen dollar, \$1.25; twenty-five dollar, \$1.50; Charter party, ten dollars, .25; Probate of Will ten dollar, .25; twenty dollar, \$1.25. The three higher values of foreign exchange are listed at 10c each and the \$200 quoted as "uncertain." No other stamp is quoted over six cents.

The fourth page is devoted to advertisements, all those of stamp nature being Trifet's. The Stamp Collectors' Handbook, by the late C. M. Seltz, is offered at 27c.

The November number opens with an editorial entitled "Thank," succeeding this comes the "Newly Issued Stamps," the first item of which is:

United States.—The three cent stamp and we suppose, the others also, are now embossed in little squares over the face. The object of it is to prevent its being pulled off the envelope without tearing or make it impossible to clean them. More of this anon.

Nearly a column is quoted from the Stamp Collectors' Magazine upon the new issue of Argentine, in which, referring to the portraits thereon, "Rivadavia may have contributed diplomatic skill; San Martin, military genius, but we should fancy that the work of laying the legislative foundation of the young republic was performed by Belgrano," new issues are announced from Holland, Roman States, Mexico, Canada, Turkey, Brazil, Wurtemberg and Straits Settlement.

On the third page the beginning of a continued article, "Winter Mail Service across the Straits of Northumberland," appears, being an account of a journey from Prince Edwards Island to New Brunswick, and which is reprinted from Frank Les-

lie's Chimney Corner. It is exceedingly readable and relative to the service at Charlottestown, says:

The postal service, as may be imagined is of rather a primitive character. There are no letter carriers, no distribution of letters at houses. Ever and anon the clerks are summoned to the letter trap at the wooden edifices, which comprehends under its roof the police office, station house, and postoffice to respond to the demand "anything for me today," and on the arrival of the fortnightly English mail, the crowd of eager expectants is considerable, and certainly their patience is generally put to a severe test, especially if the vigil be passed in pouring rain or a driving snow.

On page 10 a quarter of a column is devoted to a set of "extremely rare" Guacho stamps, belonging to "a friend of ours residing in Newburyport, who has 2,000 stamps, and which are said to be worth five sovereigns each in Europe." The second column is given up to postal items, one of which announces postal treaties with the North German Union, the Swiss Confederation, and the empire of China, and another—an extract from Gray's catalogue denounces United States Locals as being largely either reprints or dishonest fabrications. The list of revenues is again published, but quite a number are now unpriced and a notice says specimens of these stamps are wanted. Among the stamps offered on the advertising pages are Belgium set of 4, .15; Cape of Good Hope, square, set of 4, 1.25; Confederate States, set of 4, .25; Egypt, 1866, set of 7, \$2.30; 1867 set of 6, \$2; Hamburg locals, set of 116, \$1; Spain, set of 4, .20; United States 1851, set of 8, \$1.50; New York postoffice, set of 5, \$2; U. S. envelopes 1853-64, about 40 varieties, \$8, all unused. Three other firms are represented: Tolles Bros., Mid-

Continued on page 59.

FREE 100 DIFFERENT STAMPS for the names and addresses of two collectors and 2c postage.
 13c-The new U. S.-13c Fine used copies.. \$.18
 Roumania Jubilee 1891 Complete unused 1. '5
 We want to buy Pan American, Omahas, Special Delivery, etc.

TOLEDO STAMP CO. : : : : TOLEDO, OHIO

DANISH WEST INDIES

Unused.	Each.	Per 100
1c red violet.....	\$.18	\$15.00
4c dull blue.....	.12	11.00
1902 2 on 3c first issue.....	.30	18.00
8 on 10c ".....	.30	25.00
2 on 3c second issue.....	.12	11.00
8 on 10c ".....	.30	18.00
Postage due 10c.....	.25	
1c green used.....		1.00

HENRY KOCH,
 19 Crawford St., : : Newark, N. J.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price.
1885 1c.....	\$.20	\$.06
1879 2c.....	.30	.12
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.15

OTHER BARGAINS.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
 MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.

A FINE COLLECTION of Philippine Islands, 66 VARIETIES.

Cataloguing over \$10.00, including Nos. 81a and 91a, a bargain at \$5.00
 Curacao, 1902, 12½c & 25c the .08
 U. S. Postage Dues 1895, 30 and 50c, fine... .35
 New Zealand, 10 varieties, fine..... .10
 Bargain Lists of Sets and Single Stamps free for the asking. Fine selections British Colonies on approval at rock bottom prices.

L. N. HERBERT,
 1520 WASHINGTON AVE., N. Y.



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight ½ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
 Bayonne, N. J.

SEND FOR New Price List of

British North American Postage Stamps.

CENTURY STAMP CO.,
 P. O., Box 197, MONTREAL, CANADA.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.
 Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps & A

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

BARGAINS IN STAMPS.

If you are desirous of securing bargains in fine stamps from the commonest to the scarcest varieties, send for my *Bargain Lists*, embracing complete sets and single stamps, prices at from 25 to 75 per cent below catalogue. Lists mailed free.

On approval. A fine lot of Br. Colonies, used and unused, at rock bottom prices.

L. N. HERBERT,
 1520 Washington Ave. - New York.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00
 Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. 36 page list of stamps and coins free.

Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete, 10c unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.
 36 John Street, :: New York City.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
 MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 25 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay. Do not delay but, send today For the WEST which is the best,

dletown, Conn.; John W. Scott & Co., 34 Liberty street, New York, and James Brennan, 78 Nassau st., New York.

The December number (No. 3), contains the announcement that "Our business having increased so much lately and the publication of The Mercury demanding extra room we have been obliged to remove our place of business from 57 Court St. to 20 State St., room 9."

In the New Issue column, a warning against a Confederate is given: "It is the same design as the five-cent 1863 issue, but having Stonewall Jackson's (?) head instead of Davis, value ten cents at bottom, color carmine. There are also a few specimens struck in India paper and sold as "proofs. Beware!" A column and a half article on the "Money Order System" is next, in which the number of offices transacting this class of business is given as 767, to be increased to 1,235 in 1868, and New York City is said to have issued 11,817 orders and paid 86,070 during the fiscal year. The article on Winter Mail Service is concluded in this number and an article on the embossed stamps of Natal given, the following market price being quoted: 1d, \$3.50; 3d, \$1. used; 6d, \$6, unused, \$4 used, 9d, \$6, unused (with the further remark: "This is the scarcest though not the dearest of the series, very few collectors having a specimen). 15, \$10. A set of reprints, warranted genuine, are offered at \$8 and notice of counterfeits also given. A column is given up to answers to correspondents and conundrums, of which these are two:

Why is a Confederate two-cent stamp like a newspaper, and why should a postmaster in the U. S. sometimes be called a traitor? The

answer given in No. 4 being, Because it is red (read) and because he blackens the face of Washington. Three pages of this number are given up to advertising, all but a single inch being those of the publishers. Four different albums are offered—The Nonpareil at 75c; Lallier's at \$6 (postage 50c extra); Hill's Boston at \$3, postpaid, \$3.25, and Appleton (1863 edition), \$2.75, postpaid, \$3; also "Price Catalogue of all the stamps issued from 1840 to 1867; it gives the date of issue, color, shape, and value of about 2,000 varieties. This is the only work of the kind published in America. Sent to any address, post free, on receipt of 15c," which, as appears elsewhere, contained 20 pages.

(To be continued.)

CUBAN BARGAINS.

	Cat.	Our Price
1855 No. 2, 1r	.15	.06
1862 " 21, 2r	.75	.30
1867 " 27, 5c	.40	.15
1868 " 32, 40c	.25	.10
1869 " 39, 40c	.50	.18
1877 " 72, 12½c	.15	.06
1878 " 78a, 12½c	.15	.06
1881 " 96, 2½c	.40	.04
" " 99, 20c	.20	.08
1883 " 124, 2½c	.15	.06
" " 128, 50c	.50	.15
1896 " 153, 20c	.25	.10
1898 " 271, 40c	.40	.15

UNITED STAMP COMPANY,

1149 Marquette Building, - Chicago, Ill.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

A collection of 3,000 stamps for sale in packets of 20 varieties each. Catalogue value 75c. My price

TWENTY-FIVE CENTS

J. A. RINGNESS, 527 Irving Ave. N., MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

**Merry Xmas!! Happy New Year!!
Souvenir Cards.**

Send 10c in silver or 1c stamps for samples.

**ATLAS International Souvenir Card
Collectors Society.**

151 8th Avenue, : : New York, N. Y.

SOME BARGAINS.	Cat.	Our Price.
20c Foreign Exchange.....	\$1.00	\$.40
15c Foreign Exchange.....	.60	.25
25c Entry of Goods.....	.10	.04
*Persia Scott No. 151 O.G. fine.	\$9.00	3.75
*Canada No. 12 O. O.....	12.00	5.00

* Unused. Want lists filled

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,

Masonic Temple,

CHICAGO.

The Catalogue prices are the 1903 prices in advance sheets.

	Cat price	Our price
50c U. S. 1896.....	.10	.03
\$1.00 U. S. 1896.....	.45	.16
2.00 U. S. 1896.....	\$1.50	.90

The three stamps.....	\$1.00	Post paid
Scotts 1903 Catalogue.....	.58	" "
International Album.....	1.50	" "
20th Century Album.....	1.00	" "

**J. T. STARR STAMP COMPANY,
COLDWATER : : : MICH.**

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. **Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You?** Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make **good** customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for **15c.**
10 blank Approval Books, **10c.**
100 Approval Sheets, **15c.**
Fine Approval Books of Stamps at **65** per cent.

**JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.**

Join the 

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world.

3rd Weekly Bargain.

The finest middle class bargains on approval sheets at 60 per cent Scotts catalogue prices. Try them. We'll pay your postage.

PACIFIC STAMP CO.,

133 N. 38th Ave., OMAHA, NEB.

SPECIAL



American

Philatelic

Association

Number



First Febuary Issue

Thirty-six Pages in Colors

**Five Times our
Usual Circulation**



Write for full particulars

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16-18-20 North Fourth St.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

The Philatelic World

Vol. 1. No. 9.

Minneapolis, Minn. December 31, 1902

Weekly

Chicago Notes.

Phoenix.

F. Michaels will be married on December 28, and goes to Florida on his honeymoon.

The holidays have had a very bad effect upon the stamp business, little if any business being done by the Chicago dealers.

It is noticeable that two Chicago collectors have secured more members of the American Philatelic Association than all the other 526 members combined.

Who writes these notes? J. J. Oesch, R. E. Baldwin, R. Robinson, A. F. Merell, S. T. S. Doncyson, or Irving Dickenson? All these are blamed and all deny it. Perhaps they are all away off.

Owing to the regular day for the next C. P. S. meeting falling on January 1, the meeting has been postponed until January 8, and the A. P. A. branch meeting until January 22.

Stanley Gibbons' catalogue for 1903 has arrived and is looked upon very favorably by local collectors and dealers. Many are purchasing it instead of Scott's, which has not arrived at the time of writing—December 24.



Auction Prices.

The following prices were realized at P. M. Wolsieffer's 31st sale, held on December 20:

U. S. envelope 1886, 90c, No. 1528, full corner	\$ 3.80
U. S. Revenue 1c, playing card, perf.	1.00

U. S. Revenue 3c, playing card	3.00
U. S. Revenue 4c, playing car.	4.55
U. S. Revenue \$1, mortgage..	1.50
U. S. Revenue \$1, passage ticket	3.10
U. S. Revenue \$25, mortgage.	2.20
U. S. Revenue \$200, U. S. I. R. very fine	12.05
U. S. Revenue \$25, second issue	9.75
U. S. Postage, 1857, 90c, reprint, unused	6.10
U. S. Postage, 1861, 24c, No. 70	1.00
U. S. Postage, 1871, 90c, No. 155, O. G., fine.....	7.10
U. S. Postage, navy, 90c, fine	3.10
U. S. Postage, 1869, 90c, used	7.50
U. S., 1898, \$30, red, cut.....	5.20
Confederate 1862 Pair of 5c No. 205, printed on both sides; the vertical pair is cancelled, corner missing and the other side shows part of six different stamps.	17.35
Persia 1898, 50 kran, No. 151, o. g., fine	3.50
Philippines 1854, a very fine horizontal pair of 1r No. 4; lightly cancelled.....	16.20
Straits Settlements 1882, Bankock No. 1, fine.....	8.00
Trinidad 1863, 1sh. No. 42, fine	4.80
Hawaii 19 of 18c No. *34, without gum	4.60



1867-8.

First Installment in No. 8.

No. 4 evidently, as instanced by an apology, was late in being issued.

Under the chronicle we find translated from *Le Timbrophile*:

Collectors have complained, and with cause (as far as collecting them is concerned), of the high value of the stamps of 5 shillings of Mauritius, New South Wales, and Queensland, and of those of 25 piastres of Turkey. Today, as in the fable, instead of a frog, a stork comes and it is not now of 5 shillings (\$1.25 gold) that it is question, but of 5 and 10 peso (equal to \$5 and \$10) without counting the cost of exchange, postage and commission.

Then follows a "Philatelic Review of the Year 1867," a portion of which I must quote:

The year 1867 has not been dull in increasing Philately in America, as well as elsewhere; and this country may now boast of quite as many devoted collectors of "little bits of colored paper" (as the croakers call our favorites) as of coins. We have received during the year and registered the names, letters from 1,800 collectors in the United States. When we say that this is not in our estimation, one-tenth of them, our readers will not think that the "science" of stamp collecting is on the decline, at least in this country.

During the year a few publications have seen the light; of these Mason's Coin and Stamp Magazine, the Stamp Collectors' Journal, and the Mercury, are the principal in the line of journals. The first named is in a flourishing condition, if we may judge from the editorials. The second, alas! after a short existence of three months died. In justice to its publisher, let us say that it was a free publication. * * *

The Collectors' Guide, Postman's Knock, Gazette, etc., are also, we are sorry to say, among the things of the past. The Record is still alive and trudging slowly on its fourth year. Among newly issued stamps, we have to notice some two hundred varieties, among whole sets for Austria, Prussia, Holland, Virgin and Turks Island, Heliogoland, Egypt, etc., and stamps for nearly every country of the earth.

Page 23 is given up to answers to correspondents, postal items (large-

ly poetic address on envelopes), and puzzles. A reprinted article from the Stamp Collector's Magazine, by Dr. J. E. Gray, on "The Sydney Stamp," occupies nearly a page. In advertisements appears a two-inch ad.—Local Stamps—for sale at Hussey's, 50 Williams street, New York. Send for his catalogue, with stamp, which probably reveals the source of many yet lying in old collections. Among new firms advertising were A. B. Clapp, Brattleboro, Vt., and the American Stamp Co., Middletown, Conn., the latter offering a copy of the Stamp Buyer free.

No. 5 appears, dated March 5, and opens with the usual New Issue occupying a page and a half and illustrated with cuts of New South Wales ten-penny, and Columbia ten pesos. Over a page is given up to counterfeits, the ones noted being Argentine Confederation, 1858, 5 and 10c, 1862, 5, 10 and 15c; Austria red Mercury; Baden 1850, 1 kr., 1862 18 kr.; Barbadoes, Bavaria, unpaid stamp. Bergedorf 1-2 blue, 1½, 3 and 4s; Brazil 30 reis, and Bremen 3, 5, 7 and 10 gr.; a half page article on The Dead Letter Office, complete the articles. In the puzzle column the conundrum, "When is a stamp like iron," is found with the answer when it is forged. In the advertising pages the publisher states his stock consists of 47,000 stamps, worth \$1,500, and National Stamp Co., Meriden, Conn., A. E. Finkell, 79 Nassau street, New York, Lyford & Pitman, Boston; E. Willard Frost, Boston, and Wilbur & Standish, Chicago, Ill., appear as advertisers.
(To be continued.)

NEW ISSUE

CANADA

7 CENT YELLOW

Unused copies 10c each or 3 for

Used 3c each.

Postage 3c extra.

CENTURY STAMP COMPANY,

P. O. Box 197, : : Montreal, Canada.

Milwaukee Philatelic Society.

The last regular meeting (66) of the Milwaukee Philatelic Society, held November 13th, at their rooms, 54 Loan and Trust Building, attracted the largest attendance since many months.

The meeting was called to order by President Thiessen, with the following members present: Messrs. Hirthe, Toelle, Schade, Klaffke, Streissguth, Seyforth, Gehrs, Dr. Linke, Noel, Johnson, Jungmann and Stirn.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Mr. Warren H. Colson, whose application for member of the society had been duly filed, was elected a member by a unanimous vote.

The occasion for good attendance was largely due to the presence of the following visitors:

Messrs. Alex. Holland, president A. P. A.; P. M. Wolsieffer and John J. Oesch, sales superintendent of the A. P. A., both of Chicago.

The president cordially welcomed the visitors on behalf of the members of the society, and upon request Mr. Holland responded with an excellent impromptu on the stamps of Hayti, which was highly appreciated by all present. A vote of thanks was extended Mr. Holland for the enlightenment of this very interesting little country, on which he is perhaps the foremost exponent.

Messrs. Wolsieffer and Oesch entertained the members on subjects to their liking. Mr. Wolsieffer spoke entertainingly on the subject of auction sales, and Mr. Oesch briefly outlined the troubles a sales superintendent has to contend with in order to satisfy the many demands of the various members for good cir-

cuits. Both gentlemen received the heartiest thanks for their exposition of a matter interesting to all.

Messrs. Johnson, Hirthe, Thiessen and Stirn thanked the visitors for attending our meeting, and expressed the wish that in the near future we may again have the pleasure of their presence, which proved to be so beneficial to all present.

After Mr. Wolsieffer kindly submitted for inspection a portion of the stamps comprising his next auction sale, of which all availed themselves, meeting adjourned.—Henry J. Stirn, secretary.



All kinds of steamboats carry U. S. mail. They range in size from great coast liners and tramp steamships to little puffing launches. They go to islands away out of sight of the mainland of the United States. The fishermen of Nantucket, that lies thirty-five miles out at sea, like a ship, have their meals delivered to them as regularly as if they dwelt near or in a big city. Men dwelling on coral islands in the Gulf of Mexico are sure of one visitor at least, and that is the mail boat. Stern-wheelers go into the beautiful, dreamy bayous of the South with a mighty splashing that frightens alligators and herons, and deliver the United States mail in lonely marsh settlements.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Happy New Year.

In making those good resolutions don't forget the one to join the American Philatelic Association.

Another set of precancelleds—type iv—are announced from Northampton, Mass.

An eastern daily defines the word philatelist as stamp experts. Of course, that settles it.

The New England Stamp Co. have issued a neat little calendar with a photographic reproduction of a 2c Hawaiian Missionary.

General Nord was installed as president last week and the Haytian troubles may now be considered as settled.

Hugo Michel, of Apolda, Germany, has issued a neat 64-page list. The firm claims to have a stock of 24,000 different specimens.

The Washington Star recently stated that a bank note company in New York were at work upon designs for a new issue for Cuba.

The Century Stamp Co., Montreal, have favored us with a copy of the new 7c Canada. No doubt this will prove a popular value with collectors.

We are in receipt of E. T. Parker's list No. 127, Makin & Co.'s wholesale list of United States revenues and circulars from the Washington Stamp Co.

The January exhibit of the Boston society will be stamps showing either full face or three-quarter view—portraits, condition and arrangement alone to count.

The Weekly Era of last week was No. 502. Congratulations, Bro. Jewitt, on the mature age you have attained and may ever increasing prosperity be yours.

Just fourteen hundred lots are contained in the Bogert-Durbin 187th sale, to be held in Philadelphia, on January 9-10. A number of rarities not usually offered are included.

The Birmingham (Eng.) society are studying the stamps of New South Wales this winter and the issues of 1854 to 1883 will be the subject of discussion at the January meeting.

It is with regret the World learns of the failing health of that prince of good fellows, J. F. Johnson, of Boston, and sincerely trusts that a complete recovery of good health may come to him.

**May we enter
 Your Subscription**

We regret the publication of last item under Chicago Notes in our issue of December 17th. It is not our intention to publish any personal items likely to cause annoyance to any of our readers.

J. M. Bartels Co. announce their 15th sale will be held on January 13. A number of sets of "new issues" are the opening numbers, an extra fine lot of original covers, including one with a diagonal half of 12c of 1851, United States issue, follow and many good things can be found listed. The collections of Thos. Wheatley, of Syracuse, N. Y., and A. M. Williams, of Boston, are found in this sale.

The Royal Blue for December devoted three pages to an account of the new United States stamps, from which we clip the opening paragraph: "Patriotism of the Fourth-of-July kind will hereafter be emblazoned on our 2-cent stamps, and the cherished desires of patriotic Americans will be realized." The Stars and Stripes and the portrait of Washington will adorn this much-used denomination of postage. The portrait selected is the Gilbert Stuart, which is probably the most familiar to the multitude.

Owing to inability to obtain desirable manuscript in time we find it necessary to postpone our American Philatelic Association number to the issue for March eleventh.

We regret that owing to lack of time it is impossible to give the reading of proof of the paper our personal attention but trust our readers will pardon errors until professional readers become familiar with philatelic terms.

EBEN S. MARTIN.

A collection of 3,000 stamps for sale in packets of 20 varieties each. Catalogue value 75c. My price

TWENTY-FIVE CENTS

**J. A. RINGNESS, 527 Irving Ave. N.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.**

Boston Philatelic Society.

C. A. Howes, Sec'y.

The 21st regular meeting of the Boston Philatelic Society, was held Tuesday evening, Dec. 16, with Pres. Lombard in the chair and 26 members present, including Mr. Holland and Mr. Capen from New York.

Two new members were elected and two applications received. The death of Mr. Wm. Alex. Smith, Jr., one of our New York members, was announced and a letter of sympathy and regret sent to his relatives. A vote of thanks was given Mr. J. F. Johnson for his long and active service in the society, he being obliged to leave us on account of ill health.

The Pacific Philatelic Society presented a silver medal for our next series of exhibitions, and considerable discussion was held over the prize essay competition next year, it being voted that the successful essays become the property of the society.

Nominations were made of candidates for our annual election in January. Mr. Colson offered two Hawaiian stamps as prizes for the two members obtaining the largest and next largest number of new members during 1903. The Library Committee announced a circuit of current periodicals for such members as desired to join in the scheme. All important foreign and American periodicals to be included.

Mr. Colson gave a talk on his recent trip abroad and Mr. Rothfuchs was asked to tell his experiences in Europe last summer at the next meeting.

The exhibition for the evening comprised two classes. Class A, Greece, had two fine collections, Mr. Holland winning the silver medal

and Mr. Lombard the bronze medal. Class B was for fifty varieties to catalogue not less than \$20 each. There were five collections of an aggregate value of \$45,000, but space cannot be given for details, except to say that there was a magnificent showing. Mr. H. J. Crocker, of San Francisco, won the silver medal, and Mr. E. H. Mason, of Boston, the bronze medal.

DANISH WEST INDIES

	Unused.	Each.	Per 100
1c red violet.....		\$.16	\$15.00
4c dull blue.....		.12	11.00
1902 2 on 3c first issue.....		.20	18.00
8 on 10c.....		.30	25.00
2 on 3c second issue.....		.12	11.00
8 on 10c.....		.20	18.00
Postage due 10c.....		.25	
1c green used.....			1.00

HENRY KOCH,
19 Crawford St., :: Newark, N. J.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price.
1885 1c.....	\$.20	\$.06
1879 2c.....	.30	.12
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.15

OTHER BARGAINS.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS. - MINN.



TRADE MARK.

**FEATHERWEIGHT
EYE SHADE**
Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.



No. 119 U. S. 1869, 15c, a
good copy for.....60c
One that is not perfect 45c

SEND FOR PRICE LIST.

SEND FOR New Price List of
British North American Postage Stamps.

CENTURY STAMP CO.,
P. O. Box 197, MONTREAL, CANADA.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.
Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.
New special list just issued, sent free
on application to dealers only.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album
published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00
Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. 36 page
list of stamps and coins free.

Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete, 10c
unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.
36 John Street, :: New York City.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper.
Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand.
Liberal samples sent on receipt of name
and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly
brim full of interesting matter, that will interest
every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios,
Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading col-
lectors, etc. all over the world. *Nothing similar or
as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of
everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 25
societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

With our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

The Adhesive.

The December number comes a little late, but as Bro. Chapman says, "early enough to be called a Christmas number." Two portraits ornament the number, those of Frank Pierpont Lothrop, of New York, and Harry Stephenson, of Melbourne, Australia. Miss Swift contributes a neat poem of nineteen stanzas, "Why Santa Claus Threatens to Strike," the reason being:

"My face on a postage stamp should be,
They've all the other things;
They've animals of every kind,
And all the heroes they could find,
And Princes, Queens, and Kings.
"Queens and Kings and Presidents,
A baby here and there,
Volcanoes, ships and famous hills,
Canals, canoes, and flowing rills—
I say it is not fair!"

F. P. Lothrop writes "About Continentals," C. E. Jenney upon "Our Mutual Friend," J. A. D. Park gives considerable information upon portraits upon Argentines, and Thiele gives an installment of his "Stray Notes on Sheets of Stamps," noting some values of Ecuador, British South Africa, Trinidad, Tuscany and Parma. Speaking of Tuscany, he gives the following table of face value of sheets:

- Sheet of 1 soldo equal 12 lire.
- Sheet of 1 crazia equal 20 lire.
- Sheet of 2 soldi equal 24 lire.
- Sheet of 2 crazie equal 40 lire.
- Sheet of 1 quattrino equal 56 1-3 lire.
- Sheet of 4 crazie equal 80 lire.
- Sheet of 6 crazie equal 120 lire.
- Sheet of 9 crazie equal 180 lire.
- Sheet of 60 crazie equal 1200 lire.
- And of Parma:
- Sheet of 5 centesimi equal 4 lire.
- Sheet of 10 centesimi equal 8 lire.

- Sheet of 15 centesimi equal 12 lire.
- Sheet of 25 centesimi equal 20 lire.
- Sheet of 40 centesimi equal 32 lire.

The constitution and membership list of The Canadian Philatelic Society are given in this number and a title page and table of contents accompany it.

The election in the Precancelled Stamp Club resulted in selecting The New York Philatelist as official organ, C. Dalton, president; C. C. Lewis, vice president; E. R. Aldrich, secretary-treasurer; C. Hale, librarian; H. E. Wilson, auction manager; H. Madtes, exchange superintendent; Thomas F. Best, counterfeit detective, and H. Bowen, attorney.

The earlier appearance of the Stanley-Gibbons catalogue is liable to cause a popularity which may unseat the Scott publication from its throne of American standardness.

BARGAINS.

- \$10 black, lightly cut and lightly canceled \$.21
- \$5 green and black .07
- THE TWO, POSTPAID .25
- Brazil, 1899, 1000 on 700, cat. 30c .14
- Philippines on U. S. A. 10c, cat. 15c .07

J. T. STARR STAMP CO.,
Coldwater, - - - - - Mick.

CUBAN BARGAINS.

	Cat.	Our Price
1855 No. 2, 1r	.15	.06
1862 " 21, 2r	.75	.30
1867 " 27, *5c	.40	.15
1868 " 32, *40c	.25	.10
1869 " 39, 40c	.50	.18
1877 " 72, 12½c	.15	.06
1878 " 78a, 12½c	.15	.06
1881 " 96, 2½c	.40	.04
" " 99, *20c	.20	.08
1883 " 124, 2½c	.15	.06
" " 128, 50c	.50	.15
1896 " 153, *20c	.25	.10
1898 " 271, 40c	.40	.15

UNITED STAMP COMPANY,
1149 Marquette Building, - Chicago, Ill.

4th Weekly Bargain.

We wish again to call your attention to our 100 different stamps and 1000 hinges, postfree only .15c
Did not our approval selections at 80 per cent Scotts catalogue prove satisfactory?

PACIFIC STAMP CO.,
133 N. 38th Ave., OMAHA, NEB.

Merry Xmas!! Happy New Year!!
Souvenir Cards.

Send 10c in silver or 1c stamps for samples.

**ATLAS International Souvenir Card
 Collectors Society.**

151 8th Avenue, : : New York, N. Y.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The **PHILATELIC STAR**"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. **Send for Sample Copy.** It pays advertisers to be in it—**Are You?** Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make **good** customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for **15c.**

10 blank Approval Books, **10c.**

100 Approval Sheets, **15c.**

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at **65** per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

Join the 

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world.

BARGAINS IN STAMPS.

Bavaria, 1891, 2 m. orange . . .	.03
Gold Coast, 1884, 2½ and 3 d, the two . . . . .	.06
Gold Coast, 1884, 6 d and 1 sh., the two . . . . .	.12
Gold Coast, 1884, 2 sh., brown.	.25
Hawaii, 1883, 1c green . . . . .	.03
Hawaii, 1893, 2c violet . . . . .	.03
Hawaii, 1894, 1c, 2c and 5c, the three . . . . .	.06
Hawaii, 1899, 5c blue . . . . .	.03
Netherlands, 1896, 1 gl. fine . . .	.08

Some Better Stamps.

U. S., 1895, \$2, blue, fine . . . . .	.90
U. S., 1895, \$5, green, fine	1.40
U. S., Pan. Am., 1c, inverted center, o. g., fine	20.00
Canada, 1897, Jubilee, \$2, fine . . .	.75
Canada, 1897, Jubilee, \$3, fine . . .	1.25
Canada, 1897, Jubilee, \$5, fine . . .	2.00
Mozambique, 1877, 40 r. blue, used, fine	1.50

Fine selections on approval at right prices. Send for bargain lists; mailed free.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

SPECIAL



American

Philatelic

Association

Number



March Eleventh Issue

Thirty-six Pages in Colors

**Five Times our
Usual Circulation**



Write for full particulars

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16-18-20 North Fourth St.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 1. Whole No. 10. Minneapolis, Minn. January 7, 1903

Weekly

Chicago Notes.

Phoenix.

The Imperial Stamp Co., which is operated by D. Tausig, has taken in Franklin Coombs, of St. Joseph, Mich., as a partner.

Robinson's Review has again been delayed through waiting for the report of the secretary of the Philatelic Sons of America.

F. N. Massoth, of the United Stamp Co., spent Christmas with friends at Hanover Center. During his trip he encountered a severe blizzard on Christmas eve.

The Chicago dealers have disposed of almost 500 copies of Stanley Gibbon's catalogue. It is thought that the appearance of this catalogue will greatly affect the sale of Scott's, which has not yet reached here.

The United Stamp Co. have received copies of the new Canadian 7-cent. The color is very similar to the current 20-cent, but is a shade or two lighter. The stamp is of the same design as the current numeral set.

The new 13-cent stamp, precancelled "Chicago," has appeared. It was used by Montgomery, Ward & Co.

F. N. Perkins has disposed of his 7,000 variety collection, which catalogued over \$3,000. He traded it to an easterner for an automobile valued at \$1,100 and also received \$500 in cash.

An old collection was offered for sale the other day which catalogued over \$2,000. It contained the 1 shilling yellow green Nevis unused, U. S. 30c and 90c Justice, unused; U. S. 1869 issue complete, unused; U.

S. 1867 3c grilled all over and a lot of high-priced British colonials. Everything was stuck down tight with thick glue and almost everything in the entire collection was badly damaged.

The next C. P. S. auction sale will be held on January 17.

The Record Herald for January first gave a quarter of a column write up of the business transacted at the postoffice. Money orders to the value of \$109,828,712 were handled at the main offices, while the branches did another \$10,000,000. This was 500 per cent greater than the business transacted the World's Fair year. In the mail departments of the office the cash receipts for 1902 were \$9,154,481.06, as against \$8,101,310.68 for 1901, an increase of 13 per cent. The mailing division handled 675,000,000 pieces of mail, an increase of 83,000,000 pieces, or 14 per cent. There was an increase of 90,000,000 pieces of first-class mail and a decrease of 7,000,000 pieces of other classes, due to the extended use of "fully made up" sacks by wholesale houses and publishers. The public made errors in addressing 5,549,000 pieces of mail, an increase of 34 per cent. The mailing division employed 784 clerks, an increase of 152.

The delivery division received 430,900,000 pieces of mail, an increase of 23,000,000 pieces. Special delivery pieces to the number of 540,000 were handled, and the registry division handled 6,488,000 pieces. The delivery division added 278 employes to its staff during the year. Postage was paid on second-class matter to the amount of \$584,983 of which the newspapers paid \$306,000. Chicago pays 13 per cent of the entire amount of second-class postage paid in the United States. It has 615 newspapers and periodicals registered, a decrease of fifty, due to a weeding-out process by the authorities.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by posta upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Rapidly increasing business necessitating larger quarters the printers of the WORLD were obliged to move from the fifth to the second floor of the same building.

Owing to this change we have reduced the size of paper for this issue only.

Wolsieffer's sale this month will be the magnificent match and medicine collection of Geo. L. Toppan.

The Bear Hill Advertiser is a new one from Stoneham, Mass., which is partially devoted to stamps.

The December number of The New Review published a portrait of Roy Farrell Green and notes his new book of verse. Cupid is King.

There are said to be three varieties of the 1c on 3c Cuba, surcharge normal, invert and with vertical surcharge.

A correspondent states that after the completion of the ordinary set it is likely the department will proceed with a new set of dues.

Though not remembered by many, Minnesota years ago had the only state branch which the American Society ever had.

Mr. Wichmann, of Bridgeport, Conn., sends us a long article on his society's recent exhibit, clipped from a local paper, a part of which was:

The best 50 stamps postally used cataloging 50 cents or under was the competition last night for the members of the N. E. Philatelic Association.

The club voted to exhibit next meeting night, Jan. 14, stamps of the Danish West Indies, and it is expected that the exhibit will be unique.

From across the line comes the report that much influence has been brought to bear upon the postal authorities to continue "queen's head" as a mark of respect which is due the late queen.

The gross receipts of the St. Paul postoffice for the past year were \$647,952.30, showing a gain of \$97,254.25 over 1901. In the registry department 86,814 pieces were delivered, a gain of 8,202 pieces, while 53,492 were mailed, an increase of nearly 10,000. 599,654 registered pieces were handled in transit.

A complete set of Cuban stamps were shown from issues of 1865 to date, with the exception of fifteen varieties. Additional to these, Mr. Cole's collection contained complete sets of stamps of the government of Chili, the Netherlands, Norway, Hayti, Hungary, Porto Rico, Philippine Islands, Italy, Jamaica, Labuan, Hawaii, Guatemala, Venezuela, and many other countries.

Among the freaks were several ten cent stamps cut in half and used for letter postage. These were Cuban and cancelled. Another oddity was a New Brunswick issue of 1861, in which the postmaster general of that country instead of issuing the stamps with the portrait of the queen on them, issued a series that year containing his own face, and for so doing lost his job. The issue was at once retired and stamps are today worth \$125 each.

Some Precancelleds.

Who says 13 isn't bad luck? It's been surcharged by Chicago and Northampton.

Mr. C. A. Davis writes that the first Lynn stamps were prepared by the Lydia A. Pinkham Co. and used on their circulars sent through a sub-station located in their building.

Mr. Walter Gates reports an error in the current Northampton's One Stamp in the ninth row in each sheet has the state name Nass; it exists in all values. He also reports a 4c without period after Mass. This state also undoubtedly exists in all the values.

Mr. F. L. Smith reports the Bing-hampton, N. Y., 7-02 in both 1c and 5c with red surcharge, also three type varieties in Franklin Grove, the varieties being caused by different type used in the state abbreviation. As he remarks, being rubber stamp, it looks suspicious.

A correspondent asks the following questions, which we have answered to the best of our ability:

1. How long have precancelled been collected?

W. C. Stone, of Springfield, was collecting in the spring of 1900, possibly earlier, and was the earliest collector we have knowledge of.

2. How many varieties?

Including minor varieties over a thousand.

3. Has any book been issued for purpose of holding them?

No printed album. A blank album being used by most collectors.

4. Any catalogues printed?

No priced catalogue. Lloyd Jones has published lists monthly in the New York Philatelist and Messrs. Aldrich and Lewis a reference list in the Era. C. A. Townsend and D.

W. Osgood have issued price lists of a few varieties.

5. Who fixes the price?

There being no standard, each deal is regulated by the parties thereto. For exchange relations the face value is often used as basis.

6. Are prices liable to go up?

With the exception of a few out of date varieties we doubt it.

7. Does it cheapen a precancelled if one side is imperforate?

As a general thing collectors of precancelled do not consider a plain edge as much of a defect, though some regard mint specimen as less valuable than used and a few even retain the entire cover. At least one prominent collector disregards date varieties.

BARGAINS.

\$10 black, lightly cut and lightly canceled \$.21
 \$5 green and black07
 THE TWO, POSTPAID25
 Brazil, 1899, 1000 on 700, cat. 30c14
 Philippines on U. S. A. 10c, cat. 15c07

J. T. STARR STAMP CO.,
 Coldwater, - - - Mick.

SEND FOR New Price List of

British North American Postage Stamps.

CENTURY STAMP CO.,
 P. O., Box 197, MONTREAL, CANADA.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper.
 Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand.
 Liberal samples sent on receipt of name
 and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
 MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 33 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
 Do not delay but, send today
 For the WEST which is the best.



**FEATHERWEIGHT
EYE SHADE**
Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price.
1885 1c.....	.20	\$.06
1879 2c.....	.30	.12
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.15

OTHER BARGAINS.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free
on application to dealers only.

CUBAN BARGAINS.

	Cat.	Our Price
1855 No. 2, 1r.....	.15	.06
1862 " 21, 2r.....	.75	.30
1867 " 27, *5c.....	.40	.15
1868 " 32, *40c.....	.25	.10
1869 " 39, 40c.....	.50	.18
1877 " 72, 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.....	.15	.06
1878 " 78a, 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.....	.15	.06
1881 " 96, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.....	.40	.04
" " 99, *20c.....	.20	.08
1883 " 124, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.....	.15	.06
" " 128, 50c.....	.50	.15
1896 " 153, *20c.....	.25	.10
1898 " 271, 40c.....	.40	.15

UNITED STAMP COMPANY,

1149 Marquette Building, - Chicago, Ill.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Dennison,
P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.



\$3000.00

I want a billiard room, a den, four sleeping rooms and a bath added to my dwelling. Rather than borrow the money and

pay interest I have decided to sell \$3,000 worth of stamps at a large reduction and use the money to build. Commencing with No. 128 I will issue a series of priced-lists quoting stamps at prices that will surely result in quickly placing the desired sum in my hands.

If you want stamps at little prices you will send me a postal asking that priced-lists of the \$3,000 sale be sent you.

No. 128 United States 1870, 24c purple.....06c

For hundreds of other bargains get Parker's price list. Sent free.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world.

BARGAINS IN STAMPS.

Bavaria, 1891, 2 m. orange....	.03
Gold Coast, 1884, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 3 d, the two .....	.06
Gold Coast, 1884, 6 d and 1 sh., the two .....	.12
Gold Coast, 1884, 2 sh., brown.	.25
Hawaii, 1883, 1c green .....	.03
Hawaii, 1893, 2c violet .....	.03
Hawaii, 1894, 1c, 2c and 5c, the three .....	.06
Hawaii, 1899, 5c blue .....	.03
Netherlands, 1896, 1 gl. fine...	.08

Some Better Stamps.

U. S., 1895, \$2, blue, fine.....	.90
U. S., 1895, \$5, green, fine....	1.40
U. S., Pan. Am., 1c, inverted center, o. g., fine.....	20.00
Canada, 1897, Jubilee, \$2, fine	.75
Canada, 1897, Jubilee, \$3, fine.	1.25
Canada, 1897, Jubilee, \$5, fine.	2.00
Mozambique, 1877, 40 r. blue, used, fine	1.50

Fine selections on approval at right prices. Send for bargain lists; mailed free.

L. N. HERBERT,
1520 Washington Av., New York.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 2. Whole No. 11. Minneapolis, Minn. January 14, 1903

Weekly

CHICAGO NOTES.

Phoenix.

E. L. Warner, of Grand Rapids, Mich., is at the Auditorium Hotel with a large stock of wholesale stamps.

F. Michael is now in Florida on his honeymoon. He expects to return towards the end of the month.

It has been decided to hold the annual dinner of the Chicago Philatelic Society on January 24.

A local collector shows ten copies of the English 1 penny red plate 70. Both Stanley Gibbons and the Scott Stamp & Coin Co. claim that this stamp does not exist.

Word has been received here of the death of Carl M. Willis, of Sullivan, Ind. As a collector and dealer Mr. Willis was well-known in philatelic circles and his death is much regretted.

It has only just been learned by members of the Chicago Philatelic Society that Paul R. Wagennecht died on December 21. Much regret is felt as Mr. Wagennecht was very popular among the members.

The new officers of the Chicago Philatelic Society were installed at the meeting held on January 8. The appointive officers will be the same for the ensuing year with the exception that A. F. Boehm will be the librarian. The committee to see after the interests of the society's collection will consist of C. Schliekert, F. Farrell and L. Michael, while C. E. Severn and R. Robinson will act as obituary committee.



1867-8.

Veda—Third Installment.

With the April number the an-

nouncement is made "no advertisements received after this number," the rates prior to this having been 10c per line. The usual chronicle opens the number, where, under head of United States, we find:

The government seems to have adopted the new embossing process as the 2, 3, and 12 cent stamps are now found so ornamented. They are better printed on thinner paper and stick a great deal better.

The "Jackson" Confederate 10-cent stamp, which was attempted to be put on the market at this time and against which readers were warned in No. 3, is defended by J. Alex. Stevens, Jr., of "Charlestown," S. C., who refers the publisher to several parties lately connected with the confederate postoffice department, also a letter from George H. Cary, of New York, a nephew of one of the parties, stating facts supposedly true about the stamp, but in the next number H. St. George O'futt, the first assistant postmaster general of the Confederacy writes at length upon the stamps of the Confederacy and denounces the fraud.

Nearly two pages are given up to a reprinted article from the Boston Journal, entitled "The Postoffice." From it we extract:

At the present time the great nations of the world rank as follows in the scale of letters circulated yearly, viz: Great Britain, six hundred and seventy-nine million; United States, four hundred and sixty-two million; France, three hundred and eleven million; Prussia, one hundred and ninety million; Austria, one hundred and nineteen million; Italy, sixty-seven million; Spain, fifty-nine million.

Continued on page 7.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by post upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

The World has a few American Philatelic Association blanks on hand. Want one?

As the mechanical department is behind in its work we are obliged to issue another number of reduced size. Regular size will be resumed with next number.

The Brooklyn (N. Y.) Stamp Club has moved to fine new quarters at Broadway and DeKalb aves.

A prominent German firm holds a set of 33 Bergedoo essays at \$37.50, and a set of 271 essays of Hanover at \$190.

Tomorrow evening the Norway and Sweden exhibit of Chicago Society occurs. Some fine displays are anticipated.

Tonight Dr. W. C. Bowers and A. D. Lewis exhibit their Danish West India collection before the Bridgeport (Conn.) Society.

From the long-established and well-known and reliable house of Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr., of Baltimore, comes a large four-page wholesale list, replete with bargains for dealers. It should be in the hands of everyone who is in the stamp business.

The Minneapolis Times of Jan. 1 gave a quarter column writeup of the year's business at the local office, including the following comparative statement of the past two years:

	1901	1902
Stamp Sales	\$ 811,386	\$ 967,990
Money orders issued	515,143	570,990
Money orders paid	2,474,545	2,739,308
Regist'd pieces rec'd	94,357	117,946
Same dispatched ..	62,432	75,377
Specials delivered ..	56,858	63,995

An increase in stations is 8, there now being 29. The clerical force is 163, an increase of 19, and the carrier force 173, an increase of 16.

In our last number the following item became separated, so we insert in this issue properly and regret the error.

Mr. Wichmann, of Bridgeport, Conn., sends us a long article on his society's recent exhibit, clipped from a local paper, a part of which was:

A complete set of Cuban stamps were shown from issues of 1865 to date, with the exception of fifteen varieties. Additional to these, Mr. Cole's collection contained complete sets of stamps of the government of Chili, the Netherlands, Norway, Hayti, Hungary, Porto Rico, Philippine Islands, Italy, Jamaica, Labuan, Hawaii, Guatemala, Venezuela, and many other countries.

Among the freaks were several ten cent stamps cut in half and used for letter postage. These were Cu-

7c CANADA 1902.

Just issued fine unused copies.....12c
 5c green New Brunswick on cover.....10c
 3pence Canada on cover.....22c
 25 var. Australian Stamps (many rare).....10c
 All post paid, remit by silver.

J. H. JOST,

P. O. Box 244, Halifax, N. S., Canada.

January 31st, 1903

is the date set for our next "Wolsieffer Sale No. 32" containing the fine

MATCH and MEDICINE

collection of Mr. GEO. L. TOPPAN.

In the month of February we will sell the CASEY A. WOOD Collection.

In March we will sell the S. B. BRADFORD Collection.

In April we will sell the C. R. SPAULDING collection with announcements of others to follow.

Catalogues of all sales free.

Our great U. S. Mixture, 1000 for 22c is all the rage.

UNITED STAMP CO.,

1149 Marquette, Chicago, Ill.

FEATHERWEIGHT
EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/4 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free
on application to dealers only.

Kings Heads, Gr. Britain 10 var. 1/2p to 1sh..10c
 Uruguay 7 varieties.....7c
 Australia 20 ".....15c
 200 varieties of Foreign.....20c
 100 " United States.....20c
 1000 well mixed U. S. or Foreign.....10c
 Approval Sheets of U. S. or Foreign at 60 pr c.

WESTERN STAMP CO.,

708 N. Y. Life Bldg.

OMAHA, : : NEBRASKA

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world.



\$3000.00

I want a billiard room, a den, four sleeping rooms and a bath added to my dwelling. Rather than borrow the money and

pay interest I have decided to sell \$3,000 worth of stamps at a large reduction and use the money to build. Commencing with No. 128 I will issue a series of priced-lists quoting stamps at prices that will surely result in quickly placing the desired sum in my hands.

If you want stamps at little prices you will send me a postal asking that priced-lists of the \$3,000 sale be sent you.

No. 153 United States 1870, 21c purple.....6c

For hundreds of other bargains get Parker's price list. Sent free.

BARGAINS IN STAMPS.

Bavaria, 1891, 2 m. orange.... .03
 Gold Coast, 1884, 2 1/2 and 3 d,
 the two06
 Gold Coast, 1884, 6 d and 1 sh.,
 the two12
 Gold Coast, 1884, 2 sh., brown. .25
 Hawaii, 1883, 1c green03
 Hawaii, 1893, 2c violet03
 Hawaii, 1894, 1c, 2c and 5c,
 the three06
 Hawaii, 1899, 5c blue03
 Netherlands, 1896, 1 gl. fine... .08

Some Better Stamps.

U. S., 1895, \$2, blue, fine..... .90
 U. S., 1895, \$5, green, fine.... 1.40
 U. S., Pan. Am., 1c, inverted
 center, o. g., fine.....20.00
 Canada, 1897, Jubilee, \$2, fine .75
 Canada, 1897, Jubilee, \$3, fine. 1.25
 Canada, 1897, Jubilee, \$5, fine. 2.00
 Mozambique, 1877, 40 r. blue,
 used, fine 1.50
 Fine selections on approval at
 right prices. Send for bargain lists
 mailed free.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 3. Whole No. 12. Minneapolis, Minn. January 21, 1903

Weekly

CHICAGO NOTES.

Phoenix.

The local stamp trade is reported to be very bad. Since Christmas very few buyers have been seen in the stores.

It is understood that the application fee of \$2.00, charged all new members to the C. P. S., will remain in force. There has been some talk of removing this fee, but upon discussion it was found inadvisable.

At the last C. P. S. meeting two fine collections of the stamps of Greece were shown by Mr. Alex. Holland and Dr. Vasey Wood. Many great rarities were displayed to the interest of all present.

A large number of members have signified their intention to attend the C. P. S. banquet, which takes place on January 29. The place at which it will be held has not yet been decided upon.

It is announced here that F. K. Hills, of Fort Wayne, Ind., has been appointed secretary of the P. S. of A. G. M. Butler was obliged to resign, owing to an extra amount of his professional work.

The catalogue is out for P. M. Wolstieffer's sale, which will be held on January 31. It includes the match and medicine collection of G. L. Toppan and also some more of the wholesale stock of Fred Noyes. Among the match and medicine there are nine stamps which catalogue at \$50.00 apiece and over. This sale also includes some very fine foreign.

The meeting of the Chicago Philatelic Society, held January 15, was remarkably well attended. One of the

features of the evening was the exhibition of Norway and Sweden. W. F. E. Gurley and Irving Dickenson won the gold and silver medals respectively. The collection of Mr. Gurley was especially worthy of mention; he showed the two countries complete in every detail as listed by Scott, Stanley Gibbons, Senf and others. In Sweden he has a fine unused copy of the "Tertio" error, the first issue unused complete in several shades, imperforate Norwegian errors unused and used on entries and many other rarities read of in catalogues, but seldom seen in collections.



SOME AUCTION PRICES.

The Simpson Sale.

In December Mr. W. F. Gregory, of New York, sold the finest collection of rare Confederates which has been offered for public competition for years, the accumulation of the well known specialist W. D. Simpson. Through a miscarriage in the mails a letter with prices on the more important lots went astray, but as locals are so seldom offered we, even at this late date, believe the prices on the following lots will not fail to interest:

Anderson 10c on amber, hand stamp on envelope, unused, Mr. Simpson says the only one known	\$10.00
— 10c on white, as last, but two are known	10.25
Atlanta 5c black on white, type I., an uncatalogued variety . .	5.10
Athens 5c dull purple on piece of cover, close at upper right corner, type I.	8.75
— 5c type I., small margin two sides.	8.50

— 5c type I., small margins...	5.50
— 5c type II., entire line cut off bottom.....	7.50
Baton Rouge 5c green and carmine on piece of cover, very fine, showing adjoining stamp at two sides.....	50.00
Charleston 5c blue on cover...	6.00
— 5c blue on cover, outer line cut off part of right side....	2.00
— 5c blue on cover.....	2.00
— 5c blue on cover.....	1.00
— envelope 5c blue on deep orange.....	16.00
— — 5c blue on orange.....	15.00
Columbia envelope, 5c orange.	8.00
— — 5c orange, fine.....	7.25
— — 5c blue, orange, fine....	5.10
Dalton 5c on orange, hand-stamp on envelope.....	7.75
— 5c on coffee paper, as last, fine.....	5.10
Dalton 5c on yellow, left corner of envelope torn off, right end torn off taking about 1-6 of the stamp.....	3.00
— 10c on light coffee paper...	4.00
— 10c as last, stamp entirely on envelope.....	6.10
Lynchburg 5c blue on piece of cover.....	18.25
Macon 5c on yellow, on cover..	26.00
Mobile 5c blue on cover, very fine.....	3.85
One-half of 20c green, used as 10c, on piece of original cover.	6.00

SEND FOR New Price List of

British North American Postage Stamps.

CENTURY STAMP CO.,

P. O., Box 197, MONTREAL, CANADA.

7c CANADA 1902.

Just issued fine unused copies.....	12c
5c green New Brunswick on cover.....	10c
3 pence Canada on cover.....	22c
25 var. Australian Stamps (many rare).....	10c

All post paid, remit by silver.

J. H. JOST,

P. O. Box 244, Halifax, N. S., Canada.

The Universal Postal Union.

(Extract from address delivered by Hon. James A. Gary, Postmaster General of the United States, at the international congress, at Washington, D. C., on May 5, 1897.)

Postmaster General Blair, on August 4, 1862, in a communication addressed to Mr. Seward, then Secretary of State, proposed an international conference of postal delegates to recommend measures looking to the revision, simplification, and uniformity of its international postal arrangements; and the Department of State submitted the proposition to the governments of a great number of countries. Favorable responses were received, and at Paris, on the second Monday of the following May, the first international conference assembled, composed of representatives from the United States of America, Austria, Belgium, Costa Rica, Denmark, Spain, France, Great Britain, Italy, the Netherlands, Portugal, Prussia, the Hawaiian Islands, Switzerland, and the Hanseatic cities.

Out of this idea of an international conference grew the larger idea of a permanent Universal Postal Union, and the first Congress of this Union met in the hall of the national senate of Switzerland in September, 1874. The treaty creating this union went into effect on the 1st of July, 1875.

In congratulating our government and our people upon being the host of this, probably the most representative body of all the civilized nations of the earth that has ever assembled, I can, therefore, express our profound pride that the idea creating this union originated with us. The Universal Postal Union is young in years, but phenomenal in

success and achievements. It is the outgrowth of separate treaties between different national organizations, each compact differing in some essential respects from all others.

Only twenty-three years ago, in the city of Berne, at the foot of the Alps, the delegates from a little number of countries met and laid, deep and solid, the foundations of this union. The founders of the institution are fast passing away; only a few remain on this side of the boundaries of time who have personal recollections of its inauguration, and soon there will be left only the scattered and incomplete records of the different administrations to tell the story of how one of the grandest projects of the century was conceived and born.

We are rapidly approaching the realization of the dream which was outlined in the colossal enterprise, for there is reason to believe that by the time this congress adjourns the sun will not rise upon a civilized people nor set upon an organized government which is not included in the wise and beneficent jurisdiction of the Universal Postal Union.

Thus you meet under happy auspices. Representatives from countries not in the union, those from China and Korea, are present and ready to join your brotherhood, participate in your deliberations, and become co-workers with you. Would that the representatives of the several governments which constituted the component parts of the infant union, the men whose genius shines through every written page of your early history, and whose influence is everywhere visible in the beneficent labors of their successors, could be present to enjoy the almost full fruition of their hopes and aspirations!

Most of them have crossed the dark river and now rest under the shade of the other shore. Since the congress of Vienna, official notices of the death of some of its honored members have been sent out by the International Bureau at Berne—such conspicuous names as Hofstede, Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs of the Netherlands; of Lund, the late Director-General of the Posts of Denmark; of Sir Arthur Blackwood, Secretary of the General Postoffice at London; of Eugene Borel, the accurate, scholarly, accomplished, and efficient Director of the International Bureau at Berne, and of Dr. Von Stephan, the Director of the Imperial Posts of Germany, a man of wide learning and wisdom and exceptional mental resources, the Bismarck of the post.

DEALERS AND COLLECTORS

will miss many opportunities if they do not carefully examine the

WOLSIEFFER JAN. 31st AUCTION

Sale catalogue. It contains the fine Match and Medicine collection of Mr. Geo. L. Toppan, and a large installment of the wholesale stock of Mr. F. Noves put up in moderate size lots to accommodate all dealers. Also some fine Entires, Cut Squares, Foreign, etc., from other sources.

If you have never bought at auction, a "Wolsieffer" sale is a good one to begin on, as the catalogues are models of explicitness with which no other can compare. Catalogues free to auction buyers.

UNITED STAMP CO.,

1149 Marquette, : : Chicago.

Hey There!


I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Dennison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.



**May we enter
Your Subscription**

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,

Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

The next issue of the Weekly Stamp News will be a special devoted to the issues of Trinidad.

A number of fine offers in rare volumes of stamp literature is offered at the Bogert-Durbin sale of the 31st inst.

The Prince of Wales was among the exhibitors at the recent London exhibit, showing some fine British Central Africa.

The largest packet yet offered of precancelleds is that of fifty varieties at \$1.00 which a Western dealer has put up.

The best general collection, not over 6,000 varieties, is the subject of the February 17 exhibit of the Boston Society.

At a recent auction sale Moen's book on U. S. stamps brought 50 cents, and his translation of Tiffany's work on the same subject but \$2.00.

W. G. L. Paxman has sold The

Canada Stamp Sheet to C. W. N. Ussher of Toronto, who will continue its publication.

Dr. Bihari Jenoe, of Budapest, Austria, has published a new contribution to the list of philatelic music—*Outre Mer—Marche des Philatelistes.*

The fact that no Millbury appeared in the rarity display of the Boston Society seems strange when it is said that nearly every known specimen belongs to members of this society.

The new special delivery has been issued and while not up to the expectations which most of our members have cherished, is an improvement upon its predecessor.

The receipt of new price lists from S. E. Moisant, Kankakee, Ills.; E. T. Parker, Bethlehem, Pa.; H. J. Kleinman, Philadelphia, Pa.; Illinois Stamp Co., Prophetstown, Ill.; and the J. T. Starr Co. of Coldwater, Mich.

A large array of rarities, noticeable among which are a number of U. S. special printings, are offered in W. F. Gregory's 19th sale, January 29 and 30. You will miss it if you don't send for a catalogue.

A correspondent, writing from Washington, says there is an abundant supply of the old two centers on hand and that it would not be surprising if the first output of the new ones was made on the natal day of the first president. Quite appropriate, he remarks.

Fred R. Ginn, 143 Strand, London, has issued a special catalog of British Africa, U. S. and Hawaii, which countries he makes a specialty of. The upward tendency of prices in the last is conspicuous, as many prices have been corrected by pen and with few exceptions the rise is considerable.

The display of the Earl of Crawford at the London exhibit was of St.

Helena with copious notes and extract in connection showing that his magnificent literary was made practical use of. Another member of the nobility—Earl of Kintore—also participated with a superb display of Monritins.

The Year Book of the American Philatelic Association is at hand. An even hundred pages make up the number, the great part being devoted to the proceedings in detail of the Springfield convention. The complete roster is given both of the American and foreign members, there being over fifty of the latter. Your name should appear in the next one, so hurry up and join.



With our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

Stamp Sheet

For January, the first number under its new proprietor, opens with the farewell of its late editor, and the greeting of the new one. Raymond S. Baker is responsible for readable Ontario Jottings, and Usona has the usual quota of United States Minutes. This with the official matter of the D. P. A. constitute the number.

The New York Philatelist

For January opens with a translated article, "The New Djibouti," a review of the Stanley-Gibbons catalog by Miss Swift follows, then a page of jotting by Ao-tea-roa, Chloe attends to Chicago news and Miss Swift reviews the current papers.

In the official matter of the S. of P. fifteen applications are noted, eleven reinstatements made, three resignations received and one accepted, and forty suspensions are reported, and the

present membership stated as 351. The other societies of which this is official organ also show favorable reports.

The Perforator

For Dec. 25 opens with the customary illustrated selection from the Seybold original cover collection, one with five 2c Mobile, and one with a 5c Lenoir being pictured. Miss Swift contributes "Our First Stamp Albums," and Sterling an exhaustive list of the cancellations on the 98 proprietories by Keasby & Mattison Co., 308 items being tabulated. In the prize manuscript competition Geo. F. Loring, of Boston, wins the first prize with an article on how to arrange covers; "Aesculapius" the second with "The Mail Bidder in Stamp Auctions"; W. L. Stein the third with "The Specialist," and Frank D. Murphy the fourth with "Why the Eagle Appears on the Mexican Stamps." Pete Belcher writes a second letter on the "Pochuck Fillatelic Society of Fillatellists," which now seems to have reached a plane with some national society—nearly enough members to fill the offices.

An exceedingly interesting article on "The Approval System" is contributed by the editor of the Fraud Reporter. The editorials are especially high class and the number is a credit to the enterprising publishers.

There is still time

to send in your bids by letter, special delivery or wire, according to the distance you are from Chicago for

Wolsieffer's Jan. 31st Sale

containing the fine M. & M. Collection of Mr. Geo. L. Toppan, and another installment of the F. Noyes wholesale stock. Attend to it at once and you will not be late.

The next sale will contain 27 lots of those "Freak Revenues" (some of the same lot formerly owned by E. B. Sterling) that caused a sensational case to be brought before the A. P. A. Convention at Springfield and takes up over ten pages in the year book.

UNITED STAMP CO.,
1149 Marquette, : Chicago, Ill.

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News

For January 10, as usual presents a lot of news to its readers. We cannot refrain from reproducing the leading editorial of Bro. Severn:

Among the changes that have been effected in philately in the past ten years or more, none has been of a more radical and absolute character than the latter-day exactions imposed by "conditions." The qualities that enter into the embrace term, condition, are now almost universally recognized and have established a basis for stamp valuation that was quite unknown fifteen years ago. Now that condition principles have become standardized—if the indications of the present are read aright—and a reasonable return from the extreme limit to which demands had run has been made, the sense of security that follows a closed incident is felt by collectors and dealers alike. Without entering into the past and the present aspect of condition requirements or attempting any analysis whatever, a retrospective glance will show how vitally philately has been affected by the new order. The present allows a vantage-ground for a survey of the past, for today's moderation of the condition requirements and refinements argues that the critical period has passed. A comparison of the condition demands of today and those of less than fifteen years ago is striking. The carelessness of yesterday has yielded to the critical spirit of today in a complete and surprising manner. In a way the change was gradual, yet if one measures results it must have been rapid. The disturbance revolutionized prices and resulted in some losses, but the elevating tendency of the reform made its momentum irresistible. It was the old collector with many scarce stamps in a condition at one time satisfactory, but in the eyes of today indifferent, who saw a percentage of the value of his possessions drop away, and it was the dealer with a heavy stock of deficient stamps who suffered, but the hardships worked were tempered by the general appreciation in value of the better specimens. From newer collectors the condition campaign received all encouragement, because no realization of personal loss halted their enthusiasm. To the credit of dealers, they did not actively oppose the drift of sentiment, even though they had more to lose in many cases than to gain from the ascending scale of condition qualities.

MORLEY'S PHILATELIC JOURNAL.

The December number opens with an interesting article, "Provisional Fiscal Issues of the American Occupation of the Philippines," by A. Preston Pearce, from which we reprint:

The denominations issued are Int. Rev. 1, 2, 5, 10c de p., Sel-lo 25, 50c. de p., 1 p. 2 p. The 2c de p. and 25c. d p. were also bisected diagonally to make the halves of these values, but only two copies of the 12½c. de p. provisional have been seen fortunate enough to get a specimen. The following is a list of the varieties in my collection, and as each type of overprint was impressed in three colors it is practically certain that a few others exist.

Overprinted Customs.

- (a) Horizontally red.
5c. de p., blue.
10c. de p., green.
(b) Horizontally in green.
2c. de p. carmine.

This variety was also cut diagonally for use as 1c de p.

- (c) Diagonally upwards in blue.
10c de p. green.
25c de p. lilac.
25c de p. lilac with overprint inverted.

Customs, in double lined square.

- (d) In red.
1c de p. black.
5c de p. blue.
10c de p. green.
50c de p. buff (very greasy).
2 pesos, slate, with overprint inverted.
(e) In green.
2c de p. carmine.
1 peso, dark red.

Variety: 2c de p. with double overprint—four times on a pair.

Spicy Splinters

1 lb mixed U. S. Stamps	\$ 48
20 different stamp papers	10
5000 Faultless Stamp Hinges	29
1000 mixed Foreign Stamps	19
100 blank Approval Sheets	15
Duplicate Stamp Album	65
100 different Foreign Stamps	3 75
1000 " " " " " " " " " " " "	"

Everything Post Free.

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Ill. Illinois.

(f) In blue.

1 peso, dark red.

I do not know the exact date of issue of these stamps, but my copies were sent off in May last, and the provisionals were then obsolete, all printed used up, and the blocks with which the overprinting had been done destroyed. The same letter brought me copies of the first regular issue, an illustration of which appeared in the fiscal chronicle last September. This locally lithographed issue consisted of

- 20 cents, blue.
- 20 cents, deep blue.
- 50 cents, pale green.
- 2 dollars, red.

and is noteworthy as being the first fiscal issue for the Philippines with values in American currency.

I have two Bills of Health, relating to the same steamer, drawn up at different ports in July and August of this year, each of which bears the 50 cents stamp of this issue, but I understand that engraved Customs stamps have arrived from the states and are probably now in use.

An article with plating diagram on the Orange River Bank Draft 3d follows, succeeding which are installments of Walter Morley's "Newspaper Tax Stamps of Great Britain," K's British Railway Stamps and Morley's Side Study on 1d red, in turn followed by the chronicle listing 25 telegraphs and 37 fiscals.

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or so good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay. Do not delay but, send today For the WEST which is the best.



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co., Bayonne, N. J.

BARGAINS IN STAMPS.

Bavaria, 1891, 2 m. orange....	.03
Gold Coast, 1884, 2 1/2 and 3 d, the two .....	.06
Gold Coast, 1884, 6 d and 1 sh., the two .....	.12
Gold Coast, 1884, 2 sh., brown.	.25
Hawaii, 1883, 1c green .....	.03
Hawaii, 1893, 2c violet .....	.03
Hawaii, 1894, 1c, 2c and 5c, the three .....	.06
Hawaii, 1899, 5c blue .....	.03
Netherlands, 1896, 1 gl. fine...	.08

Some Better Stamps.

U. S., 1895, \$2, blue, fine.....	.90
U. S., 1895, \$5, green, fine....	1.40
Canada, 1897, Jubilee, \$2, fine	.75
Canada, 1897, Jubilee, \$3, fine.	1.25
Canada, 1897, Jubilee, \$5, fine.	2.00
Mozambique, 1877, 40 r. blue, used, fine	1.50

Fine selections on approval at right prices. Send for bargain lists; mailed free.

L. N. HERBERT,
1520 Washington Av., New York.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers..... .10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Ill. Illinois.

SPECIAL



American

Philatelic

Association

Number



March Eleventh Issue

Thirty-six Pages in Colors

**Five Times our
Usual Circulation**



Write for full particulars

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

**16-18-20 North Fourth St.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.**



The merit, value and economy of my sale of stamps, to secure \$3,000 for building purposes you will appreciate.

Send for priced lists that go into detail. They cost nothing but save a lot

**IF NOT, WHY NOT?
Give our Bargains a trial.**

Australia 25 varieties 2c
200 varieties of Foreign 2c
100 " " United States 2c
1000 well mixed U. S. or Foreign 1c
Approval Sheets of U. S. or Foreign at 60 pr c.

WESTERN STAMP CO.,

708 N. Y. Life Bldg.

OMAHA, : : : NEBRASKA.

STAMP BUSINESS FOR SALE.

Mostly U. S. and British Columbia. Good reasons for selling. Will sell at a bargain.

Business entirely up to date.

Address:

O. W. GOESS, Mgr.,

307 W. 150th St. : : : New York.

Wholesale U. S. per 100.

3c 1870-82 mixed.....	\$.05
3c 1882.....	.05
1c 1882.....	.05
2c green, 1884.....	.10
2c claret, 1888.....	.05
1c blue, 1888.....	.05
3c 1895.....	.10
6c 1898.....	.20
1c doc, 1898 uncut.....	.01
2c doc, 1898.....	.02
5c doc.....	.05
10c doc.....	.05
25c doc, cut.....	.05
50c doc.....	.05
\$1 green.....	.20
\$1 green, uncut.....	.20
1000 mixed U. S. fine.....	.10

Postage extra under 50cts.

**RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
MASONIC TEMPLE, CHICAGO.**

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 4. Whole No. 13. Minneapolis, Minn. January 28, 1903

Weekly

AUCTION PRICES.

The following were realized at Geo R. Tuttle's fifty-fifth sale at New York, on Jan. 17, all being bargains for the buyer:

U. S. 1851 30c imperforate, fair margins	\$10.00
U. S. 1861 3c on laid paper, fine	1.50
U. S. 1870 24c, faint grill.....	3.50
Same, plain grill.....	8.00
U. S. 1870 15c faint grill, unused	2.00
U. S. 1873 1, 2, 3, 6c, laid paper	.80
U. S. Justice 30c.....	3.80
U. S. 2c on manilla No. 1727, entire envelope	6.00
U. S. 2c on blue No. 1521, entire envelope	8.40
Swain Medicine Stamp, 6c, patched	4.50
Confederate, 10 original covers, addressed to Alex. Stevens, vice-president, with endorsements on back.....	1.00
Lot original covers, wall paper, etc	1.30
Antiqua, 1 sh. violet.....	2.20
Cape of Good Hope, 4d dark blue wood block, not fine..	4.10
New Caledonia 1c	2.00
Wurtemberg, 18c No. 12....	1.10
Wurtemberg, 18c, No. 14....	1.00
Wurtemberg, 18c No. 29....	1.00



OMAHA JOTTINGS.

By E. H. Wilkinson.

I suppose the first thing to talk about is Omaha's two societies—the Omaha Collector's club and the Omaha Philatelic society. It may seem rather strange—unprecedented, so to speak—that a town of this size has two societies when many larger

cities (Omaha is only 150,000) have not even one. But thereby hangs a tale. Perchance we will attempt to relate that later. For the present, will only say that each society has about fifty members enrolled. They do not all attend the meetings, to be sure, but then they are members, just the same. The Omaha Collector's club meets every other Friday, the Omaha Philatelic society, every Tuesday. I will say this much for the meetings—there is usually a quorum present, and anyone experienced with local societies knows that to be able to say this is gratifying. But let us discuss something else.

According to my Washington correspondent, the annual report of the postmaster general states—among other things—that there were 5,690 thirty-cent postage due and 5,300 fifty-cent issued in 1902. Not very many for a big country like ours where everything runs into big figures—even the circulations of stamp papers, I know you are thinking, "What has that to do with Omaha?" I was coming to that. At South Omaha, which is really Omaha, as every one knows, or at least ought to be, are located the big packing houses that, like the beer of Milwaukee, have made Omaha famous. These packing houses pay no postage. That is, they do not pay it only once in an agreed upon time. Of course, I refer to postage on matter received where postage due stamps are required. And this is considerable, I assure you, because each house has innumerable branch offices and special agents all over the country and all of these are sending

in daily and weekly and monthly reports to headquarters, and so that the postage may be paid at this end, they affix only one 2-cent stamp, the balance being paid here. These voluminous reports are heavy, for the packers use good stationery, and the postage on them is tremendous. So when the time comes around to settle the bill for Uncle Sam's services, the postoffice satellite merely takes a lot of fifties and thirties and sticks them on any piece of scrap paper he finds handy, gives them a final caress with the cancelling stamp—and there you are. Now, here is the point: Out of that 5,690 30-cent and 5,300 50-cent, there is probably at least fifty per centum used here. And what becomes of them? That's a secret. Only I do not think it would be worth while to try and get any of them from the packing houses. They are fully aware of the fact that the stamps have a value and are marketable. If you want to buy a few hundred or a thousand, I will tell you the man's name who controls the supply, but that is the best I can do.

Fifty 50-cent dues used on cover is not an everyday occurrence, is it? I saw a cover with this many on recently, though. That is the way they do it in South Omaha.

Newfoundlands at Wholesale.

	per 10	per 100
1879-3c Cabot.....	.12	\$1.00
1898-1c green.....	.07	.65
1898-2c red.....	.08	.75
1898-3c orange.....	.07	.65
27 Varieties Newfoundland.....		.80

Post free.

CENTURY STAMP COMPANY,

P. O. Box 197, : : Montreal, Canada.

7c CANADA 1902.

Just issued fine unused copies.....	12c
5c green New Brunswick on cover.....	10c
3 pence Canada on cover.....	22c
25 var. Australian Stamps (many rare).....	10c

All post paid, remit by silver.

J. H. JOST,

P. O. Box 244, Halifax, N. S., Canada.

Every one in this region is becoming an enthusiastic Gibbons man as far as the catalogue question goes. Gibbon's was on sale here over a month before Scott's showed up, for one thing, and then a whole lot of people think Gibbon's is far superior. I think that it is a fact that any one who ever bought a Gibbons was never without one afterwards. Scott's is all right—as far as it goes. Trouble is it does not go far enough.

Every one who attended the Denver "meet"—as Brody calls it—will ever have pleasant recollections of their three days' intercourse with Frank Parmelee "of Omaha." General, generous, good natured, frank entertainer by nature and practice—that is Parmelee. He used to be in the trap shooting business, if it should be called a business. At any rate he was a professional, and he has enough trophies and lists of cash prizes won in various tournaments over the country and in England to almost make one believe that it was a business. But trap shooting became too strenuous, and he quit while his reputation was good and embarked in the stamp business. I do not dare mention the name of his company for fear the editor would construe it as an ad and cut it out. Anyway, what I started to tell you about was a find—a real find—that Brother Parmelee made a year or so ago. That will make another paragraph.

One of the most interesting issues of United States stamps is that of 1869. They are worth enough to be interesting if for no other reason. Parmelee has enough of them to original covers to make your optical apparatus become deranged seriously if you had a fleeting glimpse of them without knowing how he got them.

all values up to and including the 1-cent has he. Covers with a number of each value on each and with several values on each were in this extraordinary lot. I cannot say just how many covers there were originally, but he now has enough to overflow a bushel basket—one that holds a full bushel—and he avers that the lot contained four times as many when he got it as he can now show you. Most of these covers are large size envelopes which contained bulky, weighty papers. There were very few 3-cent stamps, but the most of them were 15-cent and 24-cent, with a number of the 6, 10 and 12. When you stop and think how many stamps there were in the lot originally the size of the find dawns on you. That they were resurrected at

so late a day, when the land, according to our philatelic scribes, is so densely populated with philatelists who have sleuthed around so vigorously that there remain no stamps uncovered, is remarkable. The way in which Parmelee came to secure this "big lot"—where have I heard that phrase "big lot" before?—was this:

Once upon a time there was a collector in Omaha named Estes. Called by the boys Bill. Possibly he lives here yet, but he never mingles with the other cranks any more, so we do not know. We all think Estes must have been brought up on "Old Sleuth" and "Nick Carter," so pronounced are his abilities to find things in unlooked-for places. One day a year or so ago Estes asked Parmelee if he had ever been through the vault at the Douglas county (that's the county in which Omaha is situate) building, wherein the county clerk stored his papers. Parmelee admitted that the idea had not occurred to him, but thought nothing would be there of interest. Well, to make a short story briefer, Parmelee obtained permission to go through the mass of papers in that vault and he had not been at work ten minutes when his hair began to stand up as though he had seen an apparition rising out of the musty papers. Parmelee is not by nature an excitable man—he could not have been the crack marksman he was if he was so—but I doubt if he could have killed his usual number of blue rocks right at that particular moment. When he got through with that mess of papers, he was a tired but happy man. For who does not exult in a "find," even though commonplace? But this was not com-

J. W. SCOTT'S ADVICE

In a recent editorial in the Metropolitan Philatelist to be represented at every Auction Sale, even if your bids are low, is good advice. While our Chicago Sales have always maintained a high average for fine stamps in fine condition, yet there are frequently many bargains, which is a common occurrence in auction sales.

Wolsieffer's Feb. Sale will contain the Wilkinson and Bradford Collections, and properties of several Boston parties.

Catalogues of sales free.

UNITED STAMP CO.,

149 Marquette, : Chicago, Ill.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Dennison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

May we enter
Your Subscription

Continued on page 21.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, *Benson, Minn.*
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Perrin & Co., of New York, have issued a fifty-two page list which is free for the asking.

The Philatelic West is now the organ of the Southern Philatelic association.

The new 8c and 13c continue to command about half face in used condition.

Painesville, Ohio, has contributed a five-cent to the precancelled list this week.

An exhibit of the stamps of Great Britain will be held on Feb. 9 by the Collector club, New York.

Don't fail to subscribe at once and be in line to receive the large American Philatelic Association special.

Mr. Raynor Hubbell, of Buffalo, N. Y., is the promoter of a strong new company which will soon engage in the stamp business in that city.

By its last transfer the subscription list of the Minnesota Philatelic has been absorbed by the Philatelic Star.

The Hawkeye Monthly is a new amateur paper from New Hampton, Iowa, which conducts a stamp department for young collectors.

Rev. H. Madtes, the exchange superintendent of the Precancelled Stamp club, writes that he started the first circuit out last week.

Receipt of new lists from Aug. P. Niefert & Co., of Toledo, E. T. Parker Bethlehem, Pa., and B. L. Drew & Co., Boston, is acknowledged.

In the January Philatelic West R. Thiele, who has contributed the articles on counterfeits under the nom de plume Lacus Viridis, reveals his identity.

In spite of the fact that the catalogues are all out and no excuse for further procrastination on buyers part can be found, dealers pronounce business slow.

To those collectors who make a side study of the faces and designs on their stamps, the article on Franklin, by Alfred Henry Lewis in the February number of Everybody's Magazine will be of interest.

The candidacy of Pittsburg for the 1904 convention of the American would undoubtedly meet with enthusiastic Western support were it not that it means four Eastern conventions in succession. Why not make it 1905?

The officers of the Milwaukee society for 1903 are: Wm. Gehrs, president, R. A. Schade, E. Hirthe, vice presidents, Henry J. Stirn, secretary, A. Jungman, treasurer, and C. Johnson, librarian. All except two are American association members.

OMAHA JOTTINGS *Con.*

monplace, by any means, as I have told you previously. The covers found contained legal papers of various natures sent to the county clerks of Douglas county ever since there was such a county. That accounts for the large amount of postage used on each. Most of the stamps have by this time been sacrilegiously removed from the envelopes which they have so long adorned, but there are still enough left on cover to remind the fortunate discoverer how the rest of them appeared.

A long while ago I wrote an article for the Philatelic Bulletin, now gone to the land where stamp papers are more numerous than in this terrestrial abode of ours, describing an interesting species of philatelic library where a scrap book or books were used wherein all the articles of merit and interest appearing in the stamp papers taken were pasted, the remaining portion of the papers being discarded. There is no doubt that this system is practical and that if followed up a library of philatelic lore in the most accessible form will result. Over a year ago the Omaha Collector's club started a library to be constructed on this plan, and by this time it contains in a compact form all the best of the contents of the papers handled by the librarian. Indexed, scrap books filled with such matter are of never failing interest and value to the searcher after entertaining reading or information.

Not only is Omaha well favored with stamp societies; dealers are also numerous. The Mecca Stamp company, in which F. S. Parmelee holds the controlling interest, has handsome ground floor quarters, as has also the Omaha Stamp & Coin company. Then there is S. P. Hughes,

who offices in the Paxton block, and the Western Stamp Co., located in the New York Life building. The Nebraska Stamp company, of South Omaha, should also be mentioned, besides the Pacific Stamp company and the Heyn Stamp company. These all appear prosperous.

**AT PITTSBURG.**

Geo. W. Rode.

The regular meeting of the Twin City Philatelic society of Pittsburg, Pa., was held Jan 9, 1903, fifteen members and two visitors being present.

The judges in the contest for collections of 50 used stamps awarded the first prize (silver medal) to Mr. Geo. F. Marlier and the second prize (bronze medal) to Mr. E. Doebelin.

It was resolved to invite the American Philatelic association to hold its 1904 convention in Pittsburg.

The application of Mr. Hull Wilson was read and referred to the executive meeting.

The treasurer reported a balance of \$100.65, with all bills paid.

**PHILATELIC LEAGUE OF LITERATURISTS.**

This new society for those who devote their time or a portion of it

All Souvenir Card and Stamp Collectors are requested to send their addresses in their own interest to

ATLAS SOCIETY,

151 EIGHT AVENUE, : N. Y., N. Y.

Kings Heads, Gr. Britain 10 var. ½p to 1sh. 10c
Uruguay 7 varieties..... 7c
Australia 20 " 15c
200 varieties of Foreign 20c
100 " " United States 20c
1000 well mixed U. S. or Foreign 13c
Approval Sheets of U. S. or Foreign at 60 per c.

WESTERN STAMP CO.,

708 N. Y. Life Bldg.

OMAHA, : : NEBRASKA.

to the pursuit of collecting the literature of our hobby has effected an organization and selected its officers. We bespeak for it a longer life and more usefulness than those which have previously existed. Its officers are: President, J. A. Cook, Waterloo, Iowa; vice-president, S. E. Moisant, Kankakee, Ill.; secretary treasurer, J. A. D. Park, Buffalo, N. Y.; superintendent sales and exchange, D. T. Eaton, Muscatine, Iowa; trustees, M. J. Gardner, San Francisco, Cal., W. E. Loy, San Francisco, Cal., D. T. Eaton, Muscatine, Iowa; bureau of information, E. B. Jones, Sioux City, Iowa, G. S. Dickinson, Worcester, Mass., Fred Doughty, Saginaw, Mich.; official organ, Philatelic Inter Ocean.



CHICAGO NOTES.

Phoenix.

Business is bad. That's all.

Duncan Kay, of Detroit, was a visitor to the city recently; and attended the C. P. S. auction.

It is understood that Stevens & Co. will move into the Masonic Temple on May 1. The Randolph Stamp Co. and B. G. Green move from the Temple at that date.

The C. P. S. banquet, which will be held on Jan. 29, promises to be a great success, a large number of members having signified their intention of attending.

R. H. A. Green, one of the young dealers of this city, has taken in a partner and in future will do business under the name of the Dearborn Stamp Co.

E. L. Warner, of Grand Rapids, Mich., who is now staying at the Auditorium hotel, will visit Washington before returning home.

A poor crowd attended F. N. Masoth's auction held Jan. 17, under the auspices of the C. P. S. The following are some of the prices realized:

(U. S.) \$1.00 passage ticket, good	\$2.05
—\$15 mortgage, off center....	2.10
—\$20.00 Conveyance .....	.75
—\$25.00 mortgage, off center.	1.40
—\$50.00 U. S. I. R.....	1.20
—\$200.00 bright and fine....	9.60
—4c proprietary rouletted, No 2287 .....	.55
—\$3.00 lake, uncut .....	.90
—Marchand set, complete, unused	1.00
—J. Elwood Lee set, complete, unused	1.00
—\$2 1894, unused	2.50
—\$5, ditto	5.00
Newfoundland 6½ lade o8....	1.25
Dutch Indies 1868 No. 2, used	1.00
Netherland, 1898, 1 2½ and 58, used	1.25
U. S. Documentary 1898, 1c blue, 2,000 stamps	25
—74 var. match and medicine cat 15.66.....	5.10
—Collection, 1688 var.....	7.00
—2562	27.50
—3067	36.10



1867-8

Veda.

The June number opens with an illustration of the "Paraguay" stamp, which the publisher still considers genuine, also illustrates the Orange Free State issue and the New South Wales

Spicy Splinters

1 lb mixed U. S. Dstamps	\$.48
20 different stamp papers .....	.10
5000 Faultless Stamp Hinges .....	.25
1000 mixed Foreign Stamps .....	.10
100 blank Approval Sheets .....	.18
Duplicate Stamp Album .....	.06
100 different Foreign Stamps .....	.07
1000 " "	3.25

Everything Post Free.

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, * * * Illinois

four pence and begins an article "Review of Postage Stamps in the French Exhibition," which runs through several numbers, and which is reprinted from The Philatelist, for which it was translated from the French of Dr. Magnus. The exhibit of De la Rue of London comes in for first comment, the stamp portion being continued in five frames, a single frame from F. Joubert, of London, Eng., wherein among others are contained Jamaica one penny, ten shillings, Mexico, portrait of Maximilian (without frame), Marca de bollo stamps of Italy, and others. Among other engraved work exhibited by Maclure and Macdonald, of Glasgow, are proofs in black of the first issue Uruguay. Attention is also called to a display in the English machinery department of apparatus pertaining to the postoffice, among which a frame of envelopes and adhesives was displayed. This display was said to have been brought together by Mr. Pearson Hill. A number of French exhibits show essays for stamps, the most interesting being those of M. Barre and M. Hulot. But one single collection alluded to as that of M. de S. was shown, or rather not shown, as it was placed so as not to be inspected. It was contained in eight cases and the stamps were glued down so that examination of watermarks, etc., cannot be made even by the few who were permitted to inspect it.

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay. Do not delay but, send today For the WEST which is the best.



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light, Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co., Bayonne, N. J.

BARGAINS IN STAMPS.

Bavaria, 1891, 2 m. orange....	.03
Gold Coast, 1884, 2 1/2 and 3 d, the two .....	.06
Gold Coast, 1884, 6 d and 1 sh., the two .....	.12
Gold Coast, 1884, 2 sh., brown.	.25
Hawaii, 1883, 1c green .....	.03
Hawaii, 1893, 2c violet .....	.03
Hawaii, 1894, 1c, 2c and 5c, the three .....	.06
Hawaii, 1899, 5c blue .....	.03
Netherlands, 1896, 1 gl. fine...	.08

Some Better Stamps.

U. S., 1895, \$2, blue, fine.....	.90
U. S., 1895, \$5, green, fine....	1.40
Canada, 1897, Jubilee, \$2, fine	.75
Canada, 1897, Jubilee, \$3, fine.	1.25
Canada, 1897, Jubilee, \$5, fine.	2.00
Mozambique, 1877, 40 r. blue, used, fine	1.50

Fine selections on approval at right prices. Send for bargain lists; mailed free.

L. N. HERBERT,
1520 Washington Av., New York.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers..... 10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, 3 3 3 3 3 Illinois.

SPECIAL



American

Philatelic

Association

Number



March Eleventh Issue

Thirty-six Pages in Colors

**Five Times our
Usual Circulation**



Write for full particulars

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

**16-18-20 North Fourth St.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.**



A detailed list of stamps I am offering at startling little prices it is impossible to give here, but I have issued priced-lists that itemize the specimens and send them to all applicants.

An easy way to economize on your stamp purchases is to send for priced-lists of my \$3,000 sale:

They cost nothing but save a lot.

**IF NOT, WHY NOT?
Give our Bargains a trial.**

Australia 26 varieties 30c
200 varieties of Foreign 20c
100 " " United States 20c
1000 well mixed U. S. or Foreign 10c
Approval Sheets of U. S. or Foreign at 60 pr c.

WESTERN STAMP CO.,

708 N. Y. Life Bldg.

OMAHA, : : NEBRASKA.

STAMP BUSINESS FOR SALE.

Mostly U. S. and British Columbia. Good reasons for selling. Will sell at a bargain.

Business entirely up to date.

Address:

O. W. GOESS, Mgr.,

307 W. 150th St. : : : New York.

Wholesale U. S. per 100.

3c 1870-82 mixed	.....	\$ .00
3c 1882	.....	.08
1c 1882	.....	.01
2c green, 1884	.....	.10
2c claret, 1888	.....	.05
1c blue, 1888	.....	.06
3c 1895	.....	.10
6c 1898	.....	.20
1c doc, 1898 uncut	.....	.03
2c doc, 1898	.....	.02
5c doc	.....	.10
10c doc	.....	.05
25c doc, cut	.....	.00
50c doc	.....	.20
\$1 green	.....	.30
\$1 green, uncut	.....	.20
1000 mixed U. S. fine	.....	.14

Postage extra under 50cts.

**RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
MASONIC TEMPLE. CHICAGO.**

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 5. Whole No. 14. Minneapolis, Minn. February 4, 1903

Weekly

Chicago Notes.

Phoenix.

W. W. Pike, of Lake Geneva, Wis., is spending a few weeks here.

The new stamp paper promised for this city seems to be a myth.

The local stamp trade is booming. The old buyers are coming out from their retreats, prepared to buy heavily.

E. L. Warner, of Grand Rapids, Mich., who is now staying at the Auditorium Hotel, will visit Philadelphia and Washington before returning home.

The new 2-cent stamp was seen on the mail from the east which got in on January 25. The new special delivery and 4-cent came the day after. The 8 and 13-cent stamps in used condition are very scarce here. The new 8-cent stamp was put on sale here last week for the first time.



The Chicago Banquet.

Another annual banquet has passed down into the history of the Chicago Philatelic Society, and was more successful than any of its predecessors. It was held at Kinsley's on the evening of January 29. The menu was:

Blue Points

Consomme Brunoise

Hors d'oeuvres

Braised Red Snapper Traulmanson

Duchess Potatoes

Fillet of Beef a la Balzac

Roman Punch

Roast Squab—Lettuce Salad

Glaces Cake

Cheese Coffee

Those present were: James Abbott, A. F. Boehm, S. B. Bradt, Dr. S. J. Caswell (Rockford, Ill.), Ir-

ing Dickenson, S. T. S. Docyson, E. C. Dodd, E. P. Douglas, F. H. Farrell, J. H. Huber, Alex. Holland, F. Lively, F. J. LeFevre, F. N. Massoth, L. Michael, A. F. Merrill, Dr. F. B. Merril, H. N. Mudge, J. J. Oesch, W. W. Pike (Lake Geneva, Wis.), J. A. Pierce, R. Robinson, W. O. Staab, C. E. Severn, Simon Straus, Otto von Schaezler, C. Schlieckert, Dr. J. A. Schmidt, P. M. Wolsieffer and Stan Zajicek. After the dinner, speeches were made by the majority of those present, and some interesting finds and experiences were related, while others told interesting little anecdotes relating to stamps and other things. P. M. Wolsieffer read letters of regret for the following gentlemen: E. B. Stirling, H. Armstrong, E. P. Parker, Eben S. Martin, E. M. Carpenter, W. C. Stone, E. H. Buehler, G. L. Toppan and Archie L. Doherty. The C. P. S. not possessing a singer, songs were dispensed with, but Schlieckert's orchestra played selections during the evening. Several members at least are in favor of making the banquet a monthly affair.



Minneapolis Stamp Club.

J. A. Ringness, Sec'y.

Regular meeting M. S. C. C. was held Monday evening, Jan. 19, '03, at 614 Masonic Temple, President Osborne in chair.

Minutes of previous meeting read and, after one or two changes, approved.

Bills of Mr. Stebbins and the Secretary presented and ordered paid.

Moved and seconded that an appropriation be made for a blank book, suitable for recording the minutes. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the Librarian be requested to move the library to the present meeting place. Carried.

Competition for the next meeting—Largest variety of figures of value found on stamps.

Adjourned at 9:20 to meet again Friday, Feb. 6th.

৳৳৳

1867-8.

Veda.

In the answers to correspondents the number of subscribers to the paper is said to be 400, the largest collection in Boston or vicinity, to contain 2,500 varieties (including locals) and the Editor's to consist of 1,700 and to be only two months old.

The July number illustrates the bogus Confederate, previously spoken of, and announces the Bolivia set, a series for the Levant and the 1s. Norway. The editor contributes an article on "The Varieties of the Wurttemberg Stamps." From it we clip what was Mr. Trifet's ideas of collectability at this time.

Our ideas of collecting stamps are as follows:

First. The real stamps as first issued.

Second. The different standard shades, not those done by the effect of sun or acid.

Newfoundlands at Wholesale.

	per 10	per 100
1879-3c Cabot.....	.12	\$1.00
1898-1c green.....	.07	.65
1898-2c red.....	.08	.75
1898-3c orange.....	.07	.65
27 Varieties Newfoundland.....		.80

Post free.

CENTURY STAMP COMPANY,

P. O. Box 197, : : Montreal, Canada.

WINNERS.

- *Orange R. Colony on Cape ½, 1, 2½p \$.15
 - *Newfoundland 1897-1900, Portraits complete, 8 var..... .30
 - *Newfoundland 1897-1900, Cabot issue complete..... 2.75
 - *Orange Free State 1p surcharged..... .25
- V. R. I..... T. F. rare.
 All Post free. Remit by silver or money or.
 *Unused.

J. H. JOST,

P. O. Box 244, Halifax, N. S., Canada,

Third. The different kinds of perforation. The mode of counting the number of holes is, to our mind, absurd. Why not collect stamps with thick or thin gum or no gum at all? It would be no more nonsensical.

Fourth. Water marks when they serve to denote the date of an issue, as the 1855-67 Spanish.

Succeeding this more space is given up to prove the worthlessness of the buff Canadian envelope, after which appears under the head of,

"Philately"

This is the new fangled term a few egotists in Europe and a very few more in America have, in their self-sufficient wisdom, decided to be the term by which the science of stamp collecting shall henceforth and forever be designated. * * * Not even the widest stretch of imagination of the amateur lexicographers who coined the term can convince any sensible collector that the word "philately," either in its derivation or literal sense, is in any way applicable as designating the science of stamp collecting, and for which purpose we will venture the remark that the word Timbrophily has hitherto been found in every way suitable without taxing either the patience of collectors or the brains (if they have any) of the pedantic egotists who have coined the lovely phrase, Philately.

The installment of the Paris exhibition review follows, together with answers to correspondents, a review of Trifet's catalog (before alluded to) and a list of advertised letters. The editor also advertises his want list in philatelic literature.

With August the tenth number came. Its list on "Newly Issued Stamps" is short, less than a half column, only four countries appearing and two of these—Ecuador and Bolivia—only because stamps previously described are illustrated. A serial article "Our Local Stamps," by S. A. T. (S. Allen Taylor?) begins and runs into the next volume. The author divides the local stamps as then offered into seven classes—original impressions, reprints, facsimiles, mythical stamps or designs, business envelopes and labels of express companies which were never intended as franks, stamps of designs prepared not for use but for sale.

to collectors, and a seventh class containing such stamps as Sanitary, Fair and College stamps. The first class he divides again:

"Stamps which are used to convey letters from one city to another, such as Hale & Co. (which was used in 1842 under the personal authority of Mr. Hale himself). Stamps used for the delivery of letters from one section of the city to another, such as Boyd's City Post, Russell's 8th Ave. P. O., Hourly Express Post, etc. Private post offices which for a given sum delivered your letter to the general post office and kept your letter if addressed to its care in safety for you, by which time was saved and annoyance avoided of which the Broadway P. O., Union Square P. O., Cornwell's, Madison P. O., and others form examples. Delivery offices which keep messengers constantly on hand for the delivery of letters and small parcels of which the establishment of M. Hussey in New York is about the only one in existence and which still continues in a flourishing condition despite the "competition" of the P. O. Department.

Some years since the government undertook to abolish Mr. Boyd by authority of the Act of March, 1851, which declare the streets of a city postal routes, but Mr. Boyd had taken the precaution to take out a license from the city of New York as a common carrier, and upon trial the wily lawyers claimed that a common carrier could carry anything—letters or not—and an attested copy of the charter of the city of New York granted by some of the Georges, but still valid,

Mr. E. B. STERLING

will write the description and catalogue the 7 lots of Oddities and Freaks of Revenues in **WOLSIEFFER'S Feb. Sale.**

Mr. Sterling's guarantee goes with each lot. These Freaks are from the same source and almost a duplicate of the 25 lots we sold April 26th last, (see Annual Year Book for full particulars).

This sale also contains the Irving Dickinson and S. B. Bradford Collections, catalogue free.

UNITED STAMP CO.,

1149 Marquette, : Chicago, Ill.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

was produced in court by which it was shown that the city had the power to grant licenses and until congress abrogates the charter * * * and the result was that Mr. Boyd still continues the express post business.

The Exposition review follows, succeeded in turn by a page of small notes, etc., among which is:

The bids for engraving and printing the postage stamps required for the use of the Post Office Department were opened by the Postmaster-General on Thursday. George T. Jones, of Washington, bid 18c, 21c and 25c per 1,000; Butler & Carpenter, of Philadelphia, bid 22c, 25c and 30c per 1,000; the National Bank Note Co., of New York, bid 25½c, 26½c and 28½c per 1,000. M. Jones' proposal is to furnish a stamp that cannot be cleansed nor counterfeited. As his bid is the lowest he will probably receive the contract.

There must have been disappointments in those days as well as these, as the award that seems should have been made we have never heard of.

In the advertising pages a new edition of "The Boston Stamp Album" appears which is "enlarged, revised and improved, containing places for over 3,000 stamps.

In the September number the new issues embrace a set for Saxony, 15c Holland, 5s Victoria, 8 anna India, color change for Helsingfors and a New Guadalahara.

An article by the editor "On the Stamps of Newfoundland" takes nearly a page, he being indebted to Mr. James M. Chute for many particulars.

The article on locals is continued and Wells-Fargo & Co. stamp discussed, wherein among other statements appears "a New York stamp dealer having secured the steel plates of the entire series from which 'reprints or originals' are printed."

The article on the Paris World's Fair exhibits is concluded. The last number of the volume opens as usual with the new issues, this time being the Suez Canal Co. stamps, the 3c Sarawak, the 25c Switzerland and

Continued on page 29.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

It is reported that a "King's Head" issue has been decided upon by the Canadian postal authorities.

The first of the new two cent stamps to reach us franked our Chicago correspondence this week.

The Springfield society, as well as the Chicago, banqueted on last Thursday evening.

Two series of January Binghamton precancelleds are met with one surcharged in black, the other in red.

It is said that there are 96 stamps in each sheet of the new Hyderabad half anna and that two plates are employed.

The Bartels Co. sale of the 3rd and 4th insts. contained many rarities and we trust that extra good prices may prevail.

Receipt of new lists from Frank O. Stetson, Washington, D. C., and

Park & Dougherty, Buffalo, N. Y., are acknowledged.

Fourteen hundred lots are contained in the Bogert-Durbin Philadelphia sale of Feb. 13-14, making an array of very desirable things.

On Thursday evening of this week some of the stock of the late Colonial Stamp Co., of Boston, will be sold by J. H. Lyons, in Elks' hall in that city.

We learn that J. M. Andreini, of New York, left on the 26th for a trip to Cuba, and more "gems" will undoubtedly be added to his superb collection.

Under date of February, 1903, the Stanley Gibbons Co. have issued a neat little 40-page pamphlet, devoted to its various books and other publications.

The specialist of Scandinavian issues are already beginning to speculate upon the probability of King Oscar's illness resulting in changes both on the throne and the stamps of the "Northland."

Three new applications for membership is shown by the last report of the Secretary of the American Philatelic Association. Don't you wish your name had been included? It can be soon, if you wish. An application blank for the asking.

In its issue for Jan. 25, the *St. Paul Globe* says:

"Now that the question of a reduction of letter postage to 1 cent is under discussion in this country it is interesting to note that Japan has the cheapest postal service in the world. In that country letters are conveyed to all parts of the empire for 2 sen, about seven-tenths of a cent."

The *Gazeta* of St. Petersburg

the authority for the number of Russian stamps said to have been issued in 1902. Of the 1k 46,000,000, 2 k 52,000,000, 3 k 39,000,000, 4 k 7,500,000, 5 k 17,500,000, 7 k 196,000,000, 10 k 18,000,000, 14 k 13,000,000, 20 k 4,500,000, and 35 k 500,000 were prepared. There would not seem to be any danger of a rarity in this set.



1867-8 Continued from page 27.

the 2c and 4c Straits Settlements. The article on locals discusses the post of I. H. Prince of Portland, Me., whose stamp was then still in use. The use for which the stamp was employed was to pay the carriage from Portland to Boston by special messenger, where it was deposited in the postoffice. As the Boston mail closed at 3 p. m. in Portland many business men used this post which accepted mail up to the hour of the steamer's sailing and any letter written between 3 p. m. and 6 p. m. gained a whole day's time.

A philatelic review of Boston is next given, from which I extract the following facts: Twelve stamp papers had up to this date been published, three from Boston, two from Chicago, two from Meridan, Conn., two from Middletown, Conn., and one each from New York, Newport, R. I., and Cincinnati. Boston had produced four dealers' lists in pamphlet form, Philadelphia two, New York two, Cincinnati one and Middletown one. In albums Boston and New York had each brought forth two. A three-page article is reprinted from the New York Evening Post on the New York Postoffice. In a prospectus to Vol. II. I note the price of subscription is raised to \$1.00, postage extra, and \$1.40 outside of the United States and Canada

postpaid, and that advertisements will be received at \$18.00 per page or \$3.00 for six line squares.



Buffalo Items.
Pan-Am.

The Park & Dougherty Co. are closing out their stock and preparing to leave the trade.

The Raynor Hubbell Co. have opened offices on Franklin street, directly across from the new Y. M. C. A. building.

Mr. J. A. D. Park has been elected secretary of the newly formed stamp literature organization and is busily engaged in seeking recruits for the society.

This city numbers only three members in the American Philatelic Association ranks—Alfred L. Becker, Raynor Hubbell and John W. Schaffer, but somehow Buffalo collectors never could appreciate stamp societies.

Back in 1881 the first attempt at a philatelic paper was made in our city, when the first number of The Philatelic Triumph appeared in November. It was published by Benj. Illings and lasted until the following December. No. 4-7 are not known to exist and are said to have never been published.

All Souvenir Card and Stamp Collectors are requested to send their addresses in their own interest to

ATLAS SOCIETY,
151 EIGHT AVENUE, : N. Y., N. Y.

While They Last.

U. S. Rev. 1c Playing Card perf.....	\$1.32
" " bc	.29
" 30c War Department cat. 50c.....	.14
50c Canada Jubilee.....	.10
\$2.00 " "	1.50
\$5.00 " "	4.00
Postage Extra. Money back if wanted.	
Approval bargains to responsible parties.	

FRANK DEE BRAYTON,
FREEPORT, - - - MICHIGAN.

Bridgeport Philatelic Club.

H. M. Wichmann.

The stamps of the Danish West Indies, having received so much attention the past few weeks through the columns of the several philatelic publications and the local press, that on the evening of January 14th, set for the exhibition of this country's stamps, the rooms of the club were well filled by the members, their philatelic friends and members of the local press.

The exhibition was one that has made an impression deep on the minds of all present.

Dr. W. C. Bowers was awarded first place, his collection totaling 350 stamps, which were as follows: Seventy-two single stamps unused, 74 single stamps used, 76 pairs used, 75 pairs unused and several blocks of 4, showing the many errors, differences in paper, perforation and printing. According to Bartel's list, only five stamps are missing in unused state. Mr. W. F. Gregory, of New York, was second, he having all the stamps according to Bartel's list and many blocks of four and six showing the errors. One block of six contained four errors. This collection was in charge of Mr. O. C. Cole, of this city. Mr. A. D. Lewis exhibited all stamps according to list. Mr. W. S. Wilmot's collection was lacking only a few to be complete, and he has since the meeting purchased several from the collection of Mr. Gregory.

Mr. R. B. Field exhibited this country's stamps on original covers. Many covers bore four different stamps of each issue. There were several with two and three stamps each.

Mr. Wilmot having purchased 14 albums of the Krassa variety, and

has transferred part of his collection, arranging them by country, and placing both used and unused sets of every issue, exhibited nine completed albums in conjunction with his display of Danish West Indies, and we learn that thirty volumes will not hold this collection, and when completed they are to be placed on exhibition in New York. They will not have the appearance of a stock book, as some large collections are, for they contain no revenues, envelopes, nor postage due except U. S.

When another large exhibition is to be held, the members are to engage larger rooms for the display, for room was lacking; and larger tables are to be used so that there may be no crowding, as was done at the last meeting.

The new issues of U. S. have reached us; the 1, 2, 3, 4, 8 and 10c special delivery are on sale at all the offices and sub-stations.

The stamps of Morocco will occupy the attention of the members at the next meeting.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$ 1.00
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	1.00
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	1.00
Niger Coast, 1897, ½, 1, 2, 2½d o. g.....	1.00
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	1.00
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.80	1.00
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	1.00
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	1.00
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.00
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	1.00
Netherlands, 1889, 1g1, fine.....	1.00
" " 2½g1, fine.....	1.00
" " 5g1, fine.....	1.00
Wurtemberg, Official, No. 215.....	1.00
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	1.00
" Omaha, 5c green.....	1.00

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,**MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.**



**FEATHERWEIGHT
EYE SHADE
Will Save Your Eyes.**

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

10 different stamp papers..... 10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Ill. Illinois.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly journal full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay.
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00
Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. 36 page list of stamps and coins free.
Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete, 10c unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.

36 John Street, :: New York City.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.

10 blank Approval Books, 10c.

100 Approval Sheets, 15c.

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON.

MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

At Wholesale

We have a very large stock of the following countries and can quote prices that will interest you.

Canada

Newfoundland

Hawaii

Brazil

(Old Issues Only)

United States

Entire Envelopes

Civil War Revenues

Old Issue Newspaper

and Dues

Send numbers you need for quotations.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINNESOTA.



SPECIAL



American

Philatelic

Association

Number



March Eleventh Issue

Thirty-six Pages in Colors

**Five Times our
Usual Circulation**



Write for full particulars

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16-18-20 North Fourth St.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.



A detailed list of stamps I am offering at startling little prices it is impossible to give here, but I have issued priced-lists that itemize the specimens and send them to all applicants.

An easy way to economize on your stamp purchases is to send for priced-lists of my \$3,000 sale:

They cost nothing but save a lot.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price
1885 1c.....	\$.20	\$.08
1879 2c.....	.30	.12
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.15

OTHER BARGAINS.

**EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.**

Wholesale U. S. per 100.

3c 1870-82 mixed.....	\$ 8.00
3c 1882.....	2.00
1c 1882.....	2.00
2c green, 1884.....	2.00
2c claret, 1888.....	2.00
1c blue, 1888.....	2.00
3c 1895.....	2.00
6c 1898.....	2.00
1c doc, 1898 uncut.....	2.00
2c doc, 1898.....	2.00
5c doc.....	2.00
10c doc.....	2.00
25c doc. cut.....	2.00
50c doc.....	2.00
\$1 green.....	2.00
\$1 green, uncut.....	2.00
100 mixed U. S. fine.....	2.00

Postage extra under 50cts.

**RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
MASONIC TEMPLE CHICAGO**

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 6. Whole No. 15. Minneapolis, Minn. February 11, 1903

Weekly

The Toppan Sale.

Record prices and a record attendance were the features of Wol-sieffer's sale, held in Chicago, Jan. 31. Among those from out of town were: Dr. Caswell, Rockford, Ill.; C. Schultz, Milwaukee; J. M. West-phail, Joliet, Ill., and J. V. Yejje, De Witt, Iowa. The match and medicine stamps averaged about 60 per cent of catalogue. Some noticeable lots were:

U. S. Brown & Durling, 1c black, No. 3142, cat., \$50.	\$ 27.00
U. S., Clark, 1c, No. 3161 rouletted, crack in paper, cat., \$10.	18.00
U. S. 1c black, Gorman, No. 3195, cat., \$40.	30.50
U. S. Pierce Match Co, 1c, No. 3244, perf. cut design, cat., \$50	25.50
U. S., Powell, V. R., 1c black, No. 3248, entire cat., \$150.	121.00
U. S., Barnes, 4c, No. 3295, cat., \$50.	37.00
Ditto, repaired	22.00
U. S., Brown, 3315, Pink cat., \$50	60.00
U. S. Dalley's, 3350, a error \$100.00 instead of \$100, cat., \$100.00	36.00
U. S. Fleming Bros Pills 1c, No. 3364, repaired, cat., \$75.00	41.00
Sealwry & Johnson, 1c, No. 3493, cat., \$25.00.	18.25
Seelye, 8c, No. 3497, cat., \$1.00	1.20
Laird, 3c No. 3562 pair, cat., \$16.00	10.00
Omaha issue complete, India paper proofs	24.00

Ditto, in two colors	7.25
Argentine, 12c, No. 46, o g.	6.00
Brazil, 100R, No. 109a, inverted head, unused, cat., \$7.00	4.60
Costa Rica, 1882, 20c, No. 15, o g cat., \$6.00.	4.35
Transvaal Rustenberg, June, 1900, 2½d, on part cover.	4.75
Ditto, 3d	5.80
Ditto, 6d	6.35
Collection 4701, U. S. and foreign	111.20



A Few Precancelleds.

Era.

Philadelphia is now represented in the precancelled lines by the three, four and five cent stamps.

This week I received the new 8c precancelled Chicago, having been issued there in this shape nearly as soon as put on sale.

Three vertical lines is the way Ravenna, Ohio, surcharged the new two cent and so far as I have heard was the first office to precancel it.

The dues up to ten cent value can be found both the normal and error variety of the current Northampton set.

The first circuit of the sales department of the Precancelled club passed through my hands this week. Though only third on the circuit the sales had been 26 per cent on a value of \$50.00.

This week for new issues I have seen Yonkers, N. Y., in a new type, heavier than formerly and in postal cancelling ink, and Salisbury, Md., in design similar to St. Albans, Vt. Both were one cent values.

After examining over three thousand Lynn one centers a collector found two double strikes and these specimens are among the rarest of this class of freaks in the precancelled field.

Mr. F. L. Smith reports that he has recently secured 15 cent Pittsburg, Pa., 6c Paynesville, Ohio, and double printed current type 3 cent Chicago, none of which have been previously noted.



Notes on 1902 Persia.

The typeset Persian Provisionals of 1902 show an unlisted variety in the word Chahis. In the error it is printed "Chahis" instead of "CHAHIS." This occurs once on every sheet of 120 stamps. It is said to exist in all values, but I have only seen it on the 2, 10 and 12c.

The first four values of the 1889 issue may be found without a period between the words "Poste" and "Persane." In the 7s the one without the period is the commoner, with other values the reverse is the case.

Many authorities claim that the first stamp listed by Scott is nothing more than an essay. Many different values of this type may be found all printed in green and perforated.

Newfoundlands at Wholesale.

	per 10	per 100
1879-3c Cabot.....	.12	\$1.00
1898-1c green.....	.07	.65
1898-2c red.....	.08	.75
1898-3c orange.....	.07	.65
27 Varieties Newfoundland.....		.80

Post free.

CENTURY STAMP COMPANY,

P. O. Box 197, : : Montreal, Canada.

Niger Coast Oil Rivers 1892, ½, 1, 2, 2½ and 5p used or unused, per set.....	\$1.00
Guam 2c on U. S. unused no gum.....	.15
Canada ½c and 6c Jubilee the pair unused.....	.50
Cyprus 1896 ½, 1, 2, pa unused 17c, used....	.07

All post paid, remit by silver or money order.

J. H. JOST,

P. O. Box 244, Halifax, N. S., Canada.

A Few Pencilings.

Dixon, H. H.

Single letters of less than one loth Zollgewicht—1⅛ loth Koln, require one stamp, heavier letters require one additional stamp for each loth or fraction thereof.

Some years ago in an article on Eritrea a German writer gave the following as the number of stamps supplied for this colony from 1893 to June 30, 1896:

1-cent, 360,000; 2c, 670,000; 5c, 220,000; 10c, 350,000; 20c, 900,000; 25c, 170,000; 40c, 100,000; 45c, 140,000; 60c, 30,000; 1 lire, 25,000; 2 lire, 9,000.

From April 1, 1895, to March 31, 1896, the supply of German stamps printed by the imperial printing office and delivered to postal authorities were of a value of \$46,099,075 and consisted of 330,660,000 3pf stamps, 331,410,000 5pf stamps, 728,300,000 10pf stamps, 156,350,000 20pf stamps, 41,220,000 25pf stamps, 80,650,000 50pf stamps, 838,000, 2 marks.

That interesting postal issue of Bremen, the five grote stamp, was issued to the public on April 4, 1856, and two days before notice was given of the intencion. From and after the fourth day of this month stamps for the prepaying of letters from Bremen, Vagesack and Bremerhaven to Hamburg—on payment of five grotes apiece—can be obtained from the undersigned city postal bureau, as well as from the Bremen postoffice in Vagesack and Bremerhaven.

The second assistant postmaster-general gives out the following, relative to the Porto Rican service: Number of postal routes 47, of

which 32, with total mileage of 548 miles, are star routes, costing \$30,-953 annually, 3 are railway, of a total length of 122 miles, costing \$5,-230, 2 are by steamer, a total of 90,048 miles being covered in a year at a cost of \$43,400, and 10 are served by messenger, which, while less than seven miles in length, total in the year, 8,511 miles and cost a trifle under \$900.

The Berne headquarters of the Universal Postal Union gives out the following statistics for 1900. The United States had 77,957 postoffices, Germany 44,775, Great Britain 22,-194, British India 13,019, France 10,381, Canada 9,837, Italy 8,076, Austria 7,070 and Russia 6,029, but while ranking first in number of offices the United States gives way to

Germany in the number of postal employes having 218,857 to the latter's 228,809, while Great Britain employs 173,184 persons, Italy 74,-958, France 74,929, Russia 56,217, British India 55,073 and Canada 18,024. Proportionate to number of offices and area of country the United States stands far down the list—the average being one to 48 square miles. In this respect Switzerland leads with one to each 4.7 square miles, Great Britain has one to each 5½, Germany nearly the same, while Russia has only one to each 770 square miles.



Chicago Notes.

Phoenix.

E. H. Wilkinson of Omaha, Neb., is expected to visit the city this week.

The \$30.00 red revenue seems to be coming out. Over a dozen uncut copies are for sale in this city.

A large number of the new 2-cent stamps have been sent to England by local dealers. So far but few of the other values have been shipped.

Several of the removal notices circulated by the dealers here seem to have been false reports started in order to prevent increases in rent.

One of our next auctions will contain a complete sheet of the 10c proprietary of 1878 in Mint condition, also a \$1,000 revenue uncut.

At the C. P. S. meeting, held Feb. 5th, it was decided to renumber the members. Each member will be numbered according to his admission to the society. The secretary was instructed to see that one thousand copies of the constitution are printed instead of five hundred as arranged previously.

Rare Old Coins and Bills

10 Old U. S. Cents all dated before 1820, different.....	\$.65
Confederate \$5, \$10 and \$20 bills, genuine, 3 pieces.....	.18
10 different Foreign coins, 4 in new condition.....	.25
4 different Foreign coins dated before 1720.....	.35
Fine Mexican Opal, genuine.....	.12
Roman silver coin prior to 160 A. D. with name, etc. Good.....	.45
3 fine U. S. Half Cents, different.....	.45

Send for Free lists.

T. LINN ELDER

SHERIDAN AVE., : PITTSBURG, PA.

GUATEMALA.

1898 Surcharges, 22 var. comp. used or unused (cat. 3.78).....	\$1.90
1901 Surcharges 3 var. unused.....	.08
1902 Surcharges 3 var. unused.....	.12
Jubilee 18c (1897)..... unused.....	.35

TOPPAN M & M PRICED CAT.

Now ready, price 50c. All M. & M. collectors will want it. The next auction sale of the Chicago Philatelic Society will contain the collection of a Chicago Collector, and the contents of sale catalogue far above the average. Wolsieffer's next sale will contain those Frank Revenues, Bradford and Dickinson collections. Catalogues of all sales free.

UNITED STAMP CO.,

1149 Marquette, : Chicago, Ill.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

On March 2nd the Brooklyn Stamp Club will hold a display devoted to U. S. revenues.

Early in March B. L. Drew & Co. will offer at auction the fine collection of John I. Taylor, of Boston.

A block of 119 1-penny black English unused brought \$544.32 at an auction sale recently in London.

The Rhode Island Philatelic society will hold its annual banquet at Providence on Friday of this week.

In 1869 Scott asked .25 for a set of six variety Brunswick, the same today listing by Scott at .87 and Gibbons at .86.

The March contest of the Collector's club will be a display of one hundred unused Australians and many fine stamps will undoubtedly be displayed.

It is promised that the February special which Mekeel's Weekly

Stamp News will issue will be especially strong in articles by English writers.

It is said that just as this month's Robinson's Review was being run off the press the printing office was destroyed by fire. Our sincere sympathy, Bro. Robinson.

To belong to a representative national stamp society should be the aim of all who wish to advance Philately's cause. Join the American Philatelic Association. Application blanks for the asking.

The old officers of the Boston society were all re-elected at their recent meeting except Supt. of Exchanges, Johnson, whose recent illness causes a removal to a warmer climate, and J. H. Lyons succeeds to this office.

Nine hundred and seventy-two dollars was realized recently for what was said to have been the finest copy of the Moldavia 81 para unused ever offered at public sale, and which was nearly \$100 less than the owner had paid for it.

The finest selection of English stamps offered at auction for many a day, in this country, form the backbone of the J. F. Johnson collection, sold this week in Boston by B. L. Drew. The offerings in U. S. also contain many gems of first water.

The labels for Benadir, through the investigations of Whitfield, King & Co. seem to be on a par with the Sedangs and other "humbug" issues which on occasion for a time held place in philatelic regard until their true character was discovered.

Ten years ago the Rev. Geo. A. Joplin wrote: "Subscriptions should be sent to a few good philatelic papers, these bring fresh news, tell

what other collectors are doing, explain where and how to secure stamps to the best advantage." This is as true today as ever and the world is endeavoring to do its share toward bringing philatelists in touch with each other, so why not subscribe?



With Our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News for February 7, opens with the Boston notes from the pen of Willard O. Wylie, followed by New Issues, for which Messrs. Fred L.L. Lewton and Henry E. Erny supply most of the facts. Severn conducts the departments, Chicago Notes and Press Reviews in the usual able manner besides the editorial matter, from which we quote:

The gamut of originality in stamp designs seemingly has been run. The heavens, the seas, the earth and the fulness thereof have been drawn upon for subjects for stamp delineation. The chronicles of the past have yielded material, and the pages of the present have paid tribute to the demand for diversity in stamp design. There are certain recognized designs that experience and art have elected as being the most appropriate for stamps; while these standards show a becoming variety, yet simplicity is the basic essential of the stamp that does not weary the eye after long association. The commemorative stamp is of ornate design, as a rule, and it soon cloy the sight; if the continued use of such stamps was mandatory long established contact with these gorgeous creations would make the popular mind exceedingly antagonistic to them. The 2c. Columbian, Omaha, Pan-American, etc., seen day in and day out for a period of ten or fifteen years, would almost make men mad. The best that stamp designers can do is to create specimens that exert a negative quality on the beholder. Such a stamp as the retiring 2c. is an admirable example of appropriate stamp design that may be seen year after year with no irritation to the senses.

A reprinted interview with Stanley Gibbons, from the Times of Cey-

lon, Brooklyn Institute matter, society reports and clipping complete the number.

Mekeel's Stamp Collector for Feb. 2, opens with Bishop's English letter, which discusses at some length "French Reprints," and contains note on Italian Error, New Hebrides Locals, Rare South Australian, Forged Watermarks, 1865 Russian Levants and the new two cent stamp where the prophecy is made.

We predict that the new series of 1902, which are now being introduced in the United States, will revive general interest in stamp collecting among the boys and young people more than anything has since the use of the Columbian issue in 1892.

Weekly Philatelic Era.

Weekly Philatelic Era of Jan. 31st is largely given up to official matter of the Boston Society and Postal Card Society. Kidder conducts the new issues in his usual readable manner and interesting news letters from Chicago, Detroit, Boston and New York appear.

Stanley Gibbons' Monthly for De-

All Souvenir Card and Stamp Collectors are requested to send their addresses in their own interest to

ATLAS SOCIETY,

151 EIGHT AVENUE, : N. Y., N. Y.

While They Last.

U. S. Rev. 1c Playing Card perf.....	\$1.32
" 5c "	.29
" 30c War Department cat, 50c.....	.14
50c Canada Jubilee.....	.10
\$2.00 " "	.38
\$5.00 " "	.92

Postage Extra. Money back if wanted.
Approval bargains to responsible parties.

FRANK DEE BRAYTON,

FREEMONT, - - - MICHIGAN.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

ember contains an installment of Major Evans' interesting article on Javanese and Kashmere, illustrated with plates, continues Bassett Hull's article on Stamps of Tonga, and Dr. del Pont's article on Argentine. Mr. Phillips comments at length on the recent London Exhibition, where he notes as among those in attendance Barons Anthony and Percy de Worms, Major Evans, Dr. and Mrs. Hetley, C. J. Dunn, M. P. Castle and other prominent collectors and Emil Tamsen starts an interesting article on the Stamps of the New Republic. I quote the following historical introduction he gives:

"After the death of Cetewayo, the paramount chief of Zululand, in 1884, his son Dinizulu got into trouble with some of the minor chieftains of his race, and this resulted in open fighting, in which Dinizulu generally got the worst of it. On the advice of some of the white adventurers in his camp, he called in to his assistance the Boers of the neighboring districts of the Transvaal and Orange Free States; and the Boers readily responded, as the chance of looting cattle and acquiring farms for nothing but the trouble of fighting for them has never yet failed to attract a crowd in this part of the world. After some fighting the Boers were victorious and the rebellion was ended; Dinizulu was crowned King of Zululand, and the allies withdrew to the part of that country which he had given them as a reward for their assistance. This tract of country, some 2,000 square miles in area, has a rich soil, well watered and sheltered, and a temperate climate; it was proclaimed by the Boers in 1884 as the New Republic, with the town of Vryheid (Freedom) as its capital, and Mr. Lucas of Meyer was elected first president. Officials were appointed, a Parliament elected, and the Government modelled upon that of the neighboring Republic, and by treaty of Oct., 1886, the New Republic was recognized by Great Britain as an independent state. In 1887 negotiations were opened with the South African Republic for annexation of this territory, and on September 14, 1887, a treaty to that effect was concluded, under which the New Republic became the District of Vryheid in the South African Republic, a district which now seems likely to be joined to Natal. The treaty of 1887 was laid before the government of Great Britain, by which it was sanctioned, and a convention on the subject was entered into, which was signed at Pretoria on June 11, 1888, and at Capetown on the 20th of the same

month. The convention defined the exact boundaries of the territory, made provision for the preservation of the graves of certain Zulu chiefs situated within that area, settled (in the negative) all question of a Boer protectorate over the remainder of Zululand proper, and concluded by stating that the convention must be ratified by both Parliaments within six months. Ratification took place within a month, and in July, 1888, the New Republic ceased to exist as an independent state after an existence of just four years.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.40
Niger Coast, 1897, ½, 1, 2, 2½d o. g.....	.30
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.50	.50
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.05
" " 2½gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl fine.....	.50
Württemberg, Official No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.25
" Omaha, 5c green.....	.15

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

35 Different Fine FREE.

To those sending for approval selection and enclosing the names of two other collectors who are honest, 100 diff. and album 8c. 1000 finely mixed 18c. 60 diff. U. S. 20c. Our lists free for asking.

TIFFIN STAMP CO.,

TIFFIN, OHIO.

FREE 100 DIFFERENT STAMPS for the names and addresses of two collectors and 2c postage.

13c-The new U. S.-13c Fine used copies. \$.15
Roumania Jubilee 1891 Complete unused 1.50
We want to buy Pan American, Omahas, Special Delivery, etc.

TOLEDO STAMP CO. : : : : TOLEDO, OHIO

BARGAINS.

\$10 black, lightly cut and lightly canceled \$.25
\$5 green and black..... .15
THE TWO, POSTPAID..... .14
Brazil, 1899, 1000 on 700, cat. 30c..... .14
Philippines on U. S. A. 10c, cat. 15c..... .05

J. T. STARR STAMP CO.,

Coldwater, Mich.

**FEATHERWEIGHT
EYE SHADE**

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light, Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.



TRADE MARK.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

different stamp papers..... .10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Bankakee, $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{3}{4}$ Illinois.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Collectibles, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay. Do not delay but, send today For the WEST which is the best.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00

Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. 26 page list of stamps and coins free.

Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete, 10c unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.

36 John Street, :: New York City.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.

10 blank Approval Books, 10c.

100 Approval Sheets, 15c.

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

At Wholesale

We have a very large stock of the following countries and can quote prices that will interest you.

Canada

Newfoundland

Hawaii

Brazil

(Old Issues Only)

United States

Entire Envelopes

Civil War Revenues

Old Issue Newspaper

and Dues

Send numbers you need for quotations.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINNESOTA.



SPECIAL



American

Philatelic

Association

Number



March Eleventh Issue

Thirty-six Pages in Colors

**Five Times our
Usual Circulation**



Write for full particulars

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16-18-20 North Fourth St.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.



A detailed list of stamps I am offering at startling little prices it is impossible to give here, but I have issued priced-lists that itemize the specimens and send them to all applicants.

An easy way to economize on your stamp purchases is to send for priced-lists of my \$3,000 sale:

They cost nothing but save a lot.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price
1885 1c.....	\$.20	\$.10
1879 2c.....	.30	.15
3c.....	.75	.35
4c.....	.75	.35
6c.....	.75	.35
1885 10c.....	.40	.20

OTHER BARGAINS.

**EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.**

Wholesale U. S. per 100.

3c 1870-82 mixed.....	1.00
3c 1882.....	.80
1c 1882.....	.60
2c green, 1884.....	.50
2c claret, 1888.....	.50
1c blue, 1888.....	.50
3c 1895.....	.50
6c 1898.....	.50
1c doc, 1898 uncut.....	.50
2c doc, 1898.....	.50
5c doc.....	.50
10c doc.....	.50
25c doc, cut.....	.50
50c doc.....	.50
\$1 green.....	.50
\$1 green, uncut.....	.50
1000 mixed U. S. fine.....	.50

Postage extra under 50cts.

**RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
MASONIC TEMPLE CHICAGO**

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association

The representative society of the new world

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 7. Whole No. 16. Minneapolis, Minn. February 18, 1903

Weekly

SOME AUCTION PRICES.

Gregory's Sale.

The following were a few of the prices realized at W. F. Gregory's 19th sale, Jan. 29-30:

Brady's local, used.....	\$ 3.00
City Dispatch, green type, 102	
.....	4.50
Gordon's Green O. C.....	4.50
Eagle (Scott type 121) O. C..	3.30
City Letter Express, used....	8.25
Italy, 1854, 5c.....	1.75
Italy, 1854, 40c.....	3.75
Mouserrat 4d blue C. A. un-	
used	18.00
Nevis 6d lilac gray, slight de-	
fect	7.50
Virgin Island 1867, 6d, rose..	15.25
Virgin Island 1s, double lined	
frame	10.00
British Bechuanaland 6d, £1,	
£5 pen cancelled, revenues	4.25
Great Britain £5.....	4.10
U. S. 1861 August type 3c die	
proof on India.....	2.10
—1870 set 1—90 12v surcharg-	
ed sample	5.00
—1875 Special printing 2c dark	
brown not centered.....	3.00
—1880 Special printing 6c dull	
rose	9.20
—Same 12c blackish purple...	15.00
—Same 15c orange, not fine..	.60
—Same 24c dark violet.....	17.50
—1890 2c lake imperforate pair	2.10
4c imperforate pair....	1.60
5c imperforate pair....	1.60



Perforated Stamps of the Confederacy.

Joseph Rechert.

(Reprinted from the American Philatelist for December, 1887.)

I had never been a firm believer in the perforated stamps of the Confederate States, and when my friend, Mr. E. B. Sterling, in April, 1886, sent me a used specimen, on an addressed envelope, to examine the same, I still had my doubts about it, though it had all the appearance of being genuine; however, I had the good fortune of knowing a gentleman who held a high position in the contract bureau of the Confederate Government, and to whom I could apply for information.

The following, dated April 27th, 1886, is the answer to my inquiry, accompanied by the above-mentioned envelope:

"I return enclosed the envelope addressed to Major Peyton Randolph, 1st Army Corps, Army of Northern Virginia, Petersburg, Va., with the 10 cent Confederate postage stamp (perforated) upon it. It is unquestionably a genuine stamp, and the Major Randolph, to whom the envelope is addressed, is a personal friend of mine, and now lives in Richmond, Va.

"The history of perforated Confederate postage stamps is a brief one.

"As I have heretofore, informed you, I had charge of the entire supply of Confederate stamps, and made all of the contracts for their manufacture.

"Postal stamps were used in large numbers as a circulating medium in the almost total withdrawal of small silver coins from general circulation, and I found that the facilities for their manufacture within the Confederate States were

wholly inadequate to meet the demands for stamps, and I authorized Mr. Benjamin Ficklin to go to England and make arrangements with engravers there for additional supplies; he succeeded in obtaining a supply from Messrs. De Larrue & Co., of London, and with the first shipment sent to the postoffice department a small perforating machine which he thought the department might be able to use. This machine was in my office in Richmond for inspection, but was too small and slow in its operation (by hand) to be of any service, and was not used, except in an experimental way, to test its value.

"While in my office, there were some sheets of postage stamps perforated, and these sheets were placed for sale in the Richmond postoffice with other sheets not perforated; but the perforating machine was never used otherwise than as I have stated, and the number of sheets of stamps perforated was very small, probably less than 100. This fact would, I presume, make them valuable to collectors, but for the fact that a great number of sheets of Confederate stamps have been perforated by parties since the termination of the war, and there-

fore are not genuine. The one on the enclosed envelope is genuine, as I said before, and it is probable that some friend in Richmond obtained it at the department as a curiosity."

I have nothing to add to this letter, as it explains everything, and though it proved to me that I had been wrong in assuming that perforated stamps were not issued by the Confederate P. O. Department, yet great care must be taken before accepting perforated specimens as originals."



CHICAGO NOTES.

—Phoenix.—

P. M. Wolsieffer is busy arranging the lots for his next sale.

Jas. Pike, of Geneva Lake, Wis., who was here for a few weeks, has returned home.

The catalogue is nearly ready for F. N. Massoth's sale, which will be held at the end of the month.

Carl Willardt, the German dealer, is expected to visit the city during the next few days.

C. S. Smack has resigned his position as president of the local branch of the American Philatelic Society.

F. J. Lefever, who was taken sick a few days ago, is now a great deal better. At one time it was feared that he would not recover.

The C. P. S. has ordered a thousand copies of the constitution of the society. The membership list will be renumbered.

Just as Robinson's Review was to be shipped a fire destroyed the printing establishment. This has been the cause of the delay in the publication of the January issue.

Mr. E. L. Warner, of Grand Rapids, Mich., who is now at the Audi-

Newfoundlands at Wholesale.

	per 10	per 100
1870-3c Cabot.....	.12	\$1.00
1898-1c green.....	.07	.65
1898-2c red.....	.08	.75
1898-3c orange.....	.07	.65
27 Varieties Newfoundland.....		.80

Post free.

CENTURY STAMP COMPANY,

P. O. Box 197, : : Montreal, Canada.

CHEAP VARIETY PACKET.

25 varieties Hawaii, Newfoundland, New Brunswick, P. E. Island, etc.....	\$.25
25 varieties Australian.....	.10
25 varieties Canada, Newfoundland, Hawaii and New Brunswick.....	.10
25 varieties Used and Unused British Col.....	.10

J. H. JOST,

P. O. Box 244, Halifax, N. S., Canada.

orium Hotel, has bought out the stocks and good will of Miss Hattie Strong, of Lockport, N. Y., and A. L. Bateman, Marseilles, Ill.

The new 1c and Special Delivery stamps have been seen here. So far only the 2, 5, 8 and 13c are on sale here. It is claimed that the 5c was put on sale by mistake and customers are now supplied with the stamps of the old design.

At the meeting of Branch No. 1 of the A. P. A., held Feb. 12, it was decided to reduce the dues to 25 cents a year. Otto von Schaesler was elected president to succeed C. S. Smack, who had resigned. Mr. von Schaesler exhibited his collection, which consisted entirely of unused specimens, and made a very fine showing.



Minneapolis S. C. Club.

The M. S. C. C. meeting was held Friday evening, Feb. 6, at 614 Masonic Temple, Vice-President Ed-ten in chair.

Bills from secretary and janitor presented and ordered paid.

Library reported as having been moved to present meeting place.

Moved and seconded that the librarian be requested to obtain, if possible, information of a volume of "Tiffany's History of U. S. Stamps." which was presented the library by one of the members. Carried.

Moved and seconded that, under suspension of the rules, Mr. J. M. Anderson be elected to active membership. Carried.

After a short recess the competitive display of numeral on stamps was held. Entries by Messrs. Downing, Osborne and Ringness. First prize, Dr. Downing; second prize, Mr. Ringness. Mr. Osborne's exhibit was voted to be the neatest and most complete. All members were much pleased with the exhibits and declared them a grand success.

At next meeting the stamps of Hong Kong will be shown.

Members present: Messrs. Stebins, Downing, Edsten, Osborne, Gile, Pettibone, Jensen, Converse, Ringness, Anderson. Visitor, Robt. Strong. J. A. RINGNESS, Secretary.

FREE an unused stamp to every person applying for approval sheet at 50% commission

BARGAINS

5 Salvador.....	\$.05
5 Nicaragua.....	.05
5 Aonduras.....	.05
1000 Faultless Hinges.....	.07

If you dont see what you want on our approval sheets ask for it.

HIGHLAND STAMP COMPANY,

378 Bay Street, Springfield, :: :: Massachusetts.

A FEW AT RANDOM

30c Foreign Exchange.....	Cat \$1.50	\$.64
1c Agriculture.....	3.50	1.50
6c U. S. 1869 Postage, fine o. g. copy.....	4.00	2.35

Returnable: Fine approvals at prices that sell them. Reference required.

FRANK DEE BRAYTON,

FREEPORT, - - - MICHIGAN.

Rare Old Coins and Bills

10 Old U. S. Cents all dated before 1820, different.....	\$.65
Confederate \$5, \$10 and \$20 bills, genuine, 3 pieces.....	.18
10 different Foreign coins, 4 in new condition,.....	.25
4 different Foreign coins dated before 1730.....	.35
Fine Mexican Opal, genuine.....	.12
Roman silver coin prior to 150 A. D. with name, etc. Good.....	.45
3 fine U. S. Half Cents, different.....	.45

Send for Free lists.

T. LINN ELDER

SHERIDAN AVE., : PITTSBURG, PA.

A CHICAGO COLLECTION

will be the feature of the next C. P. S. Auction Sale. Are you on the list? Date of Sale is Feb. 28th. It contains many nice things.

WOLSIEFFER'S NEXT SALE

will contain those Freak Revenues catalogued and guaranteed by E. B. Sterling, and the Dickinson and Bradford Collection. It will be very attractive for the general collector, with plenty of Lots by countries for the dealers.

Catalogues of all sales free.

Wolsieffer's Pocket Edition Stock Book, cloth bound, to hold 500 stamps, postpaid 25c.

UNITED STAMP CO.,

1149 Marquette, : Chicago, Ill.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

*ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.,
 Managing Editor.*

THE PHILATELIC WORLD
 16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

That American Philatelic Association application blanks can still be had for the asking.

Receipt of new lists from Western Stamp Agency, Atchison, Kan., and Makins & Co., San Francisco, Cal.

Boyce's Weekly of Feb. 4th states that the Chicago postoffice recently sold an even million at one time to a local mail order concern.

A Boston correspondent writes us that J. M. Bartels, with a fine lot of stamps, will soon visit the larger cities of the Central States.

Eight hundred and seventy lots constitute the 56th auction sale of Geo. R. Tuttle, of New York, to be held on Feb. 21. Many fine things offered.

Chas. H. Stone & Co., of Boston, will hold their 9th auction sale on the evening of the 26th; 511 lots

make up the sale. U. S. proofs of special interest are offered.

The "Expert Board" of the American Philatelic Association, whose guarantee of genuineness will now be considered as the highest American authority, are now ready for business.

A call for a meeting of the stockholders of the C. H. Mekeel Stamp and Publishing Co., on Feb. 28th, for the election of a new board of directors, was recently published in the St. Louis papers.

One Eastern society has arranged a contest where no collector could be barred. Twenty-five stamps to catalogue one cent each to be displayed, thus making condition only count.

Another foreign invasion is reported. Mr. Carl Willadt, the German dealer, having landed in Boston with a large assortment of rarities, which he will offer for sale in the leading philatelic centers.

On the morning of the 14th we received the catalogue of J. W. Scott's sale of Dec. 16, which, although it had a printed address, had miscarried and took over two months to reach its destination. Pony express of fifty years ago would have been quicker.

John N. Luff, of New York, has been awarded the gold medal for highest score in the Boston society contests last year, having won four first prizes and two seconds, while the silver one went to M. H. Lombard, who secured two first places and four second.



SOME PENCILINGS.

—Dixon H. H. —

Collectors may have noted high values (50c and \$1) of the Hawaiian

Island cancelled with a Maltese cross. These are said to have been used for revenue purpose and only those showing the concentric circles as a cancellation have seen postal use. Specimens with the former cancellation can hardly be considered anywhere as near valuable as the latter.

In 1842 the London Times, it is said, paid what was and probably yet remains, a record price for a single letter. It was \$1500 for a letter from Marseilles, contains an account of the Cabul massacre, whereby the Times secured an important "scoop." The letter was carried by carriages especially hired for the purpose from Marseilles to Paris, thence on horseback to Boulogne, thence to Dover by a specially hired steamer, and then to London by horse courier. While the cost of securing news has often exceeded this, it must be remembered this was for conveying the letter, not securing the news.

It is doubtful if any stamp, unless it be the much disputed-about "Cornell," had as short an official life as the ½ sch. black on violet and 3 sch. black on rose, Bergedorf which were placed on sale on Nov. 1, 1862, and withdrawn on the 10th, being current for nine days only. The 15c 1863 Italy is said to have been on sale only a month and the same is said of the ½ fornese arms, of Naples. The 10 b and 50 b of Roumania 1872 also belong to the class on sale not very many days over a month and the first 13c of Hawaii is also believed to have had but little longer life, while the entire set of Romagna was only sold a trifle over three months.

The set of surcharged French

stamps employed in Madagascar under the decree dated Tananarive, March 5, 1896, and listed by the Scott catalogue as Nos. 23-27 inclusive, the set being placed at \$49.00; are not included in the Stanley Gibbons catalogue, presumably on the grounds of being a speculative issue. It is certain that in the quantity issued it would seem that either a very short currency was to be allowed them or else they were "to be rare on purpose." The quantity prepared was of the 1 cent surcharged .05 five hundred copies, 2 cent surcharged .15, nine hundred, of the 3 cent surcharged .25, nine hundred, of the 4c changed into .25, six hundred and of the 40 cent similarly altered, an even thousand.

Up to date I have seen the one cent 1902 series from three different offices and no difference in shade, while at the same time the two cent has reached me from exactly the same numbers and all three different in shade. The first, from Chicago, is much the darkest, and the printing looks muddy and blurred; the second, from Buffalo, N. Y., is the lightest shade and is a fine appearing specimen, the design being distinctly printed and the color lighter than the usual Bureau shade of red; the third specimen, from a small office in Massachusetts, appears "botchy," like the first, but is no where near as dark a shade. If this continues with future receipts

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Dennison,
P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

the color specialist will find an ample field in the new two center.

From an old stamp paper of a quarter of a century ago I quote the following relative to the design on the Spanish 1870 issue: "Shortly after the fall of Isabella II, and the revolution of 1868, the provisional government consulted the Academy of History, one of the most respectable literary and scientific corporations in Spain, upon the choice of an allegorical representation of the country. A commission appointed by the Academy proposed (and their proposition was approved by the government) that the symbol of Spain should be a figure similar to those depicted on Emperor Adrian's medals; that is to say a matron, seated, with an olive branch in her right hand and a crown on her head, in token of national sovereignty. This figure is represented in full length on the Spanish impressed revenue stamp and on the newly struck coins as also on the lately emitted Cuban postage stamps."

That rarest of the Canadian was early recognized as a coming variety, as is instanced in the following published in the Stamp Collectors' Monthly Gazette, of St. John, N. B., in 1865: "This stamp was in use but a short time. * * * It was intended for postage to England and was actually used for a time. The postage was afterwards reduced and the rod stamp took the place of the 12d. The latter is now one of the rarest in existence and very readily obtains such prices as \$4.00 and even \$5.00 for one specimen. Proofs are often offered for sale on India paper, with the word 'Specimen' printed at the side. Amateur collectors must content themselves with this last, for it is utterly impossible to

obtain the real Simon Pure article for less than the sum named." The price named seems insignificant in comparison with Stanley-Gibbons' price of \$350 or Scott's of \$400, but it was well nigh the high water mark of that early day, as very few if any stamp was considered worth more than \$5 or \$10.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.30
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.. 30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.. 40
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 d. o. g.....	.. 20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.. 15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.. 90
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.. 75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.. 30
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	.. 20
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	.. 20
Netherlands, 1899, 1g1, fine.....	.. 20
" " 2 1/2 g1, fine.....	.. 20
" " 5g1 fine.....	.. 20
Wurttemberg, Official No. 215.....	.. 20
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.. 20
" Omaha, 5c green.....	.. 10

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

35 Different Fine FREE.

To those sending for approval selection and enclosing the names of two other collectors who are honest, 100 diff. and album 8c. 1000 finely mixed 18c. 60 diff U. S. 20c. Our lists free for asking.

TIFFIN STAMP CO.,
TIFFIN, OHIO.

FREE 100 DIFFERENT STAMPS for the names and addresses of two collectors and 2c postage

13c-The new U. S. -13c Fine used copies \$.10
Roumania Jubilee 1891 Complete unused 1.00
We want to buy Pan American, Omahas Special Delivery, etc.

TOLEDO STAMP CO. : : : : : TOLEDO, OHIO

BARGAINS.

\$10 black, lightly cut and lightly canceled \$ 2.00
\$5 green and black..... 1.00
THE TWO, POSTPAID..... 1.00
Brazil, 1899, 1000 on 700, cat. 30c..... 1.00
Philippines on U. S. A. 10c, cat. 15c..... 1.00

J. T. STARR STAMP CO.,
Coldwater, Mich.



TRADE MARK.

**FEATHERWEIGHT
EYE SHADE**

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
BAYONNE, N. J.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

different stamp papers 10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Bankakee, 3 3 3 3 3 Illinois.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00

Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. 36 page list of stamps and coins free.

Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete. 10c unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.

36 John Street, :: New York City.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. **Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You?** Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for **15c.**

10 blank Approval Books, **10c.**

100 Approval Sheets, **15c.**

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at **65** per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

At Wholesale

We have a very large stock of the following countries and can quote prices that will interest you.

Canada

Newfoundland

Hawaii

Brazil

(Old Issues Only)

United States

Entire Envelopes

Civil War Revenues

Old Issue Newspaper

and Dues

Send numbers you need for quotations.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINNESOTA.



May we enter
Your Subscription

SPECIAL



American

Philatelic

Association

Number



March Eleventh Issue

Thirty-six Pages in Colors

**Five Times our
Usual Circulation**



Write for full particulars

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16-18-20 North Fourth St.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.



A detailed list of stamps I am offering at startling little prices it is impossible to give here, but I have issued priced-lists that itemize the specimens and send them to all applicants.

An easy way to economize on your stamp purchases is to send for priced-lists of my \$3,000 sale:

They cost nothing but save a lot.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price	
1885 1c.....	\$.20	\$.16	
1879 2c.....	.30	.25	
3c.....	.75	.60	
4c.....	.75	.60	
6c.....	.75	.60	
1885 10c.....	.40	.32	

OTHER BARGAINS.

**EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS. - MINN.**

Wholesale U. S. per 100.

3c 1870-82 mixed.....	\$1.00
3c 1882.....	.80
1c 1882.....	.70
2c green, 1884.....	.60
2c claret, 1888.....	.50
1c blue, 1888.....	.40
3c 1895.....	.30
6c 1898.....	.20
1c doc, 1898 uncut.....	.10
2c doc, 1898.....	.08
5c doc.....	.06
10c doc.....	.04
25c doc, cut.....	.03
50c doc.....	.02
\$1 green.....	.15
\$1 green, uncut.....	.12
1000 mixed U. S. fine.....	.10

Postage extra under 50cts.

**RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
MASONIC TEMPLE CHICAGO**

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 8. Whole No. 17. Minneapolis, Minn. February 25, 1903

Weekly

CHICAGO NOTES. PHOENIX.

The sales at the open exchange of the last C. P. S. meeting amounted to \$22.41.

C. E. Severn will exhibit his collection of U. S. locals at a Chicago Branch meeting of an early date.

Wolsieffer's next sale will be held early in March. It comprises the stamps of the Dickenson and Bradford collections.

The catalogue is out for F. N. Massoth's auction which will be held February 28. This sale includes some good single stamps.

In Dun's report of last week it was announced that the United Stamp Company had been incorporated with a capital of \$25,000.00.

F. S. Parmalee and E. H. Wilkinson of Omaha, Neb., were in the city for a few days recently. They took some of the sights with the local collectors.

J. M. Bartels, of Boston, spent several days here this week, having with him a collection of over 12,000 varieties for collectors to select from. He also visited Milwaukee.

C. C. Johnson, of Milwaukee; F. Fritts, of Japan; J. M. Bartels, of Boston; G. L. Toppan, of Racine, and James Pike, Lake Geneva, were visitors at the last C. P. S. meeting.

While here Mr. Wilkinson consulted with the board of vice presidents of the P. S. of A. and steps were taken which they trust will put the society again on its feet "in the good old style of yore."

Carl Willardt of Germany, spent a few days at the Auditorium Hotel recently. He had a fine stock of stamps with him and succeeded in disposing of a nice lot of it while here.

The new 10-cent stamp arrived here from Boston on Feb. 14. The color is the same as that of the 1898 issue and the design of the same style as the others of the new series. Local collectors claim it is the most handsome of the new series.

The exhibition of United States stamps at the C. P. S. meeting held on February 19th, brought out the collections of John Luff, R. J. Crocker and G. L. Toppan and between the three every known variety of United States was represented. Mr. Luff won the gold medal and Mr. Crocker the silver. Both collections contained the 1870 grills complete, the three inverts of 1869, the grills of 1875. Mr. Luff had a fine unused pair of the 90c of 1851. St. Louis locals in quantity, a fine Battleboro on cover, Providence in sheets. Mr. Toppan's envelopes were complete, with but two exceptions, and showed many unlisted varieties.



Minneapolis S. C. Club.

Regular meeting M. S. C. C. Monday evening February 16th at 614 Masonic Temple. President Osborne in chair.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Resignation of Mr. Fred Wirth from the office of librarian read and accepted. Mr. Stebbins and Mr. Converse nominated to fill vacancy.

Moved and seconded that the vote be declared unanimous in favor of Mr. Converse for librarian: Carried. Bill of \$1.65 from E. S. Stebbins for prizes and janitor service presented and ordered paid.

Hong Kong exhibits by Edsten, Dr. Downing, Gile, and Ringness, 1st prize Dr. Downing; 2nd prize Mr. Gile.

Rules for stamp exhibits were discussed but action deferred till next meeting. Next exhibit—Iceland.

Members present Messrs Edsten Osborne, Stebbins, Anderson, Gile, Ringness and Dr. Downing.

J. A. RINGNESS, Sec.



PENCILINGS.

DIXON'S H.H.

Somehow or other the new one cent stamp seems to be coming into use faster than the two-cent. The past week I have seen specimens from seven different offices and all practically in the same color, only one showing the least trifle of dark-

ness of shade. During the same time I found the two-center from two localities and both were in the pinkish shade and cleanly printed.

The earliest mention of precancelled stamps that I can recollect appears in the August, 1897, *Evergreen State Philatelist*. A. D. Schoch writing: "Postage stamps are often cancelled in whole sheets before being attached to circulars. When large quantities of circulars are mailed by a single firm, much extra work is saved the postoffice by cancelling the stamps in sheets before they are pasted on."

Not long since I saw a collection of U. S. not arranged on a chronological scheme as is usual, the 1851 issue first and then the 1851 and then along down, but on a monetary basis, all the one-cent values grouped together, then all the two-cent then the threes and so on. The collection broke up the partial monetary there is in looking at sets like

Patent Infringement Notice.

Legal Notice to Collectors and the Trade

It has been brought to my notice that one Wm. B. Hale, Williamsville, Mass. has made and placed on the market and is selling what he terms "Improved Stamp Cards". I hereby give notice that such Card or any Card used for the purpose of holding stamps is an infringement of my Patent No. 577998 granted March 2nd 1897, for Wolsieffer's Approved Cards, and that I will claim all protection such Letters Patent afford me.

It is an infringement to make, offer for sale, or have in your possession any Card for holding stamps that does not bear the inscription

WOLSIEFFER'S APPROVAL CARDS.

PATENT GRANTED (NO. 577998) MARCH 2 MDCCLXXXVII, TO P. M. WOLSIEFFER, CHICAGO.
PRICE, \$1.50 PER HUNDRED OR 20¢ PER DOZEN.

and you are hereby notified not to make, sell or have in your possession any Card that does not correspond with the above under penalty of the law of the United States regulating Patents and Patent Rights.

P. M. WOLSIEFFER,

Trade supplied by

Sole owner of Patent.

UNITED STAMP CO., - 1149 Marquette, Chicago, Ill.

the Columbian, because they appeared arranged among the smaller stamps and only the higher values appeared together, as stamps from the group were all together, there not being enough of any of the high denomination to require a separate page.

I wonder how many collectors who possess a set of Ionian Isles could tell how many islands were in that interesting group or what they were, and yet one—Corfu—contains the third largest city in Greece and is the most densely populated district in the kingdom and another is the far famed home of Odysseus, whose wanderings inspired Homer and where while that hero was away in the ranks of the Achaeans at Troy, was the abode of his wife Penelope. The largest of the group is Cephalonia, which contains about three hundred square miles, while Zante, the second is but little smaller and contains the city of the same name with a population of nearly twenty thousand. Three other islands—Cerigo, Santa Maura and Paro complete the group. The islands were ceded to Greece by Great Britain in 1864, about five years after the issue of the interesting set of stamps which occupy so well deserved a place among British colonial.

NO BETTER CHANCE

to fill up countries as well as purchasing good stamps at low prices is ever offered than those contained in the Dickinson-Bradford collections contained in the

WOLSEIFFER SALE MARCH 14th.

This sale also contains a fine line of cut square Envelopes and some rarities in Envelopes; several fine Revenues including 28 sets of Freaks and oddly perforated stamps and guaranteed by E. B. Sterling, and a fine lot of Hawaii.

UNITED STAMP CO.,

149 Marquette, : Chicago, Ill.
N. B.—Be sure and read Patent Infringement Notice of Wolsieffer's Approval Cards somewhere in this paper.

DEALERS! My foreign mixtures, including Salvador, Bolivia, Paraguay, etc., at 65c per 100 or \$6.00 per 1000 is good value for the money.

My I. X. L. mixture, catalogue 2c to 30c each Each 100 catalogue \$6.00 to \$8.00, price \$1.50. Stamps bought. What have you to offer?

CARL YOUNG,

112 N. 5TH ST., PHILADELPHIA, PA.

FREE an unused stamp to every person applying for approval sheet at 50% commission

BARGAINS

- 5 Salvador.....\$.05
- 5 Nicaragua..... .05
- 5 Honduras..... .05
- 1000 Faultless Hinges......07

If you dont see what you want on our approval sheets ask for it.

HIGHLAND STAMP COMPANY,

378 Bay Street, Springfield, : : Massachusetts.

Newfoundlands at Wholesale.

	per 10	per 100
1879-3c Cabot.....	.12	\$1.00
1898-1c green.....	.07	.65
1898-2c red.....	.08	.75
1898-3c orange.....	.07	.65
27 Varieties Newfoundland.....		.80

Post free,

CENTURY STAMP COMPANY,

P. O. Box 197, : : Montreal, Canada.

CHEAP VARIETY PACKET.

- 25 varieties Hawaii, Newfoundland, New Brunswick, P. E. Island, etc.....\$.25
- 25 varieties Australian..... .10
- 25 varieties Canada, Newfoundland, Hawaii and New Brunswick..... .10
- 25 varieties Used and Unused British Col .10

J. H. JOST,

P. O. Box 244, Halifax, N. S., Canada.

A FEW AT RANDOM

- 30c Foreign Exchange..... Cat \$1.50 \$.64
 - 1c Agriculture..... " 3.50 1.50
 - 6c U. S. 1869 Postage, fine
 - o. g. copy..... " 4.00 2.35
- Returnable: Fine approvals at prices that sell them. Reference required.

FRANK DEE BRAYTON,

FREEPORT, - - - MICHIGAN.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Dennison,

P. O. Box 896, Watfloo, N. Y.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

When in doubt as to which society to join, take the American.

The new one-cent stamp is reported precancelled from Pine Bluff, N. C.

Don't forget that the Virginia hinge is a good thing to stick to. Try a thousand.

The Brooklyn branch E. S. P. S. will hold an exhibit of U. S. revenues on March 2.

The Collectors' Club exhibit on March 9, will consist of the stamps of Russia, Finland and Poland.

The 21st sale of the C. P. S. will be held the last day of the month, and contains many good things including a dozen collections offered in bulk.

The Pacific Philatelic Society have elected as officers: President, H. J. Crocker; vice president, R. H. Wilcox; secretary-treasurer, R. E.

Cowan; Ex-superintendent, W. E. Loy.

At the meeting of the N. E. P. A. to be held at Boston on March 3, a competitive exhibit of fifty revenues and postage stamps of the United States will be held, condition and rarity both to count.

Among people at large the new stamps are causing more interest than even the Pan-Americans and it is more than likely that they will start as many collections as the Columbians did.

Report says that Fred B. Billings having returned from the Pacific coast to his home in Marshalltown, Ia., will secure an interest in "Cyclone" and in the future this journal will be more exclusively devoted to stamps.

In a recent letter H. B. Seagrave, once treasurer of the American Philatelic Association and ten years ago one of the most prominent of United States collectors; writes that he is in the ranks again. Welcome back.

A complete sheet of twenty of the Hawaiian 5-cent (catalogue 294) will be offered in Chas. H. Stone's ninth sale at Boston on the 26th as well as a copy of the thirty cent of 1851 in **black**, in which shape it is said it was sold for a very short time at the Washington postoffice.

A fine collection of philatelic literature is included in the 159th sale of the Scott Co., March 4th and 5th as well as many fine stamps. No less than four reprints of the New Haven stamp are offered, two signed and two unsigned, in all 273 lots of the 936 are United States. Many fine blocks of four of foreign are offered also.

It is with the most profound sorrow that we learn of the death of Mr. J. F. Johnson at Denver, Col., where he had gone in hopes that climatic conditions might benefit his failing health. Ever since 1898, when brought together at the New York convention a firm bond of friendship has existed between the editor and his now lamented friend. No one who ever was brought into contact with his bright sunny nature could be aught but a friend and few men will ever go out of this world leaving as large a percentage of friends among those with whom he has associated. By his death one of the most studious of philatelists has been taken from us. A break has been made in the chain of collectors which will be hard to refill. Genial, kind hearted, companionable, his like will not again be met for many a day.



With Our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

THE PERFORATOR

for Jan. 25 opens with illustrated serial, "The Seybold Collection of Original Cover," this time showing a cover franked by a pair of 3pf. Saxony and one franked by a St. Vincent 4d on 15 (Scott's No. 33). "A Probable Boom in U. S. Stamps," is the subject which C. F. Rothfuchs, Miss Swift, J. N. Luff, E. B. Sterling, W. F. Gregory and W. O. Wyllie discuss to the extent of nearly two pages. The concensus of opinion seems to be that within a year or two a greater demand for them will exist. Mr. Rothfuchs says:

The demand for United States stamps for the past two years has been on the increase and is healthier than it has been because it is not by investors, but by collectors, who buy for their collections, and dealers who buy for their stock in trade for collectors and not as an investment. At present many of the stocks of U. S. stamps are very low, and it is harder for a dealer to buy desirable U. S. stamps than it is to sell them.

Miss Swift takes the negative view and quotes from a letter received by her from an Australian correspondent last September, which I venture to repeat:

U. S. stamps are very little cared for or understood out this way. I have a large collection of them, but don't suppose I could get 25 per cent of catalogue for them if I should try to sell, probably 5 per cent would be about the mark. They seem over-puffed to us and we care nothing whatever for some of Scott's greatest pets, per price valuation.

No. 3 of Pete Belcher's amusing letters appears. Herbst's department on advertising contains much of interest and the editorial portion well repays reading and in the official matter of the E. S. P. S. three applications are noted. An abundance of advertisements appears, the Holton Co., of Boston, alone occupying six pages.

THE N. Y. PHILATELIST

for February opens with a readable article by Frank D. Murphy on "What Philately Teaches." In concluding he says:

Why not collect stamps? A person who has a lean purse can collect stamps and get as much pleasure from his collection of common stamps as a millionaire does from his collection of scarcities. * * Why not collect stamps rather than coins, curios, autographs or anything else? They are cheaper and—as I said before—a person with a limited supply of cash can secure a collection of at least 3,000 varieties at the cost of a cent apiece

Miss Swift's review as always is one of the features of the number. Clarence Dalton contributes a list of a number of unlisted precancelleds and five pages are given up to the official matter of the various societies of which this paper is official journal. In that of the S. of P. a list of

the new state vice presidents is given and many familiar names appear, fifteen new members are listed, two applicants appear, and two reinstatements are made, three resignations are accepted, four received and three suspensions are noted. The membership is stated to be 365.

The first reports of the Precancelled Stamp Club appear five applicants being listed. In the American Fiscal Society four new members and three applicants are reported, and the rules and regulations given. The Junior Philatelist reports three each of new members and applicants and the Twin City Philatelic Society gives the minutes of the January meeting.

THE STAMP EXCHANGE

for December is just at hand but though late is bright and newsy enough to repay the waiting. Leon V. Cass opens the number with Bits of the World and it makes a good companion piece to read with the opening article in the N. Y. referred to above. With our Keystone State Associate Editor is a collection of exceedingly readable personals. The editorials follow and a page and half article on Spoiled Postage Stamps, after which as much more space describes a set of ten postal cards which illustrate the progress of a letter from its deposit in the post-box to its delivery.

THE METROPOLITAN PHILATELIST

for Feb. 7, contains the usual departments. In the Washington notes it is stated the new envelopes will appear in March. The English letter is largely given up to auction prices realized at recent sales among which are: entire sheet of Providence \$24.35, U. S. 1855 5-cent red-brown,

o. g. \$12.75, Justice 90c o. g. \$20.50, St. Vincent 4d on 1s not fine, \$31.75, Buenos Ayres 1858, 5 pesos, olive yellow, repaired, \$39.00.

THE WEEKLY PHILATELIC ERA

of Feb. 14, as usual, opens with the chronicle edited by Henry A. Kidder, contains news letters from Chicago, Springfield, Boston, Buffalo, New York and San Francisco, and some interesting notes under the signature of David Hearem, but which read very much like those of a well known old timer. A short, though valuable account of the manner in which a certain collector treats unsolicited sheets is given and if all would do the same this bane of philately could be remedied. In the American the official matter consists of the bare statement of membership—540—and a single application for reinstatement.



Guatemala's Bird.

From an article in the Minneapolis Times of the 15th inst., the following is clipped:

"The quezal is a small bird, not larger than a wild dove. It has a head dress that is exactly like an antique helmet in shape. A flashing golden green plays over it.

The plumage of the body does not lie in orderly rows, feather fitting into feather, as in most birds. Instead, beautiful plumes lie in bold waves and overhang the body. These immense feathers can hardly be said to be colored. They are rather like jewels, for they flash in the richest emerald green that can be imagined.

The same glowing green extends over the two middle feathers of the tail, which is three feet long and

floats out on wind when the quezal flies. The other feathers of the tail are black and white.

Breast and lower body of the quezal are scarlet—a scarlet so intense that, when one sees a quezal flit through the primeval forests of the Central American cordilleras, the eye gets a confused idea of a tongue of flame licking through the trees.

The quezal is a sacred bird in almost all Central America today, to at least the extent that the killing and exportation of the bird is frowned on almost everywhere, while in many localities there is a heavy fine and long imprisonment for any one who undertakes to disturb the royal creatures.

There is a belief throughout the Central American countries that the quezal's heart breaks in captivity, and it certainly is well established that it is almost impossible to keep the bird alive in a cage.

On account of this characteristic, Guatemala has used the bird as the symbol of freedom on its coat of arms."

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1896, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.80.....	.60
" 1801, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1886, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" 2 1/2 gl, fine.....	.25
" 5gl fine.....	.65
Wurttemberg, Official. No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.32
" Omaha, 50c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.



FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/4 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers..... .10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Ill. Illinois.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collector's, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 25 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay. Do not delay but, send today For the WEST which is the best.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00

Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. 36 page list of stamps and coins free.

Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete, 10c unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.

36 John Street, :: New York City.

SPECIAL



American

Philatelic

Association

Number



March Eleventh Issue

Thirty-six Pages in Colors

**Five Times our
Usual Circulation**



Write for full particulars

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

**16-18-20 North Fourth St.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.**



A detailed list of stamps I am offering at startling little prices it is impossible to give here, but I have issued priced-lists that itemize the specimens and send them to all applicants.

An easy way to economize on your stamp purchases is to send for priced-lists of my \$3,000 sale:

They cost nothing but save a lot.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price	\$	¢
1885 1c.....	.20		20	00
1879 2c.....	.30		30	00
3c.....	.75		75	00
4c.....	.75		75	00
6c.....	.75		75	00
1885 10c.....	.40		40	00

OTHER BARGAINS.

**EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.**

Wholesale U. S. per 100.

3c 1870-82 mixed.....	1.00
3c 1882.....	.20
1c 1882.....	.20
2c green, 1884.....	.20
2c claret, 1888.....	.20
1c blue, 1888.....	.20
3c 1895.....	.20
6c 1898.....	.20
1c doc, 1898 uncut.....	.20
2c doc, 1898.....	.20
5c doc.....	.20
10c doc.....	.20
25c doc, cut.....	.20
50c doc.....	.20
\$1 green.....	.20
\$1 green, uncut.....	.20
1000 mixed U. S. fine.....	1.00

Postage extra under 50cts.

**RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
MASONIC TEMPLE CHICAGO.**

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 9. Whole No. 18. Minneapolis, Minn. March 4, 1903

Weekly

A NOVELIST'S VIEW.

Era.

To be considered a crank has been one of the conditions which the stamp collector has had to contend with, but in using the term it has been intended to imply as much as a novelist has recently placed in the mouth of one of his characters where that actually diseased condition of the mind—lunacy—is described. Rodigues Ottolengui, in his "An Artist in Crime" causes one of the important personages therein speaking of the hero—a collector of rare jewels and gems to say, "You see," he continued, "it is one of the most difficult things in the world to say who is, and who is not perfectly sane. Some experts contend that nine-tenths of the people in the world are affected by mania in some form or other. I hold that any man who makes a collection of any kind of things, using them for other than their legitimate uses, is in a measure insane."

"Do you mean legally insane? That is to say, irresponsible." "As to responsibility, I can not say. But I think such a mania might tempt a man to an illegal act. I must explain my idea further. Postage stamps undoubtedly have an important value. One who collects them after they have been cancelled, paying many times their face value for them, is, in my opinion somewhat crazy, since he pays a fictitious price for that which has no intrinsic value.

"You might say the same thing of paintings. The intrinsic value represented in canvas and oil is little, yet thousands of dollars are paid for pictures.

"That, too, is an insanity, one of course which can not be indulged in by any save the rich. But it is not the same as with the old stamp craze. Pictures remind us of nature and appeal to the senses of all mankind, by recalling recollections brought into being by the scene presented. There is, therefore, a legitimate use for paintings, and a reasonable price as compensation for the work and genius of the artist is perhaps permissible. But should a man pay a fortune for a single canvas and then hang it in a room in his house where it will be seen by few save himself, that man I should consider demented. So with jewels—"

"Ah! what of them?"

"Jewels have a market value and a place in the world. But when a man goes about buying up every magnificent specimen that can be found, and then locks his treasures up in a safe, he is simply a crazy man pure and simple."

The one who is expressing himself is a practical business man and looks at all pleasure pursuit evidently as follies, and can see only the value of pursuing the "almighty dollar," in which respect this fictitious character is not unlike many who can be met with in real life, but let us hope few entertain as poor a view of the sanity of the collector.



CHICAGO NOTES.

Phoenix.

Alex. Holland, spent a day this week at Racine, Wis., visiting George R. Tappan.

All the new stamps have been seen here from one to thirteen cent with the exception of the 6. At present they are quite scarce in used condition.

Robinson's Review has been sold to Judson N. Barton, of Madison, New York, who will continue the subscriptions and run unexpired advertising.

Last week the United Stamp Co. sold a fine copy of the \$5 black and green proprietary. It was practically mint. The price realized is said to have been \$35.00.

The seed house of Storrs and Harrison of Painsville, Ohio, mailed their catalogues a few days ago. The retail lists were prepaid with a 3c and 4c precancelled "Painsville, O." and the wholesale list bore a 6c precancelled.

The controversy which has arisen over the patent infringement on Welsieffer's approval cards has caused much comment in local Philatelic circles. Some interesting developments are expected in the near future.

Bids are already coming in for P. M. Wolsieffer's sale which will be held March 14.

It is understood here that the Stamp Exchange will be the next official organ of the P. S. of A.. On March 1st, J. J. Oesch, the exchange manager of the A. P. A. retired over thirty books, the sales from the same averaging over 55 per cent. Such a high average is seldom reached.

Vougan & Co., a local seed house mailed their lists last week with the new 4c precancelled "Chicago." A good crowd of buyers attended F. N. Massoth's auction sale held February 28. Following are some of the prices realized:

11 var imperf U. S. Revs. cat. \$1.54).....	\$.95
\$15 mortgage (cat. \$6.00)....	3.00
\$20 conveyance (cat. \$1.10)....	1.00

\$200 U. S. 1 R. (cat. \$15.00)....	5.50
\$1 Columbian,	1.60
\$3 Columbian mint	3.20
\$2 unwater-marked, o. g	2.50
Newspaper set complete as sold by Govt for \$5.00.....	2.60
Transvaal, V. R. I. 1-2 to 1-8 var. unused .....	.75
Manitoba law stamp surcharged L. S. in blue .....	.85
Marinitins, 1858, 2d, blue.....	2.95
Netherland, 1899, 1 2 1-2 and 5 g. (cat. \$1.90).....	1.15
Portugal, 1853, No. 3 cat \$3.00	2.10
Collection, 3116, varieties	25.20

KING'S HEADS

12 varieties—Price 10c Postfree.

Send for our price list of British North American Postage Stamps.

CENTURY STAMP COMPANY,
P. O. Box 197, : : Montreal, Canada.

CUBA

Habilitados de Octubre 1902

Varildades de lo sobre, 3c violeta

Doble sobrecarga (Fig. 2).....	\$ 2.00
Invertido (Fig. 4).....	2.00
Lin la palabra "Habilitado" (Fig. 7)	3.00
"Habilitado" en las partes superior a inferior (Fig. 8).....	1.75
"Habilitado" en la parte inferior (Fig. 9)	1.50
"Habilitado" en medio con el 1 debajo (Fig. 10B).....	1.00
No. 1 a la derecha (Fig. 12).....	3.00
No. 1 a la derecha con "Habilitado" abajo (Fig. 13).....	5.00
No. 1a la izquierda (Fig. 18).....	2.00
Bloc de 4, (Figuras 7 y 9).....	10.00

Los precios en moneda Americana.

Los pedidos acompañados de su importe

M. LARARE,

Obispo No. 39, Habana, Cuba

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
 Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

A severe attack of neuralgia visited the editorial department this week, and the result is a half sized paper. This is done rather than skip an issue, and for both size and tardiness we ask indulgence.

The Marks Stamp Co. of Toronto have issued their spring list of forty pages replete with wholesale offers.

Don't fail to arrange for an advertisement in the special. It will reach just where you want it to.

Don't delay in asking for that application blank to the American, for this is a good time to join.

A collection of 170 varieties of pre-cancelleds is offered in Wolsieffer's next sale. A Chicago undated 50c is listed separately as are also Burlington up and down on the 1887 1 cent.

For some reason there seems to be no popular country just at present but should the Central American dif-

ficulty find solution in final union of the different states, it would be safe to say that the issues of that section would be at once in demand.

Is the price paid for a stamp at auction a better criterion of its value than the catalogue? This is a question which circumstances in each instance alone can determine. If a stamp is really desirable, and its condition is carefully noted, the answer should be yes. But if there are defects not noted, the price could hardly serve to base the value of an absolutely perfect specimen. While each case must decide for itself, yet the price paid in reference to catalogue (with an allowance of probable discount therefrom) should determine the correctness of the latter, if the specimen was an average specimen.

A. P. A.

The membership March 1st was 544-

Three new applicants and three new members were published in the last report of the secretary.

Edwin F. Sawyer, of Boston, has been appointed vice-president to fill the vacancy caused by the demise of the lamented J. F. Johnson.

THE P. S. OF A.

Mr. Frank K. Hills, the new secretary, is booming affairs in this society. Through his influence a branch of nine members, all adults, has been organized at Fort Wayne, Ind. The officers are Dr. J. A. Williams, president; A. Lloyd Jones, vice president; Frank K. Hills, secretary; Chas. A. Phelps, treasurer. The others on the roster are Andrew J. Kohler, C. K. Rieman, Alfred L. Haddon, Raymond W. Whittern and Fred H. Weber.

SPECIAL



American

Philatelic

Association

Number



April Fifteenth Issue

Thirty-six Pages in Colors

**Five Times our
Usual Circulation**



Send your ad. at once to

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

**16-18-20 North Fourth St.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.**



A detailed list of stamps I am offering at startling little prices it is impossible to give here, but I have issued priced-lists that itemize the specimens and send them to all applicants.

An easy way to economize on your stamp purchases is to send for priced-lists of my \$8,000 sale:

They cost nothing but save a lot.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price.	
1885 1c.....	.20		\$.06
1879 2c.....	.30		.12
3c.....	.75		.25
4c.....	.75		.25
6c.....	.75		.25
1885 10c.....	.40		.13

OTHER BARGAINS.

**EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.**

Wholesale U. S. per 100.

3c 1870-82 mixed.....		\$1.00
3c 1882.....		.25
1c 1882.....		.25
2c green, 1884.....		.25
2c claret, 1888.....		.25
1c blue, 1888.....		.25
3c 1895.....		.25
6c 1898.....		.25
1c doc, 1898 uncut.....		.25
2c doc, 1898.....		.25
5c doc.....		.25
10c doc.....		.25
25c doc, cut.....		.25
50c doc.....		.25
\$1 green.....		.25
\$1 green, uncut.....		.25
1000 mixed U. S. fine.....		.25

Postage extra under 50cts.

**RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
MASONIC TEMPLE CHICAGO.**

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free
on application to dealers only.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 10. Whole No. 19. Minneapolis, Minn. March 11, 1903.

Weekly

SOME NEW CARDS.

A. Lohmeyer.

I enclose you carbon copy of items made for publication in the official organ of the Postal Card Society of America and will continue sending further items as prepared. I have the cards actually in hand. There is too much "guessing" and "presuming" done in chronicling, and entirely too much anxiety displayed "to be first" in reporting new issues, which often have to be recalled.

The abbreviations used T. 3 means reply card folded at top, reply printed on third page. Perf. IV T., perforated on all except bottom and perforation do not meet at corners.

Bavaria. I have received the following cards, bearing the control number "03." The 2 and 5 ofennig cards have undergone a decided change, conforming to those of the German empire, the inscriptions "Koenigreich Bayern" and "Post-karts," now occupying the upper left corner in two lines, leaving a blank space of about 60 M. M. between that and the stamp. Furthermore, these inscriptions, as well as the words "An," "in" and "Wohnung," "(Strasse und Hausnummer)" are now in German type. The first two address lines have been shortened to 104 m. m., and the word "An" has been moved to the right correspondingly. The Royal Arms have been omitted. The 2x2 ofennig card with the same control number remains unchanged for the present.

P. C. 2 pf. gray on buff, new type 90x140 m. m.

2x2 pf. gray on buff, old type, 90x140 T. 3.

5 pf. green on buff, new type, 90x140

Western Australia—I have received the new reply cards and the letter card, issued last October. The Inland card bears the familiar "Swan" stamp, and is inscribed, in three lines, "Post (arms) Card—Western Australia—The Address Only to Be Written on This Side," and in the lower left corner, in two lines, "The Annexed Card Is Intended—For the Answer." The reply half has only the word "Reply" under "Western Australia." The Postal Union card, bearing the stamp of the 1½d card of Victoria, issue of 1900, except that the word "Postage" has been inserted under the Queen's head, and the inscription altered to "West Australia" (not Western), has "Union Postale Universele" added as a top line, and ("Western Australia") appears above the arms. The letter card is a facsimile of the 1902 issue of Victoria, except that the stamp, which is also identical, is inscribed "West Australia." The reply cards are perforated at the folding lines.

P. C. 1x1d. vermilion on cream, 85x127 m. m., T. 3.

1½x1½d. blue on pale green, 83x132 m. m. T. 3.

L. C. 2d. red-brown on pearl-gray, 94x150 m. m. perf. IV. T.



CHICAGO NOTES.

(Phoenix.)

The dealers report that trade is good, the mail order business being especially so.

The new 3c has been pre-canceled "Chicago." It was used by Sears, Roebuck & Co.

Carl Willardt is making the Auditorium hotel his headquarters. Since

his arrival here he has visited Detroit and Milwaukee.

The new 4c wrapper is for sale at the main postoffice. It is of the same design as the current 4c envelope. The size of the wrapper unfolded is 14x12 inches.

Alexander Holland and Postmaster Wolsieffer attended the meeting of the Milwaukee Philatelic Society, held Feb. 26. Mr. Holland exhibited his Hayti collection, which was much admired.

The new 3c stamp was put on sale here, at all sub-stations, on Feb. 21. The new 2c is not on sale here now, the clerks at the stamp windows claiming they have been withdrawn. This seems plausible, owing to the fact that the new design was on sale here a few days ago, and the old design is now being given out.

The first 28 numbers of Wolsieffer's sale of the 14th inst. are freak revenue, similar to the lots in his sale of April 26, 1902, over which the controversy arose which was discussed at so much length at the last American Philatelic Association convention. These lots have been catalogued by E. B. Sterling, and his personal guarantee of genuineness goes with each. No less than four collections, varying in size from 1,233 stamps to 3,526, are offered, one of which catalogues over \$450.

The Record-Herald of Feb. 27 gives the following: The sale of \$30,000 worth of postage stamps to one buyer set a new mark in the record of Cashier Bean's office in the postoffice yesterday. The purchase was made by a mail order house, which sent several employes to carry off the bundles. These contained 700,000 pre-canceled 3-cent stamps,

and \$9,000 worth of stamps of other denominations. The largest previous sale to a single buyer was \$25,000 worth a year ago.



BOSTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

C. A. Howes, Secretary.

The February meeting was the annual jollification of the society, and the usual large attendance resulted. There were 62 present, which is quite remarkable, as weather conditions were very unfavorable.

Six new members were voted in, six applications received and one resignation read.

It was with much regret that the death of J. F. Johnson was announced, he having been for long an active member. He was for some years our sales superintendent, and was resident vice-president of the American Philatelic Association.

A silver and a bronze medal were presented by Geo. L. Toppan for an exhibition of United States envelopes cut square.

Mr. Rothfuchs gave a very interesting talk on his European trip of last summer, especially in regard to the "14th German Philatelists' Day" at Vienna in September.

Supper was served, and then the exhibition for the evening inspected. This was of general collection, not exceeding 6,000 varieties. There were two entries, Mr. F. D. Moffet winning first prize, and Mr. Chas. A. Grimmons second prize.

The evening was a most enjoyable one for all present.

First Come, First Served.

60 varieties of unused stamps including Newfoundland, Bermuda, New Brunswick, Finland Mourning Stamps, Crete Kings and Queens Heads only\$ 20
25 varieties B. N. American postage stamps including Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island etc\$ 20
Postage extra. Remit by silver or money order.

J. H. JOST,

P. O. Box 244, Halifax, N. S. CANADA.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 and Foreign Countries 75c

WEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

Information.—Parties are notified by postal
 expiration of subscription.
 Change of address the subscriber will
 favor upon the publisher by giving both his
 old and new address.
 Manuscript is desired. All manuscript must
 be accompanied by four cents in stamps.
 Remittances should be made by Postal or Express
 note, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused
 stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at
 the above rate or send the paper six months
 for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent
 in order.
 Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time
 in six months.
 We will refund paid subscriptions anytime
 on request.

Again The World must ask its
 readers' indulgence for a small pa-

Next week, however, full size
 paper. We trust the good things
 which we can certainly promise in the
 coming year will at least partially repay for
 the shortcomings of the March issues.
 New Haven reprints seem to be
 plentifully represented in sales
 for several years.

A western dealer advertises the
 1898 revenue uncut for \$50, and
 a thousand dollar one, same condi-
 tion, at \$75.

Bro. Brodstone of the West re-
 ports that he used the new two cent
 stamp on correspondence of Jan. 19,
 which is the earliest date yet re-
 corded.

Lawford Capen is the authority
 on the statement that the No. 1 of
 the series is a good stamp to let alone,
 at the present price, as a large sup-

ply exists, which is not yet on the
 market.

The recently discovered perfor-
 ated playing cards would seem to in-
 dicate a lack of research on the part
 of revenue stamp collectors, as most
 of the specimens date back from one
 to two years.

Victor Marsh of London, Eng.,
 has in preparation an "International
 Directory of Philatelic Literature,
 Collectors, Dealers and Publishers."
 Such a work would cover ground
 which has heretofore been little cul-
 tivated and we trust he may meet
 with success.

Secret service officials have re-
 cently seized the stock of transfer
 pictures representing stamps of sev-
 eral New York novelty dealers, hold-
 ing them to be violations of the
 counterfeit law, but agreed to make
 no prosecutions if no further ones
 were handled. Whether or no the
 transfers would really violate the
 law would be a debatable question.

Last regular meeting of the Kansas
 City Philatelic society was held Fri-
 day evening, Feb. 13, 1903, in Room
 412 Bank of Commerce Bldg., with
 President Canfield in the chair, and
 the following members present: Bes-
 cher, Cunningham, Hurst, Kelley,
 Loeuen, Maurer, Phlinney, Stephens,
 Wynne, Wittman and Dr. Seibel.
 Minutes of last meeting were accept-
 ed as read. H. S. Foster, of Law-
 rence, Kas., and Frank Root, of Den-
 ver, were elected to passive member-
 ship. Messrs. Bescher, Hurst and
 Maurer appointed committee of three
 to get up some kind of amusement for
 next meeting, March 15. The even-
 ing was spent in discussing Philatelic
 topics and some nice stamps were
 shown by some of the boys.

WOLSIEFFER'S SALE No. 34

takes place March 28th, and the catalogue has been mailed to every name on our Card Index of bidders. If you did not get it you are not on our list, or it has miscarried.

This sale contains some very fine things, including a nice lot of Envelopes and cut Squares, Proofs of Foreign stamps, foreign Emires and cut squares, fine U. S. and foreign, Wholesale stamps in sets and another installment of those popular Freak, Perforated Revenues that sold so well in our last sale.

CATALOGUE FREE.

The Casey A. Wood collection will be sold in April and exhibited in various cities. Announcement later. Orders for catalogue booked now.

UNITED STAMP CO.,

1149 MARQUETTE, CHICAGO, ILL.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.
10 blank Approval Books, 10c.
100 Approval Sheets, 15c.
Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.20
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 d o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat.....	\$1.89
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queenland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2 1/2 gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl fine.....	.65
Wurttemberg, Official. No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 5c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,
1520 Washington Av., New York.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHAD

Will Save Your Eye

Light weight 1/4 oz. Available. Durable. No metal flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Hazy color restful to the eyes. extra wide Transparenc natural light. Opaque artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co. Bayona

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly com stamps and there is some paper on the lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers.....

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page brim full of interesting matter, that will every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading lectors, etc., all over the world. Nothing as good. Six associate editors. The very everything and lots of it. Official organ of societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay. Do not delay but, send today For the WEST which is the best.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALB

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$1.50

Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. list of stamps and coins free. Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.
36 John Street, :: New York

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 11. Whole No. 20. Minneapolis, Minn. March 18, 1903 Weekly

AUCTION PRICES.

\$7,055.90 were realized for the 1,400 lots sold in the Bogert & Durbin 190th sale at Philadelphia, on Feb. 13-14. Some especially noticeable lots were

Providence, 5c unused	\$1.30
U. S. 1869, 30c reissue	8.00
— 1869, 90 used	7.00
— 1893, 4c blue error No. 233	56.80
— Justice, 90c not fine	5.50
British Bechuanaland ½d red inverted surcharge unused	9.60
— ½ black No. 4 a	43.10
British Honduras 1891, 6 red on 10c inverted surcharge, o. g.	56.00
Canada 1859, bisected 5c used in connection with pair of 5c to make 12½	8.10
Cape of Good Hope, wood block 4d unused	96.00
Denmark 1864, 2s unperforated pair	21.10
— 1864, 3s same	22.10
— 1864, 4s same	20.60
— 1870, 2s same	17.60
— 1870, 3s same	23.60
— 1870, 4s same	20.25
— 1870, 8s same	25.25
— 1870, 16s same	27.25
— 1870, 48s same	15.25
Great Britain 1841, 1d rouletted on o. c.	38.60
— 1862, 3d small letters, with white dots (S. G. No. 78), unused	91.25
— 1880, 2s brown unused	31.00
— 1888, £1	2.30
Jamaica 1860, unperforated, pineapple watermark, unused 1d, 2d, 4d, 5d	

and 1s each	28.10
Mauritius 1848, 1d wide margins, unused, very fine	166.00
New South Wales 1850, Sydney view 2d, early impression, immense margins, used	21.00
Spain 1851, 2r used	96.00
Victoria 1861, 4d perforated, no watermark, unused	66.25



FROM HERE AND THERE.

A large number of the unwatermarked issue of the U. S. of 1894 come with ragged perforations and can thus be told from the issue of 1895, which never comes that way. This also applies to the postage dues.

A Chicago collector recently sorted over 73,000 of the 2-cent issued since 1894. He found a good percentage of each value with the exception of triangle I watermarked. These stamps were gathered from a variety of places.

The lithographed issue of Persia, 1881, may be told from the engraved by the solid background around the numeral of value. In the engraved this groundwork is made up of lines forming small squares.

All the Grenada stamps of 1883 are printed in tete beche rows so every vertrile pair is tete beche.

Some years ago the English parliament passed a bill authorizing the postoffice in the Isle of Man to sell fourteen penny stamps for a shilling. This lasted until the average number of stamps bought by each inhabitant passed the 1,000 mark each day, and then investigation showed that the English merchants were sending to the Isle of Man to get their stamps

firm are all on pure white paper. However, the red reprints from Boston are on yellowish paper like the blue originals. The New York print is much the clearer and more carefully done. All reprints made since 1870 are of course in sheets of ten. The red ones have never been mentioned by the press until recently, when the Keystone S. & C. Gazette announced that one had been seen on an approval sheet. I have myself seen many of them on sheets. The Cheever & Towle local has been several times counterfeited. The first imitation was made at Albany New York, in 1865, and may be detected by the size of the lettering and the color as it is of a real indigo, much darker than the genuine. I cannot say what a genuine original Cheever & Towle local stamp would be worth. Several years ago it was quoted at one dollar but none could now be got at that figure. The reprints are for sale at a very low price.



NOTABLE STAMP COLLECTORS.

Under this title the following appeared in a recent issue of the Chicago Ledger:

Every royal family in Europe has a member who is collecting stamps. Probably the most zealous collector is Princess Clementine, of Belgium. She has made a study of stamps, and is regarded as an authority on the subject.

Queen Wilhelmina, of Holland, and the King of Servia have for years been placing stamps in beautiful albums, but of late it is said their interest in the work has somewhat waned. On the other hand, the Duke of York is a well-known philatelist, and it is impossible for

any one to deceive him as to the market value of a stamp.

Pope Leo XIII. has a collection of exceptionally rare stamps, and frequently spends his leisure moments in examining them. The prelates of the church are aware of his interest in them, and whenever they can they send him new treasures for his collection.

Moreover, they are now arranging to purchase as many complete sets as possible of the stamps which have been issued in various countries, and these they will present him on his next birthday.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
“ “ Leather.....	1.25	1.35
“ “ “ Interleaved	2.00	2.16

International Postage Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25
“ “ “ “ Cloth,....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N. Y.

FREE STAMP for every application for our 50 per cent approval sheets.

Send reference.

FLOUR CITY STAMP CO.,
315 6TH ST. S. E.
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 Europe and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
 Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal card on expiration of subscription. In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address. Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps. Remittances should be made by Postal or Express orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent in order. Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months. We will refund paid subscriptions anytime on request.

The 2-cent stamps seem to improve in looks with the later printings, the design showing up well on many of the more recent receipts.

On the 10th and 11th inst, J. M. Cartels Co. will hold their seventh sale. The Danish West Indies of A. M. Williams of Boston constitute a portion of the sale and are well nigh complete. A superb showing of unused British Colonials is also offered, as well as an elegant lot of blocks of four, including many rarities.

Chicago, alone of the western cities, is able to compete with the east as an auction centre. The sales of P. M. Wolsieffer have long been noted, especially on account of the carefully listing and extremely honorable dealings of that gentleman, being the first, I believe, to absolutely withdraw and refuse to sell

even such valuable stamps as proof privately perforated, and holding that nought but perfectly legitimate stamps be sold. The Chicago Society, through its manager, F. M. Massoth, has also held many sales, and collectors always are anxious to receive the catalogues of these sales.

THE BOSTON LIBRARY.

The Boston Philatelic Society have issued a neat little thirty-two page and cover book, entitled "Catalogue of Books on Philately in the Public Library of the City of Boston." Nearly 225 numbers are represented, of which in the neighborhood of 150 are donations of the society. This does not represent the number of volumes as in case of bound periodicals a single reference may mean a complete file, for instance *2230.112 Meekel's Weekly Stamp News is volumes 1-13, and also a broken set of five volumes, the latter being kept in the children's room. The library is very rich in periodical literature. Many of the rare early volumes, like the first series A. J. of P. and Mason's Coin and Stamp Collectors' Magazine being on the shelf, while the better grade of later foreign magazines are represented by either partial or complete files, the standard reference work, like the London Society reports, are nearly all there, the Moens series being nearly complete and many valuable works both in English and foreign language can be found. It is doubtful if any public library contains as valuable and extensive a philatelic department. The last five pages are given up to a membership roster of the society, one hundred and ninety-five names appearing, of which seventeen were charter members.

NEATNESS

Is as rare as desirable on approval sheets

BUT

the "NET" plan SHEETS

are noted for their attractiveness as well as

QUALITY

A postal brings them

THE UNIVERSAL STAMP CO.,

207 East Main St., . . . BATAVIA, N. Y.

Danish West Indies Provisional.

Half of 4c on original cover\$.20
Can furnish upper or lower, right or left
halves. Per set of four..... .70

50c ENTRY OF GOODS. PART PERF,
Catalogue price.....\$2.00
MY PRICE..... .20

To readers of this ad only. All good uncut
copies. Only one to a customer.

FRANK STETSON,

L. B. 54, STA. F,

Washington, D. C.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce..... .30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00..... .45
Niger Coast, 1897, ½, 1, 2, 2½d o. g..... .20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g..... .15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.89..... .60
" 1901, giraffe set complete..... .75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp..... .10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine..... 2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1g1, fine..... .06
" " 2½g1, fine..... .25
" " 5g1 fine..... .65
Wurttemberg, Official. No. 215..... .05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine..... .22
" Omaha, 5c green..... .18
Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed
free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper.
Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand.
Liberal samples sent on receipt of name
and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

KING'S HEADS

12 varieties—Price 10c Postfree.

Send for our price list of British North
American Postage Stamps.

CENTURY STAMP COMPANY,
P. O. Box 197, : : Montreal, Canada.



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight ¼ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Extra wide. Transparent to natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the back. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers.....

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, 3 3 3 3 3 Illinois

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR,
NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly
brim full of interesting matter, that will interest
every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curious
Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading col-
lectors, etc., all over the world. Nothing similar
as good. Six associate editors. The very best of
everything and lots of it. Official organ of over
societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay.
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album
published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00

Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. 35 page
list of stamps and coins free.
Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete. 10c
unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.
36 John Street, :: New York City

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 12. Whole No. 21. Minneapolis, Minn. March 25, 1903. Weekly

The Cheever and Towle Locals.

Reprinted from the Capitol City City Philatelist for February, 1886:

Of late, public interest in U. S. local stamps has increased quite a little, and numerous articles concerning these ever mysterious and baffling stamps have been inserted in American philatelic periodicals, but most of the attention has been bestowed on western locals, those of Chicago, St. Louis and Cincinnati. The private stamps of this section, those from Boston, New York, and Philadelphia and other cities, have received no notice. I will take it upon myself, therefore, to give the history so far as I can, of the stamp issued by Cheever & Towle, of Boston, Mass.

The firm of Cheever & Towle started a delivery post in the city of Boston some dozen years or so before the war, and carried on business after the usual manner of such concerns, doing city business only. They used postage stamps of one design, circular with a number of letters arranged in the center and one of these showing on the envelope the name and address of the firm. The address was 7 State street. The stamp was issued in or near 1850, as I am informed by Mr. Henry Collin. The post was sold out to George H. Barker in 1851 or thereabouts, according to Mr. C. H. Coster, and at any rate, the stamps were not in use for any extended period. Mr. Barker continued the delivery business as long as 1863 at Court square, but used no stamps except that all letters were post-marked with a handstamp Mr.

Barker quit the business after a time and one of the early stamp dealers bought from him the plate of the Cheever & Towle stamps and his own handstamp. The plate was a wood engraving and printed twenty stamps. The design, as is well known, is similar to that employed by Hale & Co., another letter post firm, having their office in Boston about 1842. The circumstance is accounted for by the fact that Mr. Towle was once a clerk with Hale & Co. The face value of the locals was two cents or, bought in quantity, 60 for \$1. What colors were used printing the originals has long been a subject of doubt. It has been stated that copies were issued in red and in blue but only the blue can be found. An early list of the United States locals published in the American Journal of Philately for 1868 or '69 gives both red and blue as authentic. A friend of mine was told by the dealer who bought the plate from Barker that he had an idea of genuine originals printed in red, but was unable to confirm his conjecture. All catalogues now mention only the blue as there is not sufficient ground for belief in the red variety. The possessor of the original plate cut it lengthwise into halves of ten dies each, and in 1870 sold one of the halves to Scott & Co., of New York, who still hold it. They have reprinted from it in the original color, and the other dealer has done the same and also made reprints in red. The original stamps were unperforated and impressed on yellowish white paper, while the blue reprints of the Boston dealer and of the New York

at the reduced rate. After this the Manxman bought his stamps at face.

During the eighties a dusky gentleman wandered into the office of a Parisian engraving firm, representing himself as the king of Sedany. He said his people had authorized him to order an issue of stamps, and would be glad if they would furnish designs, and send proofs to him at his hotel as soon as possible. This was done, the proofs sent, and accepted, the king keeping those sent for his inspection. When the stamps were finished the engraving firm were unable to locate their king, and a search of many attlasses met with the same result. Not wishing to lose on the deal they sold them to a German dealer, who put the stamps on the market, and soon sold out. It would be interesting to know if a similar tale hangs around several of the so-called stamps now being sold to collectors.

The many changes in the stamps of Persia is accounted for by a recent letter from that country. It seems that during late years officials connected with the postoffice have been in the habit of stealing large quantities of stamps, and disposing of them to dealers. Immediately this is discovered the remaining stamps are demonetized and surcharged to make them available for postage. The history repeats itself and another surcharge was added, or the issue printed on a tinted paper.

Austria was the first country to issue postal cards. The first appeared in October, 1869.

Some years ago a missionary who had traveled in Afghanistan told me that the postmasters of that country made a practice of tearing a small piece out of each stamp before selling it to the public.

In the originals of the Samoa express there are two dots, evenly spaced, under the "M" of Samoa. In the reprints these two dots are uneven, while in the counterfeits only one dot is under this letter.

Argentina was the first country to issue reply cards. The first was put on sale October 2, 1882.

In British Guiana, in 1850, the postage on a letter within a certain radius was 4 cents. This was so irregular that the merchants petitioned the postmaster general to authorize that letters containing an extra 2 cents were to be delivered immediately. Hence the 2c stamp.

The imperforated 20, 30, 40 and 80c of 1870 issue of France were engraved at Paris during the siege.

DEALERS! My foreign mixtures, including Salvador, Bolivia, Paraguay, etc., at 65c per 100 or \$6.00 per 1000 is good value for the money.

My I. X. L. mixture, catalogue 2c to 30c each. Each 100 catalogue \$6.00 to \$8.00, price \$1.50. Stamps bought. What have you to offer?

CARL YOUNG,

112 N. 5TH ST..

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

SPECIAL BARGAINS.

Antigua ½, 1, 2½ and 4 pence unused..... \$
Niger Coast .97 ½, 1, 2, 2½, and 5 p. unused.....
" 1892 (Oil Rivers) ½, 1, 2, 2½, and.....
5 pence unused.....
Newfoundland 1897-1901 ½c to 5c, 8 varieties complete, unused.....
Postage extra. Remit by silver or money order.

J. H. JOST,

P. O. Box 244, Halifax, N. S., Canada

4c and Postage for 3Kr Hungary.

Other dealers are offering this as a bargain for 9c to 12c. Guess we have struck rock bottom.

*Venezuela 1896, 50c Tete Beche (cat \$1.00) \$
*Bolivia 1894, 5c No. 42 (cat .06).....
*Bolivia 1894, 10c No. 43 (cat .12).....
*Nicaragua 1903, Just out, 1, 2, 3,.....

Wolsieffer's Sale No. 34 March 28

Will contain some fine foreign proofs, splendid entire and cut square envelopes, very fine U. S. and Foreign, and 34 more lots of those Freak Revenues that have been in the public eye recently.

SALE CATALOGUES FREE.

Other sales to follow including some notable collections. If you are an auction buyer these are the sales that explicitly describe each lot.

UNITED STAMP CO.,

1149 MARQUETTE, CHICAGO

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
 Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General information.—Parties are notified by postal
 upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will
 confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his
 old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must
 be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express
 orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused
 stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at
 the above rate or send the paper six months
 for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent
 with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time
 within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime
 upon request.

"Man proposes, but God disposes."
 Instead of the large special we intend-
 ed this week, an epidemic of sickness
 has invaded the office, and put the en-
 tire force hors du combat, and we
 must plead indulgence with another
 "half sheet." The special devoted to
 the American Philatelic Association
 will be that of April 15th.

H. L. Hart, the well-known Cana-
 dian specialist, it is said, intends to
 dispose of his superb collection of
 British North Americans, which is
 practically complete and catalogues
 in the neighborhood of \$9,000.

The Washington correspondent of
 the Metropolitan Philatelist says
 that Congressman E. F. Loud will
 probably be the U. S. representative
 to the new postal congress, to be
 held in Rome next year.

We are in receipt of a list of
 rarities offered by Paul Kohl of

Chemnitz, Germany, who is at pres-
 ent in New York. Three large
 plates of fine half-tones are included,
 illustrating over a hundred of the
 finest specimens offered.

On April 11 a stamp exposition of
 more than usual magnitude will be
 opened at Metz, Germany, and con-
 tinue for a week. Fifteen gold med-
 als, as many silver and ten of bronze
 will be awarded in the different
 classes.



CLEVELAND NOTES.

H. C. Crowell.

The Garfield Perry Stamp club will
 celebrate its fourteenth anniversary at
 the University club on March 17th.
 It was organized as a branch of the
 American Philatelic Association, but
 in 1898 ceased to be a branch. Of
 the charter members nearly fifty per
 cent remain members and are expect-
 ed to be present.

The finest collection here is owned
 by Mr. G. H. Worthington, and it is
 practically complete in U. S., includ-
 ing inverted 1869s, all departments
 and most of the locals. It is valued
 at \$150,000.

Mr. A. R. Fernald, formerly of the
 Michigan Stamp Co., has been here
 for the past two months.

The Crowell Stamp Co. now em-
 ploys seven clerks and has absorbed
 the following: L. B. Dover & Co.,
 St. Louis; Fair Stamp Co., St. Louis;
 Philatelic Each, Cincinnati; The
 Stamp Trust, Cleveland; Michigan
 Stamp Co., Detroit.

**May we enter your
 Subscription.**

SPECIAL



American

Philatelic

Association

Number



April Fifteenth Issue

Thirty-six Pages in Colors

Five Times our Usual Circulation



Send your ad. at once to

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16-18-20 North Fourth St.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.



A detailed list of stamps I am offering at startlingly little prices it is impossible to give here, but I have issued priced-lists that itemize the specimens and send them to all applicants.

An easy way to economize on your stamp purchases is to send for priced-lists of my \$3,000 sale:

They cost nothing but save a lot.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price
1885 1c.....	\$.20	\$.07
1879 2c.....	.30	.11
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.14

OTHER BARGAINS.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.

Wholesale U. S. per 100.

3c 1870-82 mixed.....	1.00
3c 1882.....	1.00
1c 1882.....	1.00
2c green, 1884.....	1.00
2c claret, 1888.....	1.00
1c blue, 1888.....	1.00
3c 1895.....	1.00
6c 1898.....	1.00
1c doc, 1898 uncut.....	1.00
2c doc, 1898.....	1.00
5c doc.....	1.00
10c doc.....	1.00
25c doc, cut.....	1.00
50c doc.....	1.00
\$1 green.....	1.00
\$1 green, uncut.....	1.00
1000 mixed U. S. fine.....	1.00

Postage extra under 60cts.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
MASONIC TEMPLE CHICAGO

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

The Philatelic World

II. No. 13. Whole No. 22. Minneapolis, Minn. April 1, 1903.

Weekly

With Our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

THE PERFORATOR

Feb. 25, as usual, opens with two fine tone reproductions of valuable covers from the Seybold collection, with two strips of three of the 1 Bavaria 1849 issue, the other a pair of 10 groschen Hanover, in addition to a pair of 3 gro., a 2 gro. and a 1-2 gro. Both specimens were secured in Germany. Three prize winning articles following: "The Point of View," by George F. Loring; "Popular Countries," by W. L. S.; "Stamp Collector's Needs," by Frank D. Murphy. The editorial page is especially interesting. "Wars in the Past," reviews the effect the strife of 1902 had upon postal issues of several countries, and "Rumors and Facts" contain food for reflection for all.

Two applications and three new members are shown in the Empire State Philatelic Society's reports. The need of co-operative action in following up dishonest solicitors of sheets is shown in "The Fraud Reporter," one after writing that the authorities had no attention to his individual case, but when several were, united action was taken and conviction followed.

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News for March 7—the world-wide Philately member—is a credit to philately. Mr. Mekeel, with, as I understand, Mr. Mekeel as assistant, has produced a wonderfully fine number. The cover is a work of art, and inside of the

front cover shows the reproduction of an array of varieties which would cause any collector to well nigh break the tenth commandment. The originals are scattered all over the country from Massachusetts to Texas, and California. Mr. C. A. Howes writes exhaustively of the "Political Changes Shown by South African Stamps." The longest article, occupying thirteen columns, is Mr. Percy Bishop's "A Day With London Dealers," in which a visit in turn is made to each, and many facts new to us "on this side of the pond" is given. Another article "In London's Auction Rooms" appropriately fits in. A most interesting article "The Collection of Original Covers" appears, and A. Preston Pearce writes "Some Lights and Shadows of Philatelic Australia." Ethel Vott upon "Artistic Ornamental Designs." Thomas R. Hinton contributes "Philately in England, Past and Present," covering from 1868 down. George Cecil contributes "Philately in the East." Undooly is heard from, and the newsletters of Washington, Boston and Chicago appear as usual.

The Philatelic Star.

The Philatelic Star for Feb. 20 opens with a page article by Veda on the stamps of Bundi, continues Lt. Edwards Boer War reminiscences, has a check list and display a wealth of advertising.

MORLEY'S PHILATELIC JOURNAL.

Morley's Philatelic Journal for March opens with a continuation of Preston Pearce's article on "Provisional Fiscal Issues of the Ameri-

can Occupation of the Philippines." Morley's list of Newspaper Tax stamps is continued, as is K's article on British Railway Stamps. Four pages of the fiscal catalogue is given as supplement, all devoted to Brazil. In the editorial department we find:

The difficulty of cataloguing fiscals is not always confined to seeking a meaning for surcharges or supposed surcharges which may occur, but very often it is almost impossible to find an English equivalent for the names of the documents to which series of stamps are assigned. For this reason it is undoubtedly the best plan, and our usual practice, to retain the terms in their native language, but it is sometimes important to know their English equivalent. One which long puzzled us and is perhaps not generally known to the bulk of English fiscal collectors is the series "Timbre de Dimension" of France. These stamps pay a duty which is fixed according to the size of the document and there are five different sizes of government stamped paper. Any paper presented for stamping of a different size from the government paper must be stamped as for paper of the next largest size. We cannot pursue this subject further now, but the method of application of stamp duties and their origin in different countries would be an interesting subject for an industrious fiscalist to investigate.

Philatelic West.

The Philatelic West for March is as bulky as usual. No stamp publication in the world displays the wealth of advertising Brodstone's paper does. The most interesting portion of the stamp matter is the review of foreign publications by R. R. Thiele which this month occupies four pages. Nast's Revenue Department is as readable as usual. We clip:

A Denver collector who is disposing of his collection had among his revenues a 6c orange proprietary cancelled with the words "Charles Osgood" in a circle and date "Dec. 3, 1880" in center. He also had a 6c blue of the 1878 issue with identically the same cancellation. I believe very few medicines in those days sold for \$1.50 per bottle and of the 6c orange proprietaries I have seen cancelled all bore this same name. Osgood manufactured a syrup called "Indian Cologog," so if my readers know of any drug stores that have been doing business for twenty-five years or so, they are liable to get a rarity by getting the drug man to look for this remedy. "Swains Panocœa" also had a 6c orange, but of his own private die which is also immensely rare.

From abroad there are news letters from Holland, New Zealand and Australia. In the portrait gallery Miss Helen Humble and Howard S. Dickey, both of the Western Stamp Co., are portrayed, and an interesting photo of a lot of original covers belonging to E. Chandlee is reproduced. We have noted only a few of the articles, as space forbids going through the entire 132 pages contained in this number.

The 6d lilac issued in England in 1865, with no watermark, is usually known as the maltese 6d, as it was printed upon the paper intended for the first stamp of Malta.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	Post Price
" " Leather.....	1.25	\$ 1.25
" " " Interleaved	2.00	2.00

International Postage Stamp Albums

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

Imperial Albums Bound in Boards.....	\$ 1.00	Post Price
" " " " Cloth.....	.50	.50

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N. Y.

FREE STAMP for every application for our 50 per cent approval sheets.

Send reference.

FLOUR CITY STAMP CO.
315 6TH ST. S. E.
Minneapolis, - - - Minneapolis

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

It is reported that the one cent stamp from its color was the popular value yesterday.

The old one-cent is reported surcharged Warren, Pa., and Niagara Falls, N. Y.

It is said the Stamp Exchange will be the next official organ of the P. S. of A.

The 15c France, 1882, on quadrille paper, is said to exist unperforated.

The first four-cent of the new issue seen by a contemporary was singularly enough a precancelled one—from West Grove, Pa.

Did you forget to send for that American Philatelic Association application blank? It is still waiting for you.

The new four-cent stamps seems to meet with approval, a daily recently saying it was the only decent appearing label in the new set.

The new issue is getting pretty well into general use in the localities using precanceled and a new up-to-date list will soon be a necessity for collectors of these stamps.

One of the neatest engraved letter heads which has ever reached this office is that of L. Delon, the Paris, France, dealer. The landscape depicts nearly every means of postal communication, from the old post chaise to the railway train, and ocean steamer.

A correspondent writing from Cincinnati says: "There is more general interest among collectors than for years, the local dealers are doing well, and the informal meetings of the stamp club have been very well attended, and everything in stamps is looking up.

Mr. Kidder, the new issue man of the Philatelic Era, has been searching for the first office to use the new "Stuart" stamp, and find Jan. 24 the earliest date, at Bedford, Pa., and asks for information concerning any early use.

A new design would hardly made the issue scarce, but nearly every collector seems to think it might, and none seem to wish to part with them. A dealer wishing some for export writes that he never before found as hard work to pick up a common issue as it is just now to get the two-cent. "One cents are not held, nor any other value," so he writes.

The Chicago Society has revised and renumbered their list of membership. The only members retaining their old numbers are S. B. Brads and P. M. Wolsieffer—Nos. 1 and 2—the next oldest, J. H. Huber, moving from 18 down to 3. The new list shows six honorary members, eighty-two active and one hundred and seventy-four passive ones.

SPECIAL



American

Philatelic

Association

Number



April Fifteenth Issue

Thirty-six Pages in Colors

**Five Times our
Usual Circulation**



Send your ad. at once to

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

**16-18-20 North Fourth St.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.**



A detailed list of stamps I am offering at startling little prices it is impossible to give here, but I have issued priced-lists that itemize the specimens and send them to all applicants.

An easy way to economize on your stamp purchases is to send for priced-lists of my \$3,000 sale:

They cost nothing but save a lot.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price.
1885 1c.....	\$.20	\$.05
1879 2c.....	.30	.12
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.15

OTHER BARGAINS.

**EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.**

Wholesale U. S. per 100.

8c 1870-82 mixed.....	\$.08
3c 1882.....	.08
1c 1882.....	.08
2c green, 1884.....	.10
2c claret, 1888.....	.08
1c blue, 1888.....	.08
3c 1895.....	.10
6c 1898.....	.30
1c doc, 1898 uncut.....	.02
2c doc, 1898.....	.02
5c doc.....	.13
10c doc.....	.06
25c doc, cut.....	.09
50c doc.....	.20
\$1 green.....	.30
\$1 green, uncut.....	.30
1000 mixed U. S. fine.....	.14

Postage extra under 50cts.

**RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
MASONIC TEMPLE CHICAGO**

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 14. Whole No. 23. Minneapolis, Minn. April 8, 1903 Weekly

THE LOUISIANA PURCHASE STAMPS.

E. R. Aldrich.

Chicago had the Columbians, Omaha the Trans-Mississippi, Buffalo the Pan-Americans. Shall St. Louis have a set. If it does not it will not be because the exposition authorities did all they could to bring it about, as witness the following:

St. Louis, U. S. A., Apr. 2, 1902.

Dear Sir:—

The Post Office Department now has under consideration the subject of an issue of commemorative stamps for the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, but no definite conclusion has been announced.

Respectfully,

W. B. STEVENS,

Secretary,

World's Fair Exposition.

From another source, but whom I am not at liberty to name, the feeling in St. Louis is that a set will be forthcoming, but I doubt that as large a set will be issued as it is either desired or expected. In fact the following from the office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General would indicate that the set would not be as extensive as the Buffalo one.

Washington, Apr. 3, 1903.

Mr. E. R. Aldrich,

Benson, Minn.

Dear Sir: The Department has received your letter of March 30, asking whether it is intended to issue a special series of postage stamps to commemorate the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, and you are in-

formed that the matter is under consideration, but no conclusion has yet been reached in regard to it. If such a series of stamps is issued, it is probable that it will comprise not more than six denominations, perhaps less.

Very respectfully,

EDWIN C. MADDEN,

Third Assistant Postmaster General



NEW CARDS.

A. Lohmeyer.

FRANCE—(Paris Pneumatic Service.) I am indebted to Mr. Foulon for the first copy of the 30 centimes letter card, printed in carmine on pale blue, which supersedes the recent issue, in use about two months, printed in black.

L. C. 30 centimes, carmine on pale blue, 80x131 perf. III., B.

BULGARIA—The Postal Administration of this Principality is evidently experimenting with tints of paper for the Inland card, or using up an accumulation of various tints. When the new type (stamp with portrait of Prince Ferdinand) was first issued, in December 1901, the Inland card, as well as the International, was printed on cream colored cardboard. In July, 1902, about 30,000 were printed on yellow-buff, reverse white, and in August about the same quantity on gray, reverse white, both being the stock used for the letter cards of 15 and 5 stotinki. The latest arrival, received April 3, is printed on a semi-transparent blue-gray paper, for it is too thin to be classed as cardboard.

The International card of 10 sto-

tinki has remained unchanged.

While writing up Bulgara it will be in place to mention that the reply cards of 5 and 10 stotinki, catalogued in Senf's 1902-03 catalogue under 1901, have, so far, not been issued.

P. C. 5 stotinki green on blue-gray, 90x140 m-m.

SWEDEN—I have received the double 5 ore card corresponding to the new single card, described recently. It contains only three lines of inscription: "BREFKORT," "MED BETALDT SVAR," "(ADRESSEN ANBRINGAS A DENNA SIDA.)" and on the reply half, as a second line "SVAR." It has two long and two short, dotted, address lines, the fourth being underscored by a solid line.

P. C. 5x5 ore, green on white, 90x140 m-m, T. 3. 3-5, 1903.

১৯০৩

In the re-engraved set of Hayti the numerals are slightly larger and the branches of the palm tree droop more.

The Corrientes stamp of 1864 were issued with no value inscribed owing to monetary troubles in the country at that date.

The English 3 and 6 pence of 1881 were so surcharged on account of their accuracy of design and color, to enable the postal clerks to tell the denomination at a glance.

The Danubian Steam Navigation Company's stamps were issued by that company to prepay postage on its boats sailing on the Danube between Galatz and Odessa, and also on the tributaries, the Drave, Save and Theiss.

The surcharge C. A. V. E. on some of the stamps of Ceylon are the initials of a tea firm at Colombo. This surcharge was made to guard against the theft of the firm's stamps by the employees.

The first map stamps of Canada appeared in lavender, and after a few days these were superseded by the green. However, just before the issue was withdrawn the printings were again made in lavender, and the green became the scarcer of the two.

The "tertis" error of Sweden appeared when the inland postage rate was changed from 30c to 20c. One error appeared in each sheet and was not noticed until the stamps had been issued to the postoffices. Immediately it was noticed the government telegraphed to each postmaster requesting the return of each error. All those returned were destroyed, but a few postmasters retained specimens, which have later been bought by collectors.

DEALERS! My foreign mixtures, including Salvador, Bolivia, Paraguay, etc., at 65c per 100 or \$6.00 per 1000 is good value for the money.

My I. X. L. mixture, catalogue 2c to 30c each. Each 100 catalogue \$6.00 to \$8.00, price \$1.50. Stamps bought. What have you to offer?

CARL YOUNG,

112 N. 5TH ST.,

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

SPECIAL BARGAINS.

Antigua ½, 1, 2½ and 4 pence unused.....	\$.25
Niger Coast .97 ½, 1, 2, 2½, and 5 p. unused	.50
" 1892 (Oil Rivers) ½, 1, 2, 2½, and	
5 pence unused.....	1.00
Newfoundland 1897-1901 ½c to 5c, 8 varieties	
complete, unused.....	.30
Postage extra. Remit by silver or money	
order.	

J. H. JOST,

P. O. Box 244, Halifax, N. S., Canada.

4c and Postage for 3Kr Hungary.

Other dealers are offering this as a big bargain for 9c to 12c. Guess we have struck rock bottom.

*Venezuela 1896, 50c Tete Beche (cat \$1.00)	\$.11
*Bolivia 1894, 5c No. 42 (cat .06)	.02
*Bolivia 1894, 10c No. 43 (cat .12)	.04
*Nicaragua 1903, just out, 1, 2, 3	.07

Wolsieffer's Sale No. 34 March 28

Will contain some fine foreign proofs, splendid entire and cut square envelopes, very fine U. S. and Foreign, and 34 more lots of those Freak Revenues that have been in the public eye recently.

SALE CATALOGUES FREE.

Other sales to follow including some notable collections. If you are an auction buyer these are the sales that explicitly describe each lot.

UNITED STAMP CO.,

1149 MARQUETTE, CHICAGO.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 and Foreign Countries 75c

WEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
 Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

Information.—Parties are notified by postal
 expiration of subscription.
 Change of address the subscriber will
 favor upon the publisher by giving both his
 old and new address.
 Manuscript is desired. All manuscript must
 be accompanied by four cents in stamps.
 Payments should be made by Postal or Express
 order, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused
 stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

Subscribers shall be glad to enter subscriptions at
 above rate or send the paper six months
 for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent
 in advance.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time
 in six months.

Refund will be made on unexpired subscriptions
 anytime upon request.

Have you tried an ad in the
 World? If not, why not?

"Chicago Illinois" on the new two
 stamp made its appearance last

The World wishes to extend its
 sympathy to Mr. C. W. Kissinger,
 whose mother recently died.

The Scott Stamp & Coin Co. have
 issued their usual yearly lists, 100
 pages in the size of their catalogue.

Brodstone, of The West,
 has sent us with a double print St.
 Sta. in blue ink.

Do you want that American Phi-
 latelic Association blank yet? It
 is open for the asking.

The directors of the P. S. of A. are
 working hard to push that society
 to its former standing, and all who
 are interested in having a strong
 society should lend a hand.

The Pittsburg members have
 taken steps to raise an entertain-
 ment fund should the American Phi-
 latelic Association place their '04
 meet there.

Sellschopp & Co., of San Francis-
 co, 1903 list, has been received. It
 is a very neat 80-page vest pocket
 size little book, replete with bar-
 gains of the medium class.

The April exhibit of The Collect-
 ors Club will be held on the 13th,
 and will be of one hundred Austra-
 lian stamps. Stanley Gibbons Co.
 donate the prizes, a silver cup, to the
 first and second, and a clock to third.

The new decree of religious free-
 dom promulgated by the Czar fails
 to recognize the almost religious
 zeal of the Finlanders in reference
 to their postal freedom. They have
 to be orthodox in Russian stamps.

The St. Paul Dispatch for March
 21 contained four interesting photo-
 graphs taken at the local post office.
 The first, a clerk consigning mail to
 pouches, the second, a clerk distrib-
 uting incoming mail, third, showing
 an overhead bundle conveyer, and
 fourth, a view just inside the money
 order window.

A counterfeit 2-cent U. S. stamp
 has been seen here of the type just
 discontinued. It is understood that
 that the postal authorities are investi-
 gating. The Chicago Philatelic So-
 ciety held March 5 was well attend-
 ed. Most of the time was taken up
 by a discussion about the new lease.
 Finally it was agreed to retain the old
 room.

The revenue stamp exhibit re-
 cently held at the Brooklyn Institute
 of Arts and Sciences, was a pro-
 nounced success. The fine collec-
 tion of Charles H. Eagle was es-
 pecially deserving of more than
 passing notice.

NEATNESS

Is as rare as desirable on approval sheets

BUT

the "NET" plan SHEETS

are noted for their attractiveness as well as

QUALITY

A postal brings them

THE UNIVERSAL STAMP CO.,

207 East Main St., - - BATAVIA, N. Y.

Danish West Indies Provisional.

Half of 4c on original cover \$.20
Can furnish upper or lower, right or left
halves. Per set of four70

50c ENTRY OF GOODS. PART PERF.

Catalogue price \$2.00

MY PRICE20

To readers of this ad only. All good uncut
copies. Only one to a customer.

FRANK STETSON,

L. B. 54, STA. F,

Washington, * * * * D. C.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, ½, 1, 2, 2½ d o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1396, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1878, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2½gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl, fine.....	.65
Wurttemberg, Official. No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.32
" Omaha, 5c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed
free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from *best* quality imported paper.
Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand.
Liberal samples sent on receipt of name
and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

KING'S HEADS

12 varieties—Price 10c Postfree.

Send for our price list of British North
American Postage Stamps.

CENTURY STAMP COMPANY,

P. O. Box 197, : : Montreal, Canada.



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes

Light weight ½ oz. Ad-
able. Durable. No metal
flat. Hygienic, perspiration
has no effect on it. Health
color restful to the eyes. The
extra wide. Transparent
natural light. Opaque for
tificial light and those wear-
ing glasses. Postpaid on
receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.
Bayonne, N. J.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common
stamps and there is some paper on the box.
The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers.....

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, * * * * Ill

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly
brim full of interesting matter, that will interest
every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Cur-
rency, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading
lectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing aimed
as good. Six associate editors.* The very best
everything and lots of it. Official organ of over
societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay.
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album
published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$1.50

Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. 3c per
list of stamps and coins free.

Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete.
unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.

36 John Street, :: New York City

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

APRIL 15,
1903



SPECIAL AMER
ICAN PHILATE
LIC ASSOCIA
TION NUMBER.

A WEEKLY
NEWSPAPER
IN THE INTER
EST OF STAMP
COLLECTING.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD,

16-18-20 NORTH FOURTH ST.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA.



Buy where you can buy best.

My priced lists cost nothing but save a lot.

THE JUNIOR is a monthly magazine for young people. Send 10c and we will put you on our subscription list for six months.

THE JUNIOR, Bethlehem, Pa

Offerings in Parker's Priced lists are well worth while taking advantage of as a mere matter of investment. They cost nothing but save a lot.

FREE! A Japanese Telegraph Stamp to all who apply for my approval sheets at 50 per cent commission.

FREE! 2 varieties of Korean for the names and addresses of two young stamp collectors

FREE! My price list.
German China 1898-3, 5 and 10 pf. cat 24c 10c

BEN FULLER,

1321 Rhode Island Ave. WASHINGTON, D. C.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

First Come, First Served.

60 varieties of unused stamps including Newfoundland, Bermuda, New Brunswick, Finland Mourning Stamps, Crete Kings and Queens Heads only\$.20

25 varieties B. N. American postage stamps including Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island etc\$.20

Postage extra. Remit by silver or money order.

J. H. JOST,

P. O. Box 244, Halifax, N. S. CANADA.

Danish West Indies Provisional.

Half of 4c on original cover\$.20
Can furnish upper or lower, right or left halves. Per set of four\$.70

50c ENTRY OF GOODS. PART PERF.

Catalogue price\$2.00

MY PRICE\$.20

To readers of this ad only. All good uncut copies. Only one to a customer.

FRANK STETSON,

L. B. 54, STA. F,

Washington, D. C.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

A UNIQUE AUCTION SALE

will be that one known as—

The Wolsieffer Sale No. 36

consisting of the Dr. Casey A. Wood Collection. There are only 647 lots consisting of but 647 stamps, and all issued before the year 1870. It will be exhibited in Boston at Frank Brown's, 389 Washington St., April 28th and 29th.

In New York City at J. C. Morgenthau & Co., 87 Nassau St. May 1st and 2nd.

Catalogues may be found at either place or supplied direct on request. Wolsieffer's Sale No. 37 consisting of the balance of the Wood Collection and the Spaulding Collection will be held May 23rd.

UNITED STAMP CO., 1149 Marquette, Chicago

FREE! FREE!

We want to give away as prizes, \$5.00 worth of fine stamps to each and every one answering this ad and sending for a selection of our sheets on approval.

If you enclose 15c in your letter we will also send you a packet of 12 different stamps catalogued over 70c.

Address

THE NEPTUNE STAMP CO.,

Station E.

PHILADELPHIA, - - PA

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	1.00
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	1.00
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and 1.00.....	1.00
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 d o. g.....	1.00
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	1.00
" 1898, complete set unused cat. \$1.80	1.00
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	1.00
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl. large stamp.....	1.00
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.00
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	1.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1g1, fine.....	1.00
" 2 1/2 g1, fine.....	1.00
" 5g1 fine.....	1.00
Wurtemberg, Official. No. 215.....	1.00
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	1.00
" Omaha, 50c green.....	1.00

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York

KING'S HEADS

12 varieties—Price 10c Postfree.

Send for our price list of British North American Postage Stamps.

CENTURY STAMP COMPANY,

P. O. Box 197, : : Montreal, Canada

A Brief History of the Association.

GORDON IRELAND.

American Philatelic Association No. 403.

During the spring and summer of the year 1886 there was in the philatelic papers, stamp shops, and local clubs, much serious discussion of the advantages and possibility of a national society for American stamp collectors. The agitation finally resulted in the gathering of a committee of five gentlemen to undertake the work of organization of such a society; Mr. S. B. Bradt, of Grand Crossing, Ill.; Mr. F. Cuno, of New York, N. Y.; Mr. Henderson, of Philadelphia, Pa., Mr. H. Mekeel, of St. Louis, Mo., and Mr. W. G. Whilden, Jr., of Atlanta, Ga., "On the afternoon of September 13," to quote from the first official circular of the association, "the committee * * * met in New York City for the purpose of counting the votes of such philatelists as had responded to their invitation to select officers for the association." Larger meetings of philatelists were held on the evening of that day, and the morning of the next in the Metropolitan assembly rooms, and devoted themselves to the drafting of a constitution for the coming society. At 12:20 p. m., on the 14th, Mr. R. R. Bogert, who had received 106 of the 193 votes counted for vice-president the day before, called to order the first meeting of the American Philatelic Association. The constitution was adopted "without reading the document, as all the members present had attended the previous convention and been over the constitution section by section;" a committee was appointed to draw up by-laws, and after passing a resolu-

tion intended to discourage the collection of reprints, the meeting adjourned until the evening of the same day. The officers declared elected were chosen by the preliminary mail vote, and besides Mr. Bogert were: President, Mr. John K. Tiffany, of St. Louis, Mo. (not at the meetings); secretary, Mr. S. B. Bradt, of Grand Crossing, Ill.; treasurer, Mr. L. W. Durbin, of Philadelphia, Pa., and international secretary, Mr. Joseph Rechert, of Hoboken, N. J. The by-laws were presented and duly adopted after considerable discussion at the evening meeting, Chicago chosen for the next gathering place, and the first convention of the American Philatelic Association was adjourned. Such is, in brief, the story of the beginning of the association, which, through various internal dissensions, fluctuations in membership, indecisions in policy, and varieties of worth to the philatelist, has stood for sixteen years as the foremost and representative society for the stamp collectors of the United States. Whatever a member may think nowadays of the questions whose merits were once so acrimoniously discussed, but which are now for the most part so happily buried, he can hardly fail to be proud of the undeniable supremacy rightfully earned and consistently maintained by the force of time alone by this oldest national American association.

If one were asked off-hand to name the things which he thought would be most likely to cause difficulties to

arise in any body of men banded for the pursuit of a single avocation, he might not unnaturally immediately propose those phases of the common pursuit which most closely have to do with the apparently universal human want, money. And it is interesting, almost startling, perhaps a bit disconcerting, to notice how generally, down to the smallest details, has this been true in the history of the association. The official publication, the board or editor to control it, the annual dues, the department of exchange, and its superintendency, probably financially always the most important post in the gift of the society, have all in turn been the source of storms and tropical tempests; not once alone and then to be settled, but frequently, in greater or less magnitude, have these questions arisen and reappeared. We present members ought certainly to be very thankful that the progress of the association for the last few years has been along paths so smooth and even that the things we read of in our bound periodicals seem alien and outgrown.

Perhaps the best instance of the change of heart the association has undergone is afforded by the record of its official publication. From the beginning there seems to have been among the members, and it would be rash to aver there were none of the same mind existing today—certain ones who felt strongly that the association was or should be strong enough to publish a reputable, satisfactory paper of its own; while there were other members who saw quite as clearly the large expense necessarily involved in such an undertaking. The association seems never yet to have found itself large enough to have the membership dues support the first-class publication desired by all; so

that the balance between these differing elements would appear never to have been permanently adjusted. The first by-laws, in section 6, provided for an "American Philatelist," with an editor who should "prepare for publication all official reports and other matter of interest to the members, exchange with the philatelic papers throughout the world, keep the association informed on all news in regard to new issues, discoveries and the doings of other societies, edit all essays, reports, etc., sent to him by members, and use his best judgment in accepting or refusing such articles." The crowning clause provided: "The compensation of the editor shall be ten dollars per month!" The duties defined seem still to stand as a very good skeleton of the ideal philatelic editor, but whether any of our contemporary magazines can supply one at the figure named might be a matter of considerable current interest. Certainly in 1887 the perfect stamp man who lived on nectar furnished from the gods had not been discovered, and after five issues, Volume I, of the *American Philatelist* came to an end on May 10, 1887, with the repeal by mail ballot of the clauses in the constitution supporting this section of the by-laws, the magazine issued not coming up to the standard thought necessary by various members and branch societies. The secretary had issued two circulars in November and December, 1886, while the *Journal* was being started, and two more official leaflets appeared from his office in April and June, 1887, while the change was being carried through. By a very deeply divided official board the *Western Philatelist*, of Chicago, Ill., was appointed official journal, and the association matter appeared in its columns in July, August and September, 1887. The publishers announced their

esignation of the appointment in the August number, desiring to promote harmony at the coming meeting, but published the full reports in their next issue. The second convention, held in Chicago, Ill., voted that the association again publish its own journal, under the supervision of a literary board. Incidentally, the constitution at this time providing for a two-year term, no officers were elected at this meeting.) On this occasion the American Philatelist lived through three whole volumes, under the guidance of a variously constituted board; but at the fifth convention, in New York City, it was abolished and the Metropolitan Philatelist of that city appointed official journal in its place. Official matter appeared only in the issue of November, 1890, by a mail vote the appointment was nullified, and the American Philatelist, still under the literary board, began volume V. in January, 1891. The eighth convention at Chicago, Ills., in August 1893, again suspended the paper (the last number being Vol., VII., No. 8, dated Aug. 10, 1893), provided for an annual by the same name to contain the officers' and convention reports, lists of members and literary contributions, and established a monthly circular which should bring the necessary official matter to the attention of members without making any pretensions to further journalistic merit. Twenty-four such circulars were issued, or through August, 1895, when by vote of the tenth convention at Clayton, N. Y., the reports were ordered printed in Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News and subscriptions entered for all members upon the terms of a bid submitted by the publishers. This arrangement was continued until September, 1897, when by vote of the twelfth conven-

tion at Boston, Mass., the award was transferred to The Weekly Philatelic Era upon similar provisions, an appointment which has since been renewed each year and is now standing. The first annual American Philatelist, under date of Feb. 5, 1894, was paged to continue Vol. VII., and must therefore be supposed to be No. 9. Since then each annual has been designated a volume by itself, and since 1895 has been published by the secretary under the direction of the board of directors. Since that year, also, no "literary contribution" of any sort has appeared within its covers, if one excepts statements by various superintendents of the needs and advantages of their departments and reports by the committee on philatelic literature not submitted at the conventions and therefore printed outside the stenographer's reports. All mention of such contributions has in the meantime dropped out of the by-laws. In the first two annuals there were summaries of all kinds of philatelic matters for the past year, well written, short timely articles, and notes of permanent value. Since 1899 the annual has included no dealers' advertisements.

In the early years of the association there was a strangely unbusinesslike custom in vogue of receiving a collector's application, electing him a member, and giving him all the privileges of the society without any payment whatever, though he was said not to be in good standing until he had settled his proper indebtedness to the association. The unnecessary looseness of this practice was gradually made evident, and after some legislation, an applicant did not receive the number and privileges of a member until he had paid the necessary dollar

for a stock certificate, and dues for the remainder of the current fiscal year. In 1886 the "revenues" of the association were declared by the constitution to be "For membership cards, annually, two dollars; an admission fee of twenty-five cents." In 1894 the dues in addition to the stock certificate fee had fallen to one dollar per annum; in 1896 they were raised to \$1.80, and in 1897 lowered to \$1.20 or ten cents a month, at which rate they have ever since remained.

During the winter of 1890 and the year 1891 talk began to be heard concerning the advantages in increased authority and reputation to be obtained from incorporation; and after ample advice, discussion and planning, on Jan. 20, 1892, the association was incorporated under the laws of West Virginia. At the eleventh convention, at Minnetonka Beach, Minn., in August, 1896, it was supposed that some ill had previously come to the association through the practice of cumulative voting, so called, by which all the nine votes of any member could be cast and counted for one candidate for office, provided none were entered for any other director. The legal members told the convention that it was improbable that such voting could be declared illegal under the existing corporate charter; and accordingly the convention of 1896 voted to reincorporate in another state if such a step should be necessary to prohibit the practice, and also to change the name to the American Philatelic Society, "in order that the initials shall not be confused with those of an extensively advertised association of a widely different character." The members experienced a change of heart before the twelfth convention in Boston, Mass., however, and then voted to reject the charter obtained under the laws of

Minnesota for the American Philatelic Society, to incorporate in that state under the name "American Philatelic Association," and to pay the treasurer of West Virginia ten dollars to keep alive for the succeeding year the charter from his state. Those whose love for that which was old maintained the initials they had possessed for a half score of years have since the dying out of the excitement attendant upon the presidential election then current had no cause to regret their refusal to surrender the letters to the political society now so thoroughly quiescent. The recommendation was carried out by the board of directors by retaining the Minnesota charter obtained for the "Society" on June 30, 1897, and amending the name by certificate on Dec. 31, 1897. The last provision concerning the payment of the state tax to West Virginia, turned out to be a somewhat different move from that which the association had anticipated. The auditor of that respected commonwealth had been doing a little legal still hunting for reasons which no one yet apparently has been able to fathom, and discovered that our organization had not "its principal place of business or chief works" in his state. Thereupon the tax became fifty dollars for a foreign corporation. He haughtily spurned the ten the vice presidents had offered, and furthermore explained that back taxes at the rate of forty dollars for four years were due and payable. The vice presidents under these circumstances, were ready to relieve the association of its West Virginia charter by suffering forfeiture, whereupon the state authorities decided we were a literary and not a money-making corporation, and accepted the ten dollars first tendered. Half at least of this definition we probably still fulfill. The charters of incorporation are apparently valid in both states, certainly so until brought before the courts.

In general, the officers of the association have been almost constantly subject to minor changes, without a great many of serious import. Those who are now "Auction Agents," were formerly designated "Purchasing Agents"; and at one time in 1888 there were as many as six of them. The purchasing department suffered various vicissitudes of name and place, and finally expired altogether in 1897 for want of patronage. Branches sprang up in great profusion under the policy of the association in 1887-89, and since then have gradually weakened in activity and influence, with a few notable exceptions. The number of vice presidents was increased from one to three at the eleventh convention, in August, 1896, and they took over the disciplinary and executive duties of the former board of trustees, also of three members, which had existed from the birth of the association. In August, 1899, at the fourteenth convention, at Detroit, Mich., the library of the association was transferred to the Carnegie Library at Pittsburg, Pa., Mr. E. H. Anderson, librarian, elected a member and our librarian, with dues paid by the association, and Mr. H. E. Deats made assistant librarian, having held the former position since August, 1894. The counterfeit detectors have been but two in the history of the association: Mr. E. A. Holton to September, 1894, and Mr. John W. Scott from that time until the abolition of the office at the seventeenth convention in Springfield, Mass., and the creation of the expert committee. Mr. E. Doebelin has been international sec-

retary for six of the sixteen years of the association, and continuously since April, 1900, upon the death of Mr. C. P. Krouth. Although the matter has upon no less than three separate occasions caused some discussion, there has never been any provision inserted in the by-laws that a director shall not be a candidate for an appointive office within the bestowal of the board of directors. The association has honored but four men with its presidency in the course of American philately: John R. Tiffany, Sept. 14, 1886; Frank F. Olney, August, 1896-July, 1889; George S. Toppan, August, 1899-July, 1902; and Alexander Holland, since August, 1902. The ten-year term of the first of these gentlemen is the longest period for which any of its officers has ever served.

As we look back over the record, we shall probably conclude that the years 1895-7, which are generally supposed to mark a geographic change in the control in the affairs of the association, were the busiest ones through which it has ever passed; they marked its maximum membership, its first change of presidents, its reincorporation for the abolition of cumulative voting, its only change of official weekly journal, and its substitution of a board of vice presidents for the trustees, with the general reorganization of the directorate. Let us hope that we may soon be well on the road again toward the recovery of one of these things whose loss every one must unite in regretting: the high-water mark membership, on Oct. 10, 1896, of 1,056!

CONVENTIONS.

No.	Date.	Place.	Present.	Prox-les.	Vot-ing.	Mem-ber-ship.
1.	Sept. 14, 1886.	New York, N. Y.	..	..	108	119
2.	Aug. 8-10, 1887.	Chicago, Ill.	22	165	187	276
3.	Aug. 13, 1888.	Boston, Mass.	65	304	369	544
4.	Oct. 7, 1889.	St. Louis, Mo.	30(?)	440	470(?)	668
5.	Aug. 4, 1890.	New York, N. Y.	65	400	465	689
6.	Aug. 17, 1891.	New York, N. Y.	49	228	277	568
7.	Aug. 15-17, 1892.	Niagara Falls, N. Y.	23	158	181	313
8.	Aug. 15-16, 1893.	Chicago, Ill.	45	219	264	490
9.	Aug. 21-22, 1894.	Niagara Falls, N. Y.	28	200	228	770
10.	Aug. 13-16, 1895.	Clayton, N. Y.	43	624	667	1,009
11.	Aug. 11-13, 1896.	Minnetonka Beach, Minn.	37	674	711	1,049
12.	Aug. 24-26, 1897.	Boston, Mass.	84	417	501	879
13.	Aug. 23-26, 1898.	New York, N. Y.	63	208	271	713
14.	Sept. 11-13, 1899.	Detroit, Mich.	27	226	253	583
15.	Aug. 28-30, 1900.	Milwaukee, Wis.	50	300	350	565
16.	Aug. 20-22, 1901.	Buffalo, N. Y.	59	271	330	532
17.	Aug. 12-14, 1902.	Springfield, Mass.	48	228	276	565
18.	Aug. 11, 1903.	Clayton, N. Y.	..	..	..	..

AMERICAN PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION

Its Purposes and Advantages

ALEXANDER HOLLAND.

American Philatelic Association No. 1474.

What is the value of a membership in the American Philatelic Association? is daily asked by hundreds of stamp collectors, and it is my intention to try in this short article to enlighten some few of our brother philatelists, who still remain outside of the fold, on this point. In the first place, all good, enthusiastic stamp collectors who have the interest and welfare of their hobby at heart, should support the National organization as strongly as they are able to. Of course there are some who can do a very much greater amount of work, either because of their capacity for work, or their environment. But, nevertheless, no matter how little work one may be able to accomplish, the mere fact that you associate yourself actively with the National organization, is in itself a great help and every man should do his best to support the National organization, because by so doing he strengthens the hold of philately and brings it to a higher level among the thinking people of the community, and thereby gives to his collection, however valuable it may be, a certain stability of worth which increases as the strength of the National and local affiliated associations grows. Therefore, the advantage of membership in the American Philatelic Association, is primarily the general advancement of the hobby of stamp collecting and the secondary consideration of advancing the value of one's own property. Further than this, it is the intention, the

idea and the purpose of the American Philatelic Association, through its offices, to check the counterfeiter, the blackmailer or the unscrupulous schemer who may try to defraud in some way or other some stamp collector, who is not always able to obtain the best information on certain subjects, and then the advantages of the exchange department are such, especially to those who do not live in the great philatelic centers, which are naturally in the large cities of the country, as to give them an opportunity to purchase or sell through the medium of this exchange, stamps from or to members of the association, and which enables them to acquire large collections, without having to go to the large cities where stocks of the dealers are kept. The association is at present engaged through a committee appointed by the Board of Directors in compiling an index of the best and most prominent Philatelic papers in the world. This work, when it is completed, which I hope may be in the next two or three years, will enable a member of the American Philatelic Association to procure from the library the book or books which contain articles upon the stamps of the country in which he may be interested.

These are some few of the advantages which accrue to one who joins the National organization, and I hope the perusal of this may be the means of bringing many of the readers of the World into the Association.

FROM OUR TREASURER'S STANDPOINT.

C. L. ANNAN.

American Philatelic Association No. 1327.

You desire my views of the association from the treasurer's standpoint.

In the first place you will note that the dues are very nicely balanced to meet running expenses. The stock fund now amounts to about three dollars per member and \$1,200 of it is drawing interest, leaving quite a little margin available in case the next convention sees fit to push the Philatelic Index or any other project.

It is almost incredible that so comparatively few collectors see their way to membership in the national body, probably not one in a thousand. Association with men of like pursuit in any direction is desirable on general principles, material advantages aside. A member of a society like ours, for instance, has ever an expectant interest, while there are practically no obligations if one is passively inclined. Emulation of the work of associates is not necessarily called for. The retiring collector does not court publicity in becoming a member, nor should he fear to be classed as a crank or degenerate by so doing. There are some decidedly sane and congenial people who can learn philately. A member is not called upon to strive for an advanced standard, though membership might exert a gentle influence to effort which he would find agreeable in spite of himself.

There are seasons in the life of a collector when pressure of daily duties parts him from his hobby, but he does not know at what moment circumstances may favor him again, and he will always have a little time to keep

up his general interest preparatory to that day. As an Association member he will now and then receive little reminders and incentives to action. He gets his weekly paper and has the pleasure of looking over the stamps in the circuit books whether he feels disposed to buy or not. (This, of course, if he is not isolated). He is frequently the recipient of circulars and catalogues of more or less interest. If he chances to have good duplicates they are sold for him at good prices. He may attend the meetings of the local branch if he likes or the annual convention, perhaps, and one session with Doebelin is well worth the price of admission. But what are the material returns to offset the dues? We might state them to be: 52 copies of the official paper, 50c; the year book, 25c; privilege to examine and purchase desirable stamps and opportunity to dispose of similar stamps in a broad market, 45c. Total, \$1.20.

The benefits set forth in the last item are illusive, as perhaps it will cost twenty or thirty cents to get a peep at even one circuit. This is the misfortune of the isolated member. We have about seventy-five such members, however, and this is an incentive for them to bestir themselves for an increase of membership in their immediate vicinity, for ten members in one place makes the cost of a circuit immaterial and even one additional member reduces the expense one-half.

Take it all in all it is surprising that stamp collectors in the mass are not a little more gregarious. Yours truly,

C. L. ANNAN.

THE PRECANCELLED.

GEO. F. DUCK,

American Philatelic Association No. 1652.

Why the legitimacy of collecting precancelled stamps should be questioned is incomprehensible. If the cancellation "B 64" instead of the ordinary dating stamp enhances the value of the first issue of Seychelles, surely that of Chicago, 9-1, Illinois, between bars on a fifty-cent current issue U. S., increases its value and renders it collectible provided that there are more people wanting this peculiar cancellation than there are stamps so cancelled. From another point of view, anything may be called collectible, be it in the form of bonds, railroads, pictures, books, or stamps that any reasonable number of people decide to be desirable, odd or hard to obtain. There is no question as to the "legitimacy" of collecting precancelled stamps, the fashion is with us and will undoubtedly remain, particularly since firms of the standing of Drew and Wolsieffer have seen fit to give these stamps a place in their auction catalogues.

The status of many of the stamps is, however, very questionable. The instructions issued by the Third Assistant Postmaster General are clear, not only as to the form of cancellation, but as to who shall use them. The regulations provide that the name of the town shall be printed between two bars, and that no one be permitted to use them unless mailing at least 50,000 pieces of third or fourth class matter a month and not less than 5,000 pieces at one time. Many stamps used in the proper quantity (Binghamton, N. Y., etc.) are not properly cancelled; on the other hand,

many properly cancelled are not used in the quantities provided by the Department. An issue of precancelled stamps "limited to 2,000 copies of all values" (Northampton, Mass., 1902) is absurd. These stamps, as well as E. Clarendon and Putney, Vermont, Salem, Mass., etc, were issued in some instances "over the counter," and sold to any applicant. The writer has the largest collection of these in existence (they cost money, too,) and cannot be accused of crying "sour grapes." There is no such thing as a precancelled "postage due," and "bar" cancellations are not legitimate. One thing can be said in defense of bar cancellations, however, they have almost always been used in the quantities provided by the Department and are not speculative. The trouble is that they are not cancelled in the prescribed form. I believe that any precancelled stamp issued since 1899, which can be found in one or two collections only, is held for fancy prices or can be had in complete "o. g." sets, is to be looked upon with suspicion.

The number of varieties in existence is unknown, but presumably 1,300 to 1,400 will cover all, including normals and inverts, ups and downs, varieties in date, colored inks, omitted periods, etc. The writer's collection numbers some 1,150, of which all but fifty or seventy-five are legitimate varieties due to errors of type, differences in date, and the like. The small number referred to is largely composed of misprints and freaks.

The oldest stamp I have seen is a Burlington, Vt., surcharged on the 1 cent, gray-blue of 1882 (No. 206)

and of this but two copies are known, one being in my collection, and the other in that of Mr. Best, of this city. Mr. A. Lloyd Jones reports a two-cent black (No. 93 ?) used by James Vick Sons, Rochester, N. Y., in 1868, but this I have not seen. Other very rare early issues are the one and two cent 1894, surcharged both horizontally and vertically, for use in Calla, Ohio. The 1890 one-cent is reported used in this town. The three-cent 1894, surcharged vertically in capitals and without bars, for La Crosse, Wis., as well as the same stamp, either normal or inverted, for Boston, Mass., is of an extreme order of rarity.

An interesting oddity is the Fricks, Pa. Here the stamps were affixed to the envelope and quantities of these stamped envelopes passed through a printing press, coming therefrom cancelled partly on the stamp, partly on the envelope, Fricks, Pa., with date below, all between bars. There are two known dates of these stamps, December, 1901, and February, 1902.

The evolution and history of a precancelled stamp may well be studied in the issues of St. Paul. Reported as used in 1890, they certainly appeared in 1894. In the case of the four-cent stamp (the one, three or six cent value could be used), we first have two vertical bars, 1 1-2 m m. wide and 9 m m. apart. The word "St. Paul" was then inserted between the bars, as provided by the regulations, on the following catalogue numbers: 254, 269, 280 and 280a. At some time after 1898 the word "MINN." was added below "St. Paul," and finally in one apparently limited printing the type was changed to a smaller and finer, the bars narrowed to 1-2 mm. and placed but 7 mm. apart. In 1901 the Pan-American one-cent was surcharged horizontally for use in St. Paul.

The only place reporting the use of the Omaha series is Minneapolis, where the one-cent value was surcharged diagonally.

I note the following one-cent "Pan-Americans" in my collection: Aurora, Ill, Topeka, Kans., Wichita, Kans., St. Paul, Minn., Akron, Ohio, West Grove, Pa., Providence, R. I., and Putney, Vt. I also have the two-cent "Pan-American" for East Clarendon, but as only half a sheet was printed and the stamps were then sold over the counter, it is merely a curiosity.

Dated specimens of most places are now difficult to secure, as anyone who has attempted to fill up Chicago 3-1 and 4-2 will appreciate. E. Camb. and Sta. A., Boston, are also of a high order of rarity. As to dates, it is pleasing to note that many towns, as Chicago, Chattanooga and Racine, have dropped these. I am by no means complete in Chicago, yet have 239 dated varieties, including, of course, double prints, figure one with serif, etc.

A serious stumbling block in the way of precancelled stamp collecting has been the want of catalogues and a society. Happily, the latter of these difficulties has been overcome in the organization of the Precancelled Stamp Club, with its exchange circuits. Aldrich's list in the Era, together with the more lately issued supplement in the same paper is unfortunately out of print. It was very complete at the time, but of course is now antedated. Mr. Gates has had a catalogue in preparation for some time, and I understand that our very good friend, Mr. D. W. Osgood, of South Forks, Colorado, has one concealed about his clothes, the completeness of which will cast Moens in the shade. I should add that another

source of trouble to the collector has been the absence of any basis for exchange, that is, a priced catalogue has not been issued and probably cannot be. Ideas vary as to value. I am offered the 1887 Burlington from one source at 75c, from another at \$2.50. Personally, I feel that no precancelled stamp is worth as much as a dollar, though I would not take five for my 1882 Burlington. It would seem that for the vast majority of stamps, that is, for all but the earlier issues, a fair basis of exchange would be at the rate of double face value for the one, two and three cents, one and one-half times face for the four, five and six cents, and face value for the eight, ten and fifty. The fifteen cent, used legitimately in Chicago only, is quite common and can hardly be valued at over ten cents. The fifty-cent Chicago, when dated, is probably worth a dollar, undated, considerably less. In the end, as in everything else, the law of supply and demand will prevail and if the number of collectors increases, as it undoubtedly will, a time will shortly come when values will be more or less stable and a priced catalogue a possibility.



CHICAGO NOTES.

(Phoenix.)

Warren E. Burton, the Canadian revenue collector of Lake Geneva, Wis., was in the city for a few days recently.

J. J. Oesch made a trip to Dubuque, Iowa, this week. While there he had not time to look up any of the local collectors.

The United Stamp Co. will hold three auction sales during April. The Dr. Casey Wood sale will be held April 25, while F. N. Massoth will hold a sale on or about April 11.

During April F. N. Massoth will sell by auction the finest lot of wholesale stock ever sold in this city. Among other things a lot of 2,000 Hungary 3 krone, Eastern Roumelia, Sarawak, Zanzibars, Siam, etc., in hundred lots.

The new two-cent stamped envelope was seen here on March on both white and amber paper. All copies seen so far have come from Odel, Ill. The design is rank in the extreme, the embossing faint and the color washy. Local collectors are thoroughly disgusted with its entire get-up.

The Wolsieffer sale of March 28, for which the catalogues are now out, contains a lot of good single stamps; also some of the freak revenues.

A company in this city have in their show case three \$5.00 black and green proprietories, one \$1.00 and four fifty cents. It is safe to say that no other stamp company in the world possesses such a number of these stamps.

The meeting of the Chicago branch of the American Philatelic Association, held on the evening of March 12, brought out sixteen members. The meeting was a very enthusiastic one and far different from those of a few months ago. L. Michael was made open exchange manager, which is a new departure for the branch.

At the meeting of the Chicago Branch of the A. P. A., three new members were received for the parent body.

The series of exhibitions held by the C. P. S. are now completed. It is doubtful if any more will be held this year.

A collector here shows a pair of British Guiana 1c rose of 1864 on cover. An Eastern expert, to whom it was sent, said he was unable to give an opinion on its genuineness.

All of the new series of stamps from 1 to 13 cents have been seen here. The new 2c envelope has appeared on white, blue, amber and Oriental buff.

A collector here has been fortunate enough to secure from a bank a good number of the 1c U. S. surcharged R. I. One of the copies sold in a recent auction for \$1.55.

A stamp company here is offering the 3 krona Hungary for 4 cents. This is the result of a large deal with a European dealer. It was claimed at one time that only 2,500 of these stamps were ever issued, but the writer has seen more than that in one parcel.

The sales department of the A. P. A. is progressing in a way which is most creditable to the manager, J. J. Oesch. The sales from one of the books which was retired recently averaged 92 per cent of the value of the book.

There is a very noticeable increase in the demand for foreign revenues. A number of collectors here are saving them and dealers report that a number of inquiries for these stamps come in by mail. There is room for a foreign revenue catalogue and album.

C. Schliekert, president of the C. P. S., has been laid up with rheumatism, but is now a good deal better and expects to be out again in a few days.

E. L. Warner, of Grand Rapids, Mich., who has been staying at the Auditorium Hotel for the past few months, leaves for the East about the middle of this month.

The United Stamp Co. show three complete sets of black and green proprietary stamps, including the

\$5 value. They also have several odd 50c and \$1 stamps of the same issue.

Z. G. Stebbins, who has been down in New Orleans this winter was fortunate enough to secure a number of Confederate locals, 237 English 2 shilling blue, hundreds of early French and lots of other good things, including high values of the first issue of U. S. Revenues.

W. H. Adams has been in Kansas City and managed to pick up a few good United States envelopes.

Gentle persuasion will obtain from the Chicago postoffice copies of the envelopes of the 1883 issue and later. These can only be obtained at the wholesale stamp window.



PHILATELY—THE HISTORY TEACHER.

Frank F. Olney,
American Philatelic Association No.
237.

(Extracted from his address as president, made at the Boston convention, Aug. 24, 1897.)

"Nearly everybody collects stamps nowadays; it has grown to be an enormous business, and young and old seem to be alike fascinated with it. Once a person becomes interested in the collection of a few stamps it is surprising the educational influence it awakens, stimulates his mind and he soon learns to become familiarly acquainted with the geographical location and advantages of different countries, as well as to study the lives and character of their rulers.

"It is an agreeable and at the same time instructive occupation and serves to refresh the mind after all the other elements that enter into our busy life have failed. It shows us the progress

and development of civilization all over the globe and puts us in close touch with all the nations of the earth and gives the imagination full sway, while a ponderous historical book would only serve to confuse and then fail to satisfy us as a bright little stamp is sure to do."



PERSIA'S EMBLEM.

V. Gurdji.

American Philatelic Association No. 129.

We very often wonder at the significance of the lion and sun in most of the Persian postage stamps, and as the collectors at large are not very familiar with the beautiful emblem of Persia, a brief description will, no doubt, be interesting.

The "arms" of Persia consist of a lion holding an open "yataghan" uplifted in its right paw, and the rising sun dominating from its back. Persians from their earliest history have been fire and sun worshippers. So the sun has been their insignia for generations before they adopted the faith of Mahomet. The lion was added about eight centuries ago, it being the emblem of one of the nomadic tribes whom the Persians had conquered. The double-edged sword signifies the absolute power of the Persian rulers. This emblem is used as a coat of arms on the coins, postage stamps, as well as on the flag.



The Ziseman Match Series.

E. R. ALDRICH,

American Philatelic Association
No. 32.

If full catalogue value must be paid to secure the eight specimens necessary, an outlay of \$21.10 will be necessary to show the set of stamps brought into existence by the

use of the private die, originally designed for the match firm of Ziseman, Griesheim & Co., of St. Louis. The design was approved by the commissioner on Oct. 4, 1867, and the first stamps (printed in green on old paper and which is the rare one, catalogueing \$15.00) delivered the following March. Five months later the color of the ink was changed to blue and continued current for about seven years, during which time both old and silk paper was used, the specimens on the former being worth about seven times as much as the latter, although the proportion of issue was less than one to two. In October, 1875, the wording of the firm name on the plate was changed to F. Mansfield & Co., they having become the successors to the earlier firm, and specimens are found silk, pink and watermarked paper. The number issued on different paper is, I believe, unknown, but if price is a criterion, the greater bulk of the two million issued are on silk and pink paper, in about equal proportion and but few on watermarked. Again, through the change of firm name, a third alteration in the plate was made, in December, 1879, and the "Alligator Match Co." remained thereon, until in 1883 match stamps became unnecessary articles for manufacturers. Two varieties exist of the product of the last stage of the plate—the perforate, which is fairly common, and the rouletted, which ranks in the same grade as the silk paper Mansfield. Just when the rouletted specimens appeared or how long use has not yet been ascertained, but, judging from the price, the inference would be that about ten per cent of the nearly twenty-nine million issued would be thus separated

OUR EARLY CONVENTIONS.

Wm. C. STONE.

American Philatelic Association No. 49.

The editor suggests that I give the readers of *The Philatelic World* a few recollections of the early conventions of the association, as I am one of the few remaining charter members, and with the single exception of Secretary Deats, hold the record for attendance at our annual gatherings. I do so with pleasure, for it is to these meetings that I owe my acquaintance with most of my philatelic friends.

Although the first meeting of the association was held only a short distance from my home, I was not able to get to New York to attend it on account of business matters. My name and ballot were there, however, in time to get on the roll of charter members. How few there are left of us now! Of the committee on organization who signed the call for the first meeting and who had charge of the preliminary arrangements for founding our society, there is not one left to us now. Cuno, Bradt, Whilden Henderson, Mekeel, all have dropped out. Of the charter members there are but few left. Probably the editor has a list of them in another part of the paper, so I will not try to give them here.

The official organ of the association was at first an eight-page circular containing simply the reports and announcements of the officers. Two numbers were issued in November and December, 1886, and then the first number of the *American Philatelist* appeared in January, 1887. This contained but little more than the former publication, and after some five numbers had been issued it was

suppressed by a mail vote of the members. At the same time the vote was taken, the members expressed their preference for the magazines which they wished to see appointed as the official journal, and the official board were to select from the three receiving the highest number of votes. The *Philatelic Journal of America* and the *Western Philatelist* received 79 and 59 respectively and the rest were scattering. By a vote of three to two the *Western Philatelist* was selected, and there was at once a protest from the members at large. President Tiffany and Secretary Bradt each issued circulars and explained their stand, and the war raged for weeks in the papers. As the time for the convention drew near the members began to gather at Chicago, and, as Henry Calman expressed it, we were armed with knives and tomahawks and were thirsting for blood. I believe I was the first delegate to reach the windy city, arriving some few weeks before the time in order to visit some relatives. I lost no time in getting acquainted with the local cranks, and, of course, went at once to the office of S. B. Bradt, the secretary of the association. Through him I soon became acquainted with most of the Chicago men and had many a chat on association matters. I was a *P. J. of A.* man, and they of course were for the *Western Philatelist*. But we did not any of us lose our scalps. The day for the convention having arrived we gathered in the parlors of the Tremont House. It was my first meeting with John K. Tiffany, C. H. Me-

keel and E. B. Sterling, men with whom I had been in correspondence for years. Many were the caucuses we held that morning before the session, and when the meeting was on harmony prevailed. It had all been fixed up without squabbling in the convention.

Our lady stenographer was by unanimous consent assigned to the care of Charlie Gadsden, who had applied for the post as soon as he learned we were to have one of the gentler sex. She evidently appeared on this earth about the same time as postage stamps, and when Bradt came to revise her report they all say he used "cuss" words galore. She was "so interested" in the proceedings that she forgot to take notes half the time. I reported the convention for three papers, and have always thought my report in the *Philatelic Century* was far superior to that of the official journal. Six sessions were held during the three days, three of them being on the first day! What do the present day attendants think of that? The official journal question was settled very satisfactorily by the re-establishment of the *American Philatelist* as a monthly magazine under the management of a board of three members. May the time soon come when we can again pass a similar vote!

A group photograph was taken of those present, and as it hangs before me it recalls many pleasant remembrances. Of those there included I believe only five are now members of the association and some are dead. Many of them I have never seen since the convention, others I still meet occasionally.

The banquet was a big success, and the grand march of the African waiters under the leadership of a pompous major domo was enough to paralyze

one. The *Chicago Times*, before the convention, announced that while Chicago had had all sorts of conventions they had never before had a meeting of d— fools. They changed their opinion, however, and gave us splendid reports in the daily papers. A metallic button was authorized by the convention, and Charles E. Bird of New York given the contract. Quite a number were sold, but I rarely see one nowadays. In fact, I do not know of but four specimens. As the vote has never been rescinded or the button replaced by another design, does it not still stand as the only official badge?

But I have taken up too much space already with the Chicago convention, and so must leave the others for a later number. I append a list of those present at the two first conventions, taken from my notebook, and which I believe the first complete lists ever published.

New York, 1886.—Theo. F. Cuno, Geo. Henderson, S. B. Bradt, C. H. Mekeel, Max Isenstein, R. R. Bogert, Alvah Davison, Henry Collins, C. S. S. Miller, E. B. Sterling, Henry L. Calman, W. H. Mitchell, H. N. Terrett, Joseph Rechert, W. H. Warner, Gustave Aue, Hugo Goldsmith, E. Von Schank, W. W. Thomas, C. E. Bird, A. G. Hubert.

Chicago, 1887.—J. K. Tiffany, S. B. Bradt, E. B. Sterling, C. H. Mekeel, W. C. Stone, F. B. Stebbins, P. M. Wolsieffer, W. V. Nicholson, H. B. Seagrave, Eugene Dill, H. L. Calman, C. R. Gadsden, S. B. Bradford, T. J. Mitchell, G. S. Wilson, C. J. Fuelscher, F. B. Perry, W. C. Kurzweg, W. S. Tower, C. E. Hutchison, W. J. Clark, W. E. W. MacKinlay, L. A. Haskell, J. H. Huber, H. B. Myers, J. A. Pierce, S. C. Stevens, E. S. Voute, C. R. Gadsden.

NEW CARDS.**A. Lohmeyer.**

American Philatelic Association No. 46
ORANGE RIVER COLONY.—Among my late arrivals from this new British Colony were a dozen copies of new King's head penny cards, all my correspondent could obtain on February 10th, these new cards having just been issued, in limited quantities only, in honor of Chamberlain's visit to Bloemfontein. The type is the same as all new Colonials chronicled recently.

P. C. 1d carmine on cream, 89x139 m-m.

NEW ZEALAND.—I have received a very elaborate one penny letter card from this British possession. The face of the card, printed from a wood block, represents, on the left side, extending, in a narrow strip, over the bottom of the card, a coast scene, with a tall fern-palm in the foreground. In the upper center of the design is a tablet, 75 m-m long, with the inscription "NEW ZEALAND LETTER CARD," surmounted by the royal arms, while the stamp, with portrait of the King, appears in the upper right corner. The whole design is surrounded by an ornamental frame. Below the design are the usual instructions for additional postage, if used for transmission abroad, and for opening the letter card. The reverse shows a half-tone reproduction of various New Zealand views, grouped together in one design, surrounded by a frame, to correspond with the face of the card.

L. C. 1d, violet-brown on greenish, 144 m-m, perf. IV, B.

**BOSTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY.****C. A. Howes, Sec'y.**

The 124th regular meeting was

held on Tuesday evening, March 17, 1903, with thirty members and friends present. Six new members were voted in, two applications for membership received, and one resignation read.

Considerable discussion was had over matters pertaining to society business, and then an informal auction was held.

The exhibition for the evening was of 20th century stamps, there being two classes, one for exhibits in printed albums, and one for exhibits in blank albums. Three exhibits were entered, two in the former and one in the latter class. Mr. Alex. Holland and Mr. E. M. Carpenter won silver medals for printed and blank albums, respectively, and Mr. G. F. Loring won a bronze medal for printed album exhibit. Mr. Holland's exhibit was the largest, containing over 1,200 varieties for the scarcely more than two years included, and being especially notable for the appearance of the three inverted Pan-Americans, though the 4-cent was a "specimen." All three collections presented a fine array, and almost all specimens were unused.

**With Our Contemporaries.**

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

Philatelic West

For February contains the usual number of departments, and among the stamp articles may be noted the beginning of an article on a country of rarities (British Guiana) by Frank C. Young. L. G. Dorpat discusses the inscriptions on Egyptian stamps, R. R. Thiele's review as usual devotes nearly all its space to foreign papers,

and is one of the West's many good things. He also contributes notes on counterfeits of U. S. and Straits Settlements. Steinbrueck contributes his usual supply of "Chips," not only readable, but full of information. Chas. A. Nast presides over the Revenue department as usual and furnishes some valuable information. The portrait gallery contains the likeness of Dr. J. M. Brooks of Garden City, Mo., Harry F. Trumble of South Omaha, Neb., and Henry Lamotte of Paris, France. In the society reports four applicants are noted in the Nebraska Philatelic society, and two in the Kansas.

Nordisk Filatelisten Tidsskrift

For January opens with a review of 1902 by Otto R. Holmberg, followed by a review of Danish philatelic affairs for 1902, an article on the new German official follows. Nearly four pages are occupied with the new issue chronicle. In "Here and There" it is stated that 72,000,000 copies of the 1d black 1840 were issued, that the English half-penny stamp cost £12 per million, that in 1900 the total number of Swedish stamps of all values issued was 102,107,550, and that 68,638,939 krona were sent by postal money order. Nearly two pages are given up to society reports, the first that of Goteberg society giving an account of the celebration of their sixteenth anniversary, the Copenhagen society held their 337th meeting on Dec. 17, and elected two new members, the membership number of the last being 656. The proceedings of the Lund Philatelic society's meeting of Dec. 6 is also given.

Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift for February opens with a valuable bibliographical article upon "Philatelic Journalism in the Northland," from

the pen of Otto Rommel, of Leipzig. If space would permit I would like to reproduce the article in toto, as the various notes include much of interest, but space forbids, but as I know of no list accessible in English I have condensed the reference list:

DENMARK.

1. Nordisk Frimaerke Tidende, Copenhagen. Vol. I., 10 numbers, Aug. 1867 to June, 1868. Nos. 8-9 combined, also 11-12.
2. Skandinavisk Frimaerke Tidende, Copenhagen. Vol. I., 3 nos. Vol. II., 12 nos. Oct., 1876, to Dec., 1877.
3. Skandinavisk Frimaerke Journal, Copenhagen. Vol. I., 3 nos. Vol. II., 5 nos. Oct., 1876, to May, 1877.
4. Nordisk Frimaerkeverden, Copenhagen. Vol. I., 4 nos., Jan. to April, 1878.
5. Skandinavisk Frimaerke Tidende, Copenhagen. Vol. I., 6 nos., April to Sept., 1890.
6. Skandinavisk Frimaerke Tidende, Copenhagen. Vol. I., 12 nos., Vol. II., 12 nos., Vol. III., 9 nos. (4-5 combined, also 7-8 and 10-11), Oct., 1890, to Sept., 1893.
7. Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift. see Norway No. 4.
8. Philatelist Journal, Nibe. Vol. I., 2 nos. April and May, 1894.
9. Frimaerke-Handleres og Samleres Advertisements Hæften, Aarhus. Vol. I., 1 no. May (?), 1894.
10. Meddelelser resp. Meddelelser published Copenhagen Klub and Lund Society. One number, Aug., 1899.
11. Nordisk Frimaerke Tidende, Skanderborg. Vol. I., 12 nos., Vol. II., 5 nos., Jan., 1900, to May, 1901.

NORWAY.

1. Nordisk Frimaerkeblad Arendal (last five numbers, Skien). Vol. I., 12 nos., July, 1884, to July, 1887. Vol. II., 3 nos. (13, 14-15, 16-17-18), Aug. to Dec., 1887, Gratis number Dec., 1888, Vol. III., 4 nos., Jan. to May, 1889.
2. Nordisk Frimaerkeblad, Christiania. Vol. I., 12 nos., Vol. II., 13 nos. (there being 6a and 6b), Jan., 1892 to Dec., 1893.
3. Aalesunds Frimaerkeblad, Aalesunds. Vol. I., 3 nos., Oct., 1893 Jan., 1894.
4. Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift. This paper was formed by the union of the Nordisk Frimaerkeblad (see supra No. 2) and Tidning for Frimarkssamlare (see Sweden No. 1) and is published under direction of the Nordiska Filatelist-Forbundet and the various volume issued as below from the different places as decided by the association, according to it is listed by number under each country, but data given here.
Vol. I. and II., each 24 nos., appeared alternately from Christiania and Stockholm.
Vol. III., 20 nos., Stockholm, Sweden.
Vol. IV., 20 nos., Christiania, Norway.
Vol. V., 20 nos., Copenhagen, Denmark.
Vol. VI., 20 nos., Stockholm, Sweden.
Vol. VII., 12 nos., Christiania, Norway.
Vol. VIII., 12 nos., Copenhagen, Denmark.

Vol. IX., 12 nos., Lund, Sweden.

The first number appeared Jan., 1894, and the current Vol. X. is appearing from Lund.

3. Filatellisten, Aalesund. Vol. I., 2 nos., May to June, 1894.

4. Internationalt Frimaerkeblad, Mosjoen. One number, Sept., 1894.

5. Nordisk Frimaerke Tidende, Aalesund. One number, Jan., 1895.

6. Filatellistisk Offertteblad, Christiana. Announced for Feb., 1898 but doubtful if it appeared.

SWEDEN.

1. Tidning for Frimarkssamlare, Stockholm. Announcement Dec., 1886., Vol. I., 12 nos., Vol. II., 12 nos., Vol. III., 11 nos. (6-7 combined), Vol. IV., 12 nos., Vol. V., 11 nos., Vol. VI., 10 nos., Vol. VII., 10 nos., Jan., 1887, to Dec., 1893.

2. Frimarks-Samlaren, Stockholm. Announcement Dec., 1892, Vol. I., 10 nos. (7-8 combined, also 10-11).

3. Skandinavisk Frimarkstidning, Malmö. Announcement Feb., 1893.

4. International Briefmarken Anzeiger. Norrköping. Vol. I., 2 nos., Oct.-Nov., 1893.

5. Nordisk Filatellistisk Tidsskrift. See Norway No. 4.

6. Frimarkssamlaren, Halmstad. Vol. I., 4 nos., Vol. II., 9 nos. (4-5 combined, also 6-7 and 11-12), Aug., 1897, to Nov., 1898.

7. Meddeleiser. See Norway, No. 10.

8. Svensk Filatellistisk Tidsskrift, Stockholm. Vol. I., 12 nos., Vol. II., 10 nos., Vol. III., 10 nos., Vol. IV., current. First number Jan., 1900.

FINLAND.

1. Finska Filatellisten, Helsingfors. No. 0, Feb., 1894.

2. Offertenblatt for Frimarken-Sammler und Händler, Jyväskylä. Vol. I., 3 nos., Jan. to March, 1896.

A page article on the subject of the post exposition to be held at Stockholm this year follows, succeeded by a short article upon who own the stamps on postal orders, quoting official circulars upon the subject, five and a half pages are occupied with the chronicle of new issues. The announcement of the disbanding of the philatelic societies of Bamberg, Hiedelberg and Iserlohn follow, together with a brief account of the January meeting of the International society of Stockholm. Under "Here and There" the revenues of the Swedish postal department for 1902 is given as 14,715,000 krona (about \$3,970,000) and the disbursement 13,810,000 krona (about \$3,725,000), brief notes on the New Year's postal business at

Stockholm, postal service in Kopenhagen, postal souvenir to be issued at the time of the dedication of the new postoffice at Stockholm, and the U. P. U. monument at Berne. Three pages of society reports from Göteborg, Christiana, Copenhagen and Lund complete the number.

Svensk Filatellisten Tidsskrift,

For January opens with a sketch, with portrait, of Lieut. Karl af Geijerstam, through whose efforts largely the National Swedish society was brought into existence, a review of 1902, presumably by the editor follows succeeded by an account with group photograph, of some of the participants of the Juletime meeting of the Swedish Philatelic union. A most instructive article by Swen Gorenson of Lockport, Ill., upon the careful study of stamps follows. I quote:

"When you get tired of our amusement or are looking over your collection for pleasure, take a magnifying glass and examine some specimens, and you may be surprised to find things which you never knew before, which will now look to you as plain as daylight. Perhaps the best illustration will be to study the 15 and 24 cent of 1869 issue of the United States, or the Tonga 25, 1897. Try your glass on these and you will be surprised to find the minuteness of detail in the engraving. Again, take a look at the last German stamps, and on the left breast plate of Germania you will find in the shading plaining the figure 15. Whether this is an accidental happening, a "secret mark" of the engraver, or prank of his, has not yet been ascertained. And again, examine the one candarin China series of 1894, and you will see around the design in the center and flying against it, five bats, representing the five great human desires of a Chinese life—longevity, wealth, male offspring, health and luck."

The article, which would well repay reproducing, occupies nearly three pages. The new issue department occupies about two pages, and is followed by a review of Stanley Gibbons' catalogue, after which the reports of the Stockholm, Göteborg and Norrköping branches of the Swedish society follow.

THE EXCHANGE DEPARTMENT.

(This article was prepared by a Chicago member, who desires to remain incognito, the figures quoted being furnished by the superintendent.)

The most essential department of any Philatelic Society or Association is the exchange or sales department. The American Philatelic Association sales department is acknowledged to be the best and largest of any philatelic society in America. At the present time stamps are circulating in this department to the net amount of \$18,000.00, distributed through some 650 books. These books are travelling from one end of the country to the other, from Maine in the East to California in the West, from Canada to Texas, covering more ground than books circulated by any other society. This department is one of the main benefits to be had from a membership in the association, as it is a convenient medium for adding stamps to your collection and filling up blank spaces. It is well known that the "hard to get" stamps which your dealer cannot supply you with can often be found only in the books in the department. The circuit books reach the members from time to time and are then forwarded to the next one on the list and in this way each member has a chance to see what is offered in the department. The stamps for sale in the department are the property of other collector members, their duplicates and at times even their collections are broken up and offered through this medium. The active collector, who is a member of the association should not fail to see the stamps we offer, as stamps can be had for any collection. Even the advanced collector finds the stamps for which he is looking among this large assortment, at all times circulating

among members. Active collectors who are not members of the association will find it to their advantage to become members and can then participate in the department either as buyers or sellers. To enumerate the many "good" things in the department would take up a vast amount of space. Suffice it to say that the good stamps are there as indicated by the sales which are now running from \$120.00 to \$150.00 per week.

This department is intended to provide means for members to sell their duplicates, and give them an opportunity to purchase the duplicates of other members. The business is conducted for a commission of ten per cent, which is used in paying the expenses of this office. Any member of the Association is entitled to participate, either as a buyer or seller, subject to the following *rules and conditions*.

All stamps must be mounted with hinges in the blank books that are furnished by this Department at 5c each. These books hold 120 stamps each.

A member must price his own stamps, taking into consideration that the Department will retain 10 per cent of the amount realized from sales. Members can place any price they choose on their stamps, but if they mark them too high they will be disappointed in the result of the sales: most stamps are sold at a material discount from catalogue prices.

Members who wish to participate in this department as buyers should request to be placed on a circuit. Books are sent out to a list of members, to be forwarded by one to another, and finally back to the Department. A member having requested his name placed on a circuit, must carefully ex-

examine the books when received and report any shortage promptly to the Superintendent, and must forward the package either by registered mail, express or in person, to the next name on the circuit, at his own expense.

As soon as the books are forwarded a report sheet containing a memorandum of the total value and a remittance for the amount of stamps taken out must accompany the report, even if the party has stamps of his own circulating in the Department.

This Department is conducted strictly on a cash basis. When stamps are removed from the books by any member, they can either

1st. Sign their names in ink in the space from which the stamp has been removed.

2d. Sign a nom-de-plume which shall first have been registered with the Superintendent.

3d. Use rubber stamp which shall have some secret mark with which the Sales Department shall have been made acquainted.

4th. Use of control stamp under the rules which have been in force up to the present time.

In accordance with the by-laws, a premium of one-half of one per cent is charged against the owners of all books; the premium so collected is to establish an insurance fund for the payment of any losses that may occur in the Department.

With this fund members may feel greater security in sending stamps for circulation, as this will provide a guarantee against loss by theft, railway accident, fire, substitution or in fact almost any possible contingency. This fund on April 12, contained \$863.35.

THE ST. LOUIS CONVENTION.

H. C. BEARDSLEY.

American Philatelic Association No. 210.

There are not many of the old guards left in the A. P. A., who belonged in the stormy early days of 1886-7. I have a list issued previous to the organization, in which the A. P. A. is called the Philatelic Society of America and of these 350 names only twenty-two are now members, myself among them. The first convention that I attended was in St. Louis in October, 1889. Twenty-one were in attendance at the opening session and thirty-five or forty at different sessions. J. K. Tiffany, whose strong hand held the association together during the storms of the early days of the association presided. Besides this prince of good fellows, whose death we yet lament, there was present C. B.

Corwin, one time a power in the association, J. W. Scott, often called the father of Philately, E. B. Sterling, then nicknamed "Bluebeard," on account of his abundant bluish black beard. Beamish and McCalla from Philadelphia, Bogert of New York, whose new issue chronicles were famous in those days, Mayor F. J. Grenny of Canada, whose visit to the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Co.'s cold storage rooms reminded him of home (so he said), the Chicago pair, Wolsieffer and Bradt, well known as jolly good fellows, E. T. Parker the well known dealer, Will Michaels, then a Kansas rail roader, now a prosperous attorney of Kansas City, Mo., the Mekeel Brothers, C. H. G. D. and I. A., all as well known then

as now, and many others, including the midnight committee, Wienstedt and Flaekskam, both at that time owners of the Standard Stamp Co. These two were a pair of as good fellows as it was ever my pleasure to meet.

It was a very pleasant affair, though it did not amount to as much of a pleasure trip as the conventions now-a-days, for we attended strictly to business and did not take side excursions, although we did the big brewery, and viewed the pageant of the veiled prophet from reserved seats,

and a considerable number attended the theater in a body.

The more important actions taken at this meeting were the creation of the offices of resident vice presidents, the prevention of officials from holding proxies, appointing a world's fair exhibit committee and one to investigate corporation.

A never to be forgotten event was the first evening when the visitors were the guests of President Tiffany at his home inspecting his stamps and his celebrated Philatelic library.

OUR ROLL OF HONOR.

THE EDITOR.

The following I believe includes all the charter members still in good standing: E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.; H. C. Beardsley, St. Joseph, Mo.; F. J. Beshler, Kansas City, Mo.; R. R. Bogert, Brooklyn, N. Y.; H. L. Calman, H. Clotz, A. Davison, Charles Gregory, J. N. T. Levick, C. F. Richards, H. N. Terrett and C. Witt, all of New York; Capt. C. A. Coolidge, W. E. Loy, H. B. Phillips, of San Francisco; Capt. Spencer Cosby, Mobile, Ala.; A. Dawson, Provi-

dence, R. I.; H. E. Deats, Flemington, N. J.; Geo. L. Gilmore, Lexington, Mass.; V. Gurdji, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; A. M. Jones, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; W. A. MacAlla, Philadelphia, Pa.; C. F. Rothfuch, Boston, Mass.; E. B. Sterling, Denver, Col.; W. C. Stone, Springfield, Mass.; W. C. de Wettren, Baltimore, Md.; P. M. Walsieffer, Chicago, Ill. Should any have been accidentally overlooked, I should be pleased to be notified.

REMINISCENCES AND RUMINATIONS.

CHARLES BEAMISH.

American Philatelic Association No. 151.

In these latter days when modern business leaves so little leisure for many of us, is it strange that at times our minds revert to those early collection days, when water-marks, perforations and varieties of paper were unknown. Dealers were very few and stamps were obtained by means of exchange with other devotees, a stamp for a stamp, regardless of catalogue price, the necessary

qualification being that it was a new variety for our collection. The album in many cases, was a home-made affair, generally an old scrap or copy book. Stamps were pasted flat in the book with mucilage or gum arabic. Few collectors were brave enough to declare publicly "I am a stamp collector" for fear of being regarded as eccentric. Collecting even twenty years ago was looked upon as a pastime

ing fad of school boys, good enough in its way, and classed among marbles, tops and other boys pleasures. Many of the elders who then collected, when questioned, replied, "I am just collecting for my boy." (One of these relics is occasionally met with even in these days.)

The years passed and more dealers came into the field, and by their efforts and advertising, constantly increased the number of serious collectors. The American Philatelic Association was organized and a number of brave hearts were glad to enroll themselves. People began to realize that there must be something in a pursuit which claimed the attention of serious men, and this aided by judicious newspaper "interviews" made philately here in America come to the front as a living force. The annual conventions of the American Philatelic Association kept the public interest on the increase, as each city in which the gathering was held, had all accounts given its population, by means of the daily newspapers. Consequent upon the large increase in buyers, stamps commenced to mount in price and many which cost less than 50 cents each in 1890 could not be obtained for less than ten times that price in 1894. The five years, 1892-1896 inclusive, witnessed an ever increasing speculation in many varieties and the Columbian issue of 1893 was largely hoarded by the public who afterwards sold out at a loss when the boom burst in the early part of 1897. The writer remembers being offered by one party seven hundred one-dollar Columbians o. g. at \$1.60 each, so eager was the owner to realize on his holdings.

The Seebeck issues of the Hamilton Bank Note Co., commencing with the year 1889-1890, whereby the Central-

American states secured their annual supplies of postage stamps and stationery free of expense, aroused much Philatelic discussion and almost numberless were the arguments pro and con, but their spaces are still in our albums to be filled and are therefore collectible. (?). Other governments were not slow to follow in the pace set by Seebeck, and to realize the golden harvest to be reaped from the innocent (?) stamp collector. We have had a steady stream of new issues ever increasing and while most varieties were issued for actual postal needs, who can say but what in many cases the decision as to the new issue dealt with the collector as a factor in making the new issue a profitable venture. This succession of new and newer issues inevitably decided many general collectors to abandon the hopeless task of attempting to complete all the world's issues, and specialism in various forms increased. Wealthy collectors emphasized specialism by deciding that their collections must contain entire sheets or all available copies of a rare stamp, hence we have seen "bloating."

The collector who is blessed with a lean purse and has therefore no opportunity to emulate his wealthy brother of bloating tendencies should not be discouraged, for there are still many opportunities for real enjoyment and incidentally (which is also attractive) profit monetarily. Let him select a group or several single countries, which can be completed at a small outlay, and then by reading the current weekly or monthly magazines, keep himself informed as to change in prices. By judicious buying his collection will grow and he will know his money is well expended. Then as these countries get nearly completed, let him go on to other

countries in like manner. Real interest in collecting will generally be firmly retained when purchases are made in this way.

For the future, will Philately not be more popular, if, when we favored one, secure recruits we start them in as general collectors and see that their purchases are made carefully in selecting stamps that are free from damage. The recruit will soon learn for himself which countries are best to collect and so long as he only buys perfect copies, his collection will be an ever increasing pleasure. Some of us have found this to be the case.



MATCH AND MEDICINE STAMPS.

H. D. Watson.

American Philatelic Association No.
1451.

To my mind the most interesting branch of Philately can be found in making a collection of match and medicine stamps of the United States. There are many reasons for my belief and chief among these is that in amassing these stamps you must be imbued with the true spirit of collecting or be unable to obtain your object. The workers in this line are few, but scarcer even is the material.

It is common now for our collectors to buy set after set and fill page after page of their albums with foreign stamps and in doing so spend a large sum of money; that is not collecting but accumulating. All the party needs is money to gratify his ambition. This mode of collecting cannot be followed in the case of the stamps under discussion. Hard labor and constant drumming is the price of success. A collection of about 900 varieties can be procured rather easily, but when that point is reached the collector's

troubles begin. One copy only of the long red Ayer, the Thomas F. Wilson and the Chase water-marked are known. These stamps are the property of our leading collector. One copy each of the green and lilac Ayers are owned by other parties. In the next class are pink Talcot, the pink Woodworth, the round red Ayer, the Rock Island and a few others. Some stamps catalogued at \$3 and \$5 each are so scarce that you may scour the country for them and still be unsuccessful in your search and finally procure them only when some large collection is broken up and thrown on the market. Many piteous appeals for help have been received by the writer. In some instances he was able to afford relief, but in the majority of cases could only look upon the blank spaces in his album with a sigh of regret. Of course, in time the hoarded stamps will come on the market and we who have begun our collection in later years will have a chance of procuring specimens at a price, for fine stamps are apt to be high. I write this article for the purpose of stimulating the spirit of true collecting, which can be fostered by the endeavors to make a collection of these stamps. A dealer known to the writer carries a stock of match and medicine stamps and many try to discourage the collecting of the same for that reason. It is a case of sour grapes. The collector should not be discouraged, but press on strong for success and a time when he is able to point with pride to some stamps, not gained by mere money, but the result of honest search and hard labor.



An Eastern correspondent says several collectors in his vicinity have not previously meddled with philatelic numbers have started with the 1901 issue.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
 Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal
 upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will
 confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his
 old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must
 be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express
 orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused
 stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at
 the above rate or send the paper six months
 for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent
 with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time
 within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime
 upon request.

To the members who have so kind-
 assisted in making this number
 success The World wishes to re-
 turn its thanks and trusts that the
 number may be productive of good
 to the association.

Every Philatelist, who is at heart a
 collector, desires to see the in-
 fluence of his hobby extended and
 placed upon a foundation so strong
 that there shall be no occasion for gibes
 and ridicule so often cast at it by the
 uninitiated. Time was, and we all
 remember it, that no reputable pa-
 per had ought to say of our pursuit in
 any but a derogatory way, but times
 have changed, and hardly a week goes
 by but some influential journal notes
 or news appears intended for the col-
 lector. No one thing has so largely
 contributed to this end as has the an-
 nual conventions of the American Phi-
 latelic Association. The reporters in
 the different large cities we have met

in have come in contact with those
 present, and found out that they were
 of a class who commanded respect.
 They were not beardless youths alone,
 but while some of these were there, for
 as the child of today makes the man of
 tomorrow, so the younger collector
 must be the advanced specialist of the
 future, there was a goodly sprinkling
 of representative citizens. Good, hard
 headed business men, physicians, at-
 torneys, members of the clergy, and
 even fellow members of the press, did
 the reporter find in attendance, and
 he who came to find an humorous
 item, returned and wrote that which
 made the public believe that the re-
 porter must be one of the cranks. As
 year after year went by and similar ar-
 ticles came out in papers of the differ-
 ent cities and was oft times reprinted
 in the journals of other cities, the
 public knew that it could not always be
 a collector everywhere who wrote the
 notices, and the respect which the
 present day press has for our hobby
 can be directly thus traced to the in-
 fluence of the American. Should not
 the true collector wish to help sustain
 the society which has done so much
 for his pursuit and thus indirectly
 for him. Incidentally in this connec-
 tion I can not refrain from mentioning
 that in 1901, the St. Paul Globe gave
 an accurate column write up of the
 association's meet at Buffalo, practi-
 cally a thousand miles distant, imme-
 diately after its adjournment, and last
 year nearly every member of the asso-
 ciation could find in the Associated
 Press dispatches of his local daily a
 report of what transpired at Spring-
 field the day before. Who, in 1886
 or 1887, would have been foolhardy
 enough to have predicted that such a
 thing could transpire.

"What meets with woman's appro-
 val is good." Then in verity must

the annual conventions be "mete and right," for the ladies are always in evidence. Were it not so we believe much of the enjoyment of the occasion would be lost. With some of the earlier ones they were not in evidence, but of late years it is different, and may it always be so. If you have wife, sister or daughter, go to Clayton and take them with you.

Minnesota reached its high water mark in 1896-7, with twenty-six members, of which six are still members, although not all now resident in the Gopher State. Now the membership is but half that number, but there is promise of an increase in the near future. Even the present showing is not bad, when the membership in other states, many of which contain a much larger proportion of collectors, is considered, this without our four new applications.

Of course New York city leads in the membership roster, with Chicago second. San Francisco leads Boston slightly, while Brooklyn, Milwaukee, Pittsburg and Springfield, Mass., tie for next place, and Minneapolis, Detroit, Providence and Philadelphia are practically also even.

The membership on April 4th was 548.

This is the era of union, in all lines of business individuals are combining and pooling issues, even the fraternal societies are laying aside their differences and pulling together, and well posted society men claim the day is close at hand when many of them will unite. With this spirit in the air it would seem it must soon strike collectors and cause them to get closer together. If you wish to assist join with some of the national societies, and when you do choose the oldest, the father of them all, the American Philatelic Association.

M. H. Lombard is now resident vice president for Boston, filling the vacancy caused by the death of the late J. F. Johnson.

The following is the preamble of the original constitution adopted in 1886, but which was dropped at the time of incorporation: "The objects of this Association are, to assist its members in acquiring knowledge in regard to Philately; to cultivate a feeling of friendship among philatelists; and to enable them to affiliate with members of similar societies in other countries."

The society has twice been incorporated, first in 1891, under the laws of West Virginia, John K. Tiffany, W. C. Van Derlip, M. F. Walton, Chas. Gregory and Jos. Rochert being the incorporators; and the second time in Minnesota in 1897, W. C. Van Derlip, John L. Kilbon, Geo. L. Toppan, Edw. S. Stebbins, W. R. Young and G. W. Archard being the incorporators. The second act was taken to relieve the association of a corporate tax imposed in West Virginia.

H. E. Deats has been the most regular convention attendant of any member, having been present at fourteen meetings. W. C. Stone is a close second with twelve times (also I believe eleven adjournments), and E. Doebelin has been present ten times, as has also C. H. Mekeel and C. W. Kissinger has only missed one more than they.

The library of the Association is deposited in the Carnegie, at Pittsburg, and is exceedingly valuable. Under certain restrictions a member can have any volume contained therein mailed him and retain it for a short time. Application to H. E. Deats, Flemington, N. J., will bring any member a catalogue

Cumulative voting for directors was permitted under the first incorporation and it sometimes happened that a small minority by bulking their votes for one man won out, but the Minnesota corporation, with new by-laws, abolished this and made each member vote but once for any single individual as director.

In connection with the Boston convention of 1888, a fine public stamp exhibit was held and an array of varieties displayed, and though the beginning of this kind of work was so successful, it was not afterwards attempted, although the Detroit society made a display of local gems at the time of the meets in that city.

At the Chicago World's Fair the association had a portion of the south gallery in the Government building set aside for a display, and during the latter months of the fair made a very creditable display. It is to be regretted that steps were not taken for similar purpose at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition next year.

The first elective officers chosen were President, John K. Tiffany; R. L. Bogert, vice-president; S. B. Bradt, secretary; L. W. Durbin, treasurer; and Jos. Rechert, international secretary. Only one remains with us, Mr. Bogert, Mr. Bradt not now being a member, while the other three have joined the silent majority.

There is no time like the present— if you are not a member already, arrange to join.

Remember the World will mail you an application blank from either the editorial or publishing office.

The conventions of the association have been held as follows: 1886, New York; 1887, Chicago; 1888, Boston; 1889, St. Louis; 1890, New York; 1891, New York; 1892, Niagara Falls; 1893, Chicago; 1894, Niagara Falls; 1895, Clayton, N. Y.; 1896, Minnetonka Beach, Minn.; 1897, Boston; 1898, New York; 1899, Detroit; 1900, Milwaukee; 1901, Buffalo; 1902, Springfield, Mass.

The Association at its last session

in Springfield took steps to establish a bureau where rarities could be submitted and if pronounced genuine, registered. The London (Eng.) society has long had a similar bureau.

One of the things the association needs is more local branches. In the days when there were more branches the work of reaching out and proselytizing was easier and more readily done. In union there is strength and this union of the individual members in the larger cities has and always will be the strong bulwark of the association. We have a number of good branches, but we want more.

At Springfield an appropriation was made and a committee appointed to take steps toward preparing a philatelic "Poole"—an index of all articles contained in every stamp paper in the English language. Such a work would be most valuable.

The next convention of the association will be held at Clayton, N. Y., in August. Ever since the 1895 meet members who were there have been voting to go there again and finally were successful. The location amid the splendid picturesqueness of the Thousand Islands is inducive to anticipation of a week of solid enjoyment, and those who were there before are ready to vouch for it.

The Pittsburg members are desirous of having the 1904 convention and promise to spare no effort to bring it to the Iron City. Some of the younger western element insist that St. Louis, with its great fair, should be the place. Why not compromise and come to Minneapolis? By precedent the Flour City should be entitled to succeed Clayton.

We beg to announce for future publication "An Association Catalogue" by Gordon Ireland; "The Stamp Society" by Reginald Robinson; Chicago as A Stamp Center" and "In 1868." May we not enter your subscription?

OUR DETROIT MEMBERS.

Herbert Bowen.

American Philatelic Association No.
1188.

(Wishing to instance the class of collectors which the American is composed of we wrote Mr. Bowen, asking him to briefly summarize the membership of his city.)

Detroit, Mich., the 1899 convention seat has seven members of the association. They are all middle-aged, thirty to fifty, good fellows, well posted philatelists and old collectors. They are:

WILLIAM H. BECK, of Beck & Mason, insurance and real estate, general collection.

HERBERT BOWEN, of Bowen, Douglas, Whiting & Murfin, lawyers, general collection, (Mr. Bowen is also enthusiastic collector of precancelled postage and his collection of these ranks among the first.—(Ed.))

WILLIAM A. DAVIDSON, of H. T. Phillips & Co., produce and commission, general collection.

DUNCAN KAY, traveling agent, general collection, but not now an active collector.

JOHN KAY, of Wright, Kay & Co., jewelers. Has a very large and valuable collection, very rich in nearly every line. Indulges extensively in blocks of four of unused stamps.

THEODORE P. LADUE, of Ladue & Isham, produce and commission, general collection.

FREMONT WOODRUFF, lawyer, general collection, rich in U. S., British North America and old German.



SOME ASS'N RECOLLECTIONS.

Henry A. Chapman.

American Philatelic Association No.
1495.

I am comparatively a young member (societywise). My association with the organization dates from the early part of 1898, and at the convention of that year held in New York city, which was justly characterized as "a hot old time." I formed many lasting friendships, while I lost in

nine days' stay in the city nearly as many pounds.

It occurs to me that in the five years passed since my connection with the association, many valuable names have been stricken from the rolls by death. At that time (1898) seven deaths were reported, among them the names of our beloved "Joe" Beard, G. B. Calman and others. At the convention that summer, were two members who were classed as among our best workers—C. P. Krouth and J. F. Johnson, who have passed away, the latter of whom I shall speak of later on.

The death of Brother J. F. Johnson came in the nature of a shock to us all. He was a beloved friend, particularly so to me. He and I were mutually attracted toward each other at the New York convention and since then corresponded frequently, and by his invitation I was a guest at his home in Roxbury for five days the latter part of the summer of 1899, where, he his wife and three children made my stay an enjoyable one. Mr. Johnson exhibited his stamp treasures with pride. One of his most interesting specimens was a "plated" sheet of Great Britain 1d., some of the stamps being in pairs, as collected. Any one familiar with plating knows what a difficult task it is to get together all the stamps in their original form, and the one-penny block is not a common stamp either. Brother J. and I last met at Springfield and there we sat together in the convention photo, he on my right, while Brother Robert of Allentown, Pa., was on my left. Brother J.'s death was an unusually sad one. He did not look well at the Springfield meet, but not considered as one at all sick. He was in his usual cheerful mood, and, as always, full of his jokes. He evidently commenced to fail rapidly soon after, giving up his business, and went to Denver, Colorado, for his health, planning if he went well to move his family there. As we all know he died the day after his arrival, was brought home, and buried February 13, at Roxbury. It may well be said we shall hardly gaze on his like again. The tribute of Brother Aldrich in the *Philatelic World* of February 25 is a just and correct one.

The mention of Brother Johnson recalls an event which was one of the side-lights of the New York convention, in which Brother Aldrich and I participated. The squadron of which Admiral Schley was the head lay in the harbor off Staten Island and Bro. arranged for a party of us to visit the Brooklyn, and a small steam launch (or some kind of a steam thing) was chartered to convey us. There was a happy party of ten, as follows: Messrs. Johnson, Rothfuchs, Bartels, Steigerwalt, Leippe, Kissinger and wife, Aldrich and wife, and myself. The rules did not allow our launch to go close to the cruiser, so we had to make two trips in a row boat, which in the ocean, when waves are rolling high, is no joking matter. I remember well how in our boat load Sister Aldrich and I were as cool as cucumbers, while her liege lord and the Kissinger pair had the complexions usually visible on the historic ghost. But everything went off well. The other party of five saw Schley, while ours missed him, although he was still aboard. A home friend of Mr. J. was petty officer aboard, who barely escaped crying from homesickness at seeing him. We stood on the spot when the unfortunate officer was killed, the only victim on the Brooklyn at the naval battle of Santiago.

A private letter from W. Kesley Hall, of Peterborough, Ontario, says that he intends to be at Clayton next summer. He was at the convention held there before, and speaks of the pleasure he enjoyed, both from the locality and the benefits derived as well as the friendships he formed.

It was amusing to read a criticism indulged in against Clayton because it is "dead" in winter. It may be a dreary place in winter, but so are the majority of summer resorts. I have been to Newport, Long Branch, Atlantic City, and so on, rather tedious during the "cool, chilly winds," etc. But were you going to meet at Clayton in the winter, thank you! Those who have been there are the competent judges. Brother Jewett of the Era has our sympathy in the loss of his father. The fact that the elder Jewett and I were

but a week apart in age causes me to reflect seriously and it comes in the light of a *memento mori*.



WHY DO YOU COLLECT?

John K. Tiffany.

American Philatelic Association No. 1.

(An extract from an address delivered at the Boston convention of 1888.)

What interest can these little pieces of paper possess? And here we are embarrassed by the very plethora of matter. Probably no one object of collector's research has ever numbered at one time so many votaries, for perhaps no other has appealed to so many variations of the collector's spirit. Few other things are within the reach of limited means, of which a fair showing can be made without great expense, that combine so many points of interest, though it requires patience and perseverance, and often, in the end, a long purse to attain near perfection. In sketching the prevalence of the collector's bent we marked how it occupies itself with the representative of value in its various forms, and these little pieces of paper are one of those forms, and have originally an intrinsic as they have finally a collectible value. We noticed how the collector's spirit turned to the symbols of power, and these little pieces of paper are the symbols of a power that has revolutionized the world; not the power of gory Mars, that united nations and crowns by slaughter and slavery, by bow or spear or battle-axe, or flintlock or rifled gun, or gibbet or guillotine or manacle, but the power of Mercury, that unites crowns and scepters and signet-rings in the bonds of a common interest and the happy ties of peace; that sends the white-winged messengers of commerce round the world, and speeds the iron horse on his way to bring the merchant nearer to his waiting customer, friend nearer friend, and anxious parents to their child; that intelligence may fly fast and anxiety depart; that includes within its benign reforms the poor and lonely, and scatters lavishly the bless-

mgs that had long been grasped by the rich and powerful only. We indicated how the collector's spirit cherished art, and art of many kinds has spent her tenderest care and busy brain and deftest touch upon these bits of paper, and adorned them with prodigal design and unstinted coloring. We saw how the collector's spirit listens to the lessons of history, and these little bits of paper are the monuments which mark the progress of civilization; each old issue is a record of her triumph; each new issue a signal of her advance and victory. The stamp collector who is ardent in his quest, unwittingly learns much of general geography and history, and will particularly want to know the history of the origin and introduction of stamps into various countries, who and how far each was instrumental in promoting their use, what political, commercial and economic reasons led to the forms, designs and value adopted or caused changes to be made afterwards, what postal revenue regulations controlled their issue and use, details of the processes of the manufacture and what was produced by each, the success or failure of those processes as compared with others, and the improvements from time to time introduced. Though few can safely attempt or have the means to tread any of the by-paths or venture very far beyond collecting specimens of what was used for postal and revenue purposes, most will recognize the importance, value and propriety of those whose exceptional advantages permit them acquiring and preserving not only specimens of what was actually employed, but those suggestions or essays of designs or processes, actually proposed for use and those proofs of designs adopted which illustrate the method of selecting what was finally employed, and will want to know, as far as possible, why each of these essays and proofs was rejected or accepted. Most will recognize the propriety of treasuring and preserving those errors which, issued by some oversight, show what accidents and defects are incident to the modes of manufacture employed. Even those exceptional varieties

which actually subserved temporary needs, and were made by such shifts as surcharging or dividing other values, will have an interest, because all these things serve to show what has been tried in the past, and wherein improvement may be made in the future. They complete the record of the endeavor, of the success and failure to carry out the regulations made to subserve the necessities of the public or to facilitate the work of the postal and revenue departments.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the back. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers.....

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Ill.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00

Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. 36 page list of stamps and coins free. Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete. 10c unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.

36 John Street, :: New York City

CUBA

Habilitados de Octubre 1902

Variedades de lo sobre, 3c violeta

oble sobrecarga (Fig. 2).....	\$ 2.00
vertido (Fig. 4).....	2.00
in la palabra "Habilitado" (Fig. 7)	3.00
Habilitado" en las partes superior a inferior (Fig. 8).....	1.75
Habilitado" en la parte inferior (Fig. 9).....	1.50
Habilitado" en medio con el 1 debajo (Fig. 10B).....	1.00
o. 1 a la derecha (Fig. 12).....	3.00
o. 1 a la derecha con "Habilitado" abajo (Fig. 13).....	5.00
o. 1 a la izquierda (Fig. 18).....	2.00
oc de 4, (Figuras 7 y 9).....	10.00

Los precios en moneda Americana.
Los pedidos acompanados de su importe.

M. LAZARO,

Obispo No. 39, Habana, Cuba.

DEALERS! My foreign mixtures, including Salvador, Bolivia, Paraguay, etc., at 65c per 100 or \$6.00 per 1000 is good value for the money.

My I. X. L. mixture, catalogue 2c to 30c each. Each 100 catalogue \$5.00 to \$8.00, price \$1.50. Stamps bought. What have you to offer?

CARL YOUNG,

112 N. 5TH ST..

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

SPECIAL BARGAINS.

Antigua 1/2, 1, 2 1/2 and 4 pence unused.....\$.25
Niger Coast .97 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2, and 5 p. unused .50
" 1892 (Oil Rivers) 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2, and 5 pence unused..... 1.00
Newfoundland 1897-1901 1/2c to 5c, 8 varieties complete, unused..... .80
Postage extra. Remit by silver or money order.

J. H. JOST,

P. O. Box 244, Halifax, N. S., Canada.



FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

TRADE MARK.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

Patent Infringement Notice.

Legal Notice to Collectors and the Trade.

It has been brought to my notice that one Wm. B. Hale, Williamsville, Mass., has made and placed on the market and is selling what he terms "Improved Stamp Cards". I hereby give notice that such Card or any Card used for the purpose of holding stamps is an infringement of my Patent No. 577998 granted March 2nd 1907, for Wolsieffer's Approval Cards, and that I will claim all protection such Patents afford me.

It is an infringement to make, offer for sale, or have in your possession any Card holding stamps that does not bear the inscription

WOLSIEFFER'S APPROVAL CARDS.

PATENT GRANTED (NO. 577998) MARCH 2 MDCCKCVIII, TO P. M. WOLSIEFFER, CHICAGO.
PRICE, \$1.50 PER HUNDRED OR 200 PER DOZEN.

You are hereby notified not to make, sell or have in your possession any Card that does not correspond with the above under penalty of the law of the United States regulating Patents and Patent Rights.

P. M. WOLSIEFFER,

Sole owner of Patent.

made supplied by

UNITED STAMP CO.,

- 1149 Marquette, Chicago, Ill.

NO Agents, Discounts, Red Tape.

in The "NET" plan.

A postal brings them.

THE UNIVERSAL STAMP CO.,

207 East Main St.,

BATARIA, N. Y.

CHEAP and GOOD.

	cat.	our price
Argentine No. 121 (punched).....	\$1.00	\$.25
Netherland No. 49.....	.10	.04
*Caymen Island No. 1.....	.03	.02
*Orange River Colony No. 54.....	.03	.02
Newfoundland No. 83.....	.03	.01
Hawii No. 53.....	.04	.02
Hawii No. 75.....	.04	.02
United States No. 2840.....	1.00	.40
" " " 2986.....	.12	.03
" " " 2987.....	.05	.05
" " " 2989.....	.60	.25
Newfoundland No. 80.....	.03	.02
India No. 11.....	.06	.08
Persia No. 44.....	.40	.10
*Persia No. 151.....	9.0	3.50
*Hawii No. 34.....	1.25	.40

The triangles of the 2c U. S. of 1894 and 1895, 9 varieties complete cut .50 .10

*Unused full form. Postage extra on orders under 25c.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
MASONIC TEMPLE CHICAGO.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

	Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather..... 1.25	1.35
" " " Interleaved 2.00	2.16

International Postage Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards.
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards...\$.25	
" " " " Cloth,....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N. Y.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps..... 10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denjison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

NEATNESS

Is as rare as desirable on approval sheets

BUT

the "NET" plan SHEETS

are noted for their attractiveness as well

QUALITY

A postal brings them

THE UNIVERSAL STAMP CO.,

207 East Main St., - - BATAVIA, N. Y.

BIGGEST BARGAINS

CHUNGKING, CHINA.

Regular Issue.	Postage Due.
1895 2c pink.	1895 2c pink.
1895 4c ultramarine.	1895 4c ultramarine.
1895 8c orange.	1895 8c orange.
1895 16c purple.	1895 16c purple.
1895 24c emerald green.	1895 24c emerald green.
Above set cat. \$1.33	Above set cat. \$1.50
My price 75 cents.	My price 80 cents.

1900 Catalogue price for above two sets... \$1.30
1903 Catalogue price for above two sets... \$1.50
My 1903 price for above two sets... \$1.30

LABUAN, 1899 issue, surcharged
"4 Cents" on 25c blue green of 1896 issue
"4 Cents" on 50c red brown of 1896 issue
"4 Cents" on \$1.00 dark blue of 1896 issue

The set of above three stamps for 50 cents
NORTH BORNEO, 1899 issue surcharged
"4 Cents" on 25c slate blue of 1893 issue
"4 Cents" on 50c violet of 1893 issue
"4 Cents" on \$1.00 red of 1893 issue
"4 Cents" on \$2.00 gray green of 1893 issue
"4 Cents" on \$5.00 red violet of 1893 issue
"4 Cents" on \$10.00 brown of 1893 issue

The above set of stamps for \$1.25
Or Labuan and North Borneo, for \$1.50
The two sets of nine stamps, for \$1.50
The above Four Sets for \$2.00

ALL UNUSED, O. G., FINE CONDITION

Cat. No.	British Honduras	Cat. Price	My Price
27	1888, 2c on 1d rose.....	\$0.05	\$0.03
28	1888, 3c on 3d brown.....	.08	.05
29	1888, 10c on 4d violet.....	.25	.15
30	1888, 20c on 6d yellow.....	.65	.40
33	1891, 6c on 10c violet.....	.20	.10
34	1891, 6c on 10c violet.....	.20	.12

Please remit by Bills or Money Order.

C. F. ROTHFUCHS,

38 Monroe St., - Roxbury, Mass.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II. No. 16. Whole No. 25. Minneapolis, Minn. April 22, 1903.

Weekly

HER MAJESTY, QUEEN VICTORIA.

The score board at the Country Club reads "Harry Warren won the tennis championship from Robert Loring this afternoon, 6-4, 2-6, 7-5." I am Bob Loring. Now, do you wonder that I am hot, ugly, cross and I am almost tempted to say "What shall I do?" As I stroll around here the people all are looking at me with those drawn expressions that say "I'm sorry, so sorry, Bob." Hang it all I'm going to get out of this part of the city just as fast as my legs can carry me.

The light in my study is turned low and the red shade sort of saddens the appearance of the room. What have I done? Pulled out my stamp album? I wonder if I can find any rest in it, a few moments of pleasure, before going to bed? Restlessly I turn the pages over. A little stamp catches my eye, the half penny green of St. Vincent. What a dear little thing it is, so delicate that it seems it would fade away at the touch. The color, not just plain green, but a worthy rival of the tints of the first spring grass, sort of sooths and quiets me.

As I look into the sweet face smiling up at me from the little stamp, a feeling comes over me of how small I am, not that I could be a bigger bug in this world of ours, but how little I think of those not even so fortunate as I.

This is not the queen of England that is looking me in the eye, but a woman, such a woman as I have

dreamt my grandmother would have been, her eyes not scolding, not chastising, but saying "Try Again." I would say "Who are you that you thus speak to me?" but the words catch in my throat. How harsh I would speak to her who has handled the destinies of God's greatest nation for half a century. It has not been fifty years of strife and war, but fifty years of peace, such as any good woman would wish for. As I think how forgiving she was, how lenient, I think—nay, I know—it were better that Harry won the tennis tourney. He needed the victory and should he have lost he would have been in despair, while I, I have my stamp collection and a dear old lady to comfort me and say "The true victory is yours."

The clock on the mantel has just struck 12. Have I been dreaming?—perhaps so.

MILTON R. MILLER.

DENVER NOTES.

J. S. Davis.

American Philatelic Association No. 527.

Denver is proud in possessing one of the few charter members of the A. P. A.—that well known revenue stamp authority, E. B. Sterling.

F. W. Reich, late of Sydney, N. S. W., has arrived at Denver and opened an exclusive stamp and coin store on Sixteenth street.

Mr. E. B. Carpenter of Boston was a recent visitor here.

Ed F. Welles is breaking up his collection of over 5,000 varieties.

E. W. Plummer, for years one of our prominent philatelists, is selling pet stock instead of stamps, and reports it more profitable.



KANSAS CITY NOTES.

Wm. P. Kelly,
American Philatelic Association No.
1574.

Frank Beshar has been laid up for the past week with the grip. Although a very busy man, he always has time to talk stamp and must be very sick when he don't, and he knows more about them than most collectors, especially their value.

Our handsome new postoffice here is to have a \$100,000.00 addition built to it this spring. The new building is already too small for our fast-increasing business.

There are several nice collections here, and while we have no very valuable collections we are enthusiastic and are always willing to show our collections.

Several years ago there was a thriving branch of the American Philatelic Association here, but the older members gradually dropped out and only recently has a new society been organized, and I am glad to say we are doing well.



RE U. S. ENVELOPES.

George L. Toppan.
American Philatelic Association No.
222.

(From an article in the March A. J. of P. we quote the ex-president's reason for believing the following numbers should be eliminated from the collector's list.)

No. 1445a—This is an envelope that I know nothing about. Until you listed it, it was, so far as I have been able to ascertain, entirely unheard of and, so far, I have never

been able to find anyone who knows anything about it. Have you not gotten this and No. 1717a mixed?

No. 1449—This never existed so far as I have been able to find out. It was first listed in the T. B. & R. book. Both Mr. Tiffany and Mr. Rechert (and, I think, Mr. Bogert) told me personally that they had never seen it, but that, as it existed on white, they *took it for granted* that it must exist on amber also, and listed it accordingly.

No. 1519 and 1520—These envelopes were listed in T. B. & R. entirely upon the authority of Mr. Holton. The latter gentleman once told me that he knew of one box of each but that they would never come upon the market *under any conditions*. If I remember rightly, he said that he had not seen them himself. Allowing that they did exist, which I doubt very much, I believe them to be on a paper with the ten cents of 1887 in a yellow-ochre color, a few of which got out, but which were never regularly issued.

No. 1523—This was originally catalogued upon this paper in the A. J. of P. and, if you will take the trouble to look it up, you will find that, in a number of a little later date, it was stated that it was catalogued upon this paper in error, that it should have read "Fawn paper." I also remember that Mr. Kerfoot called my attention to the error at the same time.

HENRY P. DAY,

Stamp Dealer

Box 762 Peoria, Illinois.

Price Lists, Postage Free.

Stamps of Spain.

30 distinct varieties.....10c Postage
50 " "25c " "
100 " "\$2.00 " "

All postage, none punched or damaged.
Have you tried my approval selections?

FRED KETCHESON,

Box 465 Belleville, Ontario, Canada

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General information.—Parties are notified by postal
 on expiration of subscription.
 In case of change of address the subscriber will
 confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his
 old and new address.
 Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must
 be accompanied by four cents in stamps.
 Remittances should be made by Postal or Express
 orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused
 stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at
 the above rate or send the paper six months
 or twenty-five cents providing cash is sent
 with order.
 Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time
 within six months.
 We will refund paid subscriptions anytime
 upon request.

Although thoroughly unpretentious, the Stamp Collectors' Protective Association of America is rapidly forging ahead as the younger elements' society. Its membership recently passed the five hundred mark.

In its last report the Southern Philatelic Association shows seven applicants for membership, but, strange to say, not one is from south of "Mason and Dixon's line."

A half page article, with five fine half tones, entitled Uncle Sam's Biggest Postoffice, giving an interesting account of the New York office, is found in Pennsylvania Grit for April 5.

The contest, it is almost a race, between Mr. G. F. Duck of Pittsburgh and Mr. F. L. Smith of New York in the accumulation of pre-cancelleds is one of those friendly rivalries which so often are of material assistance to our hobby. At

last reports the former held the belt for the largest collection, but since then the latter by acquiring an entire collection, is, if not ahead, very close up. Both collections are considerably over the thousand mark.

In reference to the new U. S. envelope, a correspondent says:

"It takes a magnifying glass to find the embossing and a microscope to find the likeness to anyone in the features. It might be Cornwallis, or Burgoyne, or Howe, or some forgotten Tory camp follower of the British, or it might be intended for Wayne, Prescott, or Green, of the patriot army. Who the draughtsman was I don't know, but he should enter a primary class in the kindergarden and learn to draw. If it isn't wood block it ought to be."

The Minneapolis Times is authority for the statement that there will be no new two-cent design, but a new die prepared from the same drawing. As it will take considerable time to prepare even a new die and the stamps are being prepared at the rate of about a million a day, there is no chance of the stamp becoming a rarity in its present issue.

H. P. Strickland, of Seattle, has succeeded C. H. Gardiner, of Port Townsend, as president of the Inter State Philatelic Association, the Northwest Pacific coast society.

"Billy" Schad, the ex-president of the P. S. of A., has severed his connection with the plumbing house which he was for years connected with, and is now the Milwaukee representative of Fairbank & Co. He was recently re-elected secretary of the Elks of that city.

A New York firm is offering the Leeward Island Jubilee set complete, unused, for \$10.75.

BIGGEST BARGAINS

CHUNGKING, CHINA.

Regular Issue.	Postage Due.
1895 2c pink.	1895 2c pink.
1895 4c ultramarine.	1895 4c ultramarine.
1895 8c orange.	1895 8c orange.
1895 16c purple.	1895 16c purple.
1895 24c emerald green.	1895 24c emerald green.
Above set cat. \$1.88	Above set cat. \$1.50.
My price 75 cents.	My price 50 cents.

1900 Catalogue price for above two sets ... \$1.78
1903 Catalogue price for above two sets ... 2.83

My 1903 price for above two sets....\$1.50

LABUAN, 1899 issue, surcharged

"4 Cents" on 25c blue green of 1898 issue

"4 Cents" on 50c red brown of 1898 issue

"4 Cents" on \$1.00 dark blue of 1898 issue

The set of above three stamps for 50 cents.

NORTH BORNEO, 1899 issue, surcharged

"4 Cents" on 25c slate blue of 1898 issue

"4 Cents" on 50c violet of 1898 issue

"4 Cents" on \$1.00 red of 1898 issue

"4 Cents" on \$2.00 gray green of 1898 issue

"4 Cents" on \$5.00 red violet of 1898 issue

"4 Cents" on \$10.00 brown of 1898 issue

The above set of stamps for \$1.25

Or Labuan and North Borneo,

The two sets of nine stamps, for \$1.50.

The above Four Sets for \$2.00

ALL UNUSED, O. G., FINE CONDITION.

Cat. No.	British Honduras	Cat. Price	My Price	Per 1.	Per 10
27	1888, 2c on 1d rose.....	\$0.05	\$0.03	\$0.25	
28	1888, 3c on 3d brown ....	.08	.05	.40	
29	1888, 10c on 4d violet.....	.25	.15	1.55	
30	1888, 20c on 6d yellow ....	.65	.40	3.15	
33	1891, 6c on 10c violet ....	.20	.10	.80	
34	1891, 6c on 10c violet ....	.20	.12	.85	

Please remit by Bills or Money Order.

C. F. ROTHFUCHS,

38 Monroe St., - Roxbury, Mass.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " " Interleaved 2.00		2.16

International Postage Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25
" " " " Cloth,....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N. Y.



The 3c U. S. Newspaper Stamp of 1879 is catalogued at 60c. I will sell you one for 15cents and send you a priced list of other bargains.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Dennison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

NO Agents,
Discounts,
Red Tape.

in The "NET" plan.

A postal brings them.

THE UNIVERSAL STAMP CO.,

207 East Main St.,

BATAVIA, N. Y.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the back. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers.....

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Ill.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00

Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. 36 page list of stamps and coins free.

Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete. 10c unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.

36 John Street, :: New York City

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 17. Whole No. 26. Minneapolis, Minn. April 29, 1903 Weekly

DENVER NOTES.

J. E. Zahn.

American Philatelic Association.
Joe Davis has been too busy to think much of stamps this month, and consequently I have not seen him often during the winter—only when I had a V to put in the savings bank.

Mr. Edward F. Wells is selling his stamps, and has been quite successful, we understand, in disposing of some of the good ones. He knows we are sorry to see such a good lot of stamps scattered, but perhaps Ed will begin collecting again after a short time.

Mr. W. J. Elmendorf was in town several weeks ago, but has returned to British Columbia, and will probably be buried there in the wilderness for some time to come.

Mr. Pierce says "all the boys are collecting stamps—except those that have quit."

Mr. Edward H. Hall, of Fort Collins, was in town Friday and Saturday, mainly on business, but understood he took advantage of his extra time to look over Mr. Reid's stock of Australian stamps.

Some time ago we understood that friend Osgood was intending to re-establish his headquarters at Pueblo, but this was indirect information and possibly may have nothing of truth in it.

Mr. Richard M. Gottesleben has been enjoying a two month's vacation in California; we say enjoying, knowing it could not be otherwise, for I spent a most pleasant month there myself last fall.

CINCINNATI NOTES.

E. L. FISCHER.

American Philatelic Association No. 1701.

J. Edward Sohn, Jr., was a delegate to the republican convention held here on March 4. His schooling in philatelic politics is bearing fruit.

Mr. Chas. K. Davis, a member of the American, is on a trip around the world. He will call on some of the European philatelists of note.

The rooms of the local philatelic society, located in the Pike Theater building, were gutted by the fire of Feb. 26.

In the same building was the office of Harold Roe Smith, the stamp dealer, who is now located in the Wiggins block.



A DEALERS' ASSOCIATION.

It may be of interest to some of the dealer readers of The Philatelic World to know that a Dealers' Protective Association has recently been formed and that it hopes to aid greatly in eliminating some of the "birds of prey," as well as in preventing their securing any meat, by the sending of bi-monthly confidential bulletins to all the members.

This is clearly a case of strength in union, and it is hoped many dealers will join. The undersigned will gladly give further information on this important subject to inquirers.

C. F. RICHARDS,
A. P. A. No. 18.

**May we enter your
Subscription.**

CLEVELAND NOTES.

H. C. Crowell.

American Philatelic Association No.
1570.

The annual birthday party of the Garfield-Perry Stamp club was held at the University club on April 16th, on which occasion the especial feature was an exhibit of the stamps of the twentieth century. The prize offered is an unsevered block of four unperforated Newfoundland shillings. It is probable that several fine collections will be in contest.

Mr. George H. Worthington (Association member No. 151) to whose superb collection the World has several times alluded, has recently added a fine specimen of the 1869 twenty-four-cent, *with inverted center*. A worthy companion piece to the fine fifteen cent in similar condition.

Several Eastern dealers have visited us recently and less stamps and more cash were in their possession when they departed.

A marked decrease in offerings and a stiffening in price has been noted recently in unused Omaha and Pan-American stamps.

**CHICAGO NOTES.**

Phoenix.

At the meeting of the Chicago branch of the A. P. A., held April 9, a ticket was chosen for the coming election, which is headed by Alex. Holland, of New York, for president, and H. E. Deats, for secretary. J. J. Oesch will be recommended for sales superintendent, and Mekeel's Weekly for official organ.

The Ashland Stamp Co., of this city, show an imperforated pair of the Guatemala 1c of 1902.

The new six cent stamp has been seen here, but is not yet on sale at the postoffice.

J. J. Oesch reports that the sales in the A. P. A. exchange department have been very heavy of late. At present the sales are running over \$500 per week.

**A FEW ASSOCIATION PERSONALS.**

J. M. Bartels (No. 357), having duly qualified is now a licensed Boston auctioneer.

Drew's May sale will consist of the collection of Otto E. Heineman, of Pittsburg (No. 1438). I understand the collection has many desirable things in it.

W. H. Colson (No. 1668), the traveling salesman of the New England recently left for a five weeks' trip through Canada and the central states.

S. Schachne, of New York (No. 1418) recently disposed of his collection at auction, and has not again started, but—well, did you ever see a genuine collector stop?

40 VARIETIES

of U. S. and Colonies, Catalogue by Scott
\$1.00 contains Postage Stamps only, price
Approval sheets at 60 per cent discount.

O. A. QUESNEL,

Box 555 - Great Falls, Montana

100 BRITISH COLONIES, 27C

It is a fine collection in its self, contains such as CANADIAN JUBILEES, BARE DOES '96, HONG KONG, INDIA KING HEAD, BR. GUIANA, Etc.
With each order for this packet I will give pocket album in which the stamps may be mounted.

THOS. L. HOSMER,
3415 7th St., Des Moines, Iowa

FREE 100 U. S. Revenues absolutely free to all applying for our 100 cent approval sheets and sending the names of several young collectors.

NOT QUITE FREE.

A missionary mixture containing 1000 stamps good, bad and common. Rare things found in this lot. Price 10c per 1000, postage extra.

The 9 var. of 2c 1894-5-8.....
We are now doing a mail order business

Note the New Address.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.
43-209 DEARBORN AVE. - CHICAGO

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, *Benson, Minn.*
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal
 upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will
 confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his
 old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must
 be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express
 Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused
 stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at
 the above rate or send the paper six months
 for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent
 with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time
 within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime
 upon request.

Mr. Madtes, the ex-superintendent
 of the Pre-Cancelled Stamp
 Club, writes that he is just about to
 send out the fifth circuit. There is
 more life in this society than in
 many of the older and larger so-
 cieties.

One hundred and twenty years
 ago today congress issued a procla-
 mation that a provisional treaty had
 been signed with Great Britain and
 that a cessation of hostilities should
 cease.

An Eastern correspondent sends
 us the following extracted from a
 Pennsylvania paper which recently
 published it:

"Henry Waterman, formerly
 postmaster of Milbury, Mass., who
 claimed the distinction of having is-
 sued the first postage stamp used in
 this country, is dead at Woonsocket,
 R. I., at the age of 86. Mr. Water-
 man's prominence as a postmaster

came in 1839, when he made and
 used as postmaster at Milbury the
 now famous Milbury stamps, which
 today, according to the catalogue
 collectors, are valued at from \$800
 to \$1,200 each."

The new 2-cent envelope has ap-
 peared on blue and oriental buff.

The price of the McKinley error
 card has been advanced by the Bos-
 ton firm holding the only supply.

The Pacific Cable Co. have made
 arrangements to start work upon a
 line from Honolulu and the Midway
 Islands at once; another step to-
 ward direct connections between
 the U. S. and the Philippines.

C. W. Kissinger, F. W. Davis and
 A. Lohmeyer were among those
 who recently resigned from the Chi-
 cago society.

The Chicago correspondent of the
 Era is the only person yet announcing
 that the new two-cent envelope is
 pleasing. All hail to the "square
 block's" champion.

Four resignations, five applications
 and one reinstatement is what the last
 report of the Dominion Philatelic
 Association shows.

An Eastern collector of pre-can-
 celleds is happy in the addition of the
 first series of Racine and Lynn in
 block of four to his collection.

E. S. Steinbrueck says there are
 two distinct shades in the Cuba 2-cent,
 one carmine and one red.

The 15c and 50c new issue are re-
 ported as printed, but not yet issued to
 the postmasters.

Wolsieffers 36th sale, May 9, will
 consist of 647 lots, only one stamp in
 each lot. These are the gems from
 the Casey A. Wood collection. The
 balance being offered in a later sale.
 The stamps will be exhibited in New
 York and Boston before sale.



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

FREE! A Japanese Telegraph Stamp to all who apply for my approval sheets at 50 per cent commission.

FREE! 2 varieties of Korean for the names and addresses of two young stamp collectors

FREE! My price list.

German China 1898-3, 5 and 10 pf. cat 24c 10c

BEN FULLER,

1321 Rhode Island Ave. WASHINGTON, D. C.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

First Come, First Served.

60 varieties of unused stamps including Newfoundland, Bermuda, New Brunswick, Finland Mourning Stamps, Crete Kings and Queens Heads only \$.20
25 varieties B. N. American postage stamps including Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island etc \$.20
Postage extra. Remit by silver or money order.

J. H. JOST,

P. O. Box 244, Halifax, N. S. CANADA.

Danish West Indies Provisional.

Half of 4c on original cover \$.20
Can furnish upper or lower, right or left halves. Per set of four70

50c ENTRY OF GOODS. PART PERF.
Catalogue price \$2.00
MY PRICE20

To readers of this ad only. All good uncut copies. Only one to a customer.

FRANK STETSON,

L. B. 54. STA. F.

Washington, D. C.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

DEALERS! My foreign mixtures, including Salvador, Bolivia, Paraguay etc., at 65c per 100 or \$5.00 per 1000 is good value for the money.

My I. X. L. mixture, catalogue 2c to 30c each. Each 100 catalogue \$5.00 to \$8.00, price \$1.00. Stamps bought. What have you to offer?

CARL YOUNG,

112 N. 5TH ST.,

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

FREE! FREE!

We want to give away as prizes, \$5.00 worth of fine stamps to each and every one answering this ad and sending for a selection of our sheets on approval.

If you enclose 15c in your letter we will also send you a packet of 12 different stamps catalogued over 70c.

Address

THE NEPTUNE STAMP CO.,

Station E.

PHILADELPHIA, - - PA.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine \$
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce \$
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00 \$
Niger Coast, 1897, $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d o. g. \$
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g. \$
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.50
" 1901, giraffe set complete \$
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp \$
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine \$
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine \$
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine \$
" " 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ gl, fine \$
" " 5gl fine \$
Wurtemberg, Official, No. 215 \$
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine \$
" Omaha, 5c green \$
Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York

KING'S HEADS

12 varieties—Price 10c Postfree.

Send for our price list of British North American Postage Stamps.

CENTURY STAMP COMPANY,

P. O. Box 197, : : Montreal, Canada

The Philatelic World

Vol. II. No. 18. Whole No. 27. Minneapolis, Minn. May 6, 1903.

Weekly

THE NORTHAMPTON PRE-CANCELEDS.

F. L. Smith.

The stamps of Northampton are being issued in so many values and changes of type, that some information regarding them may be of interest to your readers. The first issue without bars, and values from 1 to 15c, with dues from 1 to 10c, were issued a few days before Christmas, 1900. The second issue with bar above and below, and values from 1 to 15c, were issued a few days before Christmas 1901. The 1 cent of this set comes inverted as well as normal, and no dues were made that I know of. These two sets were not the result of any commercial demand, nor sold to the public, but were issued solely for the convenience of the offices in cancelling the stamps on the heavy amount of mail matter offered at that busy period in a city of over 20,000 inhabitants, the saving in labor and time must have been considerable. The next set dated 1902, and in values 1 to 5c, were issued in July, 1902, and were used by a firm manufacturing style pins and postal guides. The first printing consisted of only two values, 10,000 1c and 500 2c. In this lot occurred an error, one stamp on each sheet having a colon instead of a period after "Mass." As they were printed in sheets of twenty-five stamps, there were therefore 400 one-cent and 20 two-cent errors. This error was cor-

rected on the plate and the next printing contained 21,000 one-cent, 5,000 two-cent and 250 three-cent, 250 four-cent, and 500 five-cent stamps. In this lot was found one sheet of 25 inverted and one sheet double strike, both of the one-cent value. On account of the frequency of errors, it was decided that when the next printing was done to get up a new type, and if they were satisfactory to have the plate electrotyped. The new set was issued as usual just prior to Christmas, 1902, and in value from 1 to 15c, including the new 13c stamp, and dues from 1 to 10c. The design was "Northampton, Mass.," in tall black letters in two lines, running diagonally up the stamp from the lower left corner and printed 25 to the sheet. These stamps were used by business firms as well as for the offices. In spite of care being taken to have the issue correct, an error was made in the 19th stamp, which was "Nass." instead of "Mass." The first printing consisted of 1,000 one-cent, 1,000 two-cent, 1,000 three cent, 1,500 four-cent, 800 five-cent, 800 six-cent, 800 eight-cent, 800 ten-cent, 200 thirteen-cent, and 300 fifteen-cent. The number of errors can readily be calculated; of the 13c there were but eight, of the 6 and 10-cent values none were on hand in the post-office when the error was discovered. So they will probably be the rarest ones of the set. The design of this issue was not satisfactory, and no electrotype plate was made,

it having been decided at that time to return to the previous design, changing the date to 1903. This was done in February, and the values issued up to the present time have been from 1 to 6 cents, the stamps all being of the 1895-9 issues.



CHICAGO NOTES. . .

At the recent meeting of the Chicago branch of the A. P. A., F. J. Lefevre exhibited his general collection of 17,000 varieties, which was much admired. At the meeting to be held May 7 C. E. Severn will show his U. S. locals.

A parcel of 22,000 of the new 2c U. S. was shipped to England by a local firm last week.

The Canadian revenue craze has taken local collectors hard. A number of them are purchasing albums and searching the dealers' stocks for varieties.

Charles Schlekert, president, and Irving Dickenson, secretary, of the C. P. S., are laid up with the grippe.

Shirley E. Moisant has about disposed of his large lot of unused stamps, which weighed just over two tons. He is now negotiating for another lot from other sources.

The C. P. S. has offered the use of its club room to the P. S. of A. as a meeting place for their convention, which will be held here during August of this year.

Active preparations are being made for the support of the Chicago ticket of the A. P. A., which is headed by Alex Holland as president, and H. E. Deats for secretary.

The Philatelic World is the name of a new stamp sheet gotten out here. Its size is two by three inches, and contains four pages. The only local ad it carries is that of its publisher.

INGCOMPARABLE

Customers Attention!

100 English Colonies, All Different

Gambia, Falkland, Cyprus, St. Vincent, Guiana, Honduras, Bahamas, Fiji, Niger Coast, St. Helena, Grenada, etc., etc.

Only 35 cents.

Unused Stamps of all Countries accepted in payment.

Victor Singer & Co.,

23 Saville Street, - LONDON, W.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby. Articles by the best authors on stamps and entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

BARGAIN U. S. Postage Stamps and Indian Relics.

500 envelopes stamps 40 varieties cut square for \$1.50, 1853 to 1903, not less than 4 nor more than 50 of each.

50 varieties catalog \$5.00

Arrows, per doz

Spears, per doz

Delivered free for cash.

100 different Relics, send stamp for outlines.

SOL. HAYES

Box 293. :: HARRISON,
Hamilton County, : : OHIO.

NEW ISSUES

have been to the front now for several years but what of

OLD ISSUES

Has it ever occurred to you that a glorious opportunity has been wasted each time you had a chance to pick up an old issue (particularly of an obsolete country) at a fair price and you neglected to do so. New issues will always be obtainable but can you say the same of Old Issues.

UNITED STAMP CO., 1149 Marquette, Chicago

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 and Foreign Countries 75c

ARNEST R. ALDRICH, *Benson, Minn.*
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal
 expiration of subscription.
 In case of change of address the subscriber will
 refer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his
 old and new address.
 Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must
 be accompanied by four cents in stamps.
 Remittances should be made by Postal or Express
 orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused
 stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at
 the above rate or send the paper six months
 for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent
 in order.
 Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time
 within six months.
 We will refund paid subscriptions anytime
 on request.

Chas. Nast is the authority for the
 statement that printed cancellations
 of the civil war revenues was gain-
 ing in popularity. This species of
 socialism has never heretofore had
 many devotees.

The P. S. of A. seems to be boom-
 ing. The Chicago meet in August more
 than the American is the Clayton meet
 and one Chicago collector prophesies
 a larger non-resident attendance than
 the Eastern meet.

Did you ever try the Virginia
 page—If not—why not?

A correspondent says that the
 Toronto society is contemplating
 holding an exhibition open to local
 collectors not members of the club
 society. A novel idea to encourage out-
 side talent and get them in touch with
 the local society.

The Chicago Philatelic Associa-
 tion 22d sale will be held on April 18
 and catalogues are out, 329 lots are

listed. A general collection is in-
 cluded as well as a special wholesale
 consignment, which includes many
 fine lots for dealers. A 3143 variety
 collection is the last number issued.

De la Rue & Co. have presented
 the plates they employed in printing
 Orange Free State stamps to the Brit-
 ish Museum.

The most popular Easter styles in
 philately is not the new two-cent en-
 velope.

Judson N. Burton has issued a neat
 twelve page list. From the color of
 the paper we know it will all be
 re(a)d.

The Chicago correspondent of the
 Philatelic Era reports a collector in
 that city as recently securing a block
 of four ten-cent Providences. As there
 is only one ten-cent stamp to each
 plate it must be a remarkable block.

The only thing doing in the Amer-
 ican at its last report was a single ap-
 plication for reinstatement. Person-
 ally I would rather see one reinstat-
 ment than two new applications, as we
 hate to see any of the old boys drop
 out.

In spite of tardiness and half issues
 we have not alienated all our friends,
 as a two years' subscription from one
 prominent collector recently testified.

The new one-cent stamp precancell-
 ed Chicago, made its appearance last
 week franking a small catalogue of
 "The Fair," of that city.

For a "rare provisional" the cut
 four-cent Danish West Indies seems
 remarkably numerous, and held at
 only ten cents on original, cut any way
 you wish.

The J. M. Bartels Co. announce
 that their May sale will include the
 collection of W. L. Drury, of Wash-
 ington, rich not only in rare single
 specimens of U. S., but also in blocks
 of four.

BIGGEST BARGAINS

CHUNGKING, CHINA.

Regular Issue.	Postage Due.
1895 2c pink.	1895 2c pink.
1895 4c ultramarine.	1895 4c ultramarine.
1895 8c orange.	1895 8c orange.
1895 16c purple.	1895 16c purple.
1895 24c emerald green.	1895 24c emerald green.
Above set cat. \$1.23	Above set cat. \$1.50.
My price 75 cents.	My price 80 cents.

1900 Catalogue price for above two sets ... \$1.78
 1903 Catalogue price for above two sets ... 2.83

My 1903 price for above two sets \$1.50

LABUAN, 1899 issue, surcharged
 "4 Cents" on 25c blue green of 1896 issue
 "4 Cents" on 50c red brown of 1896 issue
 "4 Cents" on \$1.00 dark blue of 1896 issue

The set of above three stamps for 50 cents.

NORTH BORNEO, 1899 issue surcharged
 "4 Cents" on 25c slate blue of 1893 issue
 "4 Cents" on 50c violet of 1893 issue
 "4 Cents" on \$1.00 red of 1893 issue
 "4 Cents" on \$2.00 gray green of 1893 issue
 "4 Cents" on \$5.00 red violet of 1893 issue
 "4 Cents" on \$10.00 brown of 1893 issue

The above set of stamps for \$1.25
 Or Labuan and North Borneo,
 The two sets of nine stamps, for \$1.50.

The above Four Sets for \$2.00

ALL UNUSED, O. G., FINE CONDITION.

Cat. No.	British Honduras	Cat. Price	My Price	Per 1.	Per 10
27	1888, 2c on 1d rose	\$.05	\$0.03	\$0.25	
28	1888, 3c on 3d brown	.08	.05	.40	
29	1888, 10c on 4d violet	.25	.15	1.55	
30	1888, 20c on 6d yellow	.65	.40	3.15	
33	1891, 8c on 10c violet	.20	.10	.80	
34	1891, 6c on 10c violet	.20	.12	.85	

Please remit by Bills or Money Order.

C. F. ROTHFUCHS,

38 Monroe St., - Roxbury, Mass.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth	.....\$ .50	\$.58
" " Leather	..... 1.25	1.35
" " " Interleaved	..... 2.00	2.16

International Postage

Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
 20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

		Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards	.....\$ .25	
" " " " Cloth	..... .40	

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
 18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y



The 3c U. S. Newspaper Stamp of 1879 is catalogued at 60c. I will sell you one for 15 cents and send you a priced list of other bargains.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N.

NO Agents, Discounts, Red Tape.

in The "NET" plan.

A postal brings them.

THE UNIVERSAL STAMP CO.,

207 East Main St., BATAVIA, N.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the back. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers.....

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Ill.

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00

Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. List of stamps and coins free. Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete. unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.

30 John Street, :: New York City

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 19. Whole No. 28. Minneapolis, Minn. May 13, 1903 Weekly

FROM DENVER.

J. E. Zahn.

Through a miscarriage in the mails these notes intended for last week's issue arrived too late for insertion.

The Denver stamp season has been good is at the present time, very good; the demand for albums has been about twice what it was a year ago, and the new idea of issuing albums in 19th century and 20th century parts is taking very well. We believe that this innovation will prove more satisfactory as time goes on. Pierce & Schmidt reports the season in stamps as very good, especially among boys, stamps ranging from 2 to 10 cents being most popular.

What has been said about the demand for albums likewise applies to catalogues, although the latter were not received here until January 20th, they have all been sold and a new supply is now on the way from New York.

Mr. Carpenter, of the New England Stamp Company was in town for a day last week, and I understand that several good sales were made. Mr. Carpenter certainly had the stock to tempt anyone, and we hope that his business west will continue profitable as well as enjoyable.

I also had the infinite pleasure of looking at Mr. Edward H. Hall's (Fort Collins, Colorado) collection, which I had not seen for three or four years, and I find it one of the very best I have ever seen, none exceeded. The vast number of shades of desirable stamps is one of the most interesting features of this really fine collection.

Mr. F. W. Reed, recently from Australia, and formerly of Phoenix,

Ariz., and New York City, has opened up a stamp store on upper Sixteenth street. Mr. Reed has a very fair general selection, and a very fine collection of Australian stamps, which, of course, will be his specialty.

A FEW ASSOCIATION PERSONALS.

W. A. MacAlla, of Philadelphia, No. 13, one of the earlier members, is devoting his attention to new issues only.

One of our busiest members is Willard O. Wylie, of Beverly, Mass., (No. 1689). Besides his regular employment in Boston, he conducts his stamp business at home evenings. He contributes departments to the West and Mekeel's Weekly, and frequently contributes to other journals.

George W. Rode (No. 126), the secretary of the Pittsburg branch, is taking a rest from active collecting, but it may be assured that neither his fine coin collection or elegant lot of stamps will long permit this.

Papa Doeblin, our genial and well beloved international secretary (No. 96), hasn't done a thing this winter but absorbed about all the medals offered by the Twin City Philatelic Society.

Charles E. Severn (No. 65) is making a specialty of U. S. locals on original covers, and but few have as fine a collection of these stamps.

Few of the members have year in and year out done as much for our association as Wolsieffer, of Chicago—our genial P. M. (No. 38), and no one has so often compelled his friends to refrain from placing him in the field for the presidency. May he some day permit it to be done.

Capt. Spencer Crosby (No. 184), of the Engineer's Corps, U. S. A., has been transferred to the Philippines.

Instead of devoting his spare time to his collection recently, ex-President Toppan has been visiting with that winter caller—La Grippe.



CHICAGO NOTES.

The P. S. of A. convention will be held in the rooms of the Chicago Philatelic Society, when that national organization meets in the "I Will" city this fall.

Whether the dull, faded out red shade which the earlier specimens of the 1902 two-cent envelopes appeared in will be scarce enough to pay to hoard up, is now one of the questions which perplex collectors.

The April Inter Ocean gives a list of the births and death in philatelic journalism in 1902. Nine of the former and seventeen of the latter. Only three of the new ones yet live.

The bonds of Edward E. Fuller under arrest at Chicago for having in possession stamps said to have been stolen from the Ponca City, Okla., postoffice, was recently declared forfeited, he failing to appear for trial on day set. His brother was held in bonds of \$7,000, which he failed to secure, and was remanded to jail.

Dr. Downing, of Minneapolis, was in the city recently. He managed to secure several stamps lacking in his collection.

The sales of the A. P. A. exchange department are now averaging about \$600 per week.

J. A. Cook, editor of the Philatelic Inter Ocean, of Waterloo, Iowa, was a recent Chicago visitor.

A Chicago stamp surcharged "Honeybug" has been seen here.

The resignations of four members—all passive—were accepted at the last meeting of the local society.

Preparations are being made for the visit of the P. S. of A. this summer.

Several complete sets of the new U. S. surcharged "specimen" have been seen here. The price for the ranges about \$12.00.

Mr. H. L. Hart is offering a copy of the Canada 12d in his collection for \$340.

HENRY P. DAY,

Stamp Dealer

Box 762 Peoria, Illinois.

Price Lists, Postage Free.

Stamps of Spain.

30 distinct varieties..... 10c Postage
50 " " 25c " "
100 " " \$2.00 "

All postage, none punched or damaged.
Have you tried my approval selections?

FRED KETCHESON,

Box 465 Belleville, Ontario, Canada

40 VARIETIES

of U. S. and Colonies, Catalogue by Scott
\$1.00 contains Postage Stamps only, price

Approval sheets at 80 per cent discount

O. A. QUESNEL,

Box 555 - Great Falls, Montana

100 BRITISH COLONIES, 27c

It is a fine collection in its self, contains
such as CANADIAN JUBILEES, BARR
DOES '96, HONG KONG, INDIA KING
HEAD, BR. GUIANA, Etc.

With each order for this packet I will give
pocket album in which the stamps may
be mounted.

THOS. L. HOSMER,

3415 7th St., Des Moines, Iowa

FREE 100 U. S. Revenues absolutely
free to all applying for our \$1.00
cent approval sheets and send
ing the names of several young collectors

NOT QUITE FREE.

A missionary mixture containing 1000 stamps
good, bad and common. Rare things
found in this lot. Price 10c per 1000, postage
extra.

The 9 var. of 2c 1894-5-8.....
We are now doing a mail order business

Note the New Address.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,

43-209 DEARBORN AVE. - CHICAGO

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, *Benson, Minn.*
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

The World is in receipt of a price list of current New Zealands, issued by W. H. Clark, of Whangarie, New Zealand.

From St. Paul comes word that the local society of that city is defunct. The writer says would Annan were still here to keep it alive.

A necessity to the owner of every library—whether philatelic or not—is a record book. The editor has found the one published by Robert E. Scott, of La Grange, Ill., just the thing for a philatelist. Write him for circular.

The United Stamp Company, of Chicago, has just issued a neat sixteen page list of sets and packets. You need one—send for it.

Over a year ago the firm of Anthony Kelly & Co. employed an ad device on their stamped envelopes in which the stamp was surrounded by a blue circle and below in fancy device a no-

tice of the national convention of employers and employes, Sept. 22-26. It ranks in the Ellsworth & Straw, D. Appleton and other stamped envelopes with advertisements.

George R. Tuttle will hold his fifty-ninth sale on Saturday. Over 900 lots are offered.

From a mutual acquaintance I learn that W. F. Schad has resigned as city agent for the Fairbanks Soap, at Milwaukee.

The new five-cent stamp can be found both normal and uncut at Minneapolis, Minn.

Novelty takes, says a well known advertiser, and from this standpoint Wolsieffer's 36th sale should command widespread attention. It may be that sometime before a sale has been held where every lot was a single stamp, but if so, few recollect it, but that is just what this sale does. It is the "gems" only of the Dr. Woods' collection, and while every stamp is in the rarity class every defect, however minute, is noted by the careful cataloger. In looking them over the items eight Confederate provisionals are noted, fifty-three rare envelope (U. S.) corners, nineteen Hawaiians listing a quarter of a thousand. It is only when such a collection is broken up that some of these rareities come on the market, and even then it seems a shame to separate and scatter them.

We acknowledge the receipt of an unique series of illustrated circulars from the Hubbell Co., advertising their "bonanza packets."

In order to have a suitable place to "house" his collection, J. A. Ringness, of Minneapolis, is building a fine new residence.



FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

FREE! A Japanese Telegraph Stamp to all who apply for my approval sheets at 50 per cent commission.

FREE! 2 varieties of Korean for the names and addresses of two young stamp collectors

FREE! My price list.

German China 1898-3, 5 and 10 pf. cat 24c 10c

BEN FULLER,

1321 Rhode Island Ave. WASHINGTON, D. C.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

First Come, First Served.

60 varieties of unused stamps including Newfoundland, Bermuda, New Brunswick, Finland Mourning Stamps, Crete Kings and Queens Heads only \$.20

25 varieties B. N. American postage stamps including Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island etc \$.20

Postage extra. Remit by silver or money order.

J. H. JOST,

P. O. Box 244, Halifax, N. S. CANADA.

Danish West Indies Provisional.

Half of 4c on original cover \$.20
Can furnish upper or lower, right or left halves. Per set of four70

50c ENTRY OF GOODS. PART PERF.

Catalogue price \$2.00

MY PRICE20

To readers of this ad only. All good uncut copies. Only one to a customer.

FRANK STETSON,

L. S. 54. STA. F.

Washington, D. C.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

DEALERS! My foreign mixtures, including Salvador, Bolivia, Paraguay, etc., at 65c per 100 or \$6.00 per 1000 is good value for the money.

My I. X. L. mixture, catalogue 2c to 30c each. Each 100 catalogue \$5.00 to \$8.00, price \$1.50. Stamps bought. What have you to offer?

CARL YOUNG,

112 N. 5TH ST..

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

FREE! FREE!

We want to give away as prizes, \$5.00 worth of fine stamps to each and every one answering this ad and sending for a selection of our sheets on approval.

If you enclose 15c in your letter we will also send you a packet of 12 different stamps catalogued over 70c.

Address

THE NEPTUNE STAMP CO.,

Station E.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1888, 2 Fr. fine.....	8
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	20
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	45
Niger Coast, 1897, $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. o. g.....	15
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	15
" 1898, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	75
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl. large stamp.....	1.00
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	2.00
" 1888, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1g1, fine.....	2.00
" " 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ g1, fine.....	2.00
" " 5g1, fine.....	2.00
Wurtemberg, Official, No. 215.....	2.00
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	2.00
" Omaha, 5c green.....	2.00

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York

KING'S HEADS

12 varieties—Price 10c Postfree.

Send for our price list of British North American Postage Stamps.

CENTURY STAMP COMPANY,

P. O. Box 197, : : Montreal, Canada

The Philatelic World

II, No. 20. Whole No. 29. Minneapolis, Minn. May 20, 1903 Weekly

NEW CARDS.

A. Lohmeyer.

Germany—The new set of cards, with shortened and re-spaced address lines is now completed by the addition of the following to my former chronicles:

P. C.—2 pf slate blue on pale blue, 140 m-m.

P. C.—2x2 pf. slate-blue on pale blue, T 3 90x140 m-m.

P. C.—5 pf. green on cream, 93x140 m-m.

P. C.—10x10 pf. carmine on cream, T. 3, 90x140 m-m.

P. C.—10 pf. carmine on pale blue, perf. III. B. 90x140.

Malta—I have at last received direct from the General Post Office at Valletta the one penny King type cards, chronicled as having been omitted in the Official Organ of the Philatelic Society last August. The one penny Queen type, single and double, are still on sale there.

P. C. 1d. carmine on cream, 89x140 m-m.

Tasmania—I have received from the colony a very crude local print, one penny card. It is the same old design which has been in use since 1884, printed in a dull red on a grayish buff manila tag board. It looks like a "cheap" card, but, like some of the local productions of 1884, it comes very high in the near future.

P. C. 1d dull red on grayish buff, 120 m-m.

Dutch Indies—I am indebted to Mr. Foulon for the first copy of the one penny 5-cent card. The inscriptions

remain the same as on the issue of 1887, while the new coat of arms, as it appears on the 1901 issue of the mother country, has been substituted for the old. The stamp is of the oblong type, with figure of value in the center, Scott's A 6.

P. C. 5-cent, red on pale rose, 89x139 m-m.



AN EMBRYO SPECIALIST.

A. D. F.

Now, James is a member of one of the largest local societies and a man of influence in its circles, and in the countries he collects, a specialist of the most pronounced type. His small brother William is just rounding out his ninth year, but because "Jim collects" he of course is a recognized authority in the small boy circles. Now, he has amassed a collection which is the marvel of his followers, and is really for a little fellow well posted on stamp matters.

The fact that "Jim" was a specialist, for he had heard some of us older fellows say so, had made "Bill" wish to be one also, and that he will some day develop in this line one can well believe by the following happening noted a few days since. I had dropped in casually to talk with James, but found "Bill" seated at a table sorting a lot of two-cent strips and blocks, sorting for minor varieties—so he said. "And I am finding them, too. I've found something I don't believe Jim knows either. Just look here. Do you see this strip, every perforation

is straight and correct. Now, see this one. They h'aint right. Don't you see in this corner three holes run into one another, making three rolled into one. Then here again, they h'aint right again, down here in this corner two run together, making a hole foot-ball shaped. Then, and he picked up another block, "is another variety, see at the corner of this stamp three perforations come together looking like a pawnbroker's sign. Gee! but it is great, h'aint it. Guess you fellows will have to let me into your society before long. Guess I'm as good a speclist as most of you guys is. Bet you Jim 'll be sore. I found these here things before he did." Of course "Jim" was duly surprised when told of the wonderful discoveries by his brother, but agreed with me that a coming philatelic student was developing in his family.

But seriously, I wondered if "Bill's Varieties" wasn't as deserving of notice as some of the "hair line," dot and accidentally caused varieties which many of our pronounced specialists revere, but then I am a general collector and don't specialize, and am not a competent judge.



TEXAS PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION.

The seventh annual convention of the Texas Philatelic Association was held on April 16, 1903, at Galveston, Texas, with seven members in attendance.

The report of the Secretary-Treasurer showed a membership of 37 and \$113.75 in the treasury. The report of the Exchange Superintendent

showed sales during the past year \$449.71. The annual election of officers resulted as follows:

President—S. V. Pfeuffer, of New Braunfels.

First Vice-President—Otto Stecker of Cuero.

Second Vice-President—Emil Gerlich of Schertz.

Secretary-Treasurer—Edward W. Heusinger of San Antonio.

Librarian—G. C. Cuenod of Galveston.

Exchange Superintendent—Charles Roemer of San Antonio.

Associate Trustees—H. G. Aikew and H. A. Herzog, of Austin.

The "New York Philatelist" was retained as official journal and San Antonio was selected for convention seat in 1904. The Texas Philatelic Association was organized in 1896, and is strictly a state organization. Our readers in the Lone Star state who are not members are invited to join. Application blanks and further information may be had by addressing the Secretary-Treasurer Edward W. Heusinger, 133 and 141 W. Commerce Street, San Antonio, Texas.

40 VARIETIES

of U. S. and Colonies, Catalogue by Scott \$1.00 contains Postage Stamps only, price 50c.

Approval sheets at 60 per cent discount.

O. A. QUESNEL,

Box 555 - Great Falls, Montana

FREE 100 U. S. Revenues absolutely free to all applying for our 50 cent approval sheets and sending the names of several young collectors.

NOT QUITE FREE.

A missionary mixture containing 1000 stamps good, bad and common. Rare things found in this lot. Price 10c per 1000, postage extra.

The 9 var. of 2c 1894-5-8.....

We are now doing a mail order business

Note the New Address.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,

43-209 DEARBORN AVE. - CHICAGO

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, *Benson, Minn.*
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Mr. W. J. Wilson reports a dangerous counterfeit of the 3 on 5a Iceland 1897. The shape of the Icelandic P is the distinguishing feature.

Charles Nissen & Co., of London, list the set of 10d blue, single and compound 10x1d, 10x1½d, 10dx2d, 10dx2½d, 10dx3d, 10dx4d, 10dx6d, 10dx10d, and 10x1s, as the rarest set of envelopes ever issued.

On April 8, Mr. H. L. Hayman exhibited his collection of British East Africa before the International Philatelic Union at Essex Hall, Strand, London. A fine collection of surcharged Indian State stamps was also shown.

An European dealer is offering a four thousand variety packet for \$55 mark (\$85.20). It is doubtful if as large a nucleus for a collection can elsewhere be found for such a price.

Press reports say that the island Heligoland is gradually but surely growing smaller, and scientists who have studied the question ascribe it to the large proportion of salt contained in its formation. It would seem from their reports that within another generation at least the island as a place of habitation will be a thing of the past, and the stamps it once issued will be one of the few reminders of its past, perhaps of its existence.

A dealer on the other side of the ocean is putting forth a series of variety packets of revenue stamps, the 500 variety one is sold at \$1.55, the 1,000 v. one at \$4.00, and a 2,000 v. at \$15.00. The collection of revenues is said to be on the boom abroad, as much, if not more, interest and activity being displayed by the fiscalist as by their postally inclined brothers.

Owing to slow convalescence from an attack of pneumonia, which demands the taking of a vacation and change of air, the Rev. Henry Madtes has been compelled to resign the exchange superintendency of the Precancelled Stamp Club. This is to be greatly regretted, as he had made a model officer, and had his department running both in method and activity which could be imitated by older and larger societies.

A London dealer is offering fine used copies of the \$2 and \$5 for \$2.17, about two-thirds of the catalog price.

The Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidskrift for April, illustrates the new two-cent stamp and the wood engraving printed in black shows up much finer than the actual stamp does.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers..... 10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Ill. Illinois.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
“ “ Leather.....	1.25	1.35
“ “ “ Interleaved 2.00		2.16

International Postage Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25
“ “ “ “ Cloth,....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

HENRY P. DAY,

Stamp Dealer

Box 762 Peoria, Illinois.

Price Lists, Postage Free.



The 8c U. S. Newspaper Stamp of 1879 is catalogued at 60c. I will sell you one for 15cents and send you a priced list of other bargains.

INCOMPARABLE Customers Attention!

100 English Colonies, All Different

Gambia, Falkland, Cyprus, St. Vincent, Guiana, Honduras, Bahamas, Fiji, Niger Coast, St. Helena, Grenada, etc., etc.

Only 35 cents.

Unused Stamps of all Countries accepted in payment.

Victor Singer & Co.,

23 Saville Street, - LONDON, W.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby. Articles by the best authors on stamps and entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,

Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

BARGAIN U. S. Postage Stamps and Indian Relics.

500 envelopes stamps 40 varieties cut square for \$1.50, 1853 to 1903, not less than 4 nor more than 50 of each.

50 varieties catalog \$5.00..... 30c

Arrows, per doz..... 30c

Spears, per doz..... 75c

Delivered free for cash.

100 different Relics, send stamp for outlines.

SOL. HAYES

Box 293, :: HARRISON,

Hamilton County, : : OHIO.

DEALERS! My foreign mixtures, including Salvador, Bolivia, Paraguay, etc., at 65c per 100 or \$6.00 per 1000 is good value for the money.

My I. X. L. mixture, catalogue 2c to 30c each. Each 100 catalogue \$6.00 to \$8.00, price \$1.50. Stamps bought. What have you to offer?

CARL YOUNG,

112 N. 5TH ST.,

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

The Philatelic World

II. No. 21. Whole No. 30. Minneapolis, Minn. May 27, 1903.

Weekly

WOLSIEFFER'S SALE.

The "one stamp one lot" sale held P. M. Wolsieffer on May 9 was successful. Some of the prices follow:

Brazil, 1844, 600, R. Scott's No. 20.....	\$10.10	Newfoundland, 4d, No. 4, Cat. \$30.00.....	18.00
Brazil, 1866, 280, R. Scott's, No. 49.....	7.10	Newfoundland, 6½d, No. 7, unused, no gum.....	26.00
British Guiana, 1850, 1c, No. (Cat. \$35.00).....	28.70	Oldenburg, 1858, No. 8.....	7.00
Brunswick, 1863, 1-3rd, No. 3, unused, no gum.....	6.35	Pacific Steam Navigation Co., No. 5, unused. Cat. \$4.00...	2.50
Chas Ayres, 3 pence, No. 3, Cat. \$30.00).....	12.60	Pacific Steam Navigation Co., No. 7, unused. Cat. \$4.00..	2.40
Canada, 1857, 7½d, No. 9....	8.10	Pacific Steam Navigation Co., No. 9, unused. Cat. \$4.00..	2.60
Bay of Good Hope, 1861, 1d, woodblock	10.60	Pacific Steam Navigation Co., No. 10, unused. Cat. \$4.00.	2.45
Bay of Good Hope, 1861, 4d, woodblock	5.10	Pacific Steam Navigation Co., No. 13, unused. Cat. \$4.00..	2.90
Bombay 4d, No. 3, unused, no gum.....	7.70	Peru, 1857, 1 R. Cat. \$50.00.	28.10
Beverly, 1864, ½ gr. No. 26.	3.25	Poland, No. 1. Cat. \$2.00....	2.10
Hawaii, 1853, 13c, No. 6, (Cat. \$18.00)	12.00	Poland, No. 3, unused. Cat. \$2.00	1.40
Hawaii, 1859, 1c, No. 19, repaired, (Cat. \$30.00).....	6.10	Spain, Madrid, No. 17. Cat. \$11.00	7.60
Mercurius, 1848, 1d, No. 4, Cat. \$6.00.....	5.40	Spain, 2 R. No. 21.....	17.50
Mercurius, 1848, 4d, No. 12, Cat. \$15.00.....	9.10	Sweden, Stockholm, No. 102. Cat. \$1.75.....	1.10
Mercurius, 1858, 1d, No. 16, Cat. \$18.00.....	15.10	Switzerland, Basle, No. 1....	18.00
Mexico, 1868, 12c, No. 60, unused	10.80	Switzerland, 2½, No. 14. Cat. \$20.00	14.80
New Brunswick, 1 sh. No. 3, Cat. \$90.00.....	55.00	Uruguay, No. 5a. Cat. \$3.50.	10.30
Newfoundland, 1857, No. 1, unused, no gum. Cat. \$1.75	1.50	Virgin Isles, No. 7, unused. Cat. \$18.00.....	10.50
Newfoundland, 2d, No. 2, Cat. \$35.00.....	24.20	Virgin Isles, No. 7b, unused. Cat. \$21.00.....	14.10
		Wurtemberg, No. 53, 70 kr. Cat. \$18.00.....	13.10
		Another, cut close.....	6.75

BOSTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

April Meeting.

The 125th regular meeting was held on Tuesday evening, April 21st,

at 8 o'clock, with President Lombard in the chair and 24 members and friends present.

A letter was read from Mr. Adolph H. Weber of San Francisco, offering a silver "challenge cup" to the society to be competed for annually in an exhibition of uncatalogued varieties. The competition is to be open to all and the winner's name and the date are to be engraved on the cup for each exhibition, the cup remaining in the successful competitor's hands until the next winner is announced. The cup is a very handsome one and was accepted with a vote of thanks to the donor.

The following application was posted:

Mr. Chas. F. Lovering, Jr., Boston, Mass.

The following was elected a member:

No. 375. Mr. F. L. Stoltz, San Francisco, Cal.

The "Weekly Philatelic Era" was again chosen official organ for the year beginning in April.

An amendment to the statutes was presented making a slight change in the method of admitting candidates.

An informal auction of 68 lots was held.

Unfortunately no exhibit was presented for the competition in stamps of British North America which was scheduled for this meeting. Entrance was limited to those who had never taken a prize, and evidently all who were otherwise qualified were debarred by this restriction. However, Mr. E. F. Sawyer, of the Committee, brought in his own collection of these stamps which proved a most attractive array.

They were both used and unused and replete with fine specimens, particular note being the Nova Scotia and New Brunswick shilling.

C. A. HOWES,
Secretary.



A FEW PRECANCELEDS.

A Chicago collector reports the one cent Chicago with the second "i" of Illinois missing.

Speaking of Chicago, the entire present series looks as though the forms of type had been hit with the ax. A clean-cut impression is the exception.

Minneapolis has thus far used the one, two, three and four cent of the new issues and St. Paul the one two and five.

Milwaukee recently used the 1899, surcharge reading up, without bars.

Mr. F. L. Smith reports that he has secured a specimen of the Minneapolis four bar. While the existence of this had been previously supposed, this is the first specimen actually reported.

DO YOU KNOW

That for 10 cents you can get 150 stamps, 200 hinges, one album and 5 var. unused stamps. Send for approval sheets at 50 per cent commission.

C. K. SOUERS, : : Warren, Ill.

PRICES TALK

No. 8, Hong Kong, 1863, 2c (cat. 25)
 No. 188, Mexico 1897, 20c (cat. 1.50)
 No. 51, Netherlands 2 g1 50c (cat. 50)
 No. 66, North Borneo 18c (cat. 25)
 No. 10, Nova Scotia 5c (cat. 30)
 No. 150, Puerto Rico 40c (cat. 75)
 Wolsieffer's Approval Cards, per doz.

Your duplicates are kept safer and look better in one of Wolsieffer's Pocket edition Stamp Books, cloth bound, made to accommodate stamps and sold for 25c post paid.

Another auction sale shortly, consisting of balance of Casey A. Wood Collection and Spalding collection. Something for everybody. Are you an auction buyer? Our auction catalogues are the most comprehensive and explicit of any.

UNITED STAMP CO., 1149 Marquette, Chicago

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
 Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

The Section of Philately of the Brooklyn Institute elected officers on April 10. Dr. T. P. Hyatt, president; H. E. Robinson, vice president; J. D. Carberry, secretary-treasurer; George W. Ring, curator, and David Minaldi, librarian. The executive committee will consist of the officers, together with J. M. Andreini, A. Krassa, Eugene Boucher, W. H. Sussdorf and H. A. Talbot.

Chas Nast, of Denver, Colo., who recently sold his large collection of proprietary cancellations, 1898, of nearly seven thousand varieties, is at work accumulating another collection.

Morley's Journal announces a new revenue for San Juan de Porto Rico "Impuesto Municipal band in carmine, value not indicated, size 17x110 m-m.

The first literature sale noted for a long time was recently advertised by a New York firm, the offerings being single papers entirely.

Greenberg & Smith of San Francisco, have added a stamp and coin department to their curio business. Besides their Montgomery street place of business, they conduct a free museum at 6 Summer street.

Two new members, six applicants and four resignations is the last report of the secretary of the Sons of Philatelia. This society needs a little of the old time enthusiasm of years ago.

Mr. G. H. Dickinson has resigned as exchange superintendent of the League of Philatelic Literaturists and J. H. Du Bose, of Huguenot, Ga., appointed as his successor.

It is reported that H. E. Deats declines to accept a nomination for a further term as secretary of the American. It is to be hoped he will reconsider the matter.

Up to May 2 the postal authorities have made no decision relative to issue or non-issue of a Louisiana Purchase series.

Rev: Henry Madtes of Sharpsburg, Pa., has resigned the exchange superintendency of the Precanceled Stamp Club, which action was necessary owing to ill health, his physician having ordered complete rest and a change of air. As the department had but recently been started, it is to be regretted that such action was necessary. We understand Mr. Geo. F. Duck, of Pittsburg, will be tendered the appointment.

The current Success asks as a prize question, what countries have used portraits on stamps other than rulers and who they were.



FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light, Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

Stamps of Spain.

80 distinct varieties.....10c Postpaid
50 " "25c "
100 " "\$2.00 "

All postage, none punched or damaged.
Have you tried my approval selections?

FRED KETCHESON,

Box 465 Belleville, Ontario, Canada.

100 BRITISH COLONIES, 27C

It is a fine collection in its self, containing such as CANADIAN JUBILEES, BARBADOS '90, HONG KONG, INDIA KING'S HEAD, BR. GUIANA, Etc.

With each order for this packet I will give a pocket album in which the stamps may be mounted.

THOS. L. HOSMER,

3415 7th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, $2\frac{1}{2}$ o. g.....	.20
Nyasasa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl blue.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official, No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1896, \$1, black, fine.....	.32
" Omaha, 5c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

Danish West Indies Provisional.

Half of 4c on original cover.....\$.30
Can furnish upper or lower, right or left halves. Per set of four......70

50c ENTRY OF GOODS. PART PERF,
Catalogue price.....\$2.00

MY PRICE......20

To readers of this ad only. All good uncut copies. Only one to a customer.

FRANK STETSON,

L. B. 54. STA. F,

Washington, D. C.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.

10 blank Approval Books, 10c.

100 Approval Sheets, 15c.

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N BURTON.

MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR,
NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors. The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 20 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay.
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price.
1885 1c.....	\$.20	\$.06
1879 2c.....	.30	.12
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.15

OTHER BARGAINS.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 22. Whole No. 31. Minneapolis, Minn. June 3, 1903 Weekly

AUCTION PRICES ABROAD.

The following prices realized at recent English sales is given as possibly indicative of market values across the pond.

U.S. Executive set unused..	\$19.44
State mint except 15c...	17.50
Mobile, 5 cents.....	6.55
Hawaii 1864 1c on wove paper unused	7.75
2c same	6.30
Mauritius, 1848, 2d blue error Penoe	51.10
Nevis, 1867, 1s yellow green.	29.22
St. Vincent, 5s, rose mint....	48.70
Azores, 1882, 150 reis.....	12.14
Ceylon, 4d imperforate.....	64.50
9d first issue.....	14.61
British Guiana, 1850 twelve cent on original cover	53.57
1856 four black on blue..	448.00
1888 \$1 mint.....	14.06
1852 one cent.....	35.77
four black on dark blue	35.77
New Brunswick, 1s, mauve...	51.10
Spain, 1851, 2 reales, unused.	90.06
Tuscany, 60 crazies, brick red	52.30
Transvaal, 1900, V. R. I., 4d..	18.44
Newfoundland, full sheet 5d..	29.22
Great Britain, 1840, 1d black V. R. mint	36.00
1841, 1d red-brown on Dickinson paper, unused, pair	4.60
1847, 6d violet, unused...	18.44
1853, postal fiscals, 3d pink surcharged inland revenue in green imperforate, unused.....	4.32

1855, 6d, no letters, on blue paper.....	17.00
1855, 2s, unused.....	19.88
1873, 2½d, plate 3, orb, watermark, mint, but not perfect, block of six.....	34.96
1873, 10s, gray.....	6.31
1873, £1, purple brown..	10.22
Reconstructed plate one penny black.....	26.15
Same two pence blue....	9.20

THE COLLECTORS' CLUB.

The ninety-third meeting of the Board of Governors was held at the clubhouse on Monday evening, May 11, 1903.

Present: Messrs. Andreini, Dewing, Luff, Rich, Scott and Perrin.

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 p. m., with the president in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The secretary read a number of communications.

The treasurer's report, showing a cash balance in bank of \$331.88, exclusive of reserve fund, was approved as read.

The report of the House Committee was read and received.

A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Charles Gregory for his kind donation to the club of two New York Stock Exchange medals (one of silver and one of bronze) suitably framed.

Adjourned 9:30 p. m.

ALBERT PERRIN,
Secretary.

CHICAGO NOTES.

Phoenix.

Mrs. Archie L. Doherty is laid up with pneumonia.

E. B. Yegge of De Witt, Ia., attended a recent sale here.

E. B. Sterling and W. H. Colson were recent Chicago visitors.

J. C. Morganthau of New York stopped over a short time this week, headed westward.

The society's rooms are to be re-decorated and thoroughly renovated.

F. N. Massoth has returned from his vacation in the Tennessee Valley. He reports having had a very enjoyable time.

Local stamp trade is reported to be worse now than any time during the past five years. Mail trade keeps about the average.

The precanceled stamp craze has got Chicago bad. A number of new followers of this hobby have started up during the past few weeks.

James Pike of Walworth, Wis., was in the city for a few days recently and did his usual amount of trading and buying.

The special A. P. A. number of the World made a very favorable impression upon all local collectors who were fortunate enough to receive a copy.

The Randolph Stamp Co. moved from the Masonic Temple on May 5 and in future will do a mail business entirely. This was found necessary owing to the large number of callers each day which prevented business.

At the open exchange of the C. P. S. at the meeting held May 7th, a collector bought unused British colonials for \$1.08, the face value of

which were \$1.16. They all came out of Eddy Dodd's books.

A few prices at Wolsieffer's recent sale were:

Philadelphia Carrier.....	\$71.00
\$60 newspaper punched.....	10.00
\$2 State, poor.....	5.20
1890 unperforated pair 2c lake	4.00
1890 unperforated pair 4c	4.70
1890 unperforated pair 5c	4.60

A publisher whose paper is now sleeping recently donated a bound copy to the C. P. S. with these words on the fly leaf: "From one who thought he could but couldn't."

"Watch the Chicago ticket at the A. P. A. convention. It is a good one from beginning to end without a weak spot." Thus spoke a man from the East recently.

The Amateur Philatelic Herald is the name of a new stamp paper published here. It is gotten out by J. C. Asplet and L. A. Mantner. It announces that its editorial room may be found at 224 E. 53rd St. Chicago. While not being overburdened with philatelic articles, those it has are of an interesting description and well worth reading. Its ads are of a varied, but non-philatelic nature.

40 VARIETIES

of U. S. and Colonies, Catalogue by Scott \$1.00 contains Postage Stamps only, price 25¢
Approval sheets at 60 per cent discount

O. A. QUESNEL,

Box 555 - Great Falls, Montana.

FREE 100 U. S. Revenues absolutely free to all applying for our 50 per cent approval sheets and sending the names of several young collectors.

NOT QUITE FREE.

A missionary mixture containing 1000 stamps good, bad and common. Rare things found in this lot. Price 10c per 1000, postage extra.

The 9 var. of 2c 1894-5-8..... 10c
We are now doing a mail order business only.

Note the New Address.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
43-209 DEARBORN AVE. - CHICAGO

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 by and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
 Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal
 on expiration of subscription.
 In case of change of address the subscriber will
 prefer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his
 old and new address.
 Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must
 be accompanied by four cents in stamps.
 Remittances should be made by Postal or Express
 orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused
 stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at
 the above rate or send the paper six months
 for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent
 with order.
 Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time
 within six months.
 We will refund paid subscriptions anytime
 on request.

A new fortnightly paper is prom-
 ised from Smethport, Pa.

If the encroachments of "The
 Bear" continue we may soon ex-
 pect Russian stamps surcharged
 Manchuria.

We know we have said it before,
 but we still have an American
 Philatelic Association application
 blank for anyone who wishes.

Mr. W. C. Stone reports the new
 fifty-cent stamp has been on sale at
 Springfield, Mass., for nearly a
 month.

If you are interested in precan-
 celled stamps you should write for
 information concerning the club de-
 picted to it. The editor will send
 blank applications, etc., on request.

It is reported that the new draw-
 ing of the design of the two-cent
 stamp has been completed and is in
 the hands of the third ass't P. M. G.
 for approval or rejection.

At a recent meeting of the Tor-
 onto Philatelic Club an interesting
 exhibit of Nova Scotia and New
 Brunswick was made by several
 members.

"The New England members
 resident in the vicinity of Boston,
 are endeavoring to arrange for a
 special car to the Clayton conven-
 tion; nearly enough sections are al-
 ready engaged to warrant it," writes
 a correspondent.

Proxy blanks with the Chicago
 delegates names inserted have been
 received. It is probable all mem-
 bers of the American have received
 them and Messrs. Wolsieffer and
 Oesch will undoubtedly have a nice
 bunch of proxies to vote.

To write your name on the scroll of
 fame

May make you a man of rank;
 But the name to own, though it be
 less known,

Is the one that goes at the bank.
 —Dallas News.

An ad in the World if neatly told,
 Many buyers your stamps will
 find,

So the bank will take a load of gold
 And make your name that kind.

A prominent P. S. of A. member
 writes that the Chicago collectors
 are promising that the August con-
 vention in the "I Will" city will be
 a success if the entertainers can pos-
 sibly make it so.

From Boulder, Colo., comes No.
 1 of Curio, an interesting and at-
 tractive little magazine principally
 devoted to the wonders and curios-
 ities of Western life. While it con-
 tains nothing of special interest to
 the philatelist, it abounds with ar-
 ticles which are readable by all.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers..... .10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, 3 3 3 3 3 Illinois.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

	Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather..... 1.25	1.35
" " " Interleaved 2.00	2.16

International Postage Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,.. \$ 25	
" " " " Cloth,.... .40	

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

HENRY P. DAY,
Stamp Dealer

Box 762 Peoria, Illinois.
Price Lists, Postage Free.



The 8c U. S. Newspaper Stamp of 1879 is catalogued at 60c, I will sell you for 15cents and send a priced list of other bargains.

INCOMPARABLE Customers Attention!

100 English Colonies, All Different

Gambia, Falkland, Cyprus, St. Vincent, Guiana, Honduras, Bahamas, Fiji, Niger Coast, St. Helena, Grenada, etc., etc.

Only 35 cents.

Unused Stamps of all Countries accepted in payment.

Victor Singer & Co.,

23 Saville Street, - LONDON, W.

The Brightest and Best MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIME

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby. Articles by the best authors on stamps and entire, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

BARGAIN U. S. Postage Stamp and Indian Relics.

500 envelopes stamps 40 varieties cut square for \$1.50, 1853 to 1903, not less than 4 nor more than 50 of each.

50 varieties catalog \$5.00

Arrows, per doz

Spears, per doz

Delivered free for cash.

100 different Relics, send stamp for outline

SOL. HAYES

Box 293, :: HARRISON,

Hamilton County, : : OHIO

DEALERS! My foreign mixtures, including Salvador, Bolivia, Paraguay, etc., at 60c per 100 or \$6.00 per 1000 is good value for the money.

My I. X. L. mixture, catalogue 2c to 30c each. Each 100 catalogue \$8.00 to \$8.00, price \$1.00. Stamps bought. What have you to offer?

CARL YOUNG,

112 N. 5TH ST.,

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

The Philatelic World

II. No. 23. Whole No. 32. Minneapolis, Minn. June 10, 1903.

Weekly

NEW CARDS.

A. Lohmeyer.

St. Vincent—I have received the Penny King's head card for this colony, being of the new colonial type.

d. carmine on cream, 88x139 m.

Italy—(Eritrea)—Dr. Diena has favored me with a set of the new type card, surcharged in black, above the inscriptions, "Colonia Eritrea." The 20c letter card of the new type, without the surcharge, has not yet been issued, so I am informed. The Eritrea cards were issued April 1st.

P. C. 10c red and black on cream, 1140 m-m.

L. C. 5c green and black on gray, cf. I. B. 80x140 m-m.

30c red and black on yellow, perf. B. 80x140.

Tasmania—I am indebted to Mr. Wilson for a new letter card of two cents. It bears the same stamp as the 1900 issue, view of Hobart, but in all other respects differs from it materially. The coat of arms measures 20 instead of 15 m-m, and the inscription "Tasmania Letter Card" occupies the space of 61 m-m. as against 63 on the former issue. Like the 1900 issue, the reverse is utilized for representations of Tasmanian scenery, printed in black. This letter card is evidently a Melbourne production, as the same cardboard is used for the Victorian and Western Australian letter cards has been adopted.

L. C. 2d violet on pearl gray, perf.
III. B. 93x149.



THE K. C. SOCIETY.

The eighth regular meeting of the Kansas City Philatelic Society was held Friday evening, May 22, at the offices of Dr. Seibel, in the Bank of Commerce Building. Members present:

Allen
Bescher
Broadbent
Brown
Canfield
Cunningham
Hurst
Loewen
Kelly
Maurer
Phinney
Seibel
Stephens
Wynne
Wittman

President Canfield called the meeting to order. Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved. After routine business an auction sale of thirty numbers, Mr. Loewen acting as auctioneer, at which good prices were realized. Two visitors were with us during the evening, and the latch string always hangs out for any stranger philatelically inclined.

W. P. KELLY,
Secretary.



FROM CLEVELAND.

Mr. Worthington has recently added a 30c U. S. 1869; center inverted.

W. H. Barnum has been elected a member of the Buffalo Stock Exchange.

The competition held by the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club resulted as follows: 1st prize, W. A. Schneider; 2nd prize, Alvin Good; honorable mention, W. H. Barnum. Twenty U. S. stamps were exhibited.

The Crowell Stamp Co. of 143 Euclid, report mail business very good. They are the only stamp concern in Cleveland.



THE C. P. S.

The 394th regular meeting of the Chicago Philatelic Society was held in the Society's clubroom at 92 La Salle street, Thursday evening, May 21, 1903. President Schlieckert called the meeting to order.

Twenty-six members were present, and one visitor. In absence of the Secretary, Mr. Reginald Robinson acted as secretary pro tem.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted. The resignations of Dr. C. W. Olson, Passive No. 95, and Oscar Helson, Passive No. 228, having been posted the required length of time, were accepted.

The treasurer reported as follows:
Bal. on hand April 1st. \$211.41
Expenditure \$54.63

Receipts 49.25
Leaving bal. in hand. 206.03

A vote of thanks was tendered R. Robinson for presenting the library with a bound volume of *Robinson's Review*.

The next meeting will be held June 4th.

R. ROBINSON,
Secretary *pro tem*.



BARTEL'S 19th SALE.

Held at their salesroom in Boston, Mass., on May 21 and 22, was one of the most successful sales of the entire year. Prices on the finer stamps ruled

especially high and many of the best pieces went abroad, parties in Austria, Germany and the West Indies being heavy buyers. Some of the prices realized, all U. S. lots, were:

1847 unused 5c orange brown shade	7.
1851 unused 3c, orange red shade o. g.	1.
— unused 5c o. g., superb copy	51.
— used 10c, yellow green	12.
— used, same, unsevered pair	24.
1857 unused 5c, brick red, mint shape	81.
— used 5c, red brown	4.
— unused 5c, brown, type I, mint shape	21.
— unused 12c, o. g.	2.
1861 unused, August 90c, unsevered pair. Cataloguer thinks it a proof on regular paper	10.
— unused, but with usual pen marks, 3c scarlet	30.
— unused 5c, yellow brown, No. 67a	50.
— unused 24c, gray lilac, not	

DO YOU KNOW

That for 10 cents you can get 150 stamps, 200 hinges, one album and 5 var. unused stamps. Send for approval sheets at 50 per cent commission.

C. K. SOUERS, : : Warren, Ia

PRICES TALK

No. 8, Hong Kong, 1863, 2c (cat. 25)	
No. 188, Mexico 1887, 20c (cat. 1.50)	
No. 51, Netherlands 2 gl 50c (cat. 50)	
No. 68, North Borneo 18c (cat. 25)	
No. 10, Nova Scotia 5c (cat. 30)	
No. 150, Puerto Rico 40c (cat. 75)	
Wolsieffer's Approval Cards, per doz.	

Your duplicates are kept safer and look better in one of Wolsieffer's Pocket edition Stamp Books, cloth bound, made to accommodate stamps and sold for 25c post paid.

Another auction sale shortly, consisting of balance of Casey A. Wood Collection and Spalding collection. Something for everybody. Are you an auction buyer? Our auction catalogues are the most comprehensive and explicit of any.

UNITED STAMP CO., 1149 Marquette, Chicago

fully centred	3.10
90c, a gem	10.50
57 unused 1c, grilled 11x13	6.75
unused 5c, fair copy	11.00
unused 10c, blue green, o. g.	3.75
unused 24c, superb	12.25
unused 30c, deep shade	12.20
unused 90c, very fine, o. g.	31.00
69 unused 3c, two shades	1.60
unused, reissue 90c	22.50
70 unused 1c, grilled	4.25
unused 7c, grilled	10.25
24c, bright color	10.10
recutive, unused 3c	6.10
justice, unused 24c, extra fine	11.40
ate, unused \$2	17.50
unused \$5, perf. cut at bottom	86.00
unused \$10, superb	48.50
unused \$20, fine	31.00
blocks of four, 1856, 5c, show- ing type II and III, mint shape	20.25
1861, 24c, lilac	11.25
1861, set surcharged speci- men	25.50
1867, 24c, well centred, but creased	41.00
1894, \$2	14.25
— \$5	28.25
venue, Imperf. \$20 Probate, wide margins	30.00
Alexander match stamp, repaired	25.50

This firm will close their auction season with a sale early in June.



CHICAGO NOTES.

Phoenix.

It was just a mistake. Baron de Reuterskjold was not made an honorary member of the C. P. S.

Though the end of the season is far, business holds up in a wonderful manner.

The Chicago Branch of the A. P.

A. is sending out election circulars to all members of the Association.

At the meeting at Branch No. 1 of American Philatelic Association held May 14, the following ticket was nominated to be balloted on at the coming election:

President—Alexander Holland, of New York.

Board of Vice-Presidents—F. H. Burt, Boston, Mass.; Gordon Ireland, Boston, Mass.; Willard O. Wylie, Boston, Mass.

Secretary—E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

Treasurer—C. L. Annan, Houghton, Mich.

Inter-Secretary — E. Doebliu, Pittsburg, Pa.

Directors—F. W. Coning, New Brunswick, N. J.; H. B. Phillips, Berkeley, Cal.

J. J. Oesch and P. M. Wolsieffer were appointed Branch No. 1 delegates to attend the convention.

The branch also indorsed Pittsburg as the convention seat for 1904.

J. J. Oesch, P. M. Wolsieffer, A. F. Merrill, C. E. Severn and possibly several others will attend the A. P. A. convention at Clayton.

Dr. F. B. Merrill shows some chemical changes of the 3c of 1861 which were sent to him from the East. Several shades of green, purple, blue, scarlet and red make up an interesting lot.

At the next meeting of Branch No. 1 of the A. P. A. each member is expected to bring down a philatelic oddity. Relatives of members will not count.

Any member wishing to vote for the Chicago ticket at the A. P. A. convention can send his ballot and proxy to R. Robinson, secretary of Branch No. 1, who will faithfully see that it is placed in proper hands.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico50c
 City and Foreign Countries76c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

The Philatelic Record warns its readers against counterfeit surcharge Zululand on English stamps.

Receipt of lists No. 24 and 25 of Willard O. Wylie is acknowledged. Both are replete with bargains.

Twenty-three new members were admitted to the Precanceled Stamp Club on the 20th inst.

If you want it, we can still find you one of those application blanks to the American Philatelic Association.

The appointment of Thos. F. Best of Pittsburg as sales superintendent of the Precanceled Stamp Club is announced by the president.

A St. Louis firm recently secured a large lot of fine Mexican revenues, especially rich in the peso values, cataloging over \$5,000, which they are endeavoring to float en bloc.

Mekeel's Stamp Collector states that a full sheet of stamps unperforated were recently received, cut up and sold at Atchison, Kan., but of what denomination their correspondent failed to state.

An Eastern exchange has counted the number of varieties of postage stamps and states there are 16,000. Count again, brother, and see if you didn't miss the "Cap" varieties of the 1890 issue as the office's "Satan" makes it three more, but maybe he cheated when we wasn't looking.

The receipt of a Japanese paper napkin with the advertisement of Fred A. Padgett of 17 Park Place, Leeds, England, soliciting information relative to American locals received. So far as we now recollect, this is the first employment of a "mouth wipe" for stamp advertising purposes.

We understand that Mr. Thos. Hawley of Lake Park, Minn., is contemplating disposing of his philatelic library. Mr. Hawley has not been actively collecting of late but for years was a member of the American and prominent in Minnesota stamp circles. He was, also, member of the recent state legislature.

Mr. Oscar Larson, of Madison, Minn., an old-time S. of P. member was a visitor at the editorial summit this week. Mr. Larson is dividing his time up between his hometown and Thief River Falls, where he is interested in a general mercantile business. While not devoting as much time to stamps as he once did, he is still interested.

Mr. Reginald Robinson reports the new one-cent used at Yonkers and states all he has seen—nearly a hundred—are all poorly centered.

Jackson, Mich., and Elgin, Ill., have employed the 1902 two-cent.

An eastern collector is holding a collection of 650 varieties at \$40.

L. T. Brodstone has sent along the new issue one-cent used at the Roxbury Cross Station. It also exists invert.

Mr. C. E. Stebbins has in his collection Binghamton 3-03 on both the one and five cent inverted. He also reports the four-cent normal of same date.

During the Madtes administration of the sales department of the P. S. C. over \$200 worth of stamps were circulated in the four circuits sent out and sales of about 25 per cent averaged. Considering that this was only about two months and a half and a membership of less than a score the showing must be regarded as remarkable.



With Our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS.

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News for May 9 contains the usual news letters, an interesting article on the U. S. Official Postal Guide by L. G. Dorpat, the Chronicle, the Review and several interesting reprinted articles. From the editorials I clip, relative to a possible St. Louis issue:

"Disguise the fact as one may, there is in truth little opposition to a special set of stamps. The momentary hesitation of the department to engage in any such work, now that the novelty of it is completely worn away, is natural, but this disinclina-

tion is not to be confounded with serious objection. The influential interests of the fair enthusiastically plan for the stamps and the general public voices no opinion in the matter. As recited several times before, the stamp collectors, as a body, are hopelessly divided on the subject of special issues, and the opposing factions do little more than balance each other, thereby making their force a negative one, in a way. If the stamps do come, the opponents of such issues must find their comfort in that the set will probably be a short one and that "it will help philately."

Nordick Filatellstisk Tidskrift.

Nordick Filatellstisk Tidskrift for April opens with a reprinted article from the Deutsche Briefmarken Zeitung, followed by the Zoological List translated from the Philatelic Journal of Australia. The chronicle of this number occupies eight and a half pages and is the finest seen in any April magazine which reached this sanctum.

Svensk Filatellstisk Tidskrift.

Svensk Filatellstisk Tidskrift for April 20 opens with a portrait and

40 VARIETIES

of U. S. and Colonies, Catalogue by Scott at \$1.00 contains Postage Stamps only, price 25c. Approval sheets at 60 per cent discount.

O. A. QUESNEL,

Box 555 - Great Falls, Montana.

FREE 100 U. S. Revenues absolutely free to all applying for our 50 per cent approval sheets and sending the names of several young collectors.

NOT QUITE FREE.

A missionary mixture containing 1000 stamps good, bad and common. Rare things are found in this lot. Price 10c per 1000, postage extra.

The 9 var. of 2c 1894-5-8.....10cts
We are now doing a mail order business only

Note the New Address.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
43-209 DEARBORN AVE. - CHICAGO.

short sketch of Ivar Sune, one of the leading collectors of the Swedish capital. A page and a half is given to discussing the proposed new quarters of the Swedish Philatelic Union at 24 A. Grefle Gatén. Owing to the increased expense the dues will be raised next year to 10 krona. The new quarters will be occupied upon the 300th meeting of the society, and will be the finest in northern Europe. The conclusion of the paper by A. Beckander, on the exclusion of surcharge stamps from collections follows. A two-page article, presumably editorial, follows upon the Benefits of Society Membership. Succeeding this is an article on stamp vending machines. The Chronicle occupies two pages and a half. A page of notes follows among which one is found describing a French colony stamp, 1881 issue, 10c, black on light green, blue paper. An error, not a chemical changeling and which while uncatalogued, has been in its present owner's possession for over ten years. Reports of society meetings complete the number.

A. J. of P,

American Journal of Philately for March opens with an editorial article on Australia and its recent issues, which are roasted to a turn, followed by another on "Our Correspondents," in which the announcement is made that Mr. E. W. Wetherell is to furnish a monthly letter from India. Mr. C. A. Howes continues his "Lone Stamp Designs" in which the following interesting note is found.

A very attractive addition to our albums was made in the middle of 1901 when the colony of British New Guinea issued its own set of postage stamps. This comparatively new colony comprises the southeastern portion of the island of New Guinea and lies directly north of Queensland. The island was discovered by the Portuguese but its



The 8c U. S. Newspaper Stamp of 1879 is catalogued at 60c. I will sell you one for 15cents and send you a priced list of other bargains.

The Brightest and Best MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby. Articles by the best authors on stamps and entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

DEALERS! My foreign mixtures, including Salvador, Bolivia, Paraguay, etc., at 65c per 100 or \$6.00 per 1000 is good value for the money.

My I. X. L. mixture, catalogue 2c to 30c each. Each 100 catalogue \$6.00 to \$8.00, price \$1.60. Stamps bought. What have you to offer?

CARL YOUNG,

112 N. 5TH ST.,

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " " Interleaved	2.00	2.16

International Postage Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

		Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.95	\$.95
" " " " Cloth,....	1.00	1.00

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N. Y.

present name was given it in 1546 by a Spanish navigator, from the resemblance of its inhabitants to the West African negroes. In 1846 H. M. S. Rattlesnake surveyed the coasts and islands of the south side, and in 1873 Capt. Moresby in the Basilisk determined the outlines of the southeastern portion and named Port Moresby where the capital now is. These explorations gave the English a claim to the portions of the island nearest Australia and the Queensland government took possession of it in the name of the queen on April 4, 1883. The next year occurred the Berlin Conference which carved out Africa for the Great Powers, and which also divided eastern New Guinea between Germany and England—Holland having for centuries controlled the western end. Therefore, on November 6, 1884, a protectorate was proclaimed, and four years later, on September 4, 1888, British New Guinea was constituted a crown colony and placed under the administration of Queensland. A settlement was made in 1885 near the native town of Tanubada at Port Moresby, which has since become the chief town and capital of the colony.

While under the Queensland government its postal matters were conducted as if it were a district of that colony and therefore the Queensland stamps were employed. The only way of distinguishing the latter is by the obliteration which consists of an oval made up of parallel bars with the black letters B. N. G. in the middle.

When the Australian commonwealth came into existence on January 1, 1901, and Queensland became a state, the crown colony of British New Guinea was unprovided for, but in November of that year the commonwealth government undertook its administration so that its governor is now responsible to the commonwealth instead of the state of Queensland. Under that famous "bookkeeping" arrangement by which no general issue of stamps for the new nation and no interchangeability of issues between the states was permissible for five years, of course British New Guinea was obliged to issue its own stamps, and collectors will certainly not begrudge the privilege in this case, whatever they think of other happenings among the states.

Edward J. Nankivell's English letter follows, after which Crawford Capen discusses the catalog question under "The Value of a Standard," and George L. Toppan notes some changes which should be made in the Scott catalog in the U. S. envelope portion. A page of translated extracts on Hoi Hao contains a mine of information on these stamps, and the New York Time's opinion of the new

one cent stamp reproduced. In the department of notes we find:

Salvador—Mr. A. H. Greenebaum has shown us a number of uncatalogued varieties of the stamps of this country, as follows: The provisional stamps of 1892, 1c on 5c gray (No. 70) with the "U" of "UN" omitted. Of the 1899 series there are the 2c green and 3c blue (Nos. 214 and 215) with the wheel surcharge double. Of the stamps of the same issue surcharged "1900" and new value we are shown the 1c and 13c deep rose (No. 238) with the surcharge reading "1 Centavo 1," and the 1c on 2c green (No. 244) in a horizontal pair without perforation between and a single copy with the wheel double. Of this series there is also a 26c carmine rose which appears to have been surcharged "1900—1 Centavo" and wheel and afterwards a "5" was printed over the "1." Our catalogue calls for a 5c on 26c but not for a 1c on a 26c, yet in this instance the "5" appears to be the figure last impressed.

Of the stamps with the date 1900 as part of the design there are the 1c yellow green and 10c blue (Nos. 263a and 266) without any surcharge; also the 5c blue (No. 273) with black surcharge double and another copy having the second surcharge inverted.

Finally there are two official stamps: The 15c on 24c violet of 1896 (No. 544) with the surcharge "De Oficio" etc., in purple; and a companion stamp to our No. 591, the 26c carmine rose surcharged "Franqueo Oficial" and wheel and punched with twelve small holes.

The Chronicle, Price Corrections, and a report of the Birmingham, Eng., society, complete the number.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Dennison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers..... 10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Ill.



**FEATHERWEIGHT
EYE SHADE**

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

Stamps of Spain.

30 distinct varieties.....10c Postpaid
50 " "25c "
100 " "\$2.00 "
All postage, none punched or damaged.
Have you tried my approval selections?

FRED KETCHESON,

Box 465 Belleville, Ontario, Canada.

100 BRITISH COLONIES, 27C

It is a fine collection in its self, containing such as CANADIAN JUBILEES, BARBADOS '96, HONG KONG, INDIA KING'S HEAD, BR. GUIANA, Etc.
With each order for this packet I will give a pocket album in which the stamps may be mounted.

THOS. L. HOSMER,

3415 7th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.80	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1880, 1 rbl. large stamp.....	.10
Queenland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1g1, fine.....	.06
" " $\frac{2}{3}$ g1, fine.....	.25
" " 5g1 fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official, No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 50c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

Danish West Indies Provisional.

Half of 4c on original cover\$.20
Can furnish upper or lower, right or left halves. Per set of four..... .70

50c ENTRY OF GOODS. PART PERF.
Catalogue price.....\$2.00
MY PRICE..... .20

To readers of this ad only. All good uncanceled copies. Only one to a customer.

FRANK STETSON,

L. B. 54, STA. F,

Washington, D. C.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

**MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.**

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.
10 blank Approval Books, 10c.
100 Approval Sheets, 15c.
Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

**JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.**

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

**Philatelic West, SUPERIOR,
NEBRASKA.**

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curious Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. Nothing similar as good. Six associate editors. The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 20 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay.
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price
1885 1c.....	\$.20	\$.06
1879 2c.....	.30	.12
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.16

OTHER BARGAINS.

**EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.**

The Philatelic World

Vol. II. No. 24. Whole No. 33. Minneapolis, Minn. June 17, 1903. Weekly

Gregory's 22d Sale.

Was held June 8, and many prices, especially of higher priced stamps were low, but those on sets of colonials were from half to three-quarters of catalog. As a whole the prices were satisfactory, especially so late in the season. Those on a few lots were:

U. S. 1847 5 cent unused.....	\$2.50
1851 12 cent unused, but not extra	5.25
1861 90 cent unused.....	5.50
Baltimore Carrier 1 cent black unused	3.00
1887 entire envelope 2 cent rejected die on buff.....	5.00
\$2.00 Revenue, strip of three torn.	18.00
1878 4 cent rouletted.....	1.80
type of Good Hope 1d wood block.	7.10
Canada \$4 Jubilee used.....	1.20
British West Indies 1855 3c unused	1.50
French office in Canton, complete set, unused.	1.75
Gambia 1887 set unused.....	1.30
1898 unused.....	1.20
1902 unused.....	1.30
Hawaii 1883 12c red lilac unused.	1.15
5c unused.	1.50
1c unused.	\$5.00
India 1879 150 reis yellow..	5.50
Nova Scotia 6d yellow green unused, but not extra fine.	10.00
1d dark green, corner missing.	7.50
Vincent 1861 4d orange, no perforations at top.....	3.00

—6d (No. 21).....	2.00
Transvaal 6d rouletted unused	3.00
—1878 3d lilac on green No. 52	2.00
Trinidad No. 1, unused unanswered pair	5.00
Tuscany 1851, 9c pair.....	1.10
West Australia, 1860, 2d unused	2.00
U. S. 1900 \$50 gray, fine.....	12.50

CHICAGO NOTES.

Phoenix.

James Pike of Lake Geneva, Wis., and Herbert Armstrong of Iron Mountain, Mich., were here recently.

The C. P. S. has appointed Messrs Severn, Oesch and Gurley a committee to revise the constitution of the C. P. S. wherever they think necessary and report to the society.

The delegates of the Chicago branch of the A. P. A. are receiving a large number of proxies for the convention at Clayton.

The United Stamp Co. expect to hold another sale in the near future for which the lots are now being prepared.

Franklin Coombes, who was with the Imperial Stamp Co. during the winter, has returned to St. Joseph, Mich.

Those who buy the cancelled U. S. in quantities report the 3, 4, 5, 6 and 10 to be coming out very slowly, while the 8 and 13 cent are comparatively plentiful. A party who bought between ten and eleven thousand current issues the other day

only found ten precancelled in the lot.

Active preparations are being made for the P. S. of A. convention to be held here this year.

The mail trade is booming here now; in fact, it is better than it was during the winter.

Chas. Schliekert, President; F. H. Farrell, Vice President; and R. Bultman, member of the board of directors, resigned from their respective offices in the C. P. S. P. M. Wolsieffer, F. N. Massoth and W. O. Staab were unanimously elected to fill the vacancies caused by these resignations; P. M. Wolsieffer was made president and A. F. Merrell vice president.

W. H. Adams shows the new 2 ct. envelope in four distinct colors and the new 1c in three colors.

At a recent meeting of the Chicago Philatelic Society a German baron was elected an honorary member of that society on suspicion of having written and presented to the C. P. S. library a work on Swiss Cantons. It now transpires that the baron neither wrote the book nor presented it to the society—however, it was found that he specializes in a mild way in the stamps of Switzerland.

A bound copy of the complete issues of Robinson's Review has been presented to the C. P. S. library. It is said that the publisher expects to be made an honorary member of the society.

A collector here shows the Western Union frank bearing the signature of "Thos. T. Eckert" instead of "R. C. Clowry." It is said that only 20 books of 16 stamps each exist with this signature.

Meeting of Committee on Organization of Branch Society A. P. A.

The committee on organization of Branch Society of American Philatelic Association, at Minneapolis, Minn., met Tuesday evening, May 12, 1903, at 18 4th St. No.

Present, Messrs. Martin, Downing, Ringness, Gile and Ford.

Meeting called to order by Mr. Martin, resident vice-president for Minnesota.

Mr. A. K. Ford appointed secretary pro tem.

After the discussion of the subject of forming branch society, all being in favor of it. By-laws were drawn up. Same will be acted upon at next meeting.

Adjourned 10:30 p. m.

ALLYN K. FORD,

Secretary pro tem.

DO YOU KNOW

That for 10 cents you can get 150 stamps, 200 hinges, one album and 5 var. unused stamps. Send for approval sheets at 50 per cent commission.

C. K. SOUERS, : : Warren, Ind.

The Rochester Postage Stamp Co.

DEALERS IN

U.S. and Foreign Postage Stamps Stamp Albums and Supplies.

6 Sycamore St., Rochester, N. Y., U. S. A.

UNITED STATES STAMPS

have taken the upward tendency as predicted and consequently everybody is now on the alert for them.

Where to get them, that is the question for it is admitted no dealer has a complete stock.

About half of

Wolsieffer's Sale No. 37

consists of U. S. stamps including many of the finer varieties. Also some fine N. & stamps, Cut Squares, Departments, Revenues, Original Covers, etc.

This sale comprises the balance of the Casey Wood and Spalding collection, and will be rich in large lots by countries, many large lots having no stamps after 1870. A fine opportunity for the bargain hunter, trader, general collector and dealer. Auction catalogue Free.

UNITED STAMP CO., 1149 Marquette, Chicago

BOSTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

The 126th regular meeting was held Tuesday evening May 19th. President Lombard occupied the chair, and members and friends were present. In the absence of the Secretary, Mr. M. Carpenter was appointed Secretary *pro tem*.

It was announced that the *Weekly Philatelic Era* had been again chosen official organ for the ensuing year. The Library Committee reported that the Boston Public Library had agreed to place some of the standard reference works on Philately on the reference shelves in Bates Hall. They also announced that Mons. Paul Miraud had presented a copy of his magnificent work on Switzerland to the society. A vote of thanks was passed to the generous donor, and under a suspension of the rules he was unanimously elected to honorary membership.

A slight change in the statutes was made by amendment.

An informal auction of 54 lots was held.

The exhibition for the evening was Russia and Finland. Mr. Alex Holm won the silver medal and Mr. G. Loring the bronze medal.

E. M. CARPENTER,

Secretary *pro tem*.



A NEW CATALOGUE.

A firm of Boston publishers are sending out circulars relative to a new catalogue they propose to issue this fall at the extremely low price of ten cents. At this price the work will undoubtedly reach many of the younger collectors who would not or could not invest in the standard catalogue. We enclose a portion of the circular to show the scope of the work.

The catalogue will be profusely illustrated with new cuts of the various postal issues, will contain prices, wherever possible, for used (and unused) specimens of all the straight issues, regardless of minor varieties due to watermarks, shades, etc., and be so arranged that the youngest collector will no longer have any difficulty or get discouraged in pricing or classifying his stamps.

Catalogue prices will follow closely the prices given in the standard American and European catalogues, except in certain cases where low-priced stamps have been slightly raised to the value given them several years ago before the disastrous drop in prices took place which no longer made it possible for dealers to offer agent's discounts on these stamps. By omitting envelope stamps (except certain U. S.) and almost all minor varieties, we shall be able to condense the catalogue, by our new system of classification, either into some 50 pages of about twice the size of the Standard page, or 100 pages pocket size. The cover will be of attractive design. The weight of the catalogue will be less than two ounces, so that the postage shall not exceed one cent.

A special price is to be made dealers taking 100 copies or over, and their name placed on the cover.

FREE 100 U. S. Revenues absolutely free to all applying for our 50 per cent approval sheets and sending the names of several young collectors.

NOT QUITE FREE.

A missionary mixture containing 1000 stamps good, bad and common. Rare things are found in this lot. Price 10c per 1000, postage extra.

The 9 var. of 2c 1894-5-8.....10cts
We are now doing a mail order business only

Note the New Address.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
43-209 DEARBORN AVE. - CHICAGO.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

*ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
 Managing Editor.*

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

No Eastern Ticket.

Under date of June 5 a member of the Springfield Branch of the American Philatelic Association writes that they have decided to abandon the idea of a ticket this year, but that next year they shall propose and elect William C. Stone to the presidency of the association. No one deserves greater honor at the hands of the members than does "Will."

To all except the old stagers who keep eternally at it the season of 1902-3 is practically over and the vacation season is at hand. The younger element almost to a unit will pack away their albums with their school books and let them remain until September arrives, and many of the older ones will be more busy planning their summer outings than ought else. It is only by displaying tempting bits allur-

ingly that the dealer can expect to awaken any interest, but if bargains are offered to the readers of the World they won't go begging. Moral: Try an ad.

The St. Paul Dispatch in its issue for May 9th, says: "Rare and valuable are not always synonymous terms. There are a great many stamps of which very few have been printed or of which not many have been preserved, which, therefore, should command high prices on account of their rarity, that are relatively cheap when one makes comparison with the popular stamps for which there is a very great demand and which rise in value for this reason rather than for any other. One should not forget that every country's stamps have their turn in popularity. The great popularity in which one class of stamps is held at one time, may pass to such an extent that a relatively low price will be commanded by them.

A Washington press dispatch recently settled the St. Louis series and announced that the department was contemplating placing Bonaparte's portrait on one value. A letter from the department a day or so later settled as yet the question of issue had not been settled.

We pray for sun or rain, and fret
 And disapprove the weather
 state,

Although we know full well we
 get

The kind we want if we'll
 wait.

—Washington Post

Nor sun, nor rain, you'll not
 spise,

The season, dry or wet,
 When in the World you advertise
 Good customers you'll get.

A new directory of Canadian dealers is announced from Ottawa.

The Stamp Sheet announces that a set of twelve values Kings Heads will be issued in June for Canada.

Evansville, Indiana, and Lynn, Mass., have each recently used the new one cent stamp precanceled.

Mr. H. G. Smith of Winona was recently appointed by Gov. Van Sant as a member of the state board of game commissioners.

Up to May 22nd the exposition authorities had received no information as to the intentions of the department relative to the desired commemorative issue.

The Cyclone is endeavoring to start a club devoted to revenue collecting. There should surely be enough material to draw from to make a strong society.

Park & Dougherty Co. of Buffalo, N. Y., announce a new stamp paper to appear about the middle of June. Mr. Julian A. Park will act as editor. Here's wishing you success.

The precanceledite can feel a little satisfaction that there are others. A collector paid seventy-five cents for a "kicking mule" Port Townsend cancellation on a three cent Interior at the recent Bartels auction.

The Washington correspondent of the Stamp News predicts that the St. Louis set, if issued, will consist of a one, two, five and ten cent value only, with the possible omission of the highest values.

The Standard Stamp Co. of St. Louis, Mo., will hold an auction sale on June 10. The bulk of the stamps offered are in wholesale lots, but a few single rarities are offered, among them a \$1 proprietary 1871.

Mr. L. T. Brodstone has favored us with some fine photographs of Philippine revenues under Spanish rule. A couple of these were reproduced in a recent number of the West, but the halftone does not show the distinct outline of the photographs.

Mr. Theodore Siddall, who back in the eighties was a prominent Philadelphian, and was secretary of the Section of the Dresden Society existing there, but more lately known as the New York dealer whose advertisement of handling "second-hand stamps" was unique, recently left to take up his residence in the Philippines.

In discoursing on the new Spanish colonials, Ewen's News says of Elobey, Annoben and Corisco: "These are three islands situated in the Gulf of Guinea, south of Fernando Poo and west of French Congo. The first has 300 inhabitants, the second, 700 and the last 2,000. They belong to Spain and we believed until now that the stamps of Spanish Guinea were alone employed there. We were, it seems, in error, for it is now announced that a set in the same type with the inscription "Elobey, Annoben y Corisco, 1903," is about to appear. There are to be eighteen values, ranging from $\frac{1}{4}$ c to 10 pesetas. But where then will the stamps of Spanish Guinea be employed? Including the series for this colony and Fernando Poo, Spain's Colonial Empire is likely to be responsible for 54 new varieties every year. If things go on at this rate, the Empire will soon have as many stamps as inhabitants. In fact, we should imagine, if on the stamp side we reckon the issues of the Empire, both past and present, together with the revenue series, matters would be about even.

With Our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

The *Perforator* for March 25, as usual, opens with the illustration of covers in the Seybold collection, those this time being first a cover with a trio of 1851 18 kr. Wurtenburg on the envelope, besides a pair of 6 kr. and 3 kr. and secondly, one with two blocks of four and a strip of four 3 pf. Hanover. The editor talks on the auction price question, and says the opinion of well known authorities will be given in the March (probably April was intended) number. Double Perforations receive nearly a page of notice, a letter from E. B. Sterling occupies the greater part of the space. The department advertising takes up nearly as much more. W. E. R. writes of "Philatelic Illustrations," and Pete Belcher reports the last meeting in Pochuck, and tells why "Doc" Jones had to burn his new one-cent stamp. In the official report of the E. S. P. S. four applicants are noted, only one of which belongs to the Empire State. The editorial department as always is strong, in fact to me the best portion of the paper and from one entitled "Teaching the Uninitiated the Mysteries of Philately," I clip:

There is a gentleman in this city (New York) who is now the principal of one of the largest local public schools. When the writer was a young man, he was under his care. The gentleman referred to, was at that time a prominent stamp collector, and it was through him, many stamp collectors were "brought out." Although he made no endeavor to interest his scholars in stamp collecting, he was, nevertheless, always willing to lend a hand when occasion required it. In this way "our teacher" helped philately and rounded out a few well known "stamp cranks." Some of our older dealers and collectors and American Philatelic Association members are, perhaps, well acquainted with the gentleman who is Mr. John J. Casey. We are unable to state, positively, if he is still interested in philately.

The Adhesive.

The Adhesive for April opens with an editorial—Substitution—in which he treats both of the offenses we usually know by this name, and also of plagiarism. Thiele's "Stray Note on Sheets of Stamp" this month treats on India, and the following sheet values given:

In November 1855, the new set presented by De la Rue & Co. were issued. These stamps were all printed in sheets of 320 stamps, consisting of 4 panes of 80 each, arranged in 10 horizontal rows of 8 each. This arrangement is one of the few instances in which the De la Rue firm has deviated from its usual arrangement. It was adopted to give the sheets even face values, as follows:

Entire sheet of $\frac{1}{2}$ anna—10 rupees.
Entire sheet of 1 anna—20 rupees.
Entire sheet of 2 anna—40 rupees.
Entire sheet of 4 anna—80 rupees.
Entire sheet of 8 anna—160 rupees.

These face values are expressed in marginal inscriptions on the sheets. Other values followed later; the face values of their sheets are as follows:

Entire sheet of 8 pies—13 rupees 5 annas 4 pies.
Entire sheet of 6 annas 4 pies—133 rupees 5 annas 4 pies.
Entire sheet of 6 annas—120 rupees.
Entire sheet of 12 annas—240 rupees.
Entire sheet of 1 rupee—320 rupees.
Entire sheet of 8 pies—15 rupees.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the back. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers.....

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Ill.

Of the 1882 issue he says:

In this issue most of the values are printed in sheets of 480, arranged in 4 panes of 120 each; but they are issued in half sheets of 240, 2 panes of 120 each, arranged in 12 rows of 10. This gives the following face values:

Half sheet of $\frac{1}{2}$ anna—7 rupees 8 annas.
 Half sheet of 9 pies—11 rupees 4 annas.
 Half sheet of 1 anna 6 pies—22 rupees 8 annas.
 Half sheet of 2 annas—30 rupees.
 Half sheet of 3 annas—45 rupees.
 Half sheet of 4 annas—60 rupees.
 Half sheet of 4 annas 6 pies—67 rupees 8 annas.
 Half sheet of 8 annas—120 rupees.
 Half sheet of 12 annas—180 rupees.
 Half sheet of 1 rupee—240 rupees.
 Half sheet of 2 annas 6 pies—37 rupees 8 annas.
 Half sheet of 3 pies—3 rupees 12 annas.
 The three high values, 2, 3 and 5 rupees were printed in sheets of eighty, 4 panes of 20, 4 rows of 5.

Thomas Elder writes of the experience of coin dealers, and J. W. Paterson asks some pertinent questions in the 1851 imperforates. Society reports and Pertinent Paragraphs complete the number.



Dr. J. H. Stebbins, John N. Luff, and P. F. Bruner have been appointed as committee on arrangement for the Clayton Convention of the American Philatelic Association in August and P. M. Wolsieffer, D. T. Eaton, G. W. Rode, W. F. Gregory and Geo. L. Toppan will act as credential committee. You can still join in time to have them act on your proxy if you cannot attend.

It has been a fact that any great calamity, change of rule, or other event which leaves a prominent mark on the page of history has caused the country where it occurs to be for a short time the popular country for collection. The assassination of the rulers of Servia and the establishment of a new dynasty will probably make that country this summer's popular demand.



The 3c U. S. Newspaper Stamp of 1879 is catalogued at 60c. I will sell you one for 15 cents and send you a priced list of other bargains.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby. Articles by the best authors on stamps and entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

DEALERS! My foreign mixtures, including Salvador, Bolivia, Paraguay, etc., at 60c per 100 or \$6.00 per 1000 is good value for the money.

My I. X. L. mixture, catalogue 2c to 30c each. Each 100 catalogue \$8.00 to \$9.00, price \$1.50. Stamps bought. What have you to offer?

CARL YOUNG,

112 N. 5TH ST..

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
“ “ Leather.....	1.25	1.35
“ “ “ Interleaved.....	2.00	2.16

International Postage

Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
 20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

		Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25	
“ “ “ “ Cloth,....	.40	

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
 16 East 23rd Street., New York, N. Y.



FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

Stamps of Spain.

80 distinct varieties.....10c Postpaid
50 " " ".....25c "
100 " " ".....\$2.00 "

All postage, none punched or damaged.
Have you tried my approval selections?

FRED KETCHESON,

Box 465 Belleville, Ontario, Canada.

100 BRITISH COLONIES, 27C

It is a fine collection in its self, containing such as CANADIAN JUBILEES, BARBADOS '96, HONG KONG, INDIA KING'S HEAD, BR. GUIANA, Etc.
With each order for this packet I will give a pocket album in which the stamps may be mounted.

THOS. L. HOSMER,

3415 7th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.89.....	.75
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.10
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	1.50
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	2.00
" 1886, £1, dark green, fine.....	.06
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.25
" " 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ gl, fine.....	.65
" " 5gl fine.....	.05
Wurtemberg, Official, No. 215.....	.22
U. S. 1896, \$1, black, fine.....	.18
" Omaha, 50c green.....	

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

Danish West Indies Provisional.

Half of 4c on original cover.....\$.20
Can furnish upper or lower, right or left halves. Per set of four..... .70

50c ENTRY OF GOODS. PART PERF,
Catalogue price.....\$2.00
MY PRICE..... .20

To readers of this ad only. All good uncut copies. Only one to a customer.

FRANK STETSON,

L. B. 54, STA. F,

Washington, D. C.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.

10 blank Approval Books, 10c.

100 Approval Sheets, 15c.

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON.

MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curiosa, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. Nothing similar as good. Six associate editors. The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 50 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay.

Do not delay but, send today

For the WEST which is the best.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price.
1885 1c.....	\$.20	.06
1879 2c.....	.30	.12
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.15

OTHER BARGAINS.

EBEN S. MARTIN.

MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II. No. 25. Whole No. 34. Minneapolis, Minn. June 24, 1903. Weekly

Philatelic Sons of America.

Official Notice.

To the members of the P. S. of A.
In the absence of a regularly accredited journal, we take this means of announcing that the tenth annual convention of the society will be held in Chicago on August 19th to 21st, 1903.

The affairs of the society are the subject of careful attention by your board of directors, and you may rest assured that they are looking after the welfare of the organization.

E. H. WILKINSON,
President.

Omaha, June 13, 1903.



CHICAGO NOTES.

Phoenix.

The Chicago branch of the A. P. S. has sent out ballots bearing the names of those nominated on the Chicago ticket. The delegates reported on June 18 having received over 60 proxies.

The report of the postmaster general for the month of May shows a net increase for Chicago of 9 per cent over May, 1901. Nashville, Tenn., showed an increase of 29 per cent, while Portland, Me., shows a decrease of 7 per cent. Philadelphia, with a decrease of 3 per cent was the only one of the ten largest cities to show a decrease.

It is understood that among the sights to be shown to the visiting members of the P. S. of A. are: The explosion on the lake front, the tunnel cave-in on La Salle street, the re-

volving of the Masonic Temple and the stock yards, and possibly a few of the large new schooners of Hannah & Hogg's.

Mr. S. B. Hopkins, of St. Louis, is visiting at Austin, a suburb of Chicago. He also was at the recent C. P. S. meeting.

C. E. Severn is busy this week with the MSS. of the Barbadoe's special number of The Weekly, which will appear June 7.

E. L. Warner, of Grand Rapids, Mich., who has been staying at the Auditorium hotel for some months past, was driven out by the strike. He is now at the Nelson House, Rockford, Ill.

The constitution of the Chicago Philatelic Society stands a good chance of being changed. The committee appointed to revise the constitution suggested that the initiation fee of \$2 be done away with. This is the only change of any importance suggested. The changes will be voted upon at an early date.

The P. S. of A. convention will be held in Chicago the week after the convention at Clayton. Otto von Schaeszter, A. F. Boehm, W. H. Mampe, E. C. Dodd and Leonard Michael, were appointed an entertainment committee.

A local collector shows a copy of the 2 soldi Tuscany. It is in superb condition. It was purchased for practically nothing.

A. F. Boehm has been appointed a member of the C. P. S. house committee.

W. H. Adams shows a variety of the U. S. 1 cent envelope of 1898. It fails to show the buttons down the vest of Franklin, and the corners of the shield containing the numerical value do not project above the notched circle at the bottom.

Wolsieffer's next auction sale will be held on June 27. It contains the balance of the Dr. Casey Wood collection.

Mrs. Edward Clody, wife of the C. P. S. and A. P. A. member, has returned from the hospital, where she underwent a critical operation. It is understood that her recovery is assured.

It is reported here that another stamp paper is about to be started with ample capital behind it. Good printing and a nice "get up" are some of the features promised. It will be chiefly devoted to showing up frauds and various injustices to philately. Its home will be Chicago.

The United Stamp Co. has contracted with Messrs. Whitfield, King & Co., of England, to supply them with all new issues as soon as they arrive.

Herbert Armstrong, of Iron Mountain, Mich., was one of the out of town visitors here recently.

Mr. George L. Toppan, ex-president of the Am. Phil. Assn., attended the C. P. S. meet of June 17.



St. Louis—1904.

A recent press dispatch from Washington says:

"Under instructions of Postmaster General Payne an interesting post-office exhibit is being prepared for the St. Louis exposition. Among the features already in shape, which has never been seen at former expo-

sitions, is a quaint wooden chart used in the postoffice at Manila. The system in vogue in that city before American occupation was very rude. The names of those who had letters in the postoffice were written on a slip of paper, and pasted on a strip of wood which fits into its proper niche on a wooded chart. When a person went to the Manila postoffice he consulted the bulletin board. If his name did not appear there was nothing for him and he did not disturb the sleepy postal clerk. Other interesting features will be a model of the Steamship Southerner, the first vessel that carried United States mail across the Atlantic; a model of the latest dog wagon used for carrying the mails in Alaska, and a model of a handsome railway mail train, lighted by electricity, and

DO YOU KNOW

That for 10 cents you can get 150 stamps, 200 hinges, one album and 5 var. unused stamps. Send for approval sheets at 50 per cent commission.

C. K. SOUERS, : : Warren, Ind.

The Rochester Postage Stamp Co.

DEALERS IN

U.S. and Foreign Postage Stamps Stamp Albums and Supplies.

6 Sycamore St., Rochester, N. Y., U. S. A.

SEVERAL RECENT STAMPS.

- * Argentine 1902 (commemorative) ... \$
- Bolivia 1901, 1c, 2c, 5c, 20c, used
- " " 2b No. 77 used
- *Bulgaria 1902 (commemorative) 5 and 10c
- *Peru, Postal Packet 1c No. 301
- Salvador 1903, 5 var. used

This is the season of the year when you will appreciate the merits of Wolsieffer's Approval Cards 20cts per doz or \$1.50 per hundred. Also Wolsieffer's Pocket Edition Stock Book cloth bound at 25 cts each postpaid.

UNITED STAMP CO., 1149 Marquette, Chicago

N. B.—Don't overlook our Summer Season Bargain Sale No. 5.

equipped with every known device for facilitating the delivery of the mails. In striking contrast with this splendid train will be the antique stage coach that once carried the mail through a part of the Louisiana purchase territory. This old vehicle is historic in many ways. President Roosevelt was particularly attracted by it at the Charleston exposition, and examined with a rough rider's interest the bullet holes with which the train robbers and mountain brigands of former days pierced its stiff leathern curtains. Sherman, Sheridan and Garfield were passengers in the old coach in the strenuous days of frontier life. There will be a rare collection of stamps, including ancient Cuban, Porto Rican, Philippine and Columbian stamps. Of especial value is a case of the latest issue of American stamps. They are of all denominations, and are notably of artistic and appropriate design. There is also a fine medallion of Thomas Jefferson. Others are imprinted with portraits of Webster, Clay, Grant, Lincoln, Madison, Jackson, Harrison, Marshall and Arragut."

T. C. P. S.

The regular meeting of the Twin City Philatelic Society was held in the Society's rooms, No. 535 Smithfield street, Pittsburg, Pa., on Friday, June 12th, 1903. President Porter called the meeting to order at 8:40 p. m., fourteen members being present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The committee for the celebration of the Society's fifteenth anniversary reported it had arranged

for a banquet on Tuesday, June 23d, 1903. The Philatelic West was selected as official organ to succeed The New York Philatelist, provided its publishers will assume the present contract and renew same until July 1, 1904.

The annual election resulted in the unanimous selection of the following, viz:

PresidentE. L. Porter
 Vice President.T. L. Hazzard, M. D.
 SecretaryGeo. W. Rode
 TreasurerAnton Platz
 Sales Supt.....J. M. Crom
 LibrarianMax Arnheim
 Counterfeit Detector..H. E. Wilson
 Member of Executive Com-

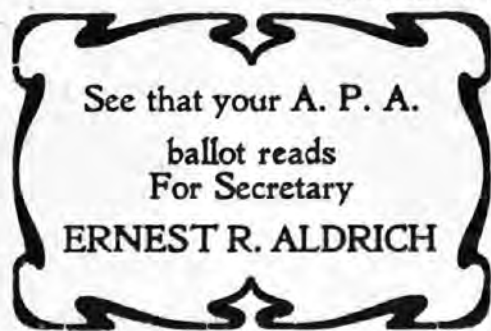
mitteeW. S. Coe

The usual auction sale resulted in the disposal of 74 lots at good prices.

The treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$104, after all bills have been paid.

After the transaction of some routine business the meeting adjourned

GEO. W. RODE,
 Secretary.



FREE 100 U. S. Revenues absolutely free to all applying for our 50 per cent approval sheets and sending the names of several young collectors.

NOT QUITE FREE.

A missionary mixture containing 1000 stamps good, bad and common. Rare things are found in this lot. Price 10c per 1000, postage extra.

The 9 var. of 2c 1894-5-8.....10cts

We are now doing a mail order business only

Note the New Address.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
 43-209 DEARBORN AVE. - CHICAGO

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Ernest Wood & Co., Manchester, England, has issued an abridged list of sets and packets.

The American Stamp Co., of Huntington, Ind., has favored us with a neat little list.

The next exhibit of the Boston Society will be held Sept. 15, and will be the stamps of Victoria.

Marks Stamp Co. have issued a special summer catalog of a clearance sale replete with bargains for dealers.

A convention of The New Century Philatelic Association has been called for New York the second week in August.

The Empire State Philatelic Society will hold their annual convention in Brooklyn Aug. 7-8 at the rooms of the Brooklyn Stamp Club.

Ferdinand Redwitz, Stuttgart,

Germany, has favored us with his 186 page 1903 list, together with a 36 page supplement. It is replete with bargains.

A portion of the original cover franked by India paper proofs of the 2c red and 5-cent blue 1877 issue brought 75 cents at a recent New York sale.

The first number of the Journal of the Buffalo Philatelic Society has reached us. It is a neatly printed and exceedingly readable paper and we trust to see it live long and flourish.

The Springfield branch of the A. P. A. have elected delegates and have sent proxy blanks to members. The contest on official organization promises to develop more interest than for several years.

Owing to the sale of the New York Philatelist leaving the Procancelled Stamp Club without an organ, that society will this month issue an official circular under direction of the president.

Cleveland is looking up as a philatelic center. As indicative of the class of stamps which change hands here we might mention that the Crowell Co. has placed four \$200 revenues of the second series this year.

The St. Paul Dispatch recently gave collectors the following advice on its children's page:

Do not buy Confederate stamps unless they are on the original letters or envelopes. There have been so many counterfeits of these stamps that the original envelopes are almost a necessity as a proof that they are genuine.

It is reported that the Perforated will receive support of the New

York members as official organ of the American, some of whom believe a monthly would be preferable to a weekly. How many would approve of such a change is unknown, but we hardly believe it can be many, as it would tend often to hang up applications six or seven weeks instead of the now customary month.



With Our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

The Adhesive

For May and June are at hand. The most readable portion of the first number is a review of Hans Kropf's "Die Postwertzeichen der Oesterr.-Ungar Monarchie," published by the Deutscher Verein für Briefmarkenkunde of Prag. While in the latter Miss Swift's valuable lot of notes is of first importance, from which I cut:

Before me as I write lies part of an original cover bearing a 2d pictorial, and a 6d 1892 of Tasmania, each of which is plainly cancelled with the Sydney post-mark showing date of Feb. 26, '00, 4 p. m. At first glance this seems like a kindly exchange of postal courtesies Tasmania stamps allowed to pay postage in New South Wales, but below the stamps is a portion of an oval and stamp whose inscription evidently was "Loose Ship Letter." I have also the 6d and 4d of the same issue, 1892-97, cancelled with the same words across them between two horizontal lines. Now what is the explanation of these oddities? Did some passing ship supplied with only Tasmanian stamps send letter franked with those stamps into Sydney to be mailed, and how did the two colonies settle the question of who should have the amount of postage paid?

Bro. Chapman's editorials are rather few and we miss them, for they are always very readable. Society reports as usual also are in each number.

Nissen Catalogue

Of the stamps of Great Britain, is-

sued during the Victorian Era, 1840-1901, is an excellent little work for specialists in this line, published by Charles Nissen & Co., 77-8 High Holborn, London, W. C. All the adhesives, telegraphs, postals, envelopes and postal fiscals, are listed, as well as officials, newspaper stamps and rare cancellations on the first issue. In this latter class the quotations for Maltese Cross cancellations are: In red on 1d 1840, .10; on 2d, .37; on 1d 1841, \$5.00, in black 1d 1840, .12; 2d, .43; 1d 1841, .02; 2d, .06; in blue 1d, 1840, \$5.00; 1d 1841, .37; 2d, \$3.75; in green on 1d, 1841, \$6.25. Prices on plate numbers are not included, but the firm offers to send these specimens on approval as well as the college stamps, railway letter stamps, essays, etc., which are also omitted. For a pamphlet of 18 pages I know of nothing so full of meat.



Oldest Precancelled?

What is the oldest precancelled? I would like to introduce to the club members in particular "Glen Ullin Virginia," with a star impressed on the 1c stamp of 1882, and on the envelope, a circle of one inner line and double outer line, dated in the center May 27, 1887. Burlington, Vt., is reported on the same stamp, and may have been issued earlier, but who knows? Some obliging postmaster might help us out in our investigation of the question, but it is asking something that they have little time to bother with. We must therefore look for the information among the stamped wrappers and keep others informed of any discovery we make. I have the 1c stamp

of 1855 with 42 printed partly on the envelope and partly on the stamp, but as I only have the stamp the best I can make out of it is Portland, Me., October 22nd. Perhaps this is a precancelled stamp. Who knows?

This opens up the question whether these stamps were originally a creation of the department, or of some local postmaster, and I am of the opinion they were first introduced by the latter. But just when the department recognized the necessity for them, and issued their approval, accompanied by official instruction, is a matter hard to find out. The department has no interest in looking the matter up, and the only other hope that I can see, is that some postmaster of earlier days will tell how he came to use them. Let us get together and try and get at the foundation of these stamps, as they are now becoming "sky scrapers."

F. L. SMITH.



First Regular Meeting of Minneapolis Philatelic Society, Branch A. P. A.

The first regular meeting of the Minneapolis Philatelic Society was held Thursday evening June 11th at the residence of Mr. A. K. Ford.

Fourteen were present.

By-Laws previously drawn up by committee on organization were read and corrections made. Motion to adopt same being made by Mr. Giles, seconded by Dr. Downing, was unanimously carried.

Election of officers resulted in the following who were elected to serve a term of one year from date.

President—Mr. Eben S. Martin.

Vice-Pres.—Dr. W. L. Downing.

Secretary—Mr. Allyn K. Ford.

Treasurer—Mr. Edw. S. Stebbins.

An informal exhibition and sale of stamps occupied the balance of the evening.

Adjournment.

ALLYN K. FORD,

Secretary.



A MISTAKE.

A Letter to American Association Members.

Editor The Philatelic World:

Ever since the report of the proceedings of the last American Philatelic Association convention reached me, I have been pondering over what seems to me the great mistake made there.

With one hand we are contributing to the expenses of a committee for the gathering in of new members; with the other we take away one of the great advantages of membership. When "Father" Scott heard of the

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the back. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers.....

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Ill.

action of the convention in turning his recommendation of a charge of 10 cents each for the examining of stamps, to the extreme price of one dollar each he must have been ashamed of his modesty. Mr. Doebelin and Mr. Gregory, it appears from the printed report of the proceedings, did call the attention of the convention to the injustice such an exorbitant figure is to those members who have a few stamps which are not so rare as to admit of a dollar being added to their cost, but they appear to have made no impression. Members living in the country, and in the smaller cities, cannot run into a dealer's store and ask if their stamps are genuine; nor do they like to ask that favor of some dealer by mail. There are also, I believe, many members in the large cities who do not care to trouble any dealer in this matter. We want in our association all those interested in stamps who are of good character, no matter if they do not have in their collections rarities in blocks and entire sheets, and for such we should have a counterfeit detector, and a charge of 10 cents for each stamp examined. This can be in addition to the present expert committee, and need not drive the latter out of business.

If it does a case against the existence of the committee will have been proven, but I have no idea that it will. I can see no good reason why we should be in building up other societies at our expense.

If I am alive and able to do so I shall instruct my proxy to move another amendment to the constitution along this line at the next convention. By the way, for the information of the members, will our president or secretary please state officially who has been appointed to the office of examiner of sales books, as provided in Article VII, section 8, of the constitution? Can it possibly be that there is such a "fat office" vacant, and that when we take a stamp from a sales

book there may be a considerable doubt as to its genuineness?

It must have been at least three years since any counterfeits have been removed from my books by the examiner of sales books.

C. F. RICHARDS.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby. Articles by the best authors on stamps and entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

DEALERS! My foreign mixtures, including Salvador, Bolivia, Paraguay, etc., at 60c per 100 or \$6.00 per 1000 is good value for the money.

My I. X. L. mixture, catalogue 2c to 30c each. Each 100 catalogue \$6.00 to \$8.00, price \$1.50. Stamps bought. What have you to offer?

CARL YOUNG,

112 N. 5TH ST.,

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " " Interleaved 2.00		2.16

International Postage

Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards....	\$.25
" " " " Cloth,....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y



Send me a money order for \$1.00 and I will send you the following Cuban stamps. Numbers 12, 18, 24, 25, 47, 48, 52, 56, 59, 60, 61, 63, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 76, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 97, 98, 99, 102, 104, 106, 107, 109, 110, 112, 113, 115, 116, 118, 119, 122, 124.

127, 127a, 128, 131, 137, 121, 148, 151, 152, 163, 419, 420, 56, unused, 2 used. Catalog value over \$5.00. My price \$1.00.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Justice 30c: used, a gem.
Catalog \$20.00: only \$9.00.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

100 BRITISH COLONIES, 27C

It is a fine collection in its self, containing such as CANADIAN JUBILEES, BARBADOS '96, HONG KONG, INDIA KING'S HEAD, BR. GULANA, Etc.

With each order for this packet I will give a pocket album in which the stamps may be mounted.

THOS. L. HOSMER,
3415 7th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1896, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 60c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1898, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.08
" " 2 1/2 gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl, fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 50c green.....	.15

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world



TRADE MARK,

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lin flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Vision extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.
10 blank Approval Books, 10c.
100 Approval Sheets, 15c.
Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curious Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. Nothing similar as good. Six associate editors. The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 100 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay. Do not delay but, send today For the WEST which is the best.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price
1885 1c.....	\$.20	
1879 2c.....	.30	
3c.....	.75	
4c.....	.75	
6c.....	.75	
1885 10c.....	.40	

OTHER BARGAINS.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 26. Whole No. 35. Minneapolis, Minn. July 1, 1903

Weekly

An Association Catalogue.

There is one question which seems to arise recently in the breasts of sympathetic philatelists which we may say restlessly wanders in the paths of the sphinx's riddle, moaning its historical failure to be answered for all time: What can and shall be done to make the American Philatelic Association something more than a marketplace for its members' duplicates and opportunity for collectors' social cultivation of one another on a more or less harmless three days' summer spree? A man who attacks a problem of public import is a hero, a genius, and an inspired leader, if he succeeds, and a misdeveloped, unrestrained, crank if he fails, in being the proposer of that solution which, at an uncertain number of years later, comes to be adopted by the overpowering self-interest of the majority of those for whom he works. But while he is laboring through the periods of advance and retreat of his theories, persistently, and probably a little blindly, he seldom really knows how soon one crucial decision will foster his designs. The problem of active reform has already been more than once before the Association in concrete shape. Dr. William H. Mitchell of Bayonne, N. J. earnestly proposed at the thirteenth convention in New York in 1898 the widening of the scope of the Association's work, and requested the establishment of eight committees for active yearly labor. Because there were only ten minutes left

before a scheduled electric-car ride, his suggestions were referred to a committee from which they never reappeared. (1).^{*} At Detroit in 1899, Mr. G. S. Toppan, as presiding officer, referred to the suggestions of the year before, failed to elicit any commendatory expressions of opinion save from Mr. C. P. Krauth, and with his aid alone put through a motion that the president "designate members who shall prepare papers and reports on subjects of philatelic interest." (2). Of this also nothing has ever since been heard. Of the latest attempted injection of energy, at the Springfield convention, it is still apparently too early to judge of the results.

But why may not the Association as a whole lay strong fingers upon the things which really vitally affect the pursuit of those whom it unites? It has toyed with getting at first-hand new stamps for its members' collections, it has pretended to want contributions of literary merit and educational value, it has borne a massive department for the sale of its dealers' stocks, and it has annually enjoyed trolley excursions and steamboat trips. Why will it not gaze squarely upon the only thing besides a blankbook and two stamps which is absolutely essential and necessary to every stamp collector—the priced catalogue? Because there is a monopoly of production in that line? Our European brothers bear well the strain of more than a single book in each language. Because grand financial failures stand as warn-

^{*} Figures in parenthesis refer to notes at end of article.

ings on the catalogue publishing shore? Smaller societies have come to ruin before this in their exchange departments. Because the necessary cuts would be expensive? The present catalogue publishers freely advertise single electrotypes at 40c retail and "special quotations for large orders." It is because the task looks to be of appalling magnitude, and each one is afraid not enough other members will do their necessary share to make the whole work a triumph!

But a petition, however earnest, from the ranks customarily proves incapable of effective execution when the leaders are soberly convinced of its badness and impossibility. Let us see, then, what authorities are arrayed against the publication of a collectors' catalogue.

Probably historically the most important discussion of the question arose subsequent to a paper read by Mr. Edward J. Nankivell before the Philatelic Society, London, on March, 17, 1899, entitled "A Proposal for a Catalogue for Collectors." (3) Mr. Nankivell, in brief, pointed out the inconsistencies and imperfections of all the existing dealers' catalogues, the undue and varying emphasis on divers countries, proposed the production of an unpriced catalogue by a committee of twelve or twenty society members assisted by designated sub-committees and open revision by all members, with illustrations of the best quality and full size, suggested a circulation of 5,000 copies and predicted an actual financial balance finally to the credit of the society, without belittling either the labor or expense necessarily involved. He felt strongly that such a publication would "free philately from the thralldom of the (trader's) price list." This paper met with an apparently

almost universal protest within the circle to which it was addressed because its author elsewhere explained, "it was declared to be impossible, in the present state of our philatelic knowledge concerning many countries, to compile such a catalogue with any credit to the society. Country after country was mentioned as being unripe for such a catalogue. In other words, the contention really amounted to an admission that the premier society regarded anything in the shape of a complete catalogue as something which may be attempted by some future generation of philatelists, but certainly not by the present generation." (4) The London Philatelist takes almost heated exception to the original proposition in its next number, remarks that Mr. Nankivell has "never displayed any great constructive policy," explaining that no country is yet exhaustively or finally understood, and concludes: "No proposition to any philatelic society has yet been made so erroneous in its scope, so impracticable in its suggestions, or so ill-considered and pre-

The Rochester Postage Stamp Co.

DEALERS IN

U.S. and Foreign Postage Stamps

Stamp Albums and Supplies.

6 Sycamore St., Rochester, N. Y., U. S. A.

SEVERAL RECENT STAMPS.

- * Argentine 1902 (commemorative) 1
- Bolivia 1901, 1c, 2c, 5c, 20c, used
- " " 2b No. 77 used
- *Bulgaria 1902 (commemorative) 5 and 10c
- *Peru, Postal Packet 1c No. 301
- Salvador 1903, 5 var. used

This is the season of the year when you appreciate the merits of Wolsieffer's Appraisal Cards 20cts per doz or \$1.50 per hundred. Also Wolsieffer's Pocket Edition Stock Book cloth bound at 25 cts each postpaid.

UNITED STAMP CO., 1149 Marquette, Chicago

N. B.—Don't overlook our Summer Season Bargain Sale No. 5.

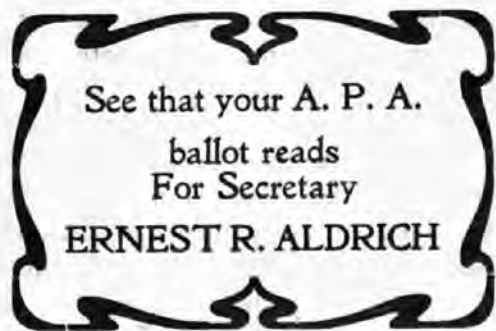
umptive as to its authorship" as this
 ne.(5) Despite these crushing utter-
 nces, however, Mr. M. P. Castle
 read at the December meeting of the
 same society a judicial review of the
 aspects of the question, and notwith-
 standing the previous official Phillip-
 ic actually says, "I am not yet pre-
 pared to support any proposal for the
 issue of a collectors' catalogue," in
 truth virtually refusing to commit
 himself.(6) "It is impossible that
 stamp collecting can continue to exist
 on its present basis of vastly increased
 intrinsic value unless there is some
 degree of permanence and solidity im-
 parted to the smallest value."(7) The
 eminent editor proceeded to array the
 arguments for and against in forensic
 form, and in their description dwelt
 chiefly upon the enormous labor, the
 overwhelming cost, the necessity of in-
 ternational co-operation, the difficulty
 of agreeing on what to list and what to
 exclude, and finally the pertinent sug-
 gestion that it is unusual for the buyer
 to dictate the prices of his goods to the
 seller.(8)

Now, this matter of prices seems to
 be really the crucial one of the whole
 question. The market for our bits of
 paper, as for all other commercial as-
 sets, being open to human caprice and
 varying combinations of circumstan-
 ces, prices rise and fall with due re-
 gard to the economic laws of supply
 and demand, without any one's feeling
 as common-sense outraged and his
 pocket violated. But that there is more
 than this healthy fluctuation in our
 stamp prices under the existing con-
 ditions of omnipotent dealers' lists
 must be evident to everyone who has
 followed reviews of successive cata-
 logues as they appear in the reputable
 philatelic papers. A complete list of
 such evidence would be idle and
 wearying; but that the real trouble

lies in the compilation and acceptance
 of prices as universal for a continent
 or country which are based solely upon
 the conditions of a single—though the
 largest—dealer's stock, is at once ap-
 parent on perusal of a few only of the
 many such reviews ready at hand in
 every philatelic library.(9) More-
 over, if the prices given really repre-
 sent the value of anything like the
 major part of the stamps catalogued,
 it is certainly wonderful that discounts
 of from 33 1-3 to 50 per cent are so
 consistently and universally allowed
 by the multitude of dealers surround-
 ing the publishers' office on all
 hands.(10)

The discussion originally drawn in-
 to concrete shape by Mr. Nankivell's
 article has been widely carried on, with
 varying earnestness and sanity, around
 the globe; but the conclusions seem to
 be almost inevitably cast in the same
 mould: something ought to be done to
 release the collecting body from their
 unworthy subjection to the dealers'

Continued on page 169.



FREE 100 U. S. Revenues absolutely
 free to all applying for our 50 per
 cent approval sheets and send-
 ing the names of several young collectors.

NOT QUITE FREE.

A missionary mixture containing 1000 stamps
 good, bad and common. Rare things are
 found in this lot. Price 10c per 1000, postage
 extra.

The 9 var. of 2c 1894-5-8.....10cts
 We are now doing a mail order business only

Note the New Address.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
43-209 DEARBORN AVE. - CHICAGO.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Order, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

A prospectus and advance sheets showing "Acores to Allemagne" of a new catalogue of rarities to be published in October by A. La Fare of Paris is at hand. We quote from the prospectus:

"I beg to inform you that I am about to publish a Catalogue of Valuable and Rare Stamps, valued from 2-6 upwards, giving the comparative prices in England, France, Germany, Belgium and America.

A special column will be devoted to one of the Latest Transactions, whether same has taken place in Paris or abroad, adding either the catalogue prices or those communicated to us by sellers or purchasers on their own responsibility. * * *

"It is quite evident that a Catalogue compiled upon these principles will be welcomed by all collectors who take an interest in val-

uing their collections and new acquisitions. Not being a dealer myself I have no other interest than that of giving an impartial record for the use of philatelists."

Mr. F. L. Smith has favored us with an interesting cover sent by Cussons, May & Co., of Glenn Allen Va., to the First National Bank Belvidere, Ill., in March of this year. The post mark without date is impressed, but the stamp is sheet cancelled with a large star. In every sense of the word, except the governmental circular of rules, it is pre-cancelled.

The Metropolitan is the latest claimant for attention in the society lines. It advertises "Our Key note is Protection," and to protect its members from frauds of all descriptions is the basis on which it is to be built. If you wish it, a card sent to F. A. Mueller, Peake, Neb. will bring you the booklet recently issued in its interests.

The list of rare stamps offered at private sale on June 6th by C. L. Moreau, commands attention not only because of the rarities listed but also because of its unique shape being 12x9 inches and hinged at the top, printing on one side of the leaf only, being evidently intended to imitate a lawyer's brief.

The current 2c has been surcharged for Danbury, Conn.

Mr. Nathan Cobe will sail for Europe a day or so after this issue appears for a two months' sojourn abroad. It's a poor field for souvenirs Bro. Cobe, having been thoroughly worked before.

The index committee of the American Philatelic Association are slowly but surely laboring at the

Ewen's Weekly reports the following stamps of St. Vincent destroyed Jan. 5: 37,668 of 2½d, 36,233 of the 3d, 18,000 of the 4d, 18,364 of the 5d, 10,887 of the 6d, 3,704 of the 1sh and 2,662 of the 5sh.

The Australian Journal of Philately figures out that 2,410 stamps are needed for a complete Australian collection, without including South Australian department, West Australian officials, New Zealand official, railway or insurance stamps.

Mr. Henry Johnson, who was the moving spirit of the Willmar (Minn.) Stamp Co. several years ago, was a visitor at the editorial sanctum this week. He is entirely divorced from stamps, however.

The exhibit last evening of the Boston Philatelic Society was of envelopes and wrappers of Great Britain and Colonies. Two prizes were offered, one for entires and the other for cut specimens.

The Exposition authorities state that no word has yet been received from the department on that commemorative issue.

The Exposition authorities state that no word has yet been received from the department on that commemorative issue.

The New York Philatelist is no more. Brodstone of the West has absorbed it.



An Association Catalogue.

Continued from page 167.

business lists, but the task is too great to afford ready and appreciable return in money or honor, and so no one may attempt to compass it. (11)

It is well known to every serious philatelist that there are various causes which control the values of stamps,

and their workings sometimes seem largely impossible of discovery; but in reality the order and successive importance of some of the factors may ordinarily be clearly traced. First and most fundamental is obviously the number of stamps of any given kind issued and sold; and these figures are becoming more and more obtainable as the postal departments afford increasing opportunities for considerate questionings and investigations. Then there comes the nature of the use of

BETTER BUY

60^c Bureau Print NEWSPAPER A RARITY

Unused o. g. perfect only . . \$12.50
EBEN S. MARTIN, Minneapolis, Minn.

CUBA

Habilitados de Octubre 1902

Variedades de 1c sobre, 3c violeta

Doble sobrecarga (Fig. 2).....	\$ 2.00
Invertido (Fig. 4).....	2.00
Lin la palabra "Habilitado" (Fig. 7)	3.00
"Habilitado" en las partes superior a inferior (Fig. 8).....	1.75
"Habilitado" en la parte inferior (Fig. 9).....	1.50
"Habilitado" en medio con el 1 debajo (Fig. 10B).....	1.00
No. 1 a la derecha (Fig. 12).....	3.00
No. 1 a la derecha con "Habilitado" abajo (Fig. 13).....	5.00
No. 1a la izquierda (Fig. 18).....	2.00
Bloc de 4, (Figuras 7 y 9).....	10.00

Los precios en moneda Americana.

Los pedidos acompañados de su importe.

M. LAZARO,

Obispo No. 39, Habana, Cuba.

the stamp in question, which is likewise, and even more generally, ascertainable by reference to local history. Again, knowledge of the nature of the sale, a known purchase in bulk by any speculator, or retention of part of an issue by semi-corrupt officials, would render stable many a price whose active vagaries now most acutely disturb, though transiently, the philatelic bargaining. Destruction of remainders is another pertinent item, and exact figures are now almost always forthcoming subsequent to such an operation. Even if these facts cannot all be ascertained for every stamp issued in the last century, if we believe the world is to continue to use the labels, and men to collect them, we owe it to our philatelic descendants to record every bit of such information as this which is now contemporaneously available. A list of all known legitimate issues, with sub-varieties in smaller type, these eloquent figures laid out in full beside each variety, and an advisory value appended by unanimous consent of a committee of veterans and wise men, with illustrations to surpass those in any of the existing priced lists in clearness of outline and detail, would form a book which every collector would learn to value beyond any aid he now knows; and which, after some years of financial loss to its makers, he would desire and be able to pay for.

The publishers of the leading American work have themselves said: "That collectors should and could get out an authoritative catalogue no one will gainsay." (12) That the suggested element of number issued, which is so obviously of importance in determining the value of every stamp, and which yet has been so strikingly and persistently ignored, to all appearances, by the makers of every cata-

logue to date, should be satisfactorily taken into account, would seem to be, alone, a promise of some beginning of stability and truth in the stamp market, and sufficiently warrant an undertaking of the sort proposed; a catalogue for collectors by collectors.

That the American Philatelic Association is the body most capable of such a task, on this side of the water, can hardly be denied; it possesses age, reputation, respected and prominent collectors, and a stable financial footing. The powerful and conserva-

J. W. SCOTT'S BEST ALBUM

1903 EDITION NOW READY

Only complete and up-to-date album published.

Prices: Boards \$1.00; Cloth \$2.00
Post Free.

Circulars and Sample Page Free. 36 page list of stamps and coins free.

Sample set, Venezuela 1897 complete. 10c unused.....

THE J. W. SCOTT CO., Ltd.

36 John Street, :: New York City.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Dennison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the back. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers.....

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Ill.

ive London society has shrunk from the production of a work it confesses to be of inestimable worth to our pursuit, solely on the grounds of feasibility; is it not an excellent opportunity for our long inactive home organization energetically to gain new life and inspiration by the common lifting of a burden whose weight constantly oppresses each member more and more? Let us prove to our English cousins again that one never knows what he can do until he tries, by the performance of a task which every one of us knows is crying to heaven for its doing!

NOTES.

- (1). The American Philatelist, Vol. XII, P. 2; 1898.
- (2). The American Philatelist, Vol. XIII, P. 30; 1899.
- (3). The London Philatelist, Vol. VIII, P. 19; May, 1899.
- (4). The American Journal of Philately, Vol. XIII, P. 201; May 1, 1899.
- (5). The London Philatelist, Vol. VIII, P. 14; June, 1899.
- (6). The London Philatelist, Vol. VIII, P. 22; December, 1899.
- (7). Ibid, P. 328.
- (8). Cf. The American Journal of Philately, Vol. XIII, P. 45; Feb. 1, 1900.
- (9). (This and the two remaining notes pretend to be not at all exhaustive, but suggestive merely.)
The American Journal of Philately, Vol. XII, P. 423; Nov. 1, 1899.
The American Journal of Philately, Vol. XI, P. 376; Sept. 1, 1898.
Vol. XII, P. 237; June 1, 1899.
The Boston Stamp Book, Vol. I, P. 197; Jan. 20, 1895.
The Boston Stamp Book, Vol. II, P. 224; Feb. 1, 1897.
The London Philatelist, Vol. VII, P. 244; Sept., 1898.
The London Philatelist, Vol. X, P. 303; Dec., 1891.
- (10). The Boston Stamp Book, Vol. III, P. 9; Jan. 1, 1898.
Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, Vol. XI, P. 23; June 2, 1898.
The Weekly Philatelic Era, Vol. XIII, P. 27; March 18, 1899.
(From the Stamp Collector's Fortnightly).
- (11). Mekeel's Stamp Collector, Vol. XVI, P. 36; Jan. 26, 1903.
Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, Vol. XIII, P. 227; Sept. 7, 1899.
The Weekly Philatelic Era, Vol. XIII, P. 24; April 22, 1899.
(From Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal).
- (12). The American Journal of Philately, Vol. VIII, P. 45; Feb. 1, 1900.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " Interleaved	2.00	2.16

International Postage Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25
" " " " Cloth,....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

Special Clayton Number

Issue of July 29th

Double Usual Circulation

You Should be Interested

Send your ad. at once to

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16-18-20 North Fourth St.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.



Send me a money order for \$1.00 and I will send you the following Cuban stamps. Numbers 12, 18, 24, 25, 47, 48, 52, 56, 59, 60, 61, 63, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 76, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 97, 98, 99, 102, 104, 106, 107, 109, 110, 112, 113, 115, 116, 118, 119, 122, 124

127, 127a, 128, 131, 137, 121, 146, 151, 152, 163, 419, 425¹
56, unused, 2 used. Catalog value over \$5.00.
My price \$1.00.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Justice 30c: used, a gem.
Catalog \$20.00: only \$9.00.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby.
Articles by the best authors on stamps and
entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photo-
graphy, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and
Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over
the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent
for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, ½, 1, 2, 2½d o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl. large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh. blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1g1, fine.....	.06
" 2½g1, fine.....	.25
" 5g1 fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official. No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 50c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed
free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,
1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the # # #

American
Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world



**FEATHERWEIGHT
EYE SHADE**
Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight ¼ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Vision extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper.
Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand.
Liberal samples sent on receipt of name
and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.
10 blank Approval Books, 10c.
100 Approval Sheets, 15c.
Five Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. Nothing similar as good. Six associate editors. The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price
1885 1c.....	\$.20	\$.00
1879 2c.....	.30	.15
3c.....	.75	.35
4c.....	.75	.35
6c.....	.75	.35
1885 10c.....	.40	.15

OTHER BARGAINS.
EBEN S. MARTIN.
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 27, Whole No. 36. Minneapolis, Minn. July 8, 1903

Weekly

NEW CARDS.

A. Lohmeyer.

Costa Rica—It has been a long time, 13 years, since we have had anything new from this Central American republic, the 2 and 3 centavos cards of 1890 having done duty ever since. We may, therefore, pardon the authorities for giving us, to break the monotony, some provisionals. I have received the 3 centavos card bearing the surcharge on the stamp, in black, in two lines, "Interior—2 centimos." There is also a rumor of a 4 centimos, confirmation of which I am awaiting.

Provisional Issue—P. C. 2 centimos black on 3 centavos red on buff.

Colombia—I am indebted to Mr. Foulon for a set of the provisional cards, said to have been created last October. The cards of 1893-94, single and double, the latter separated, have been made to do duty for those provisionals, the face value having been advanced to 5 centavos. This new value is indicated by a large oval shield, 22x28 m-m., having a large figure "5" in the center, the border of the oval showing the same figure, but very small, repeated 12 times. The impression is in brick red, and printed from a stone. Although the original stamp of 2 centavos is not canceled or annulled, it appears that the new value of this card is 5 centavos, and not 5x2 or 7 centavos, a new permanent card of 5 centavos, so Mr. Foulon informs me, having just

been issued at Bogota. The two specimens I have before me are the single card of 1893 (or the first half of the double card, separated, there being no difference between them) and the reply half of the double card, with "Respuesta-Response" in the lower left corner. The surcharge being applied in this corner of the cards, these two words are covered by the red oval shield.

I therefore chronicle:

Provisional Issue:

P. C. 5 centavos, brick red and black on pale orange.

5 centavos, brick red and black on pale orange, with "Respuesta-Response."



BOSTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

The 127th regular meeting was held on Tuesday evening, June 16. President Lombard occupied the chair, and 22 members and friends were present.

The following were proposed for membership.

Edward D. Osgood.

Victor M. Berthold.

W. L. Aldrich.

Charles P. Mellen, all of Boston.

Mr. F. Apthorp Foster presented the Society's library with 24 volumes of valuable stamp literature, mostly handbooks and monographs. A vote of thanks was given the generous donor.

The evening's exhibition was for British and Colonial envelopes and

Continued on page 175.



Send me a money order for \$1.00 and I will send you the following Cuban stamps. Numbers 12, 18, 24, 25, 47, 48, 52, 56, 59, 60, 61, 63, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 76, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 97, 98, 99, 102, 104, 106, 107, 109, 110, 112, 113, 115, 116, 118, 119, 122, 124.

127, 127a, 128, 131, 137, 121, 148, 151, 152, 163, 419, 425, 56, unused, 2 used. Catalog value over \$5.00. My price \$1.00.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Justice 30c: used, a gem. Catalog \$20.00: only \$9.00.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby. Articles by the best authors on stamps and entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	.30
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1399, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1886, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2 1/2gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl, fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official. No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 50c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,
1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the *******

American
Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world



**FEATHERWEIGHT
EYE SHADE**
Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.

10 blank Approval Books, 10c.

100 Approval Sheets, 15c.

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors. The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 20 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay, Do not delay but, send today For the WEST which is the best.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price
1885 1c.....	\$.20	3 .06
1879 2c.....	.30	.12
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.15

OTHER BARGAINS.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 27. Whole No. 36. Minneapolis, Minn. July 8, 1903

Weekly

NEW CARDS.

A. Lohmeyer.

Costa Rica—It has been a long time, 13 years, since we have had anything new from this Central American republic, the 2 and 3 centavos cards of 1890 having done duty ever since. We may, therefore, pardon the authorities for giving us, to break the monotony, some provisionals. I have received the 3 centavos card bearing the surcharge on the stamp, in black, in two lines, "Interior—2 centimos." There is also a rumor of a 4 centimos, confirmation of which I am awaiting.

Provisional Issue—P. C. 2 centimos black on 3 centavos red on buff.

Colombia—I am indebted to Mr. Foulon for a set of the provisional cards, said to have been created last October. The cards of 1893-94, single and double, the latter separated, have been made to do duty for those provisionals, the face value having been advanced to 5 centavos. This new value is indicated by a large oval shield, 22x28 m-m., having a large figure "5" in the center, the border of the oval showing the same figure, but very small, repeated 12 times. The impression is in brick red, and printed from a stone. Although the original stamp of 2 centavos is not canceled or annulled, it appears that the new value of this card is 5 centavos, and not 5x2 or 7 centavos, a new permanent card of 5 centavos, so Mr. Foulon informs me, having just

been issued at Bogota. The two specimens I have before me are the single card of 1893 (or the first half of the double card, separated, there being no difference between them) and the reply half of the double card, with "Respuesta-Response" in the lower left corner. The surcharge being applied in this corner of the cards, these two words are covered by the red oval shield.

I therefore chronicle:

Provisional Issue:

P. C. 5 centavos, brick red and black on pale orange.

5 centavos, brick red and black on pale orange, with "Respuesta-Response."



BOSTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

The 127th regular meeting was held on Tuesday evening, June 16. President Lombard occupied the chair, and 22 members and friends were present.

The following were proposed for membership.

Edward D. Osgood.

Victor M. Berthold.

W. L. Aldrich.

Charles P. Mellen, all of Boston.

Mr. F. Apthorp Foster presented the Society's library with 24 volumes of valuable stamp literature, mostly handbooks and monographs. A vote of thanks was given the generous donor.

The evening's exhibition was for British and Colonial envelopes and

Continued on page 175.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

*ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
 Managing Editor.*

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

It is with much regret that the World loses its Chicago correspondent, Mr. Reginald Robinson, who has furnished the newsiest notes the past six months from that berg which any paper has had. We understand he leaves Chicago to engage in newspaper work in Winnipeg. The World wishes him success in his new location.

It is with regret that we note in a contemporary the sad news of the serious illness of Lewis Robie, of medicine stamp fame. His "Stamp Hunting" will always be one of the unique bits of stamp literature. If the wishes of his many friends would bring it to pass, a sure and speedy recovery would ensue.

E. B. Sterling, the veteran authority on revenue matters, has removed from Denver to his old home, Trenton, N. J.

Why not send in your subscription to the World before you take your Philatelic summer vacation.

As yet the department has made no decision in the commemorative stamp question," is the word received from St. Louis this week.

The Mad Mullah seems to be able to defeat the British forces with such regularity that the first thing our "cousins" know they will only have the stamps and not the colony.

Get in line and help advance philately by joining the National Society, The American Philatelic Association. Send to the World for a blank application.

The Toronto members of the Dominion Philatelic Association have issued a strong circular in the interests of A. W. Muirhead, as president of that organization.

The index committee of the American Philatelic Association are slowly but surely laboring at their task. Ten American papers have been the subject matter that this year's work has been expended upon.

If any one stamp is popular this week it should be the 24c of the 1869 issue of our own country, portraying as it does, the signing of that priceless document which announced to the world our birth as a nation. One hundred and twenty-seven years ago on Saturday went forth the fiat "proclaim liberty throughout the world," and in what better way can a collector observe the day than by adding to his collection the little label depicting the historic assemblage, if he does not already possess it, as the Fourth of July stamp should be in every album in the land where "Old Glory" waves.

Boston Philatelic Society.

Continued from page 167.

trappers, the silver medal being for entires and the bronze for cut squares. The competition was limited to those who had never taken a prize, and only one collection was entered, that being in the cut square class. It belonged to Mr. F. W. Sprague, 2nd, and received the bronze medal.

Mr. E. F. Sawyer, of the Exhibition Committee, brought in his collection of entires, which was much admired. The two collections revealed how much of beauty and interest collectors are missing in slighting these forms of postal supplies.

As this was the last meeting of the season there was little business to transact, and adjournment came at 9:15 o'clock.

C. A. HOWES,
Secretary.

**Minneapolis Philatelic Society.**

The second regular meeting of the Minneapolis Philatelic Society, branch of the American Philatelic Association, was held on Wednesday, July 8th, 1903, at 18 North Fourth street. Ten were present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Motion was made and carried that this branch society appoint Messrs. E. S. Martin and W. L. Downing delegates to the National A. P. A. convention to be held at Clayton, N. Y., in August; both these gentlemen having stated that they expected to attend.

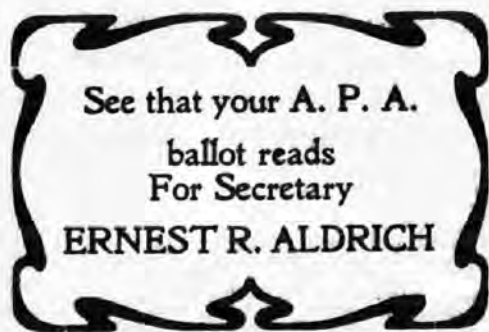
The following resolution was made and unanimously carried.

RESOLVED—That the Minneapolis Philatelic Society, branch of

the American Philatelic Association, appreciating the great advantages and opportunities afforded a community by the annual National convention of the association; and believing that there is no other city in the country which can furnish so many attractions to the Summer tourist, nor proportionately as large a company of enthusiastic stamp collectors, who know how to make other collectors have a good time; does hereby unanimously and cordially invite the said association to hold its annual convention for 1904 in the city of Minneapolis or its vicinity; and we further promise ample and abundant entertainment to those who attend.

After listening to an address by Mr. C. L. Annan, Treasurer of the National society, the meeting adjourned.

ALLYN K. FORD,
Secretary.



FREE 100 U. S. Revenues absolutely free to all applying for our 50 per cent approval sheets and sending the names of several young collectors.

NOT QUITE FREE.

A missionary mixture containing 1000 stamps good, bad and common. Rare things are found in this lot. Price 10c per 1000, postage extra.

The 9 var. of 2c 1894-5-8.....10cts
We are now doing a mail order business only

Note the New Address.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
43-209 DEARBORN AVE. - CHICAGO.



Send me a money order for \$1.00 and I will send you the following Cuban stamps. Numbers 12, 18, 24, 25, 47, 48, 52, 56, 59, 60, 61, 63, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 76, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 97, 98, 99, 102, 104, 106, 107, 109, 110, 112, 113, 115, 116, 118, 119, 122, 124.

127, 127a, 128, 131, 187, 121, 148, 151, 152, 163, 419, 425, 56, unused, 2 used. Catalog value over \$5.00. My price \$1.00.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Justice 30c: used, a gem.
Catalog \$20.00: only \$9.00.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby.
Articles by the best authors on stamps and entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 d. o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.89.....	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl. large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1876, 2 sh. blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1886, \$1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2 1/2 gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl, fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official. No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 50c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,
1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the **AAA**

American
Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Vision extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.

10 blank Approval Books, 10c.

100 Approval Sheets, 15c.

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curio Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. Nothing similar as good. Six associate editors. The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay.
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price
1885 1c.....	\$.20	\$.00
1879 2c.....	.30	.20
3c.....	.75	.50
4c.....	.75	.50
6c.....	.75	.50
1885 10c.....	.40	.30

OTHER BARGAINS.
EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.

The Philatelic World

II. No. 26. Whole No. 37. Minneapolis, Minn. July 15, 1903.

Weekly

CHICAGO NOTES.

"Bizie."

E. M. Markus, of Canton, Ohio, and Frank P. Brown, of Omaha, were in town recently.

A local stamp concern which has sent out 11,327 lots of stamps since the 1st, 1901, has lost 140 lots. New York state heads the list with 10 lots, Illinois second, 31; Michigan, 14, etc. The losses are scattered over 34 states and countries. At the last meeting of the C. P. Mr. Simon Strauss presented the society with a very handsome stamp frame. The stamps in the frame consisted of a complete set of U. S. Columbian proofs, and the yellow Special Delivery issued in 1893. Each stamp was mounted in a small carved wooden frame and each of these small frames was made from wood taken from the different World's Fair buildings. The emblem of the society, finely carved in wood, occupied one corner of the frame. The entire design was tastefully mounted on a dark green background and nicely framed. Mr. Strauss was given a unanimous vote of thanks, and the frame was hung in a prominent place in the society's room.

The extreme hot weather has caused a slight falling off in the stamp business here during the last few days.

U. S. envelopes are becoming popular. Better prices are being realized, according to local dealers, than for some years past, and desirable specimens find a ready sale.

Whitfield, King & Co.'s Catalogue.

The New Universal Standard Catalogue of The Postage Stamps of the World, fourth edition Whitfield, King & Co., Ipswich, England. Price 1s 3d, is a model catalogue for the general collector, whose aim is to be a general collector and not a specialist. The aim of the compiler is to list all actual varieties without descending into minutia, color varieties and perforation differences being entirely ignored. Even with all these eliminations, collectors need not think they have an easy task, and it is extremely doubtful if any one could complete a collection on these lines, even if the dozen or so practically unattainable varieties be discarded. The total number of stamps issued to date, as included in this catalogue, is 17,382, of which 4,952 are apportioned to Great Britain and Colonies, and 12,430 to the rest of the world. Europe has issued 3,917, Asia 3,120, Africa 3,342, America 4,214, the West Indies 1,411, and Oceania 1,378. The Republic of Salvador has issued the greatest number of varieties, and Boyaca, Poland and Wadhwan the smallest.

The arrangement of the countries is entirely alphabetical, even the Indian states being inserted in their proper places and not bunched under the head of the general government. It is a work which should be in the hands of every one who

Continued on page 179.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Don't forget to send in an ad for the Clayton special.

Up to date about thirty have signified their intention of going to Clayton.

In spite of press dispatches and wild rumors, Benson was not wiped off the earth last week, and the editorial office still stands.

This week we meet with Cedar Rapids precancelled on the 1902 1 cent. Two types exist as before, the difference being in the R.

Possibly the blowing down of telegraph and telephone wires, so we were cut off from the rest of the world for seven or eight hours, could be made the excuse for lack of news, if we were only accomplished enough prevaricators.

In a recent circular the Staten Island Philatelic Society was mak-

ing a remarkably low offer of the fine blank album. For several years the editor has had his U. S. postage collection arranged in one of the books, and he can cheerfully commend it to all looking for an album. Write Henry Clotz, Box 3, New York city, for circulars and prices.

A New York correspondent writes that he has been informed an official of the Scott Company that their catalogue will be issued much earlier this year, probably before the first of November. If true it is an exceedingly welcome piece of news, and it would be even more welcome if October had been named.

As a piece of advice to young collectors the St. Paul Dispatch recently said:

"Do not cut envelope stamps shape—that is, round—for it takes away the value. All envelope stamps should be cut square to the spaces in the international albums, or kept entire. The value of these depends upon the color of the envelope. In the case of a six-cent stamp of 1873 the cream paper is worth about 50 cents and the blue paper 20 cents, while the white paper is worth only 15 cents."

In its last issue the Philatelic Era announced that it would seek a re-election as official organ, thus leaving the contest between Meekel's Weekly Stamp News and The Perforator. Bro. Jewett has always given a good paper, and undoubtedly will find that the great percentage of the American membership can not do without his paper, and at the expiration of his contract will find subscriptions coming in from them.

collects, not specializes. All standard varieties up to February of the present year are included. The press work is fine, and the only adverse criticism that could be is the size of the cuts, but if these were enlarged, it would increase the size of the book and thus destroy one of the aims of the work; all possible knowledge in the least space. A catalogue on exactly similar lines is what is needed on this side of the Atlantic, as I have known more than one beginner to become discouraged and quit after having made a good start, simply by being disgusted with the seemingly unending minor varieties included in the only available catalogue, with prices in American currency and the numerous spaces devoted to them in the printed albums.



With Our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

The Perforator

For June 15 opens with the usual illustration of covers from the Seybold collection, the first franked by an unsevered pair of 1d and a 6d Nova Scotia 1851 issue. The second franked with an 1s and 3d New Brunswick, the latter just acquired from Charles Phillips, of London, Eng. An article, largely historical, follows under the title, "A New Issue for Servia," following which is an interesting article on St. Louis Fair stamps. C. W. Abbott fills a page with "The Fraud Reporter," from which it would seem that Martin Bittl may not be as quick as he is painted. The editorial pages are given up to "The Conven-

tion number," a Clayton special being promised for July 15, "Philatelic Literature" and "Philately as Viewed by Others." J. M. Brooks has a plea for a printed album for proprietary stamps, evidently having never met with a National album. Herbst department on advertising as is usual contains much of interest.

Morley's Journal

For June continues the articles "Provisional Fiscal Issues of the American Occupation of the Philippines," "The Newspaper Tax Stamps of Great Britain," "Railway Stamps of Victoria," and "Side Study of Penny Reds." The editorials are readable, as usual, and a report of the Fiscal Philatelic Society given. Under new issues we find of revenue stamps (omitting the descriptions), Buenos Ayres, Salubridad Publica 1902, ½c gray, 1c ochre, 2c blue. Gold Coast, Judicial set, 1d, 3d, 6d, 1s 2s, 2s 6d, 5s, 10s, £1 and £5. San Fernando (Argentine Municipal Stamp) 20c slate blue and vermilion. Seycelles. The 5c Mauritius bill stamp, over printed 4 cents and surcharged Seycelles. Spain, San Sebastian, Colegio de Abogadas 5p. black on green. A large number of newly reported stamps from Guatemala and Santa Fe, Argentine, of old issues are noted. From the editorial page we quote.

"It should be remembered that in the early days of stamp collecting fiscals were placed on an equal footing with postage stamps, witness the spaces provided for the former in the most popular album of the period, viz: Lallier's and it was only the accident of postage stamps being more easily obtained that led to the temporary exclusion of fiscals. Now that a great deal is known about postage stamps and that what is to be found out, is mainly a task for the specialist, fiscals are once more coming into favor, and to all appearances very rapidly so at the present moment."

\$200.00 Second Issue No. 2932.

This is what can be described as "a perfection copy" and only.....\$93.00
 1902, \$50.00 No. 3059, Green and Black, perforated cancellation, fine.....\$21.00
 50c Second Issue, invert No. 3940 fine.....\$ 7.50
 1862, 3c scarlet No. 74, pen cancelled, very fine.....\$55.00
 1875, 30c Re-issue No. 131, fine without gum.....\$ 9.00
 Price List Free.

UNITED STAMP CO., 1149 Marquette, Chicago.

N. B. We have an extra copy of the Advanced Collector's Catalogue for sale for only...\$15.00

BETTER BUY**60^c Bureau Print****NEWSPAPER**

A R A R I T Y

Unused o. g. perfect only . . . **\$12.50**

EBEN S. MARTIN, Minneapolis, Minn.

CUBA**Habilitados de Octubre 1902****Variedades de lo sobre, 3c violeta**

Doble sobrecarga (Fig. 2).....\$ 2.00
 Invertido (Fig. 4)..... 2.00
 Lin la palabra "Habilitado" (Fig. 7) 3.00
 "Habilitado" en las partes superior a inferior (Fig. 8)..... 1.75
 "Habilitado" en la parte inferior (Fig. 9)..... 1.50
 "Habilitado" en medio con el 1 debajo (Fig. 10B)..... 1.00
 No. 1 a la derecha (Fig. 12)..... 3.00
 No. 1 a la derecha con "Habilitado" abajo (Fig. 13)..... 5.00
 No. 1a la izquierda (Fig. 18)..... 2.00
 Bloc de 4, (Figuras 7 y 9)..... 10.00

Los precios en moneda Americana.

Los pedidos acompañados de su importe.

M. LAZARO,

Obispo No. 39, Habana, Cuba.

Now Ready**Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.**

Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	Post Free	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25		1.35
" " " Interleaved.....	2.00		2.16

International Postage**Stamp Albums.**

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
 20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

Imperial Albums Bound in Boards.....	\$.25	Post free	
" " " " Cloth.....	.40		

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
 18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

Special Clayton**Number****Issue of July 29th****Double Usual Circulation**

You Should be Interested

Send your ad. at once to

THE PHILATELIC WORLD**16-18-20 North Fourth St.,****MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.**

The Philatelic World

Vol. II. No. 29. Whole No. 38. Minneapolis, Minn. July 22, 1903.

Weekly

CHICAGO AS A STAMP CENTER.

Phoenix.

Since the Philatelic World began Chicago has always been more or less of a stamp center. This western metropolis has been the seat of several conventions, the home of noted philatelists and the birthplace and graveyard of many philatelic papers. Whenever a dealer from across the water visits America he does not consider his trip complete until he has spent a few days in the Windy City. Though well to the front in philately, this city does not boast of many dealers; of the local firms the United Stamp Co., of which P. M. Wolsieffer is president, and F. N. Massoth is secretary-treasurer, is by far the larger. They employ three lady assistants, and make a specialty of keeping in stock all the stamps listed at \$1 apiece and under, but at the same time carry a good variety of the higher priced stamps; by their system of stock-books it is possible to see at a glance whether or not a certain stamp is in stock. On Dearborn street the U. S. Coin and Stamp Exchange does business, principally in coins, but also carry stamps; this is the only ground floor stamp and coin store in the city. Much the same kind of business is that of Stevens & Co., lower down on Dearborn street. In the Masonic Temple there may be found B. Green, who deals in coins and the cheaper grade of stamps; also the Randolph Stamp Co., depending entirely upon the

cheaper mail trade. The Imperial Stamp Co. and J. H. Pierce completes the list of city dealers who have offices. Strange as it may seem, no stamp paper has met with success, though many have been started, only to join the majority before they had lived long enough to celebrate the anniversaries of their birth, though a few have survived a little longer. When a new paper is started all collectors are loyal, unheard of collectors send in their subscriptions, and unheard of dealers patronize it with advertising, but despite the many efforts it is only a short time before Chicago is again without a stamp paper. Among the members of the Chicago Philatelic Society may be found many collections of value, the finest of which being that of W. F. E. Gurley, who has won many medals at exhibitions here and in the east. J. J. Oesch possesses Germany and Colonies complete, Mr. D. Hemours specializes in Guatemala and owns a member of unlisted varieties bought by an agent of his in that country. Dr. Fisk's U. S. Revenues, C. E. Severn's U. S. Locals on covers, R. Robinson's Persians and the general collections of Messrs. Massoth, Leffer, A. F. Merrell, W. H. Wolseley and many others are all small fortunes in themselves.

The Chicago Philatelic Society, with a large clubroom at 92 La Salle street, is one of the strongest local societies in America, with a member-

Continued on page 183.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico..... 50c
 City and Foreign Countries75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

The 2-cent 1902 is reported pre-cancelled from Cleveland, O.

The Perforator promises a special Clayton number next month.

A good thing to stick to—the Virginia Hinge. Why not try a box.

P. M. Wolsieffer and family are enjoying the sea breezes in New Jersey.

F. J. Beshar has favored us with views of the Kansas City flood, showing the havoc wrought in that city by "Big Muddy."

A neat 12 page list of sets and packets has been received from The Maritime Stamp Co., Salem, Yarmouth, Nova Scotia.

Three applications for membership and one for reinstatement and one resignation is the record of the last American report.

Minneapolis Branch is now a stockholder in the Philatelic Association, making two branch stockholders in the middle west, Chicago being the other.

A. C. Stewart, of Toledo, is spending the summer months at Put in Bay, from where he can run down to his place of business several times a week and yet enjoy sylvan quietness the greater part of the time.

The Philatelic Star says perhaps in the near future we shall have a 3c mourning stamp. Whether this is the regular price of mourning or whether the mourning is caused by the additional cent, the Star does not state.

George D. Ring, J. D. Carberry and J. F. Minaldi have been appointed as committee on arrangements for the Empire State Philatelic Society, to be held in Brooklyn, N. Y., on the 7th and 8th of next month.

Don't forget Clayton. If you are an American member arrange if you possibly can to go, for it will be an ideal trip and the place of meeting will add sylvan retreat beauties and pleasures to the meet. If you haven't joined yet there is time to get an application in and be welcomed.

The Precancelled Stamp Club has issued an official circular for June, which action was rendered necessary by the sale of the N. Y. Phil. Four applications are noted and twenty new members admitted. The constitution which is noticeable for its brevity is included. The fiscal year closes June 30 and nominations are called for an election of officers to occur in July. It is a favorable time for any who are inter-

ested in this class of specimens to make application for membership. Blanks can be had from the secretary. E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

In response to inquiries several dealers say that there appears to be no interest awakened in Servian stamps by the butchery of the late King Alexander. Any event marking a change in history occurring the past couple of years has caused the manifestation of temporary interest in the country and it must be that the disgust with which the greater percentage of civilized nations view such crimes is the cause for the non effecting of the market. In the same connection one dealer states he has a single customer who is trying to pick up certain values evidently for speculative purposes but whether this can be traced to interest in recent happenings or to some deduction of his own is problematic.



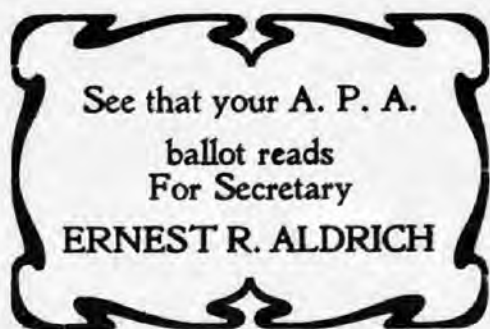
Chicago as a Stamp Center.

Continued from page 181.

ship roll of nearly 400. This organization meets on the first and third Thursdays in the month, with an attendance of anywhere from twenty-five to fifty. The Chicago Branch of the American Philatelic Association also meets in this room on the second Thursday of each month, the attendance averaging ten or fifteen.

Regarding new issues the Chicago Post Office is about the last place on the map to be supplied, but it is counterbalanced by the obligingness of the clerks of the main post office and the substations. From time to time the Post Office Inspectors detective locate some plant for counterfeiting cards or stamps, and then follows a scramble among the

collectors to obtain specimens of the forgers' handiwork. As far as precancelled stamps go, Chicago undoubtedly leads all American cities, such firms as Sears, Roebuck & Co., Montgomerie, Ward & Co., Lyon & Healy, Marshall, Field & Co. and many others using thousands daily, and for all this precancelled stamps are a rarity, being hardly ever seen. This article would not be complete without a word about the small boy collectors—their name is legion; a boy of tender years begins to collect and then decides to call himself a dealer and sells his trash to a more recent follower of the hobby not so well versed as himself; these small dealers all expect "wholesale" rates, and this turning into dealers has become so prevalent that there are very few boys who are simply collectors; but then these young people grow up to make the philately of the future.



FREE 100 U. S. Revenues absolutely free to all applying for our 50 per cent approval sheets and sending the names of several young collectors.

NOT QUITE FREE.

A missionary mixture containing 1000 stamps good, bad and common. Rare things are found in this lot. Price 10c per 1000, postage extra.

The 9 var. of 2c 1894-5-8.....10cts
We are now doing a mail order business only

Note the New Address.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
43-209 DEARBORN AVE. - CHICAGO.



Send me a money order for \$1.00 and I will send you the following Cuban stamps. Numbers 12, 18, 24, 25, 47, 48, 52, 56, 59, 60, 61, 63, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 76, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 97, 98, 99, 102, 104, 106, 107, 109, 110, 112, 113, 115, 116, 118, 119, 122, 124, 127, 127a, 128, 131, 137, 121, 148, 151, 152, 163, 419, 425, 56, unused, 2 used. Catalog value over \$5.00. My price \$1.00.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Justice 30c: used, a gem.
Catalog \$20.00: only \$9.00.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby.
Articles by the best authors on stamps and
entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photo-
graphy, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and
Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over
the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent
for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1888, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1890, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1308, complete set unused cat. \$1.89.....	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1859, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queenstand, 1876, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.05
" " 2 1/2 gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official. No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 50c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed
free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,
1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the **AAA**

American
Philatelic Association.
The representative society of the new world



FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Visc extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper.
Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand.
Liberal samples sent on receipt of name
and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. **Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You?** Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.

10 blank Approval Books, 10c.

100 Approval Sheets, 15c.

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 20 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay.
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price
1885 1c.....	\$.20	\$.08
1879 2c.....	.30	.12
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.15

OTHER BARGAINS.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II. No. 30. Whole No. 39. Minneapolis, Minn. July 29, 1903.

Weekly

CLAYTON.

An A. P. A. Member.

The seat of this year's convention of the American Philatelic Association is about twelve hundred miles from Minneapolis and can be reached via Chicago and Buffalo on the New York Central line, or by the Soo to Montreal which is 159 miles distant by way of the steamers of The Richelieu Line. Chicago is 799 miles distant, Philadelphia 436, New York, 356, and Boston, 407. Should the Western visitor wish to make a stopover at Niagara, which is 287 miles distant, he can readily arrange for it, while the Eastern one can gain similar privileges for Saratoga, 228 miles distant.

Clayton has well been styled the Gateway of the Thousand Islands, situated as it is, nearly in the centre of this delightful summer country, while its season of prosperity is the summer time, yet it is a stable little city, boasting of two banks and five churches and its leading hotels, The Hubbard which has been designated as the official headquarters, and the Walton, remain open throughout the year.

The train service is especially fine, fifteen trains arriving and departing each week-day and six on Sunday.

Clayton is a base of supplies for the cottage population all along the river. Frontenac and beautiful Round Island, with its handsome summer residences, are only one mile below. The Thousand Island

Park, with its summer population of 10,000 people, is only four miles from Clayton; St. Lawrence Park is eight miles; Alexandria Bay, the great resort of the Thousand Islands, is only eleven miles; Edgewood Park is nine miles; Westminster Park is eleven miles; in fact, all principal resorts and summer homes in the entire Thousand Island region are easily and quickly reached from Clayton.

Direct and immediate connections are made, to and from all these places, without transfer. The steamers of the Thousand Island Steamboat Company, the "White Squadron," run in connection with the New York Central and carry the United States mails. These steamers have made an international reputation by punctual service and perfect management in all details. First-class meals and luncheons are served on these boats. The steamers of the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company also arrive at and depart from the New York Central dock, bound to and from Montreal, Quebec and the River Saguenay.

Fishing in this neighborhood is excellent and launches or row boats can be readily obtained, and with the latter expert oarsmen, bait and fishing tackle if desired. The oarsman charge is usually \$3 per day, with an extra charge for bait and he should be engaged a day or so in advance. In addition to whatever excursion may be arranged by the entertainment committee there are

four which have been arranged for the general public and which are all so thoroughly enjoyable that every visitor should endeavor to partake in them. First and most novel is the mighty search light excursion on the steamer St. Lawrence, which with its 10,000,000 candle power search light turns the blackness of night suddenly into "Eden like Isle of Beauty."

This trip, leaving shortly after supper and returning by bed time can be made for 50 cents. Twice a day the steamer "New Island Wanderer" makes a fifty mile run amid the islands, through the famous Lost Channel, between the passages of the Admiralty Group of Islands and stopping at the picturesque Canadian village of Gananoque. Over thirteen hundred islands are said to be passed on this trip, the price of which is likewise 50 cents.

Daily trips can also be made for the same price for the round trip to Kingston, with ample time to visit points of interest. A ride on the belt line around the city makes an enjoyable trip. The fourth excursion is that made by the steel steam yacht "Ramona" whose narrow beam and light draft permit her to reach channels inaccessible to the steamers. If time permits, another enjoyable side trip is that to Ogdenburg, forty-seven miles distant, the Richelieu line boat leaving Clayton each morning for Montreal passing this point. Return if desired can be made by rail. This trip down the river can, if desired be continued to Montreal, and is, I believe included in the route to be followed by the Boston members, after leaving Prescott, (on the Cana-

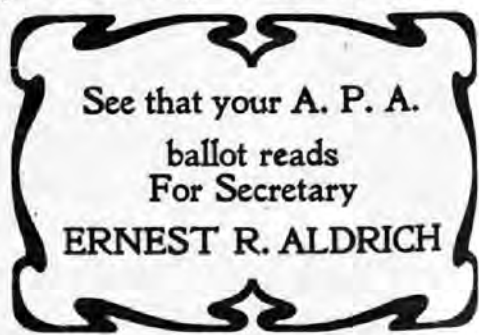
dian shore, opposite, Ogdenburg) a five mile ride brings you to the head of the first of the famous rapids—The Gallops—and soon after, Long Sault is reached, where for nine miles the steam being shut off, the boat is carried onward by the force of the current. The entire trip is scenic in the extreme and the other rapids, Coteau, Cedar and Cascade being passed. The celebrated Lacline Rapids are shot and Montreal is reached.

If you wish to thoroughly enjoy a vacation be at the Clayton meet.

A Day Amid The Isles.

S. L. H.

Not being a stamp collector, nor even seeing the beauty my friend the editor does, in thrashy bits of gummed paper, I was surprised when he asked me for a few words for his paper. But if I can not appreciate stamps I can the majestic



FREE 100 U. S. Revenues absolutely free to all applying for our 50 per cent approval sheets and sending the names of several young collectors.

NOT QUITE FREE.

A missionary mixture containing 1000 stamps good, bad and common. Rare things are found in this lot. Price 10c per 1000, postage extra.

The 9 var. of 2c 1894-5-8.....10cts
We are now doing a mail order business only

Note the New Address.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
43-209 DEARBORN AVE. - CHICAGO.

splendors of the Thousand Islands and have twice spent ne'er to be forgotten vacation times amid their beauties, to which Campbell's words are well applicable.

"The Spirit of the universe in thee is visible; thou hast in thee the life—the eternal, graceful and majestic life of nature, and the natural human heart is therefore bound to thee with holy love."

Amid the rustic scenes of beauty, each day is much like its predecessor, save that new scenes and beauties can constantly be found and I will limit myself to remembering one fishing excursion.

Our party arose early, so as be on the water by day-break, for it was a part of my host's fishing lore, that ere daybreak, when the glorious orb of heaven, was just beginning to redden the horizon, was the best fishingtime, then would the kingly muscalongue be best allured, and the more lowly followers of the king, the silvery and sleek pickeral be ensnared by the seductive spoon hook. A short sail brought us to the spot where our morning was to be spent and goodly luck crowned our efforts. Desisting when the sun was yet three hours short of the meridian, we devoted the rest of the day to floating and sailing amid the islets, here passing a yacht lying quietly at its dock, a picture worthy of the artist's brush, the bright azure water beneath and the rich dark green foliage beyond, there passing an islet with a palatial residence, whose turrets and cupolas brought to mind's eye, the storied castles of the Rhine. Toward noon we put into Alexandria Bay for a short stay and a few tidbits to add to the fish dinner we intended to

have that day. It is said that the hotel accommodations at this point are for over two thousand guests and not infrequently is this severely taxed and it is but little more than half a century since the first hotel on the river was built here (1848).

(Contrasting Alexandria Bay and Clayton, Mr. Krauth in 1894 when nominating Clayton said: "I should say Clayton is a better point than Alexandria Bay. You can wear a flannel shirt and be comfortable. The hotels are excellent and kept in family style. It only takes an hour to run down to Alexandria Bay if you want fashionable frivolity, while the trips around the Thousand Islands is a sight any man should be willing to pay a hundred dollars for. It is simply magnificent.—Ed.)

Sailing out again still through glassy like calm waters dotted with fairy-like isle of verdure, at times past island with romantic villa or majestic summer hotels we came to the island upon which we deter-

Continued on page 189.

SAYMON'S MAGAZINE

A monthly magazine devoted to Literature and Philately.

Subscription 25c a year or four months trial 10c.

JOSEPH SAYMON, Publisher,

12 West 117th St. - New York.

A GOLD MINE!

Send 10c in unused stamps at once to the below address and get 1000 mixed U. S. and foreign stamps. Lots of varieties.

**KEYSTONE STAMP CO.,
BREINIGSVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA.**

SOME RARE CURIOS.
KUM C ME.

\$50 or \$100 Genuine Confederate Bills '62...	\$.07
New York Mirror 1826 (Newspaper).....	.08
10 var. of Foreign Coins (Post Extra).....	.20
25 var. of Foreign Coins (Post Extra).....	.35
10 var. of Old Paper Money 1837-'66.....	.24
25 well mixed Paper Money.....	.40
Old Coins 1600's. \$15. 1700's.....	.08

R U A Bargain Hunter?
More next week. Try 'em.

A. C. McDONALD, BOX 1440
BUTTE CITY, - - - MONTANA.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

"It gives me great gratification to find how large an attendance there has been here, and to find that, after all our undue excitement about our little family troubles, how easy it is for us to come together and settle them when we only make up our minds, all of us, to do right. I think we can all shake hands and depart to our several homes with a feeling that we have done the right thing here, and that no matter how differently we may have felt when we came together, we find there is a great deal of life, of good fellowship, of good feeling and harmony in the association. Congratulating you again on your attendance, and hoping to see you all next year, I will ask you to drink the toast to our renewed and prolonged friendship." Thus did President Tiffany close the banquet which terminated

the first Clayton meet and the World trusts that whatever conditions may arise, whatever contest fought, that the same feeling of good fellowship and devotion to the grand old association will mark the close of the second.

An old time member of the association in favoring the Editor with his proxy, writes.

"I desire especially to oppose any proposition to spend any portion of the capital stock fund or insurance fund. Certain persons seem desirous of doing this, the excuse being the index.

Whenever they accomplish their design I shall resign my membership for it means the usual financial difficulties that all the societies who spend their initiation fee as fast as they come in, experience every little while. The stock fund should be kept as an interest bearing reserve, no matter how large it grows, and **the interest used for these schemes.**" So far as the index is concerned the World fails to see where any great expenditure is necessary until the copy is compiled ready to publish. There should be volunteers enough in the work of compiling to do the work without any cost to the association, save the cost of the materials for making the card index, for which a sum of \$25 a year for several years to come should, if anything accumulate a surplus in the committee's hands.

At the last convention just before the roll call on the convention seat Mr Holland, entitled with his proxies to thirty-one votes, left the hall and it was decided to hold the vote open until his return. If it had been an actual contest with the vote standing 101 to 121, wouldn't it have

been a "genuine picnic" for lobbyists?

Of the forty-three members present at the 1895 meet, thirty-three are still members of the association and about a dozen will probably be at this year's meet. Of the other score, four who did much for the association, Tiffany, Krauth, Beard and Gremmel have passed away.

It is a singular coincidence that the chairman on arrangements this year was induced at the last Clayton meet to become a member.

Writing under the date of July 26, chairman Stebbins of the arrangement committee writes that no program has yet been arranged.

It is said that they will use the same ballast in their boats this year, as in 1895. There will be Stone there.

The bride and groom will not be there this year. By the way we wonder if Luhn will ever get back into stamps.

You can join just as well now as you ever can, so if you want a blank you know where to get it.



A Day Amid the Isles.

Continued from page 187.

mined to pass the balance of the day and enjoy our fish. Oh! the joys of an island fish dinner. Oh Philatelist! whilst you tarry amid the joys of the Thousand Islands be sure to be the participant in one. It will be one of the never-to-be-forgotten moments of your life. After the feast again to our launch and away to the fishing grounds and then home past more island beauty spots where

"Like two cathedral towers these stately pines

Uplift their fretted summits tipped with cones;

The arch beneath them is not built with stones

Not Art, but nature traced these lovely lines

And carved this graceful arabesque of vines."

Then at home amid the lengthening shadows and amid the music of the rippling waters, a few good stories told, a few songs joined in and then:

"Good night! propitious dreams betide

Thy sleep—awaken gay,

And we will make tomorrow glide
As cheerful as today."



POSSIBLE SUGGESTION.

The Editor.

One of the most important criticisms relative to last years action has come from C. F. Richards of New York relative to the abolishing of counterfeit detector. He points out that for moderate price specimens the expense of submitting to the board of experts would seldom be done by the average member, who under the old regime would send to the counterfeit detector. This office should be re-established, or one of the expert board designated to pass on specimen worth less than \$10 for the fees which the former office charged, although if desired, the specimen could receive registration upon payment of the regular fee. If desired this examination of lower priced specimens could be made a part of the duty of the "examiner of sales books," which office seems not to have been filled the current year. Probably the cause of non-filling was that no

one wished to assume such an office without remuneration. If a fee were charged against the owner of each book for the removal of reprints or counterfeits and the examination of the low priced specimens from members coupled with the office, a competent person might be found to fill it. No stamp which catalogs \$50, unless U. S., should be circulated by the sales superintendent unless it is a registered specimen.

Have conditions changed? After several years of experiment with conducting a purchasing department for new issues as they appeared the association abandoned it, but lately the editor has received several letters from members asking if he was present at Clayton and the question of re-establishing it came up and if we would not support the measure. Whether such a department would receive better support than it did years ago would be a question which should be investigated and if sufficient support found it should be re-established. In connection with a similar department the Postal Card Society of America writes:

The purchasing department whereby we secure the newly issued cards is well patronized and is the most valuable feature of our society and I believe collectors of adhesives will flock to the support of the first National society which inaugurates similar benefits.

For several years no advertisements have appeared in the year book. It was said that the cost of soliciting ate up any profit, which accrued therefrom. Now the World believes that there are a number of advertisers who would welcome the chance to insert an ad. in the Year

Book if given an opportunity, and that there are also many members not dealers who would willingly purchase space to ask for or offer exchanges in their special lines. Advertisements should only be accepted from firms of known reputation and a discount should be offered to those whose members are also members of the association and the exchange spaces should be only sold to members. The announcement of the rates through the official Journal should be sufficient to bring in enough customers for space to materially lessen the cost of the Year Book to the association. In case any firm, whose references the secretary considered insufficient should seek space, that official could refer the matter to the board of Vice-Presidents and they could determine whether the copy should be inserted or not. With most advertisers the question of circulation and to whom is what decides the desirability of the medium. The secretary's report absolutely settles the circulation, save that the total will be slightly larger than his figures call for, but while the circulation is not large, it is gilt-edged and would be more valuable than three or four times as many carelessly placed.

Speaking of the Year Book, the old question of time of issue always recurs. The by-laws specify November and the secretary usually prepares his copy that month, which is so far removed from the date of convention that the average member does not waste time to read the report but rests content with that which the various papers have brought him immediately after the meet. To issue sooner would be to put out a very incomplete member-

ship list, for even in November or early December some members who through inadvertance have been dropped, have not yet been re-instated. With foreign members the time required is much longer and the secretary is compelled either to let them go as suspended or include the names of some who have really ceased to be members. For the membership list the first of January would be the proper time of issue. At the Milwaukee meeting I think it was, that, I suggested the issue of the Year Book in two sections; the first containing the official report of the proceedings and amended by-laws immediately after the meet, and the second with membership list in January following when all re-adjustments in the roster would be practically complete. The expense of this method would be a little more but hardly of sufficient difference to discuss. In the second part could be included the report of the committee on literature, as then the year's work could be viewed entirely instead of in two installments, one in one year's report and the other in the next, as now.

The exchange department for Philatelic literature was discontinued because so few patronized it but a few did, personally I secured some missing numbers in old files, and as it costs practically nothing to maintain, I fail to see why it should have been abolished.

Not long since in endeavoring to interest a collector in the association he wrote: "I only collect cards and they only care for adhesive collectors. It would be no object for me to join." If steps could be taken to cater to this element, good might

come of it. In the earlier days exchange lots of envelopes and cards were circulated among those who so wished.

We deplore that the association is not up to the high water mark it was at the time of the first Clayton meet, but perchance we do not offer the advantages to as many different collecting lines as we did then.

The last few years have seen the development of little societies devoted to different special lines—revenues, postal cards, precancelleds, philatelic literature. This should not be so. Proper facilities for pursuit of collection on these different lines should be offered by the American Philatelic Association, and there would be no need of the small "specialism" societies.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Dennison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

The Rochester Postage Stamp Co.

DEALERS IN

**U.S. and Foreign Postage Stamps,
Stamp Albums and Supplies.**

6 Sycamore St., Rochester, N. Y., U. S. A.

BETTER BUY

60¢ Bureau Print

NEWSPAPER

A RARITY

Unused o. g. perfect only . . **\$12.50**

EBEN S. MARTIN, Minneapolis, Minn.



Send me a money order for \$1.00 and I will send you the following Cuban stamps. Numbers 12, 18, 24, 25, 47, 48, 52, 56, 59, 60, 61, 63, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 76, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 97, 98, 99, 102, 104, 106, 107, 109, 110, 112, 113, 115, 116, 118, 119, 122, 124.

127, 127a, 128, 131, 137, 121, 148, 151, 152, 163, 419, 425, 56, unused, 2 used. Catalog value over \$5.00. My price \$1.00.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Justice 30c: used, a gem.
Catalog \$20.00: only \$9.00.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby.
Articles by the best authors on stamps and entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 d o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.80	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2 1/2 gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official. No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.32
" Omaha, 50c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the **AAA**

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "THE PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.

10 blank Approval Books, 10c.

100 Approval Sheets, 15c.

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors. The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 25 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay.
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price.
1885 1c.....	\$.20	\$.08
1879 2c.....	.30	.12
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.15

OTHER BARGAINS.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II. No. 31. Whole No. 40. Minneapolis, Minn. August 5, 1903. Weekly

NEW POST CARDS.

A. Lohmeyer.

Argentine.—I have received the "Memorandum Postal," bearing the new type stamp, not embossed. Also another commemorative card, issued May 23d, on the occasion of the visit of the Chilean Delegation to Buenos Ayres. It is printed on white Bristol board, inscribed, in two lines, "TARJETA POSTAL" "23 DE MAYO DE 1903." The face of the card is tinted, the bottom being pale pink, shaded to white and to pale ultramarine at the top. The stamp of the value of 5 centavos, 35x74 m-m in size, is at the left side, occupying about one-fourth of the card, and is printed in gray-blue, while the inscriptions (Tarjeta, etc.) and the four address lines are in red-brown.

Regular Issue.

L. S. 5 centavos, brick-red on cream, 95x144 m-m. (folded).

Commemorative Issue.

P. C. 5 centavos, gray-blue and red-brown on pink to blue shaded 95x145 m-m.

The reverse shows scenic representations in blue-black, there being, in all, 27 varieties for the picture card collector.

Bulgaria.—I have received the double cards of 5 and 10 stotinki, which were issued recently, although chronicled more than six months ago. They have the stamp of the Prince Ferdinand type.

P. C. 5x5 stot., green on cream, T. 3, 90x140 m-m.

10x10 stot., red on cream, T. 3, 90x140 m-m.

Portuguese Colonies—During the months of February, March and April new issues of postal cards and letter cards were chronicled in the European press as having been issued, but, as usual, this information was to some extent premature. I have now received complete sets of all cards issued, and am informed by my Lisbon correspondent, under date of May 7th, that no cards have been issued for Port Congo, Inhâmbene, Lorenzo-Marquez and Zambesi, all of which were chronicled in the April number of "Der Philatelist," on authority of "N. T. v. P.," the official organ of the Netherland society.

The cards for all the colonies being of a uniform type, one description will answer for all. The inland cards have the stamp of the current adhesive type in the upper center, surrounded by two branches, crossed below the stamp, the words "Bilhete" and "Postal" appear on a ribbon scroll to the left and right of the stamp, while above this, in a straight line, the value, in reis or avos and the name of the colony are given. The postal Union cards and all the letter cards have the stamp in the upper left corner. The postal cards are inscribed in three lines, "Union Postale Universelle" (in a curve). Name of colony, "Carte Postale," with the customary additional inscription for the

Continued on page 194.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico50c
 City and Foreign Countries75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Walter Bartels, late of Boston, Mass., has removed to Hamburg, Germany.

Twenty-one dollars is the price which a prominent firm holds a perforate cancelled specimen of the \$50 black and green revenue 1902 issue.

The exchange superintendent of the Chicago Philatelic Society recently sent out several circuits to passive members, to endeavor to bring them in touch with his department.

Mr. F. J. Lefevre has been selected as member of the board of directors of the C. P. S., to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Reginald Robinson's removal from the "Windy City."

A rumor says that in the near future Geo. L. Toppan will assume

the editorship of the American Journal of Philately. America has few as able philatelic students as Mr. Toppan, and if the rumor be true, collectors will gladly see him in the journalistic field.

A new society has been recently formed in which two qualifications are necessary—that the person be a philatelist, and also engaged in delivering United States mails. The officers of the new organization—The National Philatelic Association of Letter Carriers—are, President, Edw. P. Hennessy, of St. Louis; Vice-President, H. E. Chattillion, St. Louis; Secretary, Louis Stonecipher, Centralia, Ill.; Treasurer, John W. Fenton, Northampton, Mass.; Librarian, Edw. Shaw, New Bedford, Mass.; Exchange Superintendent, L. E. Richardson, Putnam, Conn.



NEW POST CARDS.

Continued from first page.

double cards, while the letter cards bear the inscription in two lines, "Cartao Postal," and name of colony. The postal cards have the figures of value and the names of the colony printed in the stamp in the same color as the stamp, only a shade darker, while on the Letter cards both are in black. The inscriptions are, in all cases, in the same color as the stamp.

The issue consists of the following:

For Angola, Cape Verd Islands, Guinea, Mozambique and St. Thomas and Prince Islands:

P. C. 10 reis, green on buff, 90x141 m-m.

10x10 reis, green on buff, L. 3.
 90x141 m-m.

- 25 reis, carmine on buff, 90x141 m-m.
- 25x25 reis, carmine on L. 3, 90x141 m-m.
- L. C. 25 reis, carmine on buff, perf. III, T. 75x118 m-m.
- 50 reis, brown on pale blue, perf. III, T. 75x118 m-m.
- 65 reis, blue on pale blue, perf. III, T. 75x118 m-m.
- Port India:
- P. C. 3 reis, blue on buff, 90x141 m-m.
- 3x3 reis, blue on buff, L. 3, 90x141 m-m.
- 5 reis, green on buff, L. 3, 90x141 m-m.
- 5x5 reis, green on buff, L. 3, 90x141 m-m.
- 10 reis, brown on buff, 90x141 m-m.
- 10x10 reis, brown on buff, L. 3, 90x141 m-m.
- 1 tanga, carmine on buff, 90x141 m-m.
- 1x1, tanga, carmine on buff, L. 3, 90x141 m-m.
- L. C. 6 reis, green on buff, perf. III, T. 75x118 m-m.
- 1 tanga, carmine on buff, perf. III, T. 75x118 m-m.
- 2 tangas, brown on pale blue, perf. III, T. 75x118 m-m.
- 2½ tangas, blue on pale blue, Perf. III, T. 75x118 m-m.
- Macao.
- P. C. 1 avo, orange on buff, 90x141 m-m.
- 1x1 avo, brown on buff, L. 3, 90x141 m-m.
- 1½ avos, brown on buff, L. 3, 90x141 m-m.
- 1½x½ avos, brown on buff, L. 3, 90x141 m-m.
- 4 avos, carmine on buff, 90x141 m-m.
- 4x4 avos, carmine on buff, L. 3, 90x141 m-m.
- L. C. 3 avos, green on buff, perf. III, T. 75x118 m-m.
- 4 avos, carmine on buff, perf. III, T. 75x118 m-m.
- 5 avos, brown on buff, perf. III, T. 75x118 m-m.
- 10 avos, blue on pale blue, perf. III, T. 75x118 m-m.
- Timor.
- P. C. 1 avo, orange on buff, 90x141 m-m.
- 1x1 avo, orange on buff, L. 3, 90x141 m-m.
- 2 avos, green on buff, 90x141 m-m.
- 2x2 avos, green on buff, L. 3, 90x141 m-m.
- 5 avos, carmine on buff, 90x141 m-m.
- 5x5 avos, carmine on buff, L. 3, 90x141 m-m.
- L. C. 5 avos, green on buff, perf. III, T. 75x118 m-m.
- 5 avos, carmine on buff, perf. III, T. 75x118 m-m.
- 12 avos, blue on pale blue, perf. III, T. 75x118 m-m.

SAYMON'S MAGAZINE

A monthly magazine devoted to Literature and Philately.

Subscription 25c a year or four months trial 10c.

JOSEPH SAYMON, Publisher,
12 West 117th St. - New York.

A GOLD MINE!

Send 10c in unused stamps at once to the below address and get 1000 mixed U. S. and foreign stamps. Lots of varieties.

KEYSTONE STAMP CO.,
BREINIGSVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA.

SOME RARE CURIOS.

KUM C ME.

\$50 or \$100 Genuine Confederate Bills '62...	\$.07
New York Mirror 1826 (Newspaper).....	.08
10 var. of Foreign Coins (Post Extra).....	.20
25 var. of Foreign Coins (Post Extra).....	.35
10 var. of Old Paper Money 1837-'66.....	.24
25 well mixed Paper Money.....	.40
Old Coins 1600's..\$.15. 1700's.....	.08

R U A Bargain Hunter?
More next week. Try 'em.

A. C. McDONALD, Box 1440
BUTTE CITY, - - - MONTANA.



Send me a money order for \$1.00 and I will send you the following Cuban stamps. Numbers 12, 18, 24, 25, 47, 48, 52, 56, 59, 60, 61, 63, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 76, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 97, 98, 99, 102, 104, 106, 107, 109, 110, 112, 113, 115, 116, 118, 119, 122, 124,

127, 127a, 128, 131, 137, 121, 148, 151, 152, 163, 419, 423, 56, nused, 2 used. Catalog value over \$5.00. My price \$1.00.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Justice 30c: used, a gem. Catalog \$20.00: only \$9.00.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby. Articles by the best authors on stamps and entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$. 10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1890, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 d o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.75
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2 1/2 gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official. No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.32
" Omaha, 50c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,
1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the **AAA**
American
Philatelic Association.
The representative society of the new world



**FEATHERWEIGHT
EYE SHADE**
Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light, Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.

10 blank Approval Books, 10c.

100 Approval Sheets, 15c.

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors. The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 25 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay, Do not delay but, send today For the WEST which is the best.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price.
1885 1c.....	\$. 20	\$. 08
1879 2c.....	.30	.12
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.15

OTHER BARGAINS.
EBEN S. MARTIN.
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 32. Whole No. 41. Minneapolis, Minn. August 12, 1903 Weekly

THE STAMP SOCIETY.

Reginald Robinson.

It must have been a number of years ago that the Philatelic specimens, both in dealers stocks, collections, and job lots—had been discussing the formation of a society for the betterment of their treatment in all parts of life. The result of the meeting called for the purpose of organization, has never been given to the world, owing to its most secret nature, and it is only by the merest piece of good luck, and the confidence of one of those present, that I became possessed of the minutes of a few of their meetings.

When the Columbian family became old enough, they were approached by the more ancient U. S. families, and it is entirely due to the zealousness of the former that the society was organized.

It was during the latter part of '93 that a select crowd met together in the Marquette building in Chicago. The collection that appeared on the evening in question was a motley one in the extreme. The Columbian family were all there. In fact mostly all of the U. S. born since 1847 put in an appearance, together with many others from all corners of the globe.

The total assembly, while very select, numbered several thousand.

The \$5 Columbian claimed the right to preside over the meeting, but was opposed most bitterly by one cent of '69, who claimed that he was "Unused, O. G. and had no Grill." A vote was taken, and the little specimen of '69 won out by a narrow majority

of 23 votes. The secretaryship was the next office to be filled, which post was sought after by another stamp born in the same year.

"I am the only stamp that bears the flags of the Union," he said, "in fact I have every right to be your president, but elect me as secretary and I will let it go at that."

"You! You want to be secretary?" cried the president. "Why, you look like 30 cents; you would never do."

The \$5 Columbian was feeling most bitter because he had not been elected to the chair, and had tried to hide himself as much as possible by sitting on a millimeter scale behind the president, where he indulged in revengeful thoughts and looked very savage. Did his eyes deceive him, or did he see aright? Was that a portion of a grill he saw projecting from behind the hinge on the back of the president?

"Fraud! Fraud!" he shouted, jumping from his seat excitedly. "The president is grilled, and has been hinged to palm himself off as an ungrilled copy!"

At this confusion reigned supreme. All the other stamps crowded round these two, and many lost their perforations in the bustle. While the president's back was being examined a further uproar was raised in front by the One Shilling Tasmanian, who, seated on a stack of albums, had a good view, and noticed the fact that their president was also Pen cleaned. He was in the same condition himself, and knew what it felt like.

Continued on page 198.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTIONS:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

MINNEAPOLIS BEATEN.

Clayton, N. Y. Aug. 12.—(Special) Attendance smaller than anticipated Annan elected over Aldrich by 38 votes. Pittsburg in 1904.

The disturbed conditions in the Balkan country may mean developments which will cause philatelic interest to center there soon.

We expect a batch of personals from Clayton in our next number. You will want to read them, so you had better subscribe at once.

Another new stamp paper is promised. It will come from the Southland, and Birmingham, Ala., be its home.

At the regular meeting of the Chicago society, Aug. 6, Otto Von Schaezler exhibited his collection of unused, which was very much admired by those present.

The catalogue is out for the 23d sale of the C. P. S.; 616 good lots. A card to the auction manager, F. M. Massoth, 149 Marquette Bldg., Chicago, will bring you a catalogue.

The Hubbell Stamp Co., of Buffalo, N. Y., has incorporated for \$10,000. Its directors are: Raynor Hubbell and B. B. Griffith, of Buffalo, and F. B. Warner, of Niagara Falls.

A Boston correspondent writes that President Holland, of the American, recently took a header from his bicycle with such serious results that he is at St. Mary's hospital in that city and his attendance at Clayton is doubtful. We trust a speedy recovery may ensue.

Extremely pleasant in every respect was the meet of The New England Philatelic Association at Revere Beach on Aug. 1st. The new official roster is: President, John J. Cones, Jr., New Dorchester, Mass.; vice president, Gardner R. Kennedy, Boston; secretary-treasurer, Frank A. Wilson, Somerville, Mass.; sales superintendent, Chas. H. Stone, Cambridgeport; information bureau, Mrs. W. D. Smith, Portsmouth, N. H.; counterfeit detector, H. W. Legg, Boston; attorney, H. S. Bacon, Lowell, Mass. Convention seat 1904, Boston, Mass.



The Stamp Society.

Continued from first page.

Had it not been for some of the gallant English Pennies, who always saw fair play, the poor little Yellow of '69 would have been torn to pieces by the enraged crowd; as it was, an escort of English Pennies and Two-pennies had much difficulty in taking him home, and they did not forget to warn him against attending further meet-

ings. This no doubt accounts for his absence at all future meetings and also for his general cheapness ever since. The gathering broke up at this point despite the valiant efforts of the Columbians to call the meeting to order, but before they left it was decided to make another attempt at organization a week later. These plans were kept secret from all the Sixty-Nines, who had hurriedly left the room upon their president's disgrace, and sought their various album-homes in sorrow.

Some of the next pages appear to be missing, for upon starting a new page I find that it gives an account of the newly elected president thanking those present for electing him. He tells them that it is the proudest moment of his life, and that no words of his are appropriate to express his feelings. He touches upon how he had lain for many years hidden away among some old letters, and was only recently discovered and chronicled as a native of Mauritius. He also pointed out that he was never intended to come into the world, but first saw the light of day in 1847 through the error of a printer. He escaped destruction with six of his brothers and sisters, who were out in the cruel world, he knew not where, only having heard of one of them. But he gave it clearly as his belief that the others were alive and well.

Again thanking them for the confidence they had placed in him, he sat down. The Fourpence Error Wood-black was unanimously elected secretary, because it was claimed that he was almost as hard to find as the president, and besides this, he had three corners on the market.

Again I find the minutes blurred, from some unknown cause, but I no-

tice that a very bitter discussion ensued regarding the use of Hinges. The Peelable breed appear to have been popular for several imported brands were warmly spoken of by those present, while the kind that were cut from gummed sheets were greatly derided, and were the cause of much mirth and ribald jests.

"Why," said a fine appearing Hawaiian, "I was hinged with a thing made from a drug label some years ago, and ever since I have suffered terribly with a sore—(the manuscript is again blurred). The motion to adjourn is the next legible portion, and a note at the bottom states that it was left to the president to name a treasurer, board of directors, and also a grill director, the last office being found necessary owing to the actions of a Sixty-Nine imposter at a previous meeting. The rest of the manuscript is missing, so it is doubtful if it will ever be given to the philatelic world.



NEW CARDS.

A. Lohmeyer.

Colombia.—I have been favored by Mr. Foulon with a copy of the permanent 5 centavos card, to the issue of which I referred in my chronicle on page 333, No. 528. The stamp forms the upper right corner of the frame, while the figure "5," in different forms, in ornamental circles and an oval, serves as the other three corner pieces. The frame is inscribed "UNION POSTALE UNIVERSELLE" at top, "UNION POSTAL UNIVER-SAL" at bottom, "CARTE POST-ALE" and "TARJETA POSTAL" at the left and right sides respectively. The inscription in the upper

center of the card is "REPUBLICA DE COLOMBIA" and the customary instruction to write the address on this side and the message on the other. There are four dotted address lines, two long and two short, the first being preceded by "A," the third by "en" in script.

P. C. 5 centavos, black on dull orange, 89x130 m-m.

Hungary.—I have received the Telegraph Letter Card with the color of the stamp changed to yellow-brown, the figure "62," in the stamp, and the inscriptions remaining the same, blue.

L. C. 62 filler, yellow-brown and blue on white, perf. I, B., 97x155 m-m.

Iceland.—A kind friend has favored me with the missing link in the provisional set, surcharged "I GILDI-'02-'03," completing the set. Provisional Issue.

P. C. 5 aur. blue, black and gray on white, 92x146 m-m.

5x5 aur. blue, black and gray on white, T. 3, 92x146 m-m.

8x8 aur. mauve and black on white, T 3, 91x140 m-m.

Italy—I am indebted to Dr. Diena for a copy of the 7½x7½ centesimi card of the new type and control number "03," also the regular 10 centesimi card, bearing an impression, in blue, in the upper left corner of the message side, of the Arms of Savoy with "CAMERA DIE DEPUTATI" in a semi-circle under it, destined for the use of Deputies. The card shows no indication of its official character on its face.

Regular.

P. C. 7½x7½ c. carmine on rose, T. 3, 90x140 m-m.

Official.

P. C. 10 c. red on cream, reverse with arms in blue, 90x140.

Eritrea.—In addition to the cards chronicled in No. 523 I have received the 7½x7½ centesimi card, completing the set.

P. C. 7½x½ c. carmine and black on rose, T. 3, 90x140 m-m.

Jamaica.—I have received the ½ penny reply card of the new Colonial type, King's head, the single card not having been placed on sale as yet.

P. C. ½x½ d. green on cream, T. 3, 74x121 m-m.

Servia.—The 10 para letter card is now printed in one color, carmine, of which I have received a supply. L. C. 10 para, carmine on pearl gray, perf. IV, T. 87x144.

PLATING HAWAIIAN NUMERALS

is popular among specialists in that country
Our next

Wolsieffer Auction Sale

to be held soon will contain a number of them, each one accurately described as to its correct position in the Plate.

This sale will also contain many other desirable stamps the properties of several owners. If you buy at auction get your name on our card index of auction buyers. The catalogues are free.

UNITED STAMP CO., 1149 Marquette, Chicago.

N. B.—Now is the time to apply for open dates for future sales. Do not let it go too long. We have several choice dates left open having purchased the properties outright. Apply at once for terms.

FREE 100 U. S. Revenues absolutely free to all applying for our 60 per cent approval sheets and sending the names of several young collectors.

NOT QUITE FREE.

A missionary mixture containing 1000 stamps good, bad and common. Rare things are found in this lot. Price 10c per 1000, postage extra.

The 9 vnr. of 2c 1894-5-8.....10cts
We are now doing a mail order business only

Note the New Address.

RANDOLPH STAMP CO.,
43-209 DEARBORN AVE. - CHICAGO.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 33. Whole No. 42. Minneapolis, Minn. August 19, 1903 Weekly

From Clayton.

Neither the attendance nor enthusiasm was what it should have been at the annual convention of The American Philatelic Association. The same board of directors was again chosen, except Mr. Deats, who refused to again be a candidate and whose place will be filled by Mr. D. T. Eaton of Muscatine, Ia. The contest on convention seat resulted in the selection of Pittsburg over Minneapolis by a vote of 252 to 87. President Holland opened the meet with well chosen remarks. The secretary's report showed a membership of 560, a slight increase over a year ago. The treasurer's report showed \$1,827 in the stock fund, \$991.24 in the insurance fund, and \$92.99 in the general fund. The running expenses for the past year were \$638.28. The sales superintendent's report showed stamps to value \$34,465.59 had been entrusted to that department, and sales to the amount of \$5,437.59 had been made. Eight hundred and seventy-three books were still on hand or in circulation. The report of Librarian Anderson showed 258 volumes in the library.

Collector Watson announced six cases as having received his attention, only one of which had not been settled.

The Board of V. P. had 11 referred to it, of which 5 had been settled.

Mr. Stone, of the Library Committee, presented the usual fine report.

The Obituary Committee paid tribute to the memory of two deceased members, Mr. J. F. Johnson and Mr. Horace G. O. Ramborger.

Expert Committee—J. N. Luff announced only four examinations, and suggested that the lack of interest was due to the fact that the appointment of the committee was not made early in the year and been given little publicity.

Indexing—Progress reported by Chairman Stone, showing that some dozen papers were being indexed and that better work would be evidenced the coming year.

The sales superintendent was given power to reject any books he may deem unworthy to circulate.

The office of counterfeit detector was re-established.

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News was chosen as the official organ for the ensuing year.

The new roster of officers is:

President, Alex Holland, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Vice-Presidents, F. H. Burt, Gordon Ireland and Willard O. Wylie.

Secretary, D. T. Eaton, Muscatine, Iowa.

International Secretary, E. Doebelin, Pittsburg, Pa.

Treasurer, C. L. Annan, St. Paul, Minn.

M. H. Lombard, resident vice-president, Boston.

William E. Loy, resident vice-president, San Francisco.

W. F. Gregory, resident vice-president, New York.

Continued on page 202.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Uncle Sam's mail service may sometimes miscarry or delay mis-sives committed to its care but it nearly always "gets there in the end," as is instanced in the following taken from the St. Paul Dispatch of Aug. 11:

"Assistant Postmaster Hughes yesterday received from Zumbrota, Minn., a letter mailed in that post-office to Mabel Niles, Rochester, Minn., twenty years ago. Miss Niles is now Mrs. George Aiton, residing at 1601 University avenue. The letter was discovered during a changing of boxes in the Zumbrota post-office. It had slipped down behind a box and remained there all these years."

The Philatelic Chronicle announces a counterfeit 5 francs, 1885, issue of Congo. The lines of engraving are heavier than the genu-

ine and the perforation does not correspond, being irregular and not exactly 15 like the genuine.

Now that the American will meet in the East again next year, it is only the extra enthusiastic members of the West who will attend, and for the benefit of the others, many of whom will attend the St. Louis World's Fair, the suggestion of Mr. H. S. Dickey in a recent number of The West will be worthy of consideration, for if a date for a meet, even without any society affiliations, which would be convenient for the greater portion of the stamp collectors going to the fair, could be arranged, it would be productive of much good to philately.

The World still has some American Philatelic Association application blanks. The advantages one receives are certainly worth much more than the price it costs.

As a mark of appreciation for the endeavors the Middle West have put forth for the association the past year, they will be permitted to attend a fourth consecutive Eastern meet in 1904.



From Clayton.

Continued from first page.

E. Doebelin, resident vice-president, Pittsburg.

P. M. Wolsieffer, resident vice-president, Chicago.

Eben S. Martin, resident vice-president, Minneapolis.

R. D. Maynard, resident vice-president, Western Mass.

Librarian, E. H. Anderson, Pittsburg, Pa.

Assistant Librarian, H. E. Deats, Flemington, N. J.

Collecting Agent, H. D. Watson, New York, N. Y.

Superintendent of Sales, John J. Oesch, Chicago, Ill.

Examiner of Sales Books, H. W. Wolseley, Chicago, Ill.

Purchasing Agent, W. F. Gregory, New York, N. Y.

Purchasing Agent, W. O. Staab, Chicago, Ill.

Purchasing Agent, A. W. Batchelder, Boston, Mass.

The following committees were appointed:

Indexing Philatelic Literature—Stone, Bartlett, Prevost.

Philatelic Literature—Stone, Aldrich, Loy.

Obituary—Burt, Green, Carpenter.

Expert Committee—Luff, Andreini, Morgenthau.

Membership—Martin, Downing, Smith.



Notes from Gordon Ireland.

The third session was held in Red Men's Hall, Thursday morning at 9:30. A letter from Mr. Sene of Syracuse, to the secretary was ruled out of order by the president, and after a little discussion, was not read, no appeal being taken to the house from the decision of the chair.

To encourage and assist the members in being properly represented at the conventions and elections, it was voted that there should hereafter accompany all ballots and proxies officially sent out a printed notice of the fact that all ballots are required to be cast individually by each member and cannot be signed by the proxy representative.

Concerning the gathering at Pittsburg in 1904, the matter of an exhibit of stamps was recommended to the discretion of the Pittsburg members; and an appropriation of

\$50 was made further to increase the number of bound volumes belonging to the association in the Carnegie library. A recess of about an hour was then taken, and at 11:15 the final session convened in the same hall.

The vice presidents were instructed to investigate the cost of purchasing a die for an association medal to be used for exhibitions and other suitable occasions, and to report next year.

The secretary was instructed to cause papers and monographs of philatelic interest to be presented to the convention in 1904 for discussion and publication.

The board of directors announced the appointment of Mr. G. L. Toppan of Racine, Wis., as counterfeit detector, and of Messrs. Rode, Eaton and Burgoyne, all of Pittsburg, Pa., as the special committee on library. The committee on resolutions reported votes of thanks to the efficient retiring secretary, Mr. H. E. Deats; the committee on arrangements; to President Holland, and to Mr. Doebelin and the Pittsburg branch; all of which were unanimously adopted; and at 12:10, upon motion of Mr. Stone, the eighteenth convention adjourned sine die.

RETAIL AT WHOLESALE.

FREE	Large Unused United States 2ct. orange Internal Revenue to all applicants for Approval Books sending 2cts for return postage.	
	I buy stamps. X means unused.	
X 30 var. Cuba 1871-96. All Postage no Revenues.....		\$.25
X 2 var. Guatemala Bonds, Lub. 1897.....		.04
X Nicaragua, complete set of any dates..		.40
X Zambesi, 1898-2 1/2 5r.....		.08
X Peru, 8 var. Nos. 64, 61, 120, 121, 125 etc., cat. 36.....		.12
X 2 var. Mexico, officially sealed.....		.01
X Costa Rica 2ets tels. Imperf. Cat. \$2.50 My price only.....		1.00
X 25 var. unused stamps, fine, only.....		.07
1000 var. stamps fine, my price only.....		3.00
1000 mixed United States, only.....		.10
Hongkong 5 var.—2, 5, 10,—1900, 2, 10c.....		.06
15 var. Italy, Humbert.....		.08

G. H. SOUERS,
WARREN, INDIANA - U. S. A



Send me a money order for \$1.00 and I will send you the following Cuban stamps. Numbers 12, 18, 24, 25, 47, 48, 52, 55, 59, 60, 61, 63, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 76, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 97, 98, 99, 102, 104, 106, 107, 109, 110, 112, 113, 115, 118, 119, 121, 122, 124,

127, 127a, 128, 131, 137, 121, 145, 151, 152, 163, 419, 425, 55, unused, 2 used. Catalog value over \$5.00. My price \$1.00.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Navy 7c: unused, a gem. Catalog \$15.00: only \$7.00.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby. Articles by the best authors on stamps and entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 d o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat.....	\$1.80
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl. large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1886, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1g1, fine.....	.06
" " 2 1/2 g1, fine.....	.25
" " 5g1 fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 50c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,
1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the **AAA**

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world



FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE
Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/4 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Vision extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

THE VIRGINIA STAMP HINGE.

Die cut from best quality imported paper. Put up in boxes, no waste, 10c per thousand. Liberal samples sent on receipt of name and address.

MINNEAPOLIS PRINTING CO.,
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.
10 blank Approval Books, 10c.
100 Approval Sheets, 15c.
Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curiosa, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors. The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 20 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay.
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price.
1885 1c.....	\$.20	\$.06
1879 2c.....	.30	.12
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.16

OTHER BARGAINS.
EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II. No. 34. Whole No. 43. Minneapolis, Minn. August 26, 1903. Weekly

Tenth Annual Convention of the Philatelic Sons of America.

By S. E. Moisant.

The tenth annual convention of the Philatelic Sons of America was called to order by Vice President John J. Oesch (President Wilkensen being absent), Wednesday morning, August 19, at 11 o'clock. There were about twenty members and visitors present. In the absence of Secretary Hills, Mr. C. E. Severn was unanimously elected temporary secretary.

The reading of the minutes of the last meeting were laid aside, as was also the roll call.

The chairman named the various committees with instructions to report at the meeting on the next day.

He then called for a report of the various officers. President Wilkensen told of the good prospects and bright future which the P. S. of A. seemed to have when we met in Denver a year ago, and he told of the will with which the new secretary, G. M. Butler, of Golden, Colo., went to work and he was forced to resign on account of his other work calling him to another part of the continent; but right here there popped into the head of another shining light and Frank K. Hills, of Ft. Wayne, Ind., was made secretary, but here came the worst of all; after taking up the office he never wrote a letter; neither the president, treasurer or any member could receive a word from him. Then the society had two different official organs discontinue publication. All these things handicapped

the society and made life so miserable for the officers that President Wilkensen said that he for one absolutely refused to accept the office for another term.

The report of the board of vice presidents was of necessity short but sweet. They reported having held several meetings during the year, but being unable to hear anything from the secretary they were greatly handicapped in their work.

The secretary's report was one of considerable length, considering that it came from a man who did but little work. Mr. Hills told of the great mental strain, the overwork, and the midnight, etc., during his several months as secretary. It consisted of seven or eight pages of excuses and valuable (?) hints to the new secretary, but lack of space prevents me going into detail; but after telling of the "grand stand play" he had made as secretary, he speaks of the large box of the society's effects which he has just expressed to Vice President Wolsiefer, and that among them is two hundred letters to be answered by the new secretary.

Treasurer Sjuhlke reported there being a balance of \$31.25 in the treasury. This included all money which the secretary had turned over to him; this does not include, however, the insurance fund which is in the hands of Mr. A. Platz, who was appointed exchange superintendent at the Buffalo convention, and whose resignation was accepted at Denver.

Continued on page 206.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTIONS:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

The annual election in the Pre-cancelled Stamp Club has been called. The progress this society has made in the past year without an official organ the greater part of the time, and with but a limited field of collectors to appeal to, has been exceeding good.

In the selection of Mr. D. T. Eaton for secretary the association has found a worthy successor to Mr. Deats and one who will undoubtedly do much to advance the interests of the association.

There is every prospect of an up-to-date reference list of pre-cancelleds appearing. Work has been progressing on two lists during the summer, and it is likely that at least one will be published.

The first of the advance sheets of the 1904 catalog are out and every

indication points to an early issue this year.

Reports from Chicago say Stan Zajicek has been obliged from ill health to seek recuperation by a change of air and relaxation from the stern realities of life. The World trusts a full and early recovery may come.



Philatelic Sons of America

Continued from first page.

As there was no exchange superintendent appointed during the year no report was read. The affairs of the exchange department were found to be in very bad shape. Some circuits were lost, and the claims of members for these circuits had been unsettled; and as they were reported to amount to some several hundred dollars, and as the insurance fund amounted to about thirty dollars, you can see the reason why. Mr. Platz was exonerated from all blame on account of the loss of the circuits.

A number of letters and telegrams from various members were read by the secretary.

After which the meeting adjourned to meet on the following morning at 11 o'clock.

The second and last session of the tenth annual convention of the Philatelic Sons of America was called to order by Vice President Oesch, Aug. 20, at 11:15, with about fifteen members present.

The report of the various committees was very discouraging, everything looked blue for the P. S. of A. Then followed a long discussion as to whether the P. S. of A. should be continued or abandoned. The P. S. of A. being an incorporated body at one time, and

as no taxes had been paid to the state of Pennsylvania, under whose laws it was incorporated, and as the constitution and the by-laws had been overstepped and disregarded and an illegal convention held, it was thought that the P. S. of A. was legally dead at least. Taking matters as they looked, and the trouble and chances ahead, no one seemed to care to hold an office or accept an appointment. After a lengthy and heated discussion it was decided to discontinue the society, and a recess was taken to draw up resolutions to that effect.

On being called to order the resolution was then read and unanimously accepted. Mr. L. T. Brodstone then made a motion that the convention adjourn without delay. Being unanimously accepted the grand old P. S. of A. died with one of Brody's smiles.

SAYMON'S MAGAZINE

A monthly magazine devoted to Literature and Philately.

Subscription 25c a year or four months trial 10c.

JOSEPH SAYMON, Publisher,
12 West 117th St. - New York.

A GOLD MINE!

Send 10c in unused stamps at once to the below address and get 1000 mixed U. S. and foreign stamps. Lots of varieties.

KEYSTONE STAMP CO.,
BREINIGSVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA.

PLATING HAWAIIAN NUMERALS

is popular among specialists in that country
Our next

Wolsieffer Auction Sale

to be held soon will contain a number of them, each one accurately described as to its correct position in the Plate.

This sale will also contain many other desirable stamps the properties of several owners. If you buy at auction get your name on our card index of auction buyers. The catalogues are free.

UNITED STAMP CO., 1149 Marquette, Chicago.

N. B.—Now is the time to apply for open dates for future sales. Do not let it go too long. We have several choice dates left open having purchased the properties outright. Apply at once for terms.

BETTER BUY

60¢ Bureau Print NEWSPAPER

A RARITY

Unused o. g. perfect only . . \$12.50

EBEN S. MARTIN, Minneapolis, Minn.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

MORE CURIOS. Do U-C-MP?

Perfect, rare arrowheads.....\$.04
Spears \$.08. Pottery fragments......05
N. Y. Herald '64, war news......09
50 var. of Foreign Coins......45
20 var. of Old Paper Money......45
Includes Confed., State, Broken Bonds etc.
1 Confederate Entire stamp used......09
\$50 or \$100 Bank of Augusta, Ga......05
50c Confederate bill \$.04. \$5.00 Bill......08
Old Colonial Notes (rare) 1760 up......11

(Above notes are average good)

Ge's P'N KUM A'GIN.

A. C. McDONALD, BOX 1440
BUTTE CITY, MONTANA.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free
on application to dealers only.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs
The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers......10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Illinois.

A Java Auction Sale.

From an article by R. van Bergen in the August Smalley's Magazine upon a visit to the Dutch Indies we clip the following, and at the same time cannot refrain from calling attention to the fact of how well the "young hopeful" had instructed his sire in philatelic values:

"Just prior to my departure from Batavia a sale of rare postage stamps was announced in the papers, and as I have a young hopeful at home who looks to me for adding to his collection, I determined to attend it. The landlord of the hotel informed me that public auctions usually begin at 8 a. m., and I was on time, but there was no sign of a start. Approaching one of the gentlemen connected with the auction, I requested permission to see the stamps and he courteously consented. It happened that this was the head of the firm, and I inquired when the sale was to begin.

"At ten," he replied.

"Well," said I, "then I shall be conspicuous for my absence, as I don't propose being roasted alive. But," putting aside six or seven sheets of really rare stamps, "what will you take for these?"

"Why," he answered, "they will be sold to the highest bidder; I can't sell them privately."

"I figured what I thought was a fair offer in Holland money, which is two-fifths of American coin, and proposed paying that amount. My friend grew excited, and protested that he could not make the sale.

"Now, look here," I said. "It strikes me that the only consideration for you is if you can get more for them by putting them up. If so, keep them by all means. But if you think that you can't get so much, why, sell them to me."

"But," he said helplessly, "it is against all our rules and regulations."

"Oh!" I suggested pleasantly, "I will throw all those rules and regulations into the bargain." The auctioneer looked at me doubtfully, took the money, and let me have the stamps."

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " " Interleaved.....	2.00	2.16

International Postage Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

		Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25	
" " " " Cloth,....	.40	

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,

18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

CUBA

Habilitados de Octubre 1902

Variedades de 1c sobre, 3c violeta

Doble sobrecarga (Fig. 2).....	\$ 2.00
Invertido (Fig. 4).....	2.00
Lin la palabra "Habilitado" (Fig. 7)	3.00
"Habilitado" en las partes superior a inferior (Fig. 8).....	1.75
"Habilitado" en la parte inferior (Fig. 9).....	1.50
"Habilitado" en medio con el 1 debajo (Fig. 10B).....	1.00
No. 1 a la derecha (Fig. 12).....	3.00
No. 1 a la derecha con "Habilitado" abajo (Fig. 13).....	5.00
No. 1a la izquierda (Fig. 18).....	2.00
Bloc de 4, (Figuras 7 y 9).....	10.00

Los precios en moneda Americana.

Los pedidos acompañados de su importe.

M. LAZARO,

Obispo No. 39, Habana, Cuba.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II. No. 35. Whole No. 44. Minneapolis, Minn. September 2, 1903. Weekly

NEW CARDS.

A. Lohmeyer.

DANISH WEST INDIES.—A new set of permanent cards, consisting of 1 and 2c, single and double, has been issued for this colony. The 1c card bears the stamp of type A5, and the inscriptions on this card are in Danish and English, a new departure, "BREVKORT" (Postcard) in the first line, "(Paa denne Side skrives kun Adressen.)" in the second, and "(The address only to be written on this side.)" in the third line. The double card has the following instruction in the lower left corner of the first half, in four lines: "Vedhaengende Kort er-bestemd til Svaret." "(The annexed card is intended for the answer.)" and on the reply half as a second line "Svar-(Reply.)" The border (Greek pattern) and the coat of arms are the same as on other Danish cards. The 2c card is a reprint of the former issue, except that the card board has been changed to a pure white.

P. C.—1c green on white, 90x140 mm.; 1x1c, green on white, T. 3, 90 x 140 mm.; 2c, blue on white, 90x140 mm.; 2x2c, blue on white, T. 3, 90 x 140 mm.

SERVIA.—I have received the 10 para letter card, overprinted with the Servian arms in blue, completing the provisional set.

L. C. (Provisional), 10 para, carmine and blue on pale rose, perf., T. III., 80x130 mm.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—The 1 cent cards of the King type have come to hand, new Colonial type.

P. C., 1c, green on cream, 74x121 mm.; 1x1c, green on cream, T. 3, 74x121 mm.

BRITISH INDIA.—I have received the new King type Inland cards of quarter anna, single and double.

P. C., ¼ anna, brown on cream, 74x121 mm.; ¼x¼ anna, brown on cream, T. 3., 74x121 mm.

RHODESIA.—Received a half-penny Postal Card, issued July 1st, for use in Rhodesia, to the Cape Colony, Transvaal, Orange River Colony and the Bechuanaland Protectorate. It is printed in blue-green on a thick white card board. The stamp, in the upper right corner, resembles type A9, and the inscriptions in the upper center are "RHODESIA," on a slightly curved tablet, and under this a design, consisting of "POST (Arms) CARD" the words being on a ribbon scroll. Below this design are the usual instructions "THE ADDRESS TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE."

P. C., Ad. blue-green on white, 85x140 m-m.

NORWAY.—Received a set of 3 and 5 ore single and double cards with the instructions" (Paa denne Side skrives kun Adressen.) "changed to" (Paa denne side skrives kun adressen.) "with only one capital letter, "P."

P. C., 3 ore, orange on white, 90x140 m-m.

3x3 ore, orange on white, T. 3, 90x140 m-m.

5 ore, green on white, 90x140 m-m.

5x5, ore, green on white, T. 3, 90x140 m-m.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA—I am indebted to Mr. Foulon for a copy of a new 1d card, printed locally, from the 1879 plate, type P. C. 2, in dark blue on a cream colored card board.

By the same mail, which brought this card to me from Brussels, I received from my regular correspondents at Perth, W. Australia, the following message, written on the ½d., brown on white, card: "This card with a ½d. stamp attached by the Post Office, is used at present for a 1d card." At the same time we do not think the 1d. blue is withdrawn, and could be obtained at some of the Post Offices. The 1½d. on 3d. green is still obtainable. We know nothing of a 1½d. brown.

P. C., (Local Print).

1d. dark blue on cream, 73x120 m-m. 8-15, 1903.



CONVENTION REMINISCENCES.

W. C. Stone.

Another convention has come and gone and the members are now getting back to their places of business and getting ready for the busy work of the fall and winter. While the attendance was not so large as of late, those who were there will bear me out in saying that we had a very fine time.

The trip of the Boston party was very enjoyable. There were only about a dozen in the party, but things were kept moving up to a pretty late hour Monday night.

Of the actual work of the convention but little need be said here. The routine reports of the officers showed that while we have not made a large membership gain during the year, still we have not re-

ceded. Financially, we are in good shape. Our stock fund now amounts to \$1,800, and the insurance fund to almost one thousand. We already have \$1,200 invested at interest and the treasurer was instructed to invest the same amount in addition, which will bring us in quite a little income from interest. As time goes on we shall gradually accumulate quite a fund.

The sales department is in first class shape and during the ten months covered by its report did a good business. Stamps to the value of \$34,000 were circulated, and sales amounted to \$5,400. This department is one of the most important in the association, and should be supported by the members to the best of their ability.

The fact that there was a contest for one of the directorships is responsible for the large vote for officers and the proxy representation has been excelled at only five previous conventions. The official

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

A Cut Square Not Cut.

The exciting cut on "Cut Squares" did not affect the

1882, 3c Die C. No. 1476, Blue Paper.

It is listed at \$175.00 and we offer a very good used copy. Entire better than cut square \$71.00
\$1.00 Passage Ticket, fine No. 2873..... 3.00
Nyassa 1891 13 var. complete, fine bi-colored camel set..... 50

The next Wolsieffer Auction will interest every dealer and collector. It will contain many fine stamps as well as combination lots wholesale, etc. It will also contain the James C. Mills Collection. All catalogues are free.

UNITED STAMP CO., 1149 Marquette, Chicago.

N. B.—It will pay you to correspond with us if you intend to sell your collection at auction

journal question is responsible largely for this state of affairs. And yet there were fifty per cent of our members who did not take the trouble to vote. And of those who did send in their ballots it is safe to say at least one hundred more did so only after personal solicitation by those who were interested in one or more of the candidates.

We are to have a new official journal. (Secretary Deats objects strongly to the term "organ.") Mr. Jewett having withdrawn from the contest, MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS had a walk over. The Weekly has served as our journal before, and I am certain will do us good service in the future. To the ERA our thanks are due for its services in the past, with out best wishes for its future.

The office of counterfeit detector was restored to the list of officers, and there having been considerable demand for an official to pass judgment upon a lower grade of stamps than those which would be submitted to the expert committee. The various committees which have been in existence for some years have been fully provided for in the by-laws and their duties defined.

The social element was decidedly prominent. We took at least one hundred and twenty-five miles of excursion trips among the islands, to say nothing of what the Boston party saw on their return trip via Montreal. It was a pretty jolly crowd and Clayton will be apt to remember us for some time to come, and especially the ticket agent of the steamer Ramona! And "we got that trunk."

Next year we smoke at Pittsburg. Are you with us?

Stamp Collectors' Association.

As the P. S. of A. has now gone, and leaving as it did such a wide and open field for another society, about twenty collectors met at Room 6, No. 92 LaSalle street, Chicago, on the afternoon of Aug. 20th, at 2:45, for the purpose of organizing a new society on a more sound and substantial basis. John J. Oesch was elected chairman and C. E. Severn secretary of the meeting.

After considerable discussion and a great deal of arguing, none of which would be of interest to the readers of The World, it was decided to call the society The Stamp Collectors' Association. The dues were placed at 50 cents per year, with no initiation fee, and those joining at an early date will be made charter members.

Temporary officers were nominated to serve until such time when a regular election could be held, and resulted as follows:

President, W. H. Barnum, Cleveland, O.

Vice President, L. T. Brodstone, Superior, Wis.

Secretary, S. E. Moisant, Kankakee, Ill.

Treasurer, W. H. Sjuehlke, Appleton, Wis.

Official Organ, Philatelic West.

The society being organized in Chicago, the city of hustlers, and having for its main supporters the same men who have made the leading philatelic associations what they are.

If you want to join send to the secretary, S. E. Moisant, Kankakee, Ill., for an application blank, and he will send you any information you desire.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTIONS:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

In regard to the new precancelled reference list which Mr. G. F. Duck is compiling, he writes:

"It is the intention to have these printed in double columns similar to Scott's, with minor varieties in small type. The varieties which we have reason to believe are in existence, but which we have not seen, will be in italics. Those varieties which have been reported only, and those which are doubtful will be in italics followed by a question mark. These doubtful ones will also be marked by some character as a guide to the list from which they were taken. It is also intended to bind in alternate blank leaves for additions and corrections."

Mr. L. Michaels has been elected secretary of the Chicago branch of the American Philatelic Association, which place was left vacant

by Mr. Reginald Robinson's removal to Manitoba.

The passing of the Philatelic Sons of America is of more than momentary interest. The outgrowth of a manifestly unjust by-law of another society, which though alive seems to be in a state of deep trance, its growth was for a year or so yet unequalled in American stamp societies' annals. During the height of its prosperity it numbered in its ranks many of the more prominent of the country's collectors and many foreign countries had goodly representation on its roster. Unfortunately, two or three years' internal difference developed, and while it was thought at Buffalo two years ago that this had been remedied, yet it failed to be so, and last year's convention of questionable legality was the beginning of the end. Since then, although some of its best workers were in harness, it died.

A new Phoenix has arisen. From the ashes of the P. S. of A. has been born "The Stamp Collectors' Association." There is ample room for a society for collectors, whose aims and stampic abilities are of a medium grade, whose experience is not yet such that they feel that they can apply to the American. As it were, a grammar school grade from which the collector can ultimately graduate into the higher education of the old parent society.

Now the conventions are over and the vacation season nearly passed the new stamp season will soon open and to open it aright among the first things you want to do is to subscribe for THE WORLD.

The S. of P. convention has been called for Aug. 11, 10 a. m., at Clayton, N. Y. The politics of this so-

ciety are very quiet, though it is reported that E. L. Shove will endeavor to succeed President Miller.

In a London sale not long since a bisected 6d yellow-green Nova Scotia on original cover brought a trifle over \$12.75. A rather low price for a rarity of this kind.

In speaking of the Madagascar locals, the Stamp Collector's Fortnightly quotes a letter from Whitfield King & Co.: "The stamps were offered first to us by John Haddon & Co. in 1885, but we refused to touch them. Again, on March 12 of this year, the unsold stock was brought to our office personally by a London agent, but we refused even to look at them, remarking we would not buy them at the price of waste paper, knowing what we do of their history."

Recent numbers of the three weeklies are at hand and contain as usual a large amount of interesting and newsy matter.

One of the arguments advanced there is the size of the local society—42 members. Why don't you bring them into the parent society, brother?

A new stamp paper is promised in September, hailing from New York.

It is said that Mr. Edward H. Buehler of Chicago has the finest collection of plate numbers in the West. His collection will be exhibited at one of the early fall meetings of the C. P. S., and it goes without saying that it will draw out a full attendance.

The first of the king's head Canada came to us several days ago in precancelled shape from our old friend Mr. Reginald Robinson.

The officers of the London (Eng.) Philatelic Society for the season

1903-4 are: President, H. R. H. the Prince of Wales; vice president, the Earl of Crawford; hon. secretary, J. A. Tileard; hon. treasurer, C. N. Biggs; hon. assistant secretary, H. R. Oldfield; hon. librarian, L. W. Fulcher; board of directors, E. D. Bacon, R. Ehrenbach, C. E. McNaughton, M. P. Castle, T. W. Hall, F. Reichenheim, C. J. Dunn, L. R. Hunsberg, Gordon Smith. The society's membership is 226.

Mr. W. F. Schad is about to leave Milwaukee and locate at El Reno, Oklahoma, where he will have charge of a branch of a prominent Milwaukee firm. W. F. has been so long a prominent figure in Cream City philatelic matters that it will seem strange to collectors at large to have to learn to address elsewhere. The World wishes him success in his new field.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers..... .10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Ill.

A TESTIMONIAL

Josh Billings says: It's a shur kur fer hed'ak
WHAT IS?? "MY DOPE"

Genuine Old Gin Flint.....\$.09
Alligators teeth \$.03 England Coin 1780 .10
Mass. Bay Notes 1780, (good to fair)..... .11

NOTE: The above notes are vesity rare.
Bill of Sale of Slaves..... .27

NOTE: This price is very special, as the receipts are very hard to get hold of. All dates from 1820 up.

Analectical Magzrine 1817.....\$.10
Old Paper Money, Bill of 1817 "Hudson" .10

MORE YET!! TRY 'EM.

**A. C. McDONALD, BOX 1440
BUTTE CITY, MONTANA.**

With Our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

The Virginia Philatelist.

Completes Vol. V. with a double May-June number. In the editorial notes we find: "The publisher has been unable to devote the necessary time the paper deserves, but we hope to announce a competent staff to assist in the future management." We trust that the new volume may more resemble the earlier volumes than the last has done and that we may long continue to enjoy the many historical data on Confederate stamps which this journal alone seems able to unearth.

The Perforator

For July is the convention number and contains an abundance of news items relative to the meet. It opens with a reproduction and account of a Brattleboro on original cover which Mr. Seybold has recently added to his superb collection. W. C. Stone writes entertaining reminiscences of Clayton, 1895.

Hanging on the wall before me as I write is a large photo of a group of some sixty men, women, and children, the majority of them wearing white yachting caps. By the badges which most of them wear, it may be safely said that they belong to some organization. A glance at the label below the picture informs the reader that they were the attendants at the tenth annual convention of the American Philatelic Association at Clayton, N. Y., June 13 to 17, 1895. Four enjoyable days! And they were days full of business, pleasure, fighting and conciliation. And it all ended in "peas and homlmy" as the genial editor of our leading monthly magazine said. * * *

There are many faces in the group which we shall miss this year. Tiffany, Gremmel, Krauth and Miller have long gone to their rest. Many of the others have either dropped out of the association or given up collecting. But we shall see many of our old friends, and many new faces we hope. Genial Papa Doebelin will be there of course with his good frau, and Expert Luff will be on hand to see that no one palms off a minnow for a muscalonge.

Our Canadian friends ought to turn out better than they did in '95 for there were only two or three of them present. A party of a dozen of us, under the leadership of Messrs. Ketcheson and Kelsey Hall, visited Kingston one day and saw all the sights, from the local post office, which we almost cleaned out of stamps, to the magnificent penitentiary. We were un-

BETTER BUY

60¢ Bureau Print NEWSPAPER A RARITY

Unused o. g. perfect only . . \$12.50
EBEN S. MARTIN, Minneapolis, Minn.

SAYMON'S MAGAZINE

A monthly magazine devoted to Literature and Philately.

Subscription 25c a year or four months trial 10c.

JOSEPH SAYMON, Publisher,
12 West 117th St. - New York.

A GOLD MINE!

Send 10c in unused stamps at once to the below address and get 1000 mixed U. S. and foreign stamps. Lots of varieties.

KEYSTONE STAMP CO.,
BREINIGSVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " " Interleaved 2.00		2.16

International Postage Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25
" " " " Cloth,....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

able to find any stamp cranks in the latter, although it is for long term convicts only. But I might go on for hours and not begin to tell you all we saw and did at Clayton. The best way to find out about the place is to send in your name to the papers to be among those who are going to attend. Au revoir a Clayton!

The first part of a serial, "War Time Stamps," by Frank C. Young, begins, the introduction and the first part, treating of the Italian states in general, precedes what may be termed the first chapter on Sardinia. Following this are three prize winning articles in the July contest, "The Foundation of Philately," which the writer defines thus: "Because the foundation of Philately is in a natural principle of the human brain, and while its business is not built upon a human necessity, it is built upon an established and unchangeable desire; so that the surety of the stamp-market ranks in the very first place after that of staple products."

—"Portraits on the Stamps of Argentine Republic" follows and lastly "Suggestions." In the last we find: "A uniform style of button for the entire country would serve for identification, but if many styles are gotten up and used they will defeat the purpose for which it is intended. It is therefore desirable that a button indorsed by A. P. A. of U. S. be the one used and none other; if this meets with the approval of that society at its coming convention, then we can all adopt it."

Which suggestion would hardly meet with the members' approval unless the cost of the button included membership. C. W. Abbott fills a full page with his valuable "Fraud Reporter." The official matter of the Empire State Philatelic Society contains little except the nominations for office.



Convention Personals.

If I "counted noses" rightly twenty-five members and eleven lady members constituted the number in attendance this year. Somehow the "summer resort" meet does not seem to bring together the number of members that city meets do.

With the exception of the first Clayton meet this has always been true. The convention was harmonious, the excursions delightful and the copy of the \$5.00 Proprietary.

J. M. Barlets of Boston had with him a number of rarities among them being a magnificent copy of the \$5.00 Proprietary.

J. Delano Bartlett, he of serious countenance and S. of P. fame, was ever ready to warm one by a pleasant smile.

A. W. Batchelder, of the New England Stamp company, carried a little book in his outside pocket which contained nothing but picked copies (a Brattleboro' and many St. Louis stamps) worth close to \$50,000 net. Mrs. B. also enjoyed the meet.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Bogert and the Misses Bogert were often the center of attraction. Tuesday evening Miss Bogert favored us with a number of selections on the piano.

Some saw little of P. F. Bruner, others a great deal—we all knew where to find him.

Frank H. Bunt took down the words of wisdom John Luff wished unsaid.

Bertrand L. Drew of auction fame arrived late, bringing some very nice stock with him.

H. E. Deats, our genial secretary, certainly deserved the vote of thanks he received.

E. M. Carpenter, of Boston, was accompanied by his better half and was exceedingly pleasant company.

Of course Papa Doebelin was there, and accompanied by Mrs. D., as has been usual since the Chicago meet. His report as International secretary was one of the most enjoyable events of the sessions.



Send me a money order for \$1.00 and I will send you the following Cuban stamps. Numbers 12, 18, 24, 25, 47, 48, 52, 56, 59, 60, 61, 63, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 76, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 97, 98, 99, 102, 104, 106, 107, 109, 110, 112, 118, 115, 116, 118, 119, 122, 124,

127, 127a, 128, 131, 137, 121, 143, 151, 152, 163, 419, 423, 56, unused, 2 used. Catalog value over \$5.00. My price \$1.00.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Navy 7c: unused, a gem.
Catalog \$15.00: only \$7.00.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby.
Articles by the best authors on stamps and
entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photo-
graphy, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and
Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over
the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent
for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1896, 2 Fr. fine.....	.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1898, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queenland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2 1/2 gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official. No. 215.....	.08
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 50c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed
free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the **AAA**

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjust-
able. Durable. No metal. Lies
flat. Hygienic, perspiration
has no effect on it. Healthful
color restful to the eyes. Vision
extra wide. Transparent for
natural light. Opaque for arti-
ficial light and those wear-
ing glasses. Postpaid on re-
ceipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly
brim full of interesting matter, that will interest
every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios,
Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading col-
lectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or
as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of
everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 25
societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay.
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

One-Tenth of Catalogue

Yes a big job lot of stamps
of which a good many are
British Colonies, are going
practically at 1-10 of cata-
logue, or 25c per 100. Every
packet contains stamps from
nearly all the following coun-
tries: Barbadoes, Br. Guiana,
Canada, Ceylon, Cuba (late
issues), Ned Indies, Hong
Kong, Mexico, Newfound-
land, Australia, Leeward
Islands, etc.

*If found not as represented
in any way your money will
be cheerfully refunded.*

I also will give to the first
five buying one of these
packets 100 "PERFECT" Hinges.

THOS. L. HOSMER,

3415 7th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 36. Whole No. 45. Minneapolis, Minn. September 9, 1903 Weekly

EXHIBIT OF RARE STAMPS Minneapolis Branch A. P. A.



Millbury and reconstructed sheet first printing St. Louis Stamps.

The Membership Committee of the American Philatelic Association were hosts at an exhibit of rare stamps held under the auspices of the Minneapolis Branch, at Hotel Nicollet, Wednesday Evening, September ninth.

The stamps were shown through the courtesy of the New England Stamp Company, of Boston, and com-

prised among other rarities, the following:

U. S., 1869, 15c, 24, 30c, unused, inverted centers.

U. S., 1868, 5c and 30c, grilled all over.

A Brattleboro.

A Millbury.

Livingstone Provisional.

New York Red Carrier.

St. Louis 5c on *pelure*.

An entire reconstructed sheet of St. Louis stamps, first printing.

Nearly one hundred were present about a dozen from out of town.

After a few remarks by the president, the stamps were shown and later light refreshments were enjoyed.



Convention Personals.

(Owing to typographical errors which we regret we reprint the first two items appearing under this head in the issue for Sept. 2nd.)

If I "counted noses" rightly twenty-five members and eleven lady members constituted the number in attendance this year. Somehow the "summer resort" meet does not seem to bring together the number of members that city meets do. With the exception of the first Clayton meet this has always been true. The convention was harmonious, the excursions delightful and the time passed pleasantly.

J. M. Barlets of Boston had with him a number of rarities among them being a magnificent copy of the \$5.00 Proprietary.

W. F. Gregory, our New York purchasing agent, had some fine

wholesale lots with him which he offered at very low figures.

From Buffalo came Raynor Hubbell, the genial manager of arrangement for the meet there in 1901. He has just organized an incorporated firm to deal in "wee-bits."

The Southland's one representative was L. C. Hassler of Louisville, Ky., a very quiet yet pleasant personage. Mrs. H. accompanied him.

"Slightly disfigured, but still in the ring," President Holland left the Boston hospital where he had been since his accident and made a model presiding officer.

Gordon Ireland divided his attention between stamps, the convention and one of the fair visitors, in a manner that the latter got the most generous portion of it.

H. W. Legg, of Boston, showed a very fine line of unused, principally colonials.

J. N. Luff was the representative of the expert committee and reported that but little had been done by that committee—four examinations only.

E. S. Martin talked Minneapolis in vain for the Easterners and the Chicago folks wanted Pittsburg. He was accompanied by his mother.

J. J. Oesch, the exchange superintendent, was as sociable, lively and jovial as ever. He ought to be for he has made a great success of his department. Mrs. O. accompanied him.

It is said that Geo. W. Rode talked Pittsburg even in his sleep. He was there to get the 1904 meet, and he went home with it in his vest pocket. George is a fine fellow and deserves success—when Minneapolis could get it.

W. C. Stone told us about all the papers, past, present and future, except The World. He was one of the most entertaining conversationalists at the meet, but he should include a knowledge of this paper among his data.

E. F. Sawyer of Boston was a most agreeable acquaintance, and Mrs. S. equally so. When your correspondent ever accumulates a surplus it shall be deposited in the 5 cent savings bank where he is teller.

Geo. L. Toppan was the happiest man at the meet. Even if his trip to

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

Yankee Peelable Hinges

NOT ENGLISH NOT GERMAN

1000 12 cents Post free. 5000 50 cents Post free.

STRONG PAPER. TASTELESS GUM.

W. F. GREGORY, 65 Nassau St. N. Y.

The Virginia Philatelist

The Best and Brightest of the monthlies. Now in sixth year of publication. Only one South. Subscription 80c per year. Advertisements 40c per inch. Sample copy free.

Virginia Philatelic Publishing Co.,

P. O. BOX 124, RICHMOND, VA.

BARGAINS IN CHILE

*16 1888, 50c violet.....(cat. 50).....	\$.25
27 1892, 15c green.....(cat. 05).....	.03
28 1895, 25c brown.....(cat. 04).....	.02
29 1892, 1 Peso brown.....(cat. 25).....	.12
38 1900, 50c brown.....(cat. 20).....	.06
39 1900, 5c on 30c.....(cat. 08).....	.04
40 1901, 30c orange.....(cat. 15).....	.06
44 1902, 30c purple and black.....	.08
45 1902, 50c red, orange and black.....	.09

Our usual fall season revision of our Auction Sale Catalogue list of auction buyers is now being made. If you have changed your address or desire our auction sale catalogue regularly drop us a card to that effect. Next sale soon and a very attractive one.

UNITED STAMP CO., 1149 Marquette, Chicago.

Chicago to dictate the action of Branch One in the election failed, he succeeded in influencing sufficient eastern members to carry out his will and the Stamp Collector had published one of his poems. Why shouldn't be happy?

Willard O. Wylie of Beverly, Mass., proved himself to be one of the most popular men at the convention. He represented the new official journal, but when he got time to grind out copy I failed to see.

P. M. Wolsieffer, that tower of strength in Western philately, was much in evidence. As has been so on several occasions, his big bunch of proxies did much to settle questions.

May time deal gently with all, prosperity mark their course, and may we all meet again some time to worship at Philately's shrine.



S. P. A. MEET.

W. P. Kelley.

The annual convention of the Southern Philatelic Association was held in the rooms of the Chicago Philatelic Society, Thursday, Aug. 20, 1903. In the absence of the president and vice president the convention was called to order by Secretary-Treasurer W. P. Kelley. L. T. Brodstone was made chairman of the meeting. The committee on credentials made report as follows:

President—	
F. W. Coning	14
C. Roemers	4
Vice President—	
F. Fuessell	13
F. Noyes	5
Secretary-Treasurer—	
W. P. Kelley	18
International Secretary—	
H. Fenton	17
Sales Superintendent—	
C. Waring	18

Librarian—	
Dr. R. L. Aller	17
Counterfeit Detector—	
F. Noyes	18
Attorney—	
F. D. Goodhue	18
Purchasing Agent—	
H. S. Vanderburg	18
Trustees—	
H. G. Askew, H. A. Herzog.....	18
Official Organ—	
West	14
Virginia Philatelist	2
Proxies—	
C. E. Severn	7
W. P. Kelley	8
C. Waring	1

Reports of various officers were accepted.

The idea of a badge in Philatelic emblems was taken up with much enthusiasm by the members present.

Those present were royally entertained by the committee appointed by the Chicago Philatelic Society.

St. Louis was selected for the next meeting place; time, week after A. P. A. meet in August.

Adjourned 3 p. m. to go to ball game.



S. C. P. A.

The first attempt of the Stamp Collectors' Protective Association was a total failure.

There was only one session of this association held. As Mr. Brodstone was the only member present at this session it was immediately adjourned sine die.

A STAMP STOCK!

On account of change in occupation we must sell our stamp stock. This stock catalogues over \$5,000. To let you know what this stock comprises, there are:

25 stamps catalogue at \$40.00.....	\$1000.00
Lots at	25.00
Lots at	10.00
Lots at	10.50
Lots at	5.00
And thousands at from 5c to \$3.00.	

Will sell for \$450.00.

R. H. BUTZ, Breinigsville, Pa.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

The secretary's report of the American for Sept. 5 shows a standstill—two new members and two resignations.

With the July number, which has just been received, The Virginia Philatelist begins its sixth year. May it see many more!

It is said that the prices on square cut envelopes in the new catalog have been so cut that they won't be "round" much longer.

From Washington comes the report that the department has destroyed all remaining specimens of the dollar issues of the 1894 series.

The vice presidential board of the American has organized with Frank Burt as chairman and Gordon Ireland as secretary.

It is not often we see prices quoted on the 1861 reissue set, but a Washington dealer in a recent advertisement offers the set for \$140.

C. E. Severn was recently elected vice president of the Chicago society. Who says there isn't opening for advancement for philatelic editors?

There are still application blanks for the American Philatelic Association to be had at either office of The World. Better send for one at once and begin the "new year" aright.

The editor draws the credit of being the first member of the American to remit 1903-4 dues. He also has the blanks which will enable an outsider to be an insider and pay the same dues. Don't you need a blank?

It is reported that the Boston firm of B. L. Drew will hold one of their fall sales in Chicago. We have had the English invasion of the East, and the East in turn is to invade the West.

The photograph taken at Clayton has reached the editor, and it is one of the finest convention groups ever taken. Whatever else Clayton may not have, it has got a first grade photographer. The many familiar faces bring up many a pleasant recollection of past meets.

There seems to be a rather general feeling that the season this year will be much earlier than usual. The promise of the new edition of Scott catalogue so much sooner than in the past few years is the greatest factor in causing it.

Mekeel's Stamp Collector for Aug. 24 contains a most valuable list of incased postage stamps. While this branch of collecting is really numismatic, it is so very closely allied to philately that it may be termed the "connecting link."

From Dahlonga, Ga., comes the first number of The Stampman, which seems to be the "merger" of several

amateur papers, being whole No. 10, but Vol. 1, No. 1, at one and the same time. It is neatly printed and filled with carefully selected articles.

As a proof of the "hard feelings" engendered between the two rival Minnesota candidates in the late contest for American directorship Mr. Annan has promised the editor another of his exceeding readable articles for an early number.

Button, button, who's got the button? Nobody as yet, but the discussion of a philatelic one goes merrily on and with little likelihood that anyone can successfully grapple with the question. For the younger element a button such as was current a couple of years ago—a stamp mounted under celluloid—would be as popular as anything.

❦❦❦
C. P. S.

The 400th regular meeting was held on Aug. 20, twenty-three members present, President Wolsieffer presiding. As visitors L. T. Brodstone of Superior, W. H. Zuelke, Appleton, Wis.; W. P. Kelley, Kansas City; A. Wheeling, Sterling, Ill., and C. E. Osborne, Coldwater, Mich., were present.

John S. Rich, New York city, proposed for membership, and resignation of C. J. Myers accepted.

Mr. Gurley resigned as director, and C. E. Severn elected to fill vacancy.

A communication from Baron de Reuterskiold read, acknowledging the receipt of the engraved silver membership card sent him some time ago.

The visitors all made remarks paying tribute to the city as a convention seat, and Messrs. Oesch and Wolsieffer related experiences at Clayton. After adjournment the visitors

found, even if one was from Coldwater, that Chicago was not noted for that beverage.



SONS OF PHILATELIA CONVENTION.

The president and secretary being absent, Mr. John J. Oesch was chosen as chairman, and J. Delano Bartlett as acting secretary.

The convention was called to order at 12:30, August 12, on the veranda

A GOLD MINE!

In order to reduce our stock we will send you by mail postpaid 1000 finely mixed U. S. and foreign stamps for.....\$.10
5,000.....\$.45 50,000..... 3.75
10,000..... .80 100,000..... 7.00

**KEYSTONE STAMP CO.,
BREINIGSVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA.**

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps ❦❦❦

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free
on application to dealers only.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs
The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers..... .10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, ❦ ❦ ❦ ❦ ❦ Illinois.

A TESTIMONIAL

Josh Billings says: It's a shur kur fer hed'ak
WHAT IS IT? "MY DOPE"

Genuine Old Gin Flint.....\$.09
Alligators teeth...\$.03 England Coin 1780 .10
Mass. Bay Notes 1780, (good to fair)..... .11

NOTE: The above notes are very rare.
Bill of Sale of Slaves..... .27

NOTE: This price is very special, as the receipts are very hard to get hold of. All dates from 1820 up.

Analectical Magzine 1817.....\$.10
Old Paper Money, Bill of 1817 "Hudson" .10

MORE YET!! TRY 'EM.

**A. C. McDONALD, BOX 1440
BUTTE CITY, - - - MONTANA.**

of the Hubbard House, with the following members present: John J. Oesch, Geo. W. Rode, E. Doebelin, J. M. Bartels, W. C. Stone, F. M. Burt, J. Delano Bartlett. Mr. W. C. Stone read a telegram and letter from Secretary Dodge, stating that he had met with an accident on his wheel and was laid up at Amsterdam, N. J., which would make it impossible for him to be at the convention.

The committee on credentials reported that a protest had been received against counting the ballots as cast on blanks sent out by the secretary, as same was not prescribed by the president, and the ballot was declared illegal. The committee recommended that a new election be held. They also reported that 89 were represented by proxy, held as follows: W. C. Stone 47, J. D. Bartlett 16, J. F. Dodge 15, Geo. W. Rode 10, J. A. D. Parks 1.

Reports of the secretary and treasurer were read and referred to a committee of three to audit the accounts. The following were appointed on the committee: W. C. Stone, J. D. Bartlett, T. J. Champagne.

Considerable comment was made on the secretary's report, as it did not show anything in regard to the standing of membership or condition of the society. The treasurer's report showed that there was \$46.63 in his hands.

The Philatelic West was chosen as the official journal for one year, under the terms mentioned in a proposition from the publisher, which was 1c per month for each member.

It was voted that the official journal shall be selected each year at the annual convention and that the following clause be inserted in the by-laws under article 10, section 2: That the publisher shall receive such sum as may be agreed upon by the association and the publisher.

It was voted that the office of secretary and the office of treasurer shall not be held by the same person, and that the by-laws be amended and corrected to coincide.

It was voted that a committee of three be appointed by President Miller, for the purpose of revising and correcting the by-laws; also voted that the work on, and the publica-

BETTER BUY
60¢ Bureau Print
NEWSPAPER
A RARITY

Unused o. g. perfect only . . \$12.50
EBEN S. MARTIN, Minneapolis, Minn.

SAYMON'S MAGAZINE

A monthly magazine devoted to Literature and Philately.
Subscription 25c a year or four months trial 10c.

JOSEPH SAYMON, Publisher,
12 West 117th St. - New York.

Now Ready

**Standard Postage Stamp
Catalogue for 1903.**

	Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....\$.50	\$.58
“ “ Leather..... 1.25	1.35
“ “ “ Interleaved 2.00	2.16

**International Postage
Stamp Albums.**

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25
“ “ “ “ Cloth,....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N. Y.

tion of the hand book be dispensed with until after the report of the by-law committee is made and accepted by the president and trustees.

It was ordered that a call be made for an election of officers and that the nominations close Oct. 21, 1903, and the polls close Dec. 1, 1903, at noon, and that the president appoint a committee on credentials to count said ballot.

Pittsburg was chosen as the convention seat for 1904, to be held on the second Wednesday in August.

J. D. BARTLETT,
Acting Secretary.

NEW CARDS.

A. Lohmeyer.

COSTA RICA—Referring to my report of a 2 centimos provisional, in No. 528, the rumor of a 4 centimos has been confirmed by the receipt of my usual supply from that republic. The 3 centavos card of 1890 has likewise been utilized for this provisional, the stamp being surcharged, in black, "EXTERIOR—4 centimos."

Provisional Issue.

P. C., 4c. black on 3c red on buff.

SERVIA—I have received two Postal Cards and one Letter Card from this country which are not only interesting, but also mark an epoch in the history of this kingdom. The stamp, an entirely new

design, much larger than on previous issues, measuring 20x26 mm., has the portrait of the murdered King Alexander in an oval, surrounded by an oak and olive branch. "SERVIA" (in Russian) appears on a ribbon scroll above, the figures of value in the two lower corners with "PARA" (in Russian) between. The Postal Cards, 5 para, yellow-green, and 10 para, carmine, are on white, while the Letter Card, 5 para, yellow-green, is on pale rose. So much for the description of the cards as prepared for issue prior to the tragic death of the late king. They have since been overprinted with the coat of arms of Servia, in black on the Postal Cards and in blue on the Letter Card, completely covering, and rendering unrecognizable, the head of the murdered king. This provisional issue is likely to have a short career, a new, permanent issue, with portrait of the new king, being in preparation.

Provisional Issue.

P. C. 5 para, yellow-green and black on white, 90x139; 10 para, carmine and black on white, 90x139.

L. C. 5 para, yellow-green on pale rose, perforated, III, T. 80x130.

STATE \$5.00

A Beautiful Copy of this Rarity

\$100⁰⁰

An Opportunity Seldom Offered

EBEN S. MARTIN

16-20 North 4th St., Minneapolis, Minn.



Send me a money order for \$1.00 and I will send you the following Cuban stamps. Numbers 12, 18, 24, 25, 47, 48, 52, 56, 59, 60, 61, 63, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 76, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 97, 98, 99, 102, 104, 106, 107, 109, 110, 112, 113, 115, 116, 118, 119, 122, 124,

127, 127a, 128, 131, 137, 121, 145, 151, 152, 163, 419, 425, 56, unused, 2 used. Catalog value over \$5.00. My price \$1.00.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Navy 7c: unused, a gem.
Catalog \$15.00: only \$7.00.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby.
Articles by the best authors on stamps and entire, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1890, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 d o. g.....	.20
Nyasasa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat.....	\$1.89
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl. large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2 1/2 gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 50c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the **AAA**

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world



FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/4 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 25 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

One-Tenth of Catalogue

Yes a big job lot of stamps of which a good many are British Colonies, are going practically at 1-10 of catalogue, or 25c per 100. Every packet contains stamps from nearly all the following countries: Barbadoes, Br. Guiana, Canada, Ceylon, Cuba (late issues), Ned Indies, Hong Kong, Mexico, Newfoundland, Australia, Leeward Islands, etc.

If found not as represented in any way your money will be cheerfully refunded.

I also will give to the first five buying one of these packets 100 "PERFECT" Hinges.

THOS. L. HOSMER,

3415 7th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 37. Whole No. 46. Minneapolis, Minn. September 16, 1903 Weekly

THE FIELD.

By C. L. Annan.

The joys of stamp collecting are primarily three: the collection itself, the making of it and its arrangement. Each appeals to a distinct set of emotions. The sense of ownership affords a pleasure which is as the placid pool ruffled by the occasional breeze of contemplation. The pleasure of amassing is more constant and lively and like the bounding brook, thrilling in the rapid current of the search, exultant in the impact of discovery. The search may be through old papers dusty and voluminous, through the accumulation of a fellow collector, in the society exchange books in the stock of a dealer, and whether such search is for a fugitive plate number of the red penny or for the one specimen to complete a particular issue the zest is the same. The exquisite little shock which follows the finding of the sought for stamp is a sensation unknown to the non-collector. The chase ending in discovery is but the prelude to that calmer pleasure, the disposition of the treasures. The orderly and inventive collector here finds a field of inexhaustible resources. There is no limit to the methods of arrangement. It is beyond the reach of wealth to gather a collection to completely accord with the present standard classifications, so why should the ordinary gleaner attempt too much? Within certain limits he can form groups sufficiently complete in them-

selves and derive the same sort of enjoyment in much the same degree that the much more pretentious plan affords. For a comparatively small outlay he can experience the brook brand of joy though for purposes of contemplation his pool may be rather shallow.

Enough is as good as a feast—if you can't have the feast—and half a loaf is by no means to be despised. As to groups, the Portuguese Colonies have issued many stamps of designs common to the various colonies. Take the crown design of 1870 and select the commonest denomination and you will have eight varieties of stamps (one for each colony) all uniform in appearance but differing in colors and colonial names. The issue of 1898 gives 16 varieties in a like manner. The French Colonies furnish nearly twice as many more in a similar way, all quite presentable groups, characteristically complete. Then consider the possibilities of the English Colonies.

The three cent denomination of the U. S. official stamps makes a very pretty group.

The U. S. precancelled stamps, the Mexican stamps with district surcharges, the common stamps of any country with the various post-marks and obliterations and many other combinations will suggest themselves as affording material for pastimes and study.

All this presupposes the blank album, When the collector reaches

that stage wherein he departs from the printed album the chances are that he is inoculated with the true philatelic virus. He may, of course, be a very fair case for commiseration otherwise but the affection evidenced by the blank album symptom is deep seated.

The tendency to collect and arrange must be inborn, but it is often latent. Association with active collectors will develop the germ and bring satisfaction to many who do not quite understand their longings. For that uneasy feeling join the American Philatelic Association and organize a local society, even if it must be restricted at the outset to two or three members.



C. P. S.

The 401st regular meeting of The Chicago Society was held on Sept. 3rd with nineteen members present. President Wolsieffer presiding. But little but routine business was transacted. A. D. Blair was elected to membership, application of J. C. Perry of Washington, D. C. posted and resignation of C. S. Smack accepted. Bills to the amount of nearly \$30 were paid and an appropriation of \$10 for library purposes made. Next meeting Sept. 17.



Why Collect Fiscals.

A writer in the May 1902 new York Philatelist gives the following eight reasons why the collecting of revenue stamps should be popular.

It is comparatively easy to obtain immense supplies of many revenue stamps for a very moderate outlay.

Fiscals are nearly always in fine condition when received first hand.

They open out a grand field for research.

The designs are, in nearly all cases, greatly superior to those of contemporaneous postals.

The numbers, although very great, are not so appalling as one would at first suppose; it is true that Mexico, Argentine, Great Britain, Austria and India, possess a great number of varieties (there are 465 different Austrian fiscals compared with 221 postals,) but these countries are exceptional.

There are no commemorative or speculative stamps or unnecessary values.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

Yankee Peelable Hinges

NOT ENGLISH NOT GERMAN

1000 12 cents Post free. 5000 50 cents Post free.

STRONG PAPER. TASTELESS GUM.

W. F. GREGORY, 65 Nassau St. N. Y.

The Virginia Philatelist

The Best and Brightest of the monthlies. Now in sixth year of publication. Only one South. Subscription 30c per year. Advertisements 40c per inch. Sample copy free.

Virginia Philatelic Publishing Co.,

P. O. BOX 124, RICHMOND, VA.

HAWAII AND U. S.

The next Wolsieffer Auction Sale to be held will contain a very fine lot of Hawaiian and U. S. It will be of especial interest to collectors that are plating the Hawaiian 'Numerals'. This sale will also contain the J. C. Mills collection and other fine properties. The catalogue is free.

We have just purchased two very fine collections containing rarities and many fine blocks of U. S. etc. If interested in such stamps as the 24c imp. 1851, 8c scarlet, \$300.00 second issue, \$1 Proprietary, etc., write us.

UNITED STAMP CO., 1149 Marquette, Chicago

There are practically no reprints or forgeries.

States and countries which are unrepresented in our postal album issue fiscal stamps, e g., Croatia, Mysore, Ireland, Nevada, Isle of Man.

John Vickers Painter

From Cleveland comes the news of the demise on Aug. 14 of the well known collector Mr. J. V. Painter of that city.

Mr. Painter for years has been a member of the American Philatelic Association, holding stock certificate No. 292, and was one of the most scientific collectors in the country.

From a local paper we clip:

"He was first taken ill about five weeks ago, but soon grew better and was able to be out and attend to important business affairs. About a week ago he was again taken seriously ill, however, and his death resulted last night about 9:30 o'clock. The cause of his death was heart disease. He was aged sixty-eight years and is survived by Mrs. Painter and one son, Kenyon V. Painter, who resides at 696 Euclid avenue. No arrangements have been made as yet for the funeral. Mrs. Painter was at her husband's bedside and is prostrated over his death.

John Vickers Painter was born in West Chester, Pa., July 20, 1835. His parents, Samuel Marshall Painter and Ann Vickers Painter, were descendents of people of the Quaker State who accompanied William Penn from England. In his boyhood and youth Mr. Painter received the Quaker training.

He was educated at Haverford College, Pennsylvania, and early in his career came West and embarked

in business in this city, where he had since resided. He first engaged in railroading in the employ of the Cleveland & Toledo Railroad Company, which is now a part of the Lake Shore system. In this capacity he acquired the business habits which exhibited to some extent his executive ability as a man of prompt and shrewd judgment. Later Mr. Painter went into the banking business, in which he continued until June 1, 1873, when he retired because of failing health.

After spending some years abroad he became interested in manufacturing and iron mining and in the organization of the Cleveland Stone Company, of which he was vice-president. Mr. Painter was also vice-president of the Cleveland & Pittsburg Railway and was a director in the following companies: the Cleveland Trust Company, the Citizens' Savings and Trust Company, the Republic Iron Company and the Springsteen Medicine Company. He was also a trustee of the Cleveland Museum of Art and treasurer and trustee of the John Huntington Benevolent Trust. He was also a member of the Chamber of Commerce and of the Union, Roadside, Country and Euclid clubs."

The passing of every old time collector is to be regretted, for it is their influence that has made philately.

A STAMP STOCK!

On account of change in occupation we must sell our stamp stock. This stock catalogues over \$5,000. To let you know what this stock comprises, there are:

25 stamps catalogue at \$40.00.....	\$1000.00
Lots at.....	25.00
Lots at.....	10.00
Lots at.....	10.50
Lots at.....	5.00
And thousands at from 5c to \$3.00.	

Will sell for \$450.00.

R. H. BUTZ, Breinigsville, Pa.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

In speaking of the state fair substation, the Minneapolis Journal of Sept. 4 said:

"Postmaster A. R. McGill of St. Paul is at the fair grounds postoffice daily, for it is really the busiest spot under his control. The station does as much business as a postoffice in a town of several thousand citizens. So generally is it known over the state that mail is delivered at the fair grounds, that visitors have instructed their correspondents to address them at the grounds. Thus several thousand pieces of mail are handled there during the week. Even the money order business is large, and the funds handled amount to several hundred dollars daily."

A correspondent favors us with a copy of the "death warrant" of the Philatelic Sons of America:

"WHEREAS, It has become all too

apparent to the members of the Philatelic Sons of America in convention assembled that the position of the Philatelic Sons of America has become untenable as a body claiming incorporate powers; and,

"WHEREAS, Complications that seemingly defy adjustment confront any attempt to rearrange conditions and rehabilitate the Philatelic Sons of America; and,

"WHEREAS, All intelligent effort has been expended in striving to improve the situation; therefore be it

"Resolved, That the lease of life of the Philatelic Sons of America be considered expired."

Forty-four years ago today the first pony express overland mail left St. Joseph, Mo. for San Francisco, where it arrived October 10, nearly a month being required to make the trip.

Chicago had another convention last week. This time it was not Philatelists, but the rural route mail deliverers. Officers were elected and various memorials to the department and congress adopted.

The catalogue of the Chicago Society's 24th sale at hand, 618 lots are offered, none being of great scarcity but nearly all desirable middle grade pieces, including a collection of 3780 varieties offered en bloc. The date of the sale is the 26th inst.

Everyone is suggesting material for new fables to the "Philatela" Author and rather than be behind the times fully we suggest a moral and let our readers supply the rest: Moral, Even with the brightest sunshine it is always a wet time at stamp conventions.

A loss in membership immediately after convention is unusual but this

franked by the new series 10c St. Paul up and an old issue 4c.

Mr. F. L. Smith reports the discovery of two varieties of the small type Chicago. In the undated specimen one variety measures $10\frac{1}{4}$ mm and the other 11 mm, while in the dated ones it is $10\frac{3}{4}$ and $11\frac{1}{2}$.

The 3c Milwaukee with red and black surcharge, which has been lister reading up also exist reading down, in an Eastern collection.

Thus far I have seen the 1c, 3c, and 8c 1902 series double printed for Chicago.

I have heard of other values existing, but the only invert Chicago I positively know of is the 5c 1898.

With Our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

The Journal

Of the Buffalo Philatelic Society for July-August is 8 pages. It opens with a plea by Harland D. Munger for "A Local Society for Buffalo." J. D. A. Park writes of "King Peter Karageorgovitch," and the secretary of the P. S. of A., and the Spanish and U. S. issues come in for notices, presumably editorial, not being signed. This number shows improvement over the first one.

The Philatelic West

For July consists of an even hundred pages and cover. The illustrations include several Chicago views, a view in the Centennial Museum at Columbus, Ohio, and portraits of V. Mozian, the Paris dealer; O. F. Farrington a collector residing in the Isle of Pines; H. I. Foster of Elmer, N. J., who while a philatelist is better known in amateur journal circles, and Miss Alma Appleton of

Goodale's Corner, Me. The more interesting articles in the stamp department are: "The Precancelled Stamps of Binghamton," by F. L. Smith; "Received Postmarks," by J. L. Wheeler, with illustrations; "Some Stamps that Are Not Stamps," by Karl Sherman. Thiel-er's three serials are continued and the review of foreign papers

BETTER BUY

60¢ Bureau Print NEWSPAPER A RARITY

Unused o. g. perfect only . . \$12.50
EBEN S. MARTIN, Minneapolis, Minn.

SAYMON'S MAGAZINE

A monthly magazine devoted to Literature and Philately.

Subscription 25c a year or four months trial 10c.

JOSEPH SAYMON, Publisher,

12 West 117th St. - New York.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.53
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " " Interleaved.....	2.00	2.16

International Postage Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

		Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25	
" " " " Cloth,....	.40	

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,

16 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

contains much of value as usual. Charles Nast in the Revenue department writes of the Anti Kamnia surcharges and lists 13 dates on the 1¼, 37 on the 2½ and 19 on the 3¼ in the usual types and several varieties of unusual cancellation as well. H. W. Boers writes of "That Philatelic Button." Reports of the several organizations of which it is official organ are included.



N. E. P. A. EXHIBITS.

The exhibition committee of the New England Philatelic Association have arranged the following series of exhibitions for the coming season. With the exception of the first event, a silver medal is hung up for each event.

Sept. 1. Exhibit of stamps of interest by members.

Oct. 1. Best collection of United States adhesives.

Nov. 1. Best collection Canadian postage.

Dec. 1. Best specialized collection of any country.

Jan. 5, 1904. Twenty-five rarest stamps.

Feb. 4, 1904. Best exhibit of United

States Colonies.

March 1, 1904. Best exhibit of uncatalogued varieties.

April 5, 1904. Twenty-five rarest adhesives to catalogue fifty cents or under, postally used.

May 3, 1904. United States revenues.

June 7, 1904. Best exhibition of stamps of the Twentieth century.

At all meetings members are invited to bring stamps for a general open exchange.

All exhibits for competition should be sent to H. W. Legg, 320 Washington Street, Boston, or to Gardner R. Kennedy, 60 Devonshire Street, Boston, and should be in the hands of the above before 12 o'clock on the day of meeting.

A CURIOSITY OF HISTORIC INTEREST

A limited number of Genuine and Original **BALLOTS** cast Nov. 6 1861, for **JEFFETSON DAVIES**. Each Ballot has the name of voter who cast it, written across the back. Unsurpassed as a relic of the "Lost Cause!" Every G. A. R. Post should have one framed.

Price: One Dollar

A. W. DUNNING, Wilton, N.H.

STATE \$5.00

A Beautiful Copy of this Rarity

\$100⁰⁰

An Opportunity Seldom Offered

EBEN S. MARTIN

16-20 North 4th St., // Minneapolis, Minn.



Send me a money order for \$1.00 and I will send you the following Cuban stamps. Numbers 12, 18, 24, 25, 47, 48, 52, 56, 59, 60, 61, 63, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 76, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 97, 98, 99, 102, 104, 106, 107, 109, 110, 112, 113, 115, 116, 118, 119, 122, 124, 127, 127a, 128, 131, 137, 121, 148, 151, 152, 163, 419, 425, 56, unused, 2 used. Catalog value over \$5.00. My price \$1.00.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Navy 7c: unused, a gem.
Catalog \$15.00: only \$7.00.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby.
Articles by the best authors on stamps and entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1898, complete set unused cat. \$1.80	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1890, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" 1901, 2 1/2 gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official, No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.32
" Omaha, 5c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,
1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the **AAA**

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.
Light weight 1/4 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 25 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay.
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

NOTICE.

In my adv. of last issue I made a mistake. Instead of 100 Perfect Hinges to the first five sending 25c for 100 of those fine stamps it should have been 1000. To make up for this I will sell "Perfect" Hinges for a short time at the following rates:

1000.....	\$.08
2000.....	.15
3000.....	.19
5000.....	.27

THOS. L. HOSMER,
3415 7th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.
10 blank Approval Books, 10c.
100 Approval Sheets, 15c.
Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 38. Whole No. 47. Minneapolis, Minn. September 23, 1903 Weekly

MINOR VARIETY THOUGHTS.

E. R. Steinbrueck.

To the article in Phil. West of August about "The collection of minor varieties" by Frank C. Young I heartily applaud. What he says about minor varieties is very true, likewise his remark about the printed album. For my part I never owned a printed album and never want to own one. A printed album sets the limit to your fancies in collecting. You are only permitted to collect what the album directs you to. For instance, I obtained some fine stamps from a brother collector simply for the reason that there was no space for them allowed in the album. I had a large scrap book in the beginning, which I ruled myself in red ink and I had my stamps arranged not alphabetically as in a catalogue or in an illustrated price list, but systematically, one part of the world after another with countries following each other according to some certain conditions in respect to their time of issue, to their relations either racial or political or to such other rule as I may have found advisable in my fancy. I bought an interchangeable album with blank leaves of A. Krassa, New York and I am just completely suited with it. This album permits me to arrange my stamps in any rotation considering countries and offers spaces for any and every stamp I wish to imbed in my collection. From the very beginning I have collected

minor varieties. Others may not fancy the idea. They probably prefer to gather instead as many stamps of different countries, of different denominations, in short, to obtain as quickly as possible so many more different varieties. Well, that's it. Collecting is a hobby and there can be no overruling the individual fancy of the collector. I have always tried to get hold of all kinds of shades, of different prints, coarse and fine and I have found, that not even collecting after a catalogue would satisfy me. Not after Scott's anyway. Scott has omitted too much valuable matter for my fancy. I have found very plainly, distinguishable differences in stamps, according to catalogue, of the same issue. There comes to my mind, for instance, the No. 6 India. The profile of the Queen's head is of so much difference in design as to warrant two entirely different issues of that stamp. With the U. S. stamps I have adopted a peculiar method. I have given to the one and two cent denominations one entire page, also to the three and four cents one and so on and I place in some certain order all kinds of shades and minor varieties which I can get hold of. Some collectors have not been able to suppress their mirth at having so many stamps "of the same kind," which I think "all differ." By the way, perhaps very few have ever noticed or found it worth their observation, that the stamps of Austria 1867 and 1877 are of coarser

print on a rough paper, while a third issue after 1880 is on smooth glazed paper of a finer print and the colors are brighter. There are three different issues of the Emperor's head, same design from 1867 to 1880. Scott does not make the distinction. Besides difference of paper, print and colors there is also a decided difference in the form of the spiral ornament of the 5 kr denomination. This being the stamp most in use the plate became worn and had to be reproduced, which caused a slight difference in the execution of the ornament. You will notice three



different designs of the 5 kr. Scott mentions two types. There are really three, Kohl's catalogue showing plainly by separate drawings differences in watermark, types and surcharges. In this respect it is far superior to Scott's. I do not know whether Kohl shows the difference in these Austrian varieties or not, not being fortunate enough to possess a copy of the last edition. Our American catalogue should, for

a standard catalogue be as near perfect in every respect as possible.

We American Philatelists should study stamps deeper and not try to merely amass an abundance too often, alas, only for speculative purposes, and we should insist that our standard catalogue should be improved, to such an extent, that it be the standard on which all catalogues the world over could be based, and improved in such a manner that it is less a price list and more of a guide and reference work—a veritable teacher of Philately.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

Yankee Peelable Hinges

NOT ENGLISH NOT GERMAN

1000 12 cents Post free. 5000 50 cents Post free.

STRONG PAPER. TASTELESS GUM.

W. F. GREGORY, 65 Nassau St. N. Y.

The Virginia Philatelist

The Best and Brightest of the monthlies. Now in sixth year of publication. Only one South. Subscription 80c per year. Advertisements 40c per inch. Sample copy free.

Virginia Philatelic Publishing Co.,

P. O. BOX 124, RICHMOND, VA.

SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY IN WOLSEIFFER'S Oct. 10th Sale No. 38

It contains a very fine lot of U. S.; an exceptionally fine assortment of Hawaiian Numerals and regular Issues; very fine Imperforate and Perforate Revenues; some interesting foreign lots; desirable combinations by countries; a dozen collections of various kinds and plenty of attractive lots for dealers and beginners. The catalogue is as explicitly written up as only a Wolsieffer Auction Sale Catalogue can be. It is free to all buyers.

UNITED STAMP CO., 1149 Marquette, Chicago.

N. B.—Coming soon; several exceptional sales, one containing a fine line of Proofs, Essays, etc. For early dates apply at once.

A PHILATELIC DICTIONARY.

Cynic.

Adhesive—A stamp that will stick in your card case but not adhere to a letter.

Advanced Collector—One who has stayed by stamps until he has enough to think he knows it all.

Album—A conceit originated by dealers with places to put only such stamps as they want to sell you and also places for those no one can supply.

C. A.—A watermark kindly employed by the printers of British colonial stamps. It means "comes after" and shows the stamp to be of later issue than C. C.

C. C.—A British Colonial watermark meaning "comes costly" and distinguishes the rare stamps from the the more common C. A. variety.

Cancellation—Any old thing on the face of a stamp that an erasure or cleaner will not remove.

Counterfeit—The rare stamps you bought away below usual discount prices.

Due Stamp—Made with a rubber or rubber stamp, saying "please remit" usually on duns from Philatelic papers.

Duplicate—Stamps worth 15 per M.

Errors—Usually made by beginners in hinging into an International.

Essay—MSS. ground out by the collector in the second stage of the game.

Fac-Simile—Usually rare and made in Germany.

Grill—A checkerboard impressed on the Continental issues of the so-called 1870 set of U. S. by unscrupulous dealers.

Knife—A philatelic political uten-

sil, now obsolete since the suppression of the P. S. of A.

Locals—An interesting series of rarities invented before the creation of commemorative issues for the edification of collectors. Supply limited only by the number of would-be purchases.

Oddity—A collector who destroys a bogus stamp and doesn't trade it off for full catalogue value.

Official Seal—A round impression found on American Philatelic Association stock certificates. Write E. S. Martin, Minneapolis, Minn. how to obtain one.

O. G.—An auction term for a neatly cleaned used specimen with mucilage from the library paste bottle.

Part-perforate—A revenue with two edges pared.

Philately—The polite name for stamp collecting.

Plate—Formerly used at philatelic banquets, now replaced by the stein.

Pre-cancelled—Cancelled before the post master can sell them.

Proof—Documents shown by a dealer when he alone tries to place a "local" on the market.

Remainders—Nearly the same as duplicates except they can not be

Continued on page 237

A STAMP STOCK!

On account of change in occupation we must sell our stamp stock. This stock catalogues over \$5,000. To let you know what this stock comprises, these are:

25 stamps catalogue at \$40.00.....	\$1000.00
Lots at.....	25.00
Lots at.....	10.00
Lots at.....	10.50
Lots at.....	5.00
And thousands at from 5c to \$3.00.	

Will sell for \$450.00.

R. H. BUTZ, Breinigsville, Pa.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTIONS:*

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Mr. F. O. Stetson of Washington has favored us with his "Closing Out Sale" lists.

What is it? A foreign dealer advertises as inverted centre Omaha stamp.

The publishers of the ten cent catalogue announce that work is progressing and that it will be issued in a short time.

Mr. W. G. L. Paxman has again assumed charge of the Stamp Sheet and we are glad to welcome him back into the journalist field.

Altho we have not seen it we understand that the first number of Saymon's Magazine is out and that it presents a very creditable appearance.

John N. Luff captured the first Watermark—Don't know. Wasn't prize at the Boston Society's exhibit

of Victoria last week and F. B. Cook scored second.

At the county fair to be held at Montevideo, Minn. next week premiums are offered in the children's class for the two best exhibits of postage stamps.

A suggestion which will probably meet with collectors' approval is that the design of the old St. Louis stamp be followed in one of the Louisiana Purchase issues.

Two applications both from the Northwest, which "didn't have enough collectors" are recorded in the last report of the American. What's Western Pennsylvania doing?

The Chicago branch of the American held a meeting on Sept. 10 and elected officers for the ensuing year. Otto von Schaezler being chosen president, F. J. Lefever, vice-president and L. Michaels, Secretary-Treasurer.

The Era warns its readers of counterfeit percancelleds for Birmingham 8-03, 1c blue 1895 issue, 3c purple, 5c brown, 10c green and 15c olive; Providence, R. I., 5c brown 1895 and 1c, 1887, Philadelphia invert 2c, 1894, 3c 1890 and 5c, 1898.

We are informed that Mr. H. H. Wolseley who was recently appointed counterfeit detector for the exchange department of The American will not accept the office.

The next Wolsieffer sale will embrace the J. C. Mills collection and be especially strong in Hawaiian offerings.

It is with regret that the editor learns of the death of one of his old time correspondents, Mr. Robert Stockwell Hatcher. In days gone

by he was a prominent specialist in United States stamps, and an indefatigable delver into the archives to which he fortunately had access and rescued many an historic data on postal affairs which probably would never have been preserved otherwise.



A Philatelic Dictionary.

Continued from page 235.

disposed of. Ask anyone who has tried to sell out about them.

Reprints—Just as good when you buy but not worth a d— when you try to sell.

Retouched—Touched a second time—done by the dealer when possible.

Revenues—What makes collecting go—usual express by so much per week.

Specialist—A philatelic maniac in the last and most dangerous stage. Avoid.

Surcharge—A device whereby an over charge can be made for a specimen.

Watermark—Don't know. Wasn't kept at the bar at Clayton.



IN 1868.

Veda.

The editor having received several letters requesting a continuance of this review of early philatelic literature, I have consented to briefly skim through another volume of one of the earlier papers. This time I have selected the first volume of the first series of the American Journal of Philately, the first number of which appeared in March, 1868, and consisted of eight pages of reading matter. Whether it had a cover or not I can not positively tell, as the volume had been bound ere it came into my possession, but as

other numbers did, and are included, I am inclined to believe No. 1 had none. The paper was published by the New York Philatelic society, under the editorial direction of J. W. Scott, and the first number opened with the following signed editorial introduction:

"In acknowledging the honor done me by the New York Philatelic Society, in giving the Editorial charge of this, the first paper published on this continent treating of the "Science" of Philately, I can only assure

A GOLD MINE!

In order to reduce our stock we will send you by mail postpaid 1000 finely mixed U. S. and foreign stamps for.....\$ 10
 5,000.....\$.45 50,000..... 3.75
 10,000..... .80 100,000..... 7.00

KEYSTONE STAMP CO.,
BREINIGSVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers..... .10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, 3 3 3 3 3 Illinois.

A TESTIMONIAL

Josh Billings says: It's a shur kur fer hed'ak

WHAT IS?? "MY DOPE"

Genuine Old Gin Flint.....\$.09
 Alligators teeth..\$.03 England Coin 1730 .10
 Mass. Bay Notes 1780, (good to fair)..... .11

NOTE: The above notes are vey rare.
 Bill of Sale of Slaves..... .27

NOTE: This price is vey special, as the receipts are vey hard to get hold of. All dates from 1820 up.

Analectal Magrize 1317.....\$.10
 Old Paper Money, Bill of 1817, "Hudson"..... .10

MORE YET!! TRY 'EM.

A. C. McDONALD, Box 1440
BUTTE CITY, - - - MONTANA.

them that it will be the study of my life to make the "American Journal of Philately" second to none of our European contemporaries, in regard to information. And although lamenting that some more experienced gentleman had not been selected to fill the editorial chair, still I trust that by employing all the available talent, both in this country and Europe, to make this journal equal to their most sanguine expectations."

Following is the list of officers and constitution of the society, the officers being Rev. J. A. Morley, D. D., L. L. D., president (to whom it would appear the editorship had been offered, but declined on account of ill health); H. Grafton, M. D., and Willard K. Freeman, Esq., vice-presidents; J. W. Scott, treasurer; Charles Watson, secretary, and George H. Earl, Esq., and G. P. Ten Broeck, Esq., directors (why the esq. appears in some places and not in others is a question I can not answer, I follow the list as published.) The dues of the society were \$2.50 per annum, or life membership for \$25.00; the meetings to be held the third Saturday of each month in their rooms at 34 Liberty street, and "Absence from four successive meetings shall be accounted as a resignation of membership." The minutes of the January meeting occupy over a page, and would seem to be a practical reorganization of the society. It was at this meeting the publication was authorized, though only as a membership bulletin, and this first number was intended as such, but before a second number was issued the society had again met and passed the following, offered by Mr. Grafton:

Whereas: The want of a reliable magazine is much felt by American collectors.

Resolved: That we extend the benefits of the New York Philatelic Society for their advancement.

First—By publishing a cheap edition of the American Journal of Philately at 50 cents a year to non-members.

Second—To cover the loss of the edition, to take a limited number of advertisements at twenty-five cents per line.

The new issues take up three pages, and is followed by an article,

BETTER BUY
60¢ Bureau Print
NEWSPAPER
A RARITY

Unused o. g. perfect only . . \$12.50
EBEN S. MARTIN, Minneapolis, Minn.

SAYMON'S MAGAZINE

A monthly magazine devoted to Literature and Philately.

Subscription 25c a year or four months trial 10c.

JOSEPH SAYMON, Publisher,
12 West 117th St. - New York.

Now Ready

**Standard Postage Stamp
Catalogue for 1903.**

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth	\$.50	\$.58
“ “ Leather	1.25	1.35
“ “ “ Interleaved	2.00	2.16

**International Postage
Stamp Albums.**

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

		Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards	\$.25	
“ “ “ “ Cloth . . . . .	.40	

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

"Notes on the Designs of American Stamps," by W. K. Freeman.

No. 2 opens with the minutes of the society, the resolutions above quoted occupying the greater part of it, while Baron Munchausen was elected an honorary member, and Prof. Bungler, on request, exhibited his collection. The chronicle occupies over two pages, where among other remarks, appears:

United States—Through the kindness of a friend in the postal department, we are able to furnish our friends with a description of some of the new stamps shortly to be issued for our own country. We understand that it is proposed to alter the type of all the existing ones. Three of the specimens, which we hope and believe will be adopted, are the following designs: 2-cent, post cart for city delivery, 3-cent, steam cars for inland postage, 12-cent, steamship for ocean postage. The color of the latter will probably be blue.

As this is the first number for general circulation an extended editorial follows, sketching the causes of appearance and general policy of the paper. Next, a lady collector writes on "Philately," using Dryden's words, "Mighty things from small beginnings grow," as a motto.

I extract:

Enough praise cannot be bestowed upon such a science, for a science it unquestionably is. But more, anon! The entire subject has been so thoroughly treated by able European writers that my remarks can be but feeble repetitions of their ideas. I shall

therefore confine my notes to the general rules of collecting; giving my views on the "aggravated album" question and manner of mounting stamps. Owing to the number and variety of albums in circulation, I will not attempt to select any particular one; but leave the decision entirely to the taste of the party collecting. For a beginner, however, I would strongly recommend the following plan as a good one: Having obtained a reliable catalogue (which shall contain the description of all known specimens to date), let us proceed to number the stamps, proofs, essays, varieties, envelopes, etc., from 1 upwards.

This classification will allow the collector the choice of accepting or rejecting any specimen he may please; the next and most important point of all consists in the selection of an album. A blank book of the usual dimensions, containing about a hundred leaves and a sufficient number of guards will accommodate an ordinary collection which may be arranged according to one of the following systems: Chronological, Geographical or Alphabetical. * * * Although embellishments are of no particular advantage to the appearance of the collection yet, if the amateur is skillful as a draftsman, he may empanel his pages, which will, perhaps, add a little to the contour of his stamps.

(To be Continued.)

A CURIOSITY OF HISTORIC INTEREST

A limited number of Genuine and Original **BALLOTS** cast Nov. 6 1861, for **JEFFETSON DAVIES**. Each Ballot has the name of voter who cast it, written across the back. Unsurpassed as a relic of the "Lost Cause!" Every G. A. R. Post should have one framed.

Price: One Dollar

A. W. DUNNING, Wilton, N.H.

STATE \$5.00

A Beautiful Copy of this Rarity

\$100⁰⁰

An Opportunity Seldom Offered

EBEN S. MARTIN

16-20 North 4th St., Minneapolis, Minn.



Send me a money order for \$1.00 and I will send you the following Cuban stamps. Numbers 12, 18, 24, 25, 47, 48, 52, 56, 59, 60, 61, 63, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 76, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 97, 98, 99, 102, 104, 106, 107, 109, 110, 112, 113, 115, 116, 118, 119, 122, 124,

127, 127a, 128, 131, 137, 121, 148, 151, 152, 163, 419, 425, 56, unused, 2 used. Catalog value over \$5.00. My price \$1.00.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Russia 1-3½ and 7 Roubles
Catalogue \$4.95: \$2.50

EBEN S. MARTIN,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby. Articles by the best authors on stamps and entire, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1896, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and 1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, ½, 1, 2, 2½d o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1898, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1886, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1890, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2½gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 50c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight ¼ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 20 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay.
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

NOTICE.

In my adv. of last issue I made a mistake. Instead of 100 Perfect Hinges to the first five sending 25c for 100 of those fine stamps it should have been 1000. To make up for this I will sell "Perfect" Hinges for a short time at the following rates:

1000.....	\$0.08
2000.....	.15
3000.....	.19
5000.....	.27

THOS. L. HOSMER,
3415 7th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. **Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You?** Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.
10 blank Approval Books, 10c.
100 Approval Sheets, 15c.
Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 39, Whole No. 48. Minneapolis, Minn. September 30, 1903 Weekly

THE L. P. STAMPS.

That the government will issue a series of commemorative stamps for the St. Louis Universal Exposition commemorating the Louisiana Purchase is now an assured fact. The two letters received by the editor this week need no further comment.

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 24, 1903.

Dear Sir:

The post office department has now under consideration the issue of the commemorative stamps and, we are informed by mail today, will reach a conclusion on the designs in a very short time.

Respectfully,

W. B. STEVENS,

Secretary.

Post Office Department.

Third Assistant Postmaster General.

Washington, Sept. 26, 1903.

Mr. E. R. Aldrich,

Benson, Minn.

Sir:

The department has received your letter of September 22, asking whether it has been decided to issue a series of postage stamps to commemorate the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, and, if so, whether designs have been selected.

In reply you are informed that it has been decided to issue such a series of stamps, and the matter of designs is now under consideration, but no selection has yet been made.

Very respectfully,

EDWIN C. MADDEN,

Third Assistant Postmaster General.

BOSTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

September Meeting.

The 128th regular meeting was held on Sept. 15 at 8 o'clock. President Lombard presided and 22 members were present, an excellent showing for the first fall meeting.

A letter from M. Paul Miraband was read thanking the Society for the Honorary membership which was conferred on him at the May meeting.

One application for membership was posted, Mr. H. S. Hernan, and four new members elected, Messrs. Edward D. Osgood, Victor M. Berthold, W. L. Aldrich, and Chas. P. Mellen.

The seventh exhibition of the present series was held with Victoria for its subject. Two collections were entered, Mr. J. N. Luff receiving first prize and Mr. F. N. Cook second prize. Neither collection aimed at completeness but both were remarkable for the fine condition of the copies in this country, where good specimens seem to be the exception.

Mr. Lombard also exhibited his specialized collection of Gambia which was shown at the London Philatelic Society, some time ago. It was a fine showing of these attractive stamps.

There was but little business and the meeting adjourned at 8:45; but it lasted informally much later.

C. A. HOWES,

Secretary.

FROM THE DEAD LETTER OFFICE.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 26.—The annual report of the operations of the dead letter office for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1903, states that it is made to appear that there has been a large and steady increase in its annual receipts, which is due, it is stated, to the great and constant increase in the volume of matter passing through the mails.

The total receipts for the year were something over 10,000,000 pieces, the largest in the history of the office, exceeding those of the preceding year by some 850,000 pieces.

Of the aggregate number 8,895,205 pieces were opened. The money found in opened letters amounted to \$48,634, but this sum included money (generally coin) found loose in the mails or in postoffices and consigned to the dead letter office. Commercial paper found, such as drafts, checks, money orders, etc., represented a face value of \$1,493,563. The number of merchandise parcels received was 254,580, which were restored to the owners as far as possible. Photographs were found in 219,955 letters and parcels. Letters which contained postage stamps in varying amounts, from 1 cent upward, numbered 249,955. The domestic mis-directed letters received numbered 554,201. There were 131,302 letters held for postage.

Under the regulations deliverable merchandise matter is to be hereafter held for one year, instead of two, as formerly, before being sold, and this change rendered necessary an additional sale during the year. The first sale was held in December, 1902, and the gross proceeds were \$3,535. The second occurred in February, 1903, and the gross proceeds were \$5,244.

C. P. S.

The 402d regular meeting of the Chicago Philatelic Society was held on the evening of Sept. 17, nineteen members present, vice president Severn presiding.

Jos. S. Rich of New York, admitted to membership, and the secretary authorized to have changes in the constitution printed.

An informal auction held before adjournment.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

Yankee Peelable Hinges

NOT ENGLISH NOT GERMAN

1000 12 cents Post free. 5000 50 cents Post free.

STRONG PAPER. TASTELESS GUM.

W. F. GREGORY, 65 Nassau St. N. Y.

The Virginia Philatelist

The Best and Brightest of the monthlies. Now in sixth year of publication. Only one South. Subscription 80c per year. Advertisements 40c per inch. Sample copy free.

Virginia Philatelic Publishing Co.,

P. O. BOX 124, RICHMOND, VA.

SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY IN WOLSIEFFER'S Oct. 10th Sale No. 38

It contains a very fine lot of U. S.; an exceptionally fine assortment of Hawaiian Numerals and regular Issues; very fine Imperforate and Perforate Revenues; some interesting foreign lots; desirable combinations by countries; a dozen collections of various kinds and plenty of attractive lots for dealers and beginners. The catalogue is as explicitly written up as only a Wolsieffer Auction Sale Catalogue can be. It is free to all buyers.

UNITED STAMP CO., 1149 Marquette, Chicago.

N. B.—Coming soon; several exceptional sales, one containing a fine line of Proofs, Essays, etc. For early dates apply at once.

OPEN COMPETITION.

The Exhibition Committee announce that the Silver Cup offered by Mr. A. H. Weber will be competed for at the December meeting. This is to be an exhibition of Uncatalogued Varieties, such as very many collectors run across, the condition being that they be not listed in Scott, Gibbons or Senf. This exhibition is open to All Philatelists. The cup will be competed for annually and will remain in the winner's possession for the succeeding year, his name and the date being engraved upon it. This year's competition occurs December 15th. Exhibits may be sent to C. A. Howes, Secretary, 55 Kilby St., Boston, U. S. A.



IN 1868.

Veda.

Continued from last issue.

This article has been so nearly repeated every year since that it reads almost like a piece of today's literature, instead of a generation ago, except the last piece of advice, remounting which is in accord with the old "stuck down" idea. This is shown more by diagram than description, but consisted of two gummed streaks across the stamp with a strong gum arabic solution, one a little below the top and the other about the same distance from the bottom. The editor's Mail Bag and answers to correspondents completes the number. The first item is given to Prof. Bunger's collection, said to be the finest the editor has seen. The envelopes were saved entire, very unusual in those days, and were mounted with all possible explanatory notes written beside. Among sets especially mentioned

was the "Gaicho" stamps (the first complete set we have had the pleasure of examining.) Then esteemed as rareties, but long since relegated to the philatelic scrap heap. In the latter department we note "The stamps of Sicily have been counterfeited more than any others that we are aware of." We would recommend Lallier's as superior to anything yet published.

In the advertising pages of this number we find such firms represented as Stafford, Smith & Co., Colonade North street, Brighton, Eng.; F. A. Green & Co., Brisbane, Queensland; Alfred Smith & Co., Bath, Eng., (illustrated and descriptive catalogue 28 pp., f. cap 4to., eighth edition, revised and corrected to the present time. Illustrated with engravings of the stamps of every country, and containing descriptions and market value of nearly 1,900 varieties. Price 6d, post free 7d.) F. Dunn, Islington, London, Eng.; Charles Cardona, Trieste, and Gustave Leglise, Dunkerque, France, whose ads fill first page of the cover; J. W. Scott & Co., who use the whole of the second page, and part of the third and fourth, the large ad consists entirely of packet and set offers, twenty-five

Continued on page 245

A STAMP STOCK!

On account of change in occupation we must sell our stamp stock. This stock catalogues over \$5,000. To let you know what this stock comprises, there are:

25 stamps catalogue at \$40.00.....	\$1000.00
Lots at	25.00
Lots at	10.00
Lots at	10.50
Lots at	5.00
And thousands at from 5c to \$3.00.	

Will sell for \$450.00

R. H. BUTZ, Breinigsville, Pa.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

The two cent due has been seen with the La Crosse precancellation.

The fifth annual convention of the Kansas Philatelic Society is scheduled to be held at Wichita today.

Ireland once issued a stamp for dog license and it's up to some other enthusiast to collect on the original dog.

The new envelope on watermarked 99 paper is being offered unused at \$4.50 by an Eastern dealer.

An English collector recently made an addition to his "original cover" collection in the shape of a hat tax stamp in the original hat.

The October exhibition of the Boston Society will be for members who have never taken a prize at a contest and will be of United States adhesives.

Six new applications is what Secre-

tary Eaton's last report shows in the American, four being from the Northwest. The same old query: "Where is Pittsburg?" again recurs.

Wolsieffer's 38th sale will be held on the evening of Oct. 10. This sale is especially rich in United States and Hawaiian and among the bulk offers which concludes the sale is a collection of 5027 offered en bloc.

The Nassau Stamp Co. of New York suffered considerable loss through water, while a fire in the same building was being extinguished on the 16th inst. On account of unsafe walls the company are looking about for a new location.

Sometimes even a postmark may be unreliable; for several months in 1859 at Malta, it is said, the last figure on the dater was used inverted by some chance or another and stamps used in 1859 seemingly appear to have done service in 1856.

One of the closely allied firms of the publishers of the American Standard catalog back up the correctness of its prices by offering any of the U. S. envelope stamps at 10 per cent from the new price. Yet the prices on these were extensively cut so as to represent actual market values.

J. M. Bartels Co.'s first sale this season will be held Oct. 16 and 17. 1200 lots are offered, including many rarities, among others a superb copy of \$5.00 proprietary, Hawaii 5c with inverted surcharge, (catalog No. 59a), as well as many gems in British colonies from the collection of Mrs. Puffer of Lowell, Mass.

The following newspaper clipping gives further detail of the demise of the late R. S. Hatcher, whose sad death was noted last week:

St. Louis, Sept. 14.—Grieving over the death of his wife, the news of which reached him in telegrams three days after her demise, Robert Stockwell Hatcher, 40 years old, of Lafayette, Ind., shot and killed himself in a room at the Planters' Hotel today. Mr. Hatcher was a clerk in the office of Walter B. Stevens, secretary of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company. Five years ago he was reading clerk of the House of Representatives in Washington, his wife's former home. Mrs. Hatcher at the time of her death was corresponding secretary-general of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She had been ill for several years with consumption. Her death occurred Friday at the home of her sister, Mrs. H. C. Bannard, in Chicago.

The editor has persistently refrained from using the columns of The World in his directorship contest in the American, but he can not refrain from quoting from a recent letter: "I should like to see you elected but will you promise not to injure the dignity of the association? A prominent member writes me that you should be opposed because you would very likely try to boom the association in the stamp papers as one secretary did several years ago and make it appear that the association was an undignified affair and on a level with some of the smaller societies which continually use printer's ink to seek members." Comment is useless, but need we wonder why our membership so persistently hovers around the five hundred mark and does not increase? Suffice to say the writer was referred to the columns of The World for his ideas on the matter.

In 1868.

Continued from page 243.

packets being offered, the first being 50 foreign stamps, 25c, and the last 500 stamps \$10.00, of which only three were on hand and worth at least treble the price. Some of the sets were:

Antigua, 2 v. ....	.13
Austria, 1850, 5 v.....	.20
1861, 5 v. ....	.15
1863, 5 v. ....	.10

A GOLD MINE!

In order to reduce our stock we will send you by mail postpaid 1000 finely mixed U. S. and foreign stamps for.....\$ 10
 5,000.....\$.45 50,000..... 3.75
 10,000..... .80 100,000..... 7.00

KEYSTONE STAMP CO.,
BREINIGSVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers..... .10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Ill. Illinois.

A TESTIMONIAL

Josh Billings says: It's a shur kur fer hed'ak
WHAT IS?? "MY DOPE"
 Genuine Old Gin Flint.....\$.09
 Alligators teeth...\$.03 England Coin 1730 .10
 Mass. Bay Notes 1780, (good to fair)..... .11
 NOTE: The above notes are very rare.
 Bill of Sale of Slaves..... .27
 NOTE: This price is very special, as the receipts are very hard to get hold of. All dates from 1820 up.
 Analectical Magazine 1817.....\$.10
 Old Paper Money, Bill of 1817 "Hudson" .10
MORE YET!! TRY 'EM.

A. C. McDONALD, BOX 1440
BUTTE CITY, MONTANA.

Baden, 6 v. ....	.20
Holland, 6 v. ....	.20
Italy, 9 v. ....	.25
Norway, 1856, 4 v. ....	.25
St. Helena, 4 v. ....	.80
Sweden, 7 v. ....	.25

The smaller ads on page 3 of cover, the first was devoted to albums—Lallier's 7th Ed. at \$5.00, half morocco \$6.50, and Appleton's, cloth, \$3.50, and morocco, \$5.00, and Appleton's pocket Album, 2d Ed., \$1.00; the second to Confederate stamps being "Have now for sale a few of the extremely rare Confederate states stamps, one-cent orange, head of Calhoun, and ten-cent carmine, head of General Beauregard, which they will sell cheap. This latter was the fraudulent stamp which is noted at length in my article in the World reviewing the first volume of the Stamp Collector's Mercury. The ad of Scott on the last page of the cover is a simple general business announcement. The third page of the cover also contains a full column ad of the paper and a two-inch ad of Young & Stockwell, 17 South Castle street, Liverpool, Eng. On the last page, beside Scott's ad, the N. Y. Philatelic Society use nearly a column and C. K. Jones & Co., Manchester, Eng.; W. Knowles Freeman, Box 2258, New York; A. E. Finkell, 79 Nassau street, New York, and Charles F. De Burns, 104 Wall street, New York, dealer in autographs and Continental paper money, each have squares.

The May number opens with the society's proceedings and is followed by a two-page list of new issues. Among the stamps noted are a new set for Canada, of which it is said, "Contrary to the general expecta-

tion, they are manufactured by the British and North American Bank Note Co. of Ottawa, and it must be acknowledged they do them great credit"; set of Azores, set for Bolivia and one for Orange Free State. Under "States of the Church" we find, "we notice that the stamps received by the last mail from Rome are perforated; a much needed im-

BETTER BUY
60° Bureau Print
NEWSPAPER
A RARITY

Unused o. g. perfect only . . \$12.50
EBEN S. MARTIN, Minneapolis, Minn.

SAYMON'S MAGAZINE

A monthly magazine devoted to Literature and Philately.
Subscription 25c a year or four months trial 10c.

JOSEPH SAYMON, Publisher,
12 West 117th St. - New York.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp
Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " " Interleaved.....	2.00	2.16

International Postage

Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

		Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25	
" " " " Cloth,....	.40	

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

provement," and under United States, "The 9 cent envelope stamp of recent issue has changed its color from dull lemon to deep orange. We think the alteration is a decided improvement."

"The First Postal Legislation in the state of Vermont," is the title of the article which occupies nearly all of page twenty, the act which I copy being printed in fine type. It was passed in February, 1784, seven years before Vermont's admission as a state. The act reads:

WHEREAS, The business promulgating the laws, conveying timely notice to the freeman of the state of all proprietary proceedings, and other matters of importance to the public, can in no other way be effected so extensively, and attended with so little expense as by the appointment of regular posts for the purpose of conveying to all parts of this state.

BE IT ENACTED, ETC., That there be five postoffices established within this state, one in Bennington, one in Rutland, one in Brattleboro, one in Windsor, and one in Newbury, under such regulations as are established for the government of postoffices in the United States.

That the post rider from Bennington to Brattleboro be allowed three pence per mile travel, and those on each of the other routes two cents per mile; and that the postmaster be directed to keep a regular account of all profits and emoluments arising out of this measure and exhibit the same to His Excellency the Governor and the Honorable Council of the state when requested.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That until further order of this legislature the post

riders of the several offices shall be entitled to an exclusive right of carriage, and enjoy the advantage of fees arising from the carriage of letters and packets of every kind, and that the rates of postage be the same as in the United States.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That no person presume to ride on either of the routes of such established posts, for the purpose of carrying letter packets or such matter particularly within the province of such established posts to carry, on the penalty of paying the sum of £10 to and for the use of any postmaster who shall prosecute the same to effect for every such offence.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That his Excellency the Governor and such other persons as the legislature shall in the future authorize, shall have authority to frank any letters or packets, for which letters or packets no postage shall be demanded."

This is succeeded by a readable article on "The Brazilian Post Office." It would seem from this article that at this time there was very little system in the postal system, the letters being arranged in piles from their points of shipment and canvassed in turn by persons expecting mail from these localities.

(To be Continued.)

A CURIOSITY OF HISTORIC INTEREST

A limited number of Genuine and Original BALLOTS cast Nov. 6 1861, for JEFFERSON DAVIS. Each Ballot has the name of voter who cast it, written across the back. Unsurpassed as a relic of the "Lost Cause!" Every G. A. R. Post should have one framed.

Price: One Dollar

A. W. DUNNING, Wilton, N.H.

STATE \$5.00

A Beautiful Copy of this Rarity

\$100⁰⁰

An Opportunity Seldom Offered

EBEN S. MARTIN

16-20 North 4th St., Minneapolis, Minn.



Send me a money order for \$1.00 and I will send you the following Cuban stamps. Numbers 12, 13, 24, 25, 47, 48, 52, 56, 59, 60, 61, 63, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 76, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 97, 98, 99, 102, 104, 106, 107, 109, 110, 112, 113, 115, 116, 118, 119, 122, 124,

127, 127a, 128, 131, 137, 121, 148, 151, 152, 163, 419, 425, 56, unused, 2 used. Catalog value over \$5.00. My price \$1.00.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Russia 1-3 1/2 and 7 Roubles
Catalogue \$4.95: \$2.50

EBEN S. MARTIN,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby. Articles by the best authors on stamps and entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Lebanon, 1894, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat.....	\$1.89
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2 1/2 gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl, fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 50c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free, Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,
1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the **AAA**

American
Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/4 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 25 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

NOTICE.

In my adv. of last issue I made a mistake. Instead of 100 Perfect Hinges to the first five sending 25c for 100 of those fine stamps it should have been 1000. To make up for this I will sell "Perfect" Hinges for a short time at the following rates:

1000.....	\$.08
2000.....	.15
3000.....	.19
5000.....	.27

THOS. L. HOSMER,
3415 7th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "THE PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.
10 blank Approval Books, 10c.
100 Approval Sheets, 15c.
Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 40. Whole No. 49. Minneapolis, Minn. October 7, 1903 Weekly

CHICAGO NOTES.

W. H. Adams.

The recent cool weather has started the season off in fine shape. Local dealers all report an excellent trade. The young dealers who sell their stock through agents in the different public schools claim that the demand has never before been so large.

Some very nice lots will be offered in the next auction sale of the Chicago Philatelic Society. As this is the first local sale of the fall season and as general conditions are so favorable, it is probable that the number of bids received will be large.

Stories of "vacation finds" are still coming in. A local collector is exhibiting an unsevered pair of the 6c orange Proprietary which he claims to have discovered on a bottle in the attic of the farmhouse where he spent a couple of weeks this summer. When questioned as to the size of the bottle and the label thereon, he became confused, and, as he is well fixed in this world's goods, the general opinion is that he secured the stamps through the usual medium, i. e., greenbacks.

An occasional letter reaches Chicago from Mr. R. Robinson, who gave up his stamp business here to accept a position on a newspaper in Winnipeg, Canada, some time ago. Bob seems to be happy and states that he still finds time to conduct his stamp business in his new location in addition to his newspaper work.

A collection of between five and six thousand stamps, of which over half were unused, was sold here recently

for \$250.00. The purchaser is well pleased, as the face value of the unused stamps alone amounted to about 75 per cent of the purchase price.

Many collectors in Chicago have added foreign revenues to their list. It is claimed that one gentleman in Chicago has nearly six thousand of these interesting stamps after having collected them for only six months. Considerable interest is also being shown in foreign stamped envelopes.

The wholesale reduction in U. S. cut-square envelopes, as shown by the advance sheets of the new catalogue, has met with general disapproval in Chicago. In view of the fact that many of these stamps have been unobtainable heretofore at full catalogue prices, collectors who are interested in them are wholly at a loss to account for the cut. Undoubtedly a few envelopes have been priced too high in the past, but in the new catalogue the innocent and the guilty have received the axe without any apparent discrimination.



HOW HAWAIIAN STAMPS DEPICT THE HISTORY OF THEIR COUNTRY.

By E. R. Steinbrueck.

Not every stamp collector may be called a philatelist, that is true. But the one who peruses his stamps in a reasonable manner draws wisdom and widens the horizon of knowledge for himself and others in many different ways through such study of his stamp collection, is truly a follower of the

modern science called philately.

The outside world looks with indifference at stamp collecting, or considers with a kind of commiseration our hobby a mere folly, or at least an idle and expensive pastime. Therefore it seems to me proper, meanwhile communicating part of the result of my studies to my fellow-philatelists, to open the eyes of the "innocent" (so I call the outsider) and to prove through our philatelic papers the solid fact that stamp collecting in a scientific manner is really the most successful promoter of necessary and useful instruction, equal if not superior to the best, cheeriest and dearest teacher.

The study of the history of the world is one of the foremost scientific branches of philately.

Let us take up our album and looking, for example, over the stamps of Hawaii, these stamps speak to us in their pictures, telling us the history of these remarkable islands from the very days they became notorious.

Previous to any issue of postage stamps, from 1789-1819, there ruled as first sovereign over these islands a wise and powerful king in Hawaii, called Kamehameha I, the Great. He gathered all the smaller islands surrounding to one large realm under his scepter, regulated their administration and opened and promoted an extensive and important trade with other seafaring nations. In commemoration of this great and clever statesman his statue in later years was erected at Honolulu, the reproduction of which we have on the 25 cents dark violet of 1883 (No. 47), on the 5 cents rose lake of 1894 (No. 76), and on the 5 cents blue of 1899 (No. 82).

After him his son Kamehameha II ascended the throne. He ruled but five years, from 1819 to 1824. Though he accomplished a greater aim than

even his great father, strange to say, we find no picture of his on the stamps of Hawaii, no stamps having been used in his time and no statue having been cast or modeled in his commemoration. Nevertheless he lives forth in the memory of his people, for he introduced Christianity and converted them, savages, into human beings.

The next king was a brother of the former, and was called Kamehameha III. During his long reign of thirty

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

Yankee Peelable Hinges

NOT ENGLISH NOT GERMAN

1000 12 cents Post free. 5000 50 cents Post free.

STRONG PAPER. TASTELESS GUM.

W. F. GREGORY, 65 Nassau St. N. Y.

The Virginia Philatelist

The Best and Brightest of the monthlies. Now in sixth year of publication. Only one South. Subscription 50c per year. Advertisements 40c per inch. Sample copy free.

Virginia Philatelic Publishing Co.,

P. O. BOX 124, RICHMOND, VA.

IF YOU EXAMINE

the catalogue carefully of Wolsieffers 38th sale to be held October 10th, you will find that it contains more stamps that you need for your collection than you at first glance thought it did. Don't overlook the fine U. S. Hawaii splendid lot of Revenues, interesting lots by Countries and the

DOZEN COLLECTIONS

contained in this sale.

Next sale will be one of the popular Chicago Philatelic Society sales October 24th, and like all others it will contain the usual popular style stamps. Catalogue of all sales free.

UNITED STAMP CO., 1149 Marquette, Chicago, N. B.—The next Wolsieffer sale will contain a nice line of "Proofs" etc.

years, from 1824 to 1854, he gave the first constitution to his country and effected the recognition of sovereignty and of the self-dependence of his kingdom of Hawaii among the great powers of the Orient and the Occident. Great Britain, France, Belgium and the United States were the first to acknowledge. The picture of Kamehameha III. we find reproduced in a coarse, primitive style on the stamps so much coveted on the 5 cents blue (Nos. 5, 8 and 9), and on the 13 cents dark red (No. 6) of 1853, the first stamps Hawaii issued.

A nephew of the two former, the oldest son of the only sister of them, followed on the throne as Kamehameha IV. He ruled from 1854 to 1863, nine years. His father was Kekuanoa, minister of state and governor, whose likeness we see on the 18 cents (K-neta) dull rose of 1864-71 (No. 34).

Kamehameha IV. was a wise ruler, loved and respected by his subjects as well as by foreigners. He took in marriage an English girl for his wife, Emma Rooke, in the year 1856. While the king's picture appears on the 2 cents pale rose lithographed (Nos. 27 and 28), and on the 2 cents red engraved (No. 29) of 1861, his lovely wife is not remembered till in years afterwards on the one dollar value rose red (No. 49) 1883-86.

Kamehameha IV. was succeeded by his brother, Kamehameha V., from 1863-1872. He amended the old constitution to the better, more exact, more liberal, more in conformity with the progress of civilization and with the rights of men and the substance in main of this constitution is maintained up to the present time.

The 5 cents blue on bluish of 1865 (No. 32), the 6 cents yellow green (No. 33), and the 5 cents ultra marine

(No. 39) of 1882, show to us his image.

Princess Kamamalu, sister to the two last kings of the name of Kamehameha, had her features immortalized on the 1 cent purple of 1871 (No. 30).

After the death of the great Kamehamehas, no heirs to the throne having been provided for by the royal parents, next in succession was Lunalilo, grandson to the first king. He lived only two years after his coronation, and there is nothing worth mentioning about his royal career. His likeness is preserved to posterity on the 50 cents red of 1883 (No. 48).

King Kaluhau then ruled from 1874-1891. He, on the 2 cents brown of 1875 (No. 35), on the 2 cents lilac rose of 1882 (No. 38) and on the 2 cents rose of 1884 (No. 43), represents to us the very picture of a gourmandizer and a man given to the world. Otherwise a very good hearted fellow and well liked by his people. He needed money for his own purposes and that desire brought on corruption. His prime minister, by the name of Gibson, having the same leaning, worked for him the machine of state to their own enrichment. The people revolted, Gibson had to be dismissed and another man, Greene, was chosen in his place. The constitution was altered by the demands of the nation and royalty had to suffer some curtailing. He died finally, leaving the country in a state of fermentation, the dawn of liberty rising in the East. Kalakua's wife, called Kapiolani, appears on the 15 cents red brown of 1882 (No. 41).

Continued on page 253

Johore 1892, 3 on 5c	\$.28
Johore 1890, 3 on 6c .....	.17
Seychelles 1904, 3 on 16c .....	.25
Hawaii, 18c Rose Fine .....	.35
Persia, Scott's Nos. 169, 170, 173, 174 .....	.15
Fine approvals, Beginners a Specialty.	

WM. H. HUSH, Station J., Baltimore, Md.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Now is just the time to subscribe. Why delay?

Wm. v. d. Wettern has issued a new wholesale list, dated Oct. 1.

Another Chicago Philatelic Society auction is slated for the 24th.

On Oct. 15 B. L. Drew & Co. will hold an auction sale in New York, especially rich in old Germans and Switzerland.

The Stanley Gibbons Catalog this year will appear in two volumes, the additions being so numerous as to cause too large a bulk for a single one.

T. Merritt Gifford, of New Bedford, Mass., has disposed of his stock and stamp business to F. P. Brown, of Boston.

Mr. F. J. Lefevre, of Chicago, has decided to place his superb collection on the market at private sale. It numbers 14,000 varieties.

Mr. E. A. Hill, of Fort Gibson, Ind. Ter., has favored us with a local paper with an interesting sketch of that historic point.

Marks Stamp Co., of Toronto, have issued a "special clearance price" list, No. 27, which contains an abundance of bargains for the dealer.

The 4c current issue has been used precancelled at Minneapolis, a four and a three this year franking the fall catalog of "Donaldson's Glass Block."

A successful philatelic exhibition was held the fore part of last month at Buenos Ayres under the auspices of the Argentine Philatelic Society.

The Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly announces that the T. A. B. EDINR cancellation which may be found on the £1 English stamps is that of "Telegraphs Account Branch, Edinburgh, and stamps thus used are not postage, but telegrams.

The collection of the late Wm. Alexander Smith, Jr., will be sold at auction in New York this fall. The collection is so extensive that it will be divided into two sales, each covering four days.

One hundred and thirty-eight years ago today the "anti stamp act congress" was convened in New York, and various protests and remonstrances in reference to that celebrated law were adopted at later sessions.

Through some mistake an old editorial note which was crowded out of the Clayton number, but which had not got distributed back into the cases, got on the live galley and was run in the last number.

A new issue is promised for the Danish West Indies, to appear upon the king's 40th anniversary of ascending the throne. Six hundred sheets

have been ordered of one and two cent value, three hundred of the four, five and eight, and fifty of the twelve and fifty, making a total of twenty-two hundred sheets.

The officers of the Sydney (New South Wales) Philatelic Society, as chosen at a recent meeting, are: President, Mr. A. F. Bassett Hull; Vice-President, Mr. A. H. Pettifer; Treasurer, Mr. J. J. Whitney; Librarian, Mr. C. A. Gilles; Exchange Superintendent, Mr. F. Hagen; Honorable Secretary, Mr. J. H. Smyth; Committee, Messrs. Himmelhoch, Waddington, Van Weenan, W. A. Hull and F. J. Ridley.

The trial of A. B. Creeke and W. J. Richards, indicted for being in possession of certain government stamps fraudulently mutilated, was tried on Sept. 11 and 12 in London, Eng., and resulted in their being found guilty and sentenced to six months each; and this terminates this sad though interesting chapter in the life of one of England's philatelic authorities.

Ewen's Weekly reproduces the following from the Financial Times: "The Colonial report issued the other day on the Turks and Caicos Islands shows a falling off of over 43 per cent in the postal revenue during the past year. From such a heavy decline it might be assumed that letter writing had gone out of fashion in the colony, or that a boycott had been established against the postoffice, but this is not the explanation. It is simply that stamp collectors no longer purchased stamps, as the old issue had been completely sold out, and the present series of stamps has been in use for some two years."



How Hawaiian Stamps Depict the History of Their Country.

Continued from page 251.

In the year 1891 the former's sister

succeeded, the brother leaving no offspring. Her name is Liliuokalani, and her face adorns the 2 cents dull violet of 1889-91 (No. 52). She was of the same metal as her brother, Kalakua, and repeated the same schemes in which he so ill succeeded. She was even severer on her European subjects. The nation lost patience and loyalty to the destructors of their country. The queen was dethroned, a republic proclaimed, and the first plans were laid to seek shelter under the wings of the mighty white headed eagle of U. S., and we have the surcharged stamps of the provisional government.

Of members related to the royal house we find only two more portraits, Prince Leleohoku, on the 12 cents black of 1875 (No. 36), and on the 12 cents red lilac of 1883 (No. 46), and Princess Likelike, on the 1 cent blue of 1882 (No. 37), brother and sister to Liliuokalani.

The other fellow in the brass mounted harness on the 10 cents black of 1882 (No. 40), and of the 10 cents red

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps 

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers..... .10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Ill.

brown and 10 cents vermilion of 1883-86 (Nos. 45 and 46), did not come of royal blood and is of no interest to us in the historical part of Hawaii.

Further on we have the stamps of the Republic of Hawaii.

There are a few errors in the surcharge of the provisional stamps (No. 61a) with red surcharge instead of black, and No. 66a with black instead of red surcharge. That is the reason they are not quoted in Scott's catalog and may demand a fancy figure for their rarity. It is known so far that but one sheet of each variety, numbering fifty stamps each, was issued by mistake.



THE ENGLISH CELEBRITIES.

For some time past *Hobbies* has been conducting a voting contest to determine whom, in their readers' opinion, should be honored with places on the English postage stamps in case the time should ever come to change the time honored design of the ruler's head. The result was: ½d, Horatio Nelson; 1d, Queen Victoria; 1½d, Lord Robert Clive; 2d General Gordon; 2½d, Captain Cook; 3d Grace Darling; 4d General Wolf; 5d William Wilberforce; 6d Wm. E. Gladstone; 9d, Duke of Wellington; 10d, David Livingstone; 1s, William Shakespeare; 2s 6d, Henry M. Stanley; 5s, Lord Rodney; 10s, Queen Elizabeth; £1, Wm. Pitt, Earl of Chatham; £5 Sir Walter Scott.

This list would hardly be the one which an American vote on the same subject would indicate, and it can be well doubted if it would be the one which a general English vote would also adopt.



IN 1868.

Veda.

Continued from last issue.

In concluding the article the follow-

ing from a work on Brazil by Kidder and Fletcher is quoted: "In general, the civilities which a person will receive at the post office in Rio de Janeiro are in happy contrast with the sullen and boorish indifference sometimes experienced at similar places in the United States."

A page and a half is given up to correspondence, two letters appearing, one—from G. A., Memphis, Tenn.—lauding the paper, and the other—from Charles Johnson—criticising the article by the lady collector in the last number. In it he says:

BETTER BUY 60¢ Bureau Print NEWSPAPER A RARITY

Unused o. g. perfect only . . \$12.50
EBEN S. MARTIN, Minneapolis, Minn.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather	1.25	1.35
" " Interleaved	2.00	2.16

International Postage Stamp Albums.

18th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in
1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards, . . . \$.25	
" " " " Cloth, . . . . .	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

"I think it must be apparent to all that the chronological arrangement is the only one by which a strict order and classification can be maintained and this is the idea I have adopted. Instead of mounting all the emissions of the same country together, I should place all the stamps according to the year they were issued, this might be arranged still further chronologically, in the order in which they came out during the year, or, as it will perhaps be difficult with some of the earlier issues to ascertain this with sufficient accuracy, either geographically or alphabetically, according to the taste and fancy of the party collecting. In this way we would have a complete history of the country the stamps represent, handed down to us by the specimens themselves from year to year as time rolls on."

The Editor's Mail Bag follows from the first item relative to the "grill" on U. S. stamps. It says: "The ninety cent (which it would seem had not yet been issued in this shape) will be of considerable rarity, as they will only run till August, when the new set will be issued. (It was not until the Feb., 1869, number that the grilled 90 was announced as issued.)

We also find in this item, "We have a few specimens in various colours, printed from a wood block in imitation of the present three cent. They are printed on thinner paper than the last issue, and the colours are fugitive. We have also seen them on coloured paper. They were

engraved by order of the Government by the National Bank Note Co. of New York."

The following poetic address is given:

Bostmaster, blese to sent him
straight.

Ben-sy-vany is der staight;
Old Venango, dat's der gounty,
Vere oil bours out mit Hefen's
Pounty.

Franklin, she's der gounty seat.
Der Bost office on Liberty street;
Sharley Daylor, he's der man;
Send dis yust so quick you can.

In the advertising pages one new applicant for popular favor appears. The Great American Stamp Co., Box No. 32, Brooklyn, N. Y., who has a card on first page of cover (where they offer to fill orders from other dealers' lists at ten per cent discount), and who occupy the entire space of the inside of the back cover, where packets are listed—thirty-three different ones being listed.

(To be Continued.)

STATE \$5.00

A Beautiful Copy of this Rarity

\$100⁰⁰

An Opportunity Seldom Offered

EBEN S. MARTIN

16-20 North 4th St., Minneapolis, Minn.



Send me a money order for \$1.00 and I will send you the following Cuban stamps. Numbers 12, 1, 24, 25, 47, 48, 52, 56, 59, 60, 61, 63, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 76, 79, 80, 82, 85, 88, 89, 90, 92, 94, 97, 98, 99, 102, 104, 106, 107, 109, 110, 112, 113, 115, 116, 118, 119, 122, 124,

127, 127a, 128, 131, 137, 121, 148, 151, 152, 163, 419, 425, 56, unused, 2 used. Catalog value over \$5.00. My price \$1.00.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Russia 1-3½ and 7 Roubles
Catalogue \$4.95: \$2.50

EBEN S. MARTIN,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby. Articles by the best authors on stamps and entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent for every other two.

Spoolmen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1896, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, ½, 1, 2, 2½ d o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1898, complete set unused cat. \$1.89.....	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1899, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1886, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.05
" " 2½gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl, fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official. No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 5c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the **AAA**

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight ¼ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

SAYMON'S MAGAZINE

A monthly magazine devoted to Literature and Philately.

Subscription 25c a year or four months trial 10c.

JOSEPH SAYMON, Publisher,

12 West 117th St. - New York.

A CURIOSITY OF HISTORIC INTEREST

A limited number of Genuine and Original BALLOTS cast Nov. 8 1861, for JEFFERSON DAVIS. Each Ballot has the name of voter who cast it, written across the back. Unsurpassed as a relic of the "Lost Cause!" Every G. A. R. Post should have one framed.

Price: One Dollar

A. W. DUNNING, Wilton, N.H.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.

10 blank Approval Books, 10c.

100 Approval Sheets, 15c.

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 41. Whole No. 50. Minneapolis, Minn. October 14, 1903 Weekly

CHICAGO NOTES.

W. H. Adams.

The auction sale of the Chicago Philatelic Society, held on the evening of Sept. 26th, was well attended and, as a rule, good prices were realized.

Mr. Eben S. Martin, of Minneapolis, was a visitor at the Chicago Philatelic Society meeting held Thursday evening, October 1st. Mr. Martin gave a short talk on philatelic conditions in the Twin Cities which was interesting.

Among the out-of-town visitors to the Chicago Centennial celebration this week have been a few stamp collectors, who have taken advantage of the opportunity to inspect some of the magnificent stocks held by local dealers.

A revival of interest is being shown in certain stamps which have not been generally popular for some time past. This is notably the case with the stamps of Mexico, nine copies of the medium-priced varieties finding a ready sale at very fair prices. This condition is but one more indication of the general increase in interest which is so manifest in philately this season.

A local collector has a copy of the current 1c green on manilla U. S. wrapper, with the date "1790" to the right of the name "Franklin" entirely missing. This is undoubtedly due to a defect in printing, although the finder was under the impression at first that he had discovered a rare example of an incomplete die.

Late correspondence from Mr. R. Robinson, formerly proprietor of the Randolph Stamp Company, Chicago, contains the information that he is located at St. Boniface, Manitoba, a small town near Winnipeg, and is conducting his stamp business under the old name. Mr. Robinson is engaged in newspaper work in Winnipeg and is assisted by Mrs. Robinson in conducting his stamp business. The many friends which he made in Chicago and elsewhere will be pleased to learn that he is meeting with great success in his new field.

A local collector of U. S. and Colonies possesses an alleged 2c Guam in which the surcharge reads "Guan." The owner and others who have seen the stamp are of the opinion that the surcharge is a fake, as such an error has never been reported or recorded to the knowledge of the local experts in such matters.

Mr. F. J. Lefever has announced that he will break up his collection, which ranks among the best in the city and contains about 14,000 varieties. Mr. Lefever states that he will retain his collection of United States, which is magnificent, and that he also intends to specialize in one or two other directions.

The Wolsieffer auction which will be held here on the evening of Oct. 10th contains some particularly fine stamps. The Hawaiians are especially noteworthy, including several of the early numerals which are seldom offered at auction.

The meeting of the Chicago branch of the A. P. A. on Thursday evening, 8th inst., was fairly well attended. Mr. H. W. Wolseley exhibited his specialized collection of Straits Settlements which furnished a great treat to the members present. The collection is practically complete, including all of the minor varieties of surcharges, shades, misplaced type, etc. Mr. Wolseley accompanied the exhibit with an exceedingly interesting and instructive talk in regard to the Straits Settlements issues.

Mrs. L. C. Aldrich, of Benson, Minn., has been a visitor in the city this week.

A local collector reports having received three different auction catalogues from the east in one mail. It is evident, from this, that our friends on the Atlantic Coast are booming things.

Some of Chicago's leading philatelic lights are making a strong push for a universal philatelic button. Mr. Jno. J. Oesch stated at the last meeting of the A. P. A. branch that the Chicago Philatelic Society button which he wears had attracted the attention of an old-time collector who had sold his collection many years ago. This man was a stranger to Mr. Oesch, but the button led him to introduce himself and as the result of the conversation which followed Mr. Oesch sold him \$5.00 worth of stamps on the spot and he once more joined the ranks of active collectors. Mr. Oesch believes that a universal stamp button would result in adding many members to the great stamp collecting brotherhood, and this opinion is strongly supported by many other collectors in Chicago.

CLERKING FOR UNCLE SAM ON THE FAST MAIL.

By W. A. Dahle.

Probably little if any credit is given to our railway clerks. Wonderful developments have recently been made in the system employed by the United States government in the reception and distribution of the tons of mail matter daily poured into the many branches of the postal department, and handled by its thousands of employes through the country.

Probably no department of the mail service has been recipient of more attention at the hands of postal experts than the one working in operation on the railroad lines of the country.

With the gradual increase in the time schedule of transportation within the last fifty years there has been a corresponding improvement on the part of the postal department

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Watertown, N. Y.

Yankee Peelable Hinges

NOT ENGLISH NOT GERMAN

1000 12 cents Post free. 5000 50 cents Post free.

STRONG PAPER. TASTELESS GUM.

W. F. GREGORY, 65 Nassau St. N. Y.

The Virginia Philatelist

The Best and Brightest of the monthlies. Now in sixth year of publication. Only one South. Subscription 30c per year. Advertisements 40c per inch. Sample copy free.

Virginia Philatelic Publishing Co.,

P. O. BOX 124, RICHMOND, VA.

in the equipment of this all-important factor of the great system.

The most interesting feature of this system of receiving and transmitting mail is to be seen in the interior of a railroad mail car.

To the curiously inclined passenger who has arrived at the Union Station ten or fifteen minutes before train No. 5 of the Iron Mountain Route pulls out on its nightly run to Texas and the South the two mail cars at the front end of the long train are often a matter of interesting study, and at the same time of vague and uncertain speculation.

The mail clerk receives his appointment through the Civil Service Department at Washington. After the formality of satisfying the "powers that be" has been gone through with, the applicant is put through a mental examination in such grammar school studies as arithmetic, geography, writing, composition and spelling. If he has succeeded in obtaining an average of 70 per cent or higher in examination, his name is placed on the list of eligibles.

Selections are made from this list to fill vacancies. Let us suppose that our mail clerk whom we are to accompany on his first night run is a young man from the country.

He has received his second yellow envelope from the department. The first told him of his success in becoming eligible. This one orders him to report for duty to the chief clerk on train 5 of the Iron Mountain Route. No particular uniform is necessary in the new field of labor on which he is entering. Nor is any previous experience in railroad mail service required. What our new man needs most of all in his new

vocation is a good pair of eyes, a strong, steady nerve, plenty of endurance and an ordinary amount of well-developed brain tissue.

Our new clerk proceeds to the mail car, his breast heaving the while with various emotions. The sensation from some points of view is of the pleasant odor. From other points of view, the feelings excited are too much akin to anxiety to admit of pleasant reflection.

The car is soon found, coupled to the tender of the engine. This in itself is a significant fact, inasmuch as it is a way the railroad company has of protecting the rest of the train in case of a head-on collision. In other words, it is the case where the lives of the few are to be sacrificed for the many. Our new clerk has met with his first surprise, and one tinged with just the least bit of foreboding.

The chief clerk has been sought and found. The formality of the handshake may be indulged in while mutual introductions are being exchanged. Then, again the formality may be waived, with a quick nod and a "Howdy."

The new man is put to work, placing stanchions and setting up the rack which holds the open mail bags. The bustle about him soon makes him realize that he is now in quite a different atmosphere from that of hurrying passengers and comfortably cushioned seats. Men outside pile in the bags of mail from the station. Those marked

Continued on page 261

Johore 1892, 3 on 5c	\$.28
Johore 1892, 3 on 6c .....	.17
Seychelles 1904, 3 on 16c .....	.25
Hawaii, 18c Rose Fine .....	.35
Persia, Scott's Nos. 169, 170, 173, 174 .....	.15
Fine approvals, Beginners a Specialty.	

WM. H. HUSH, Station J., Baltimore, Md.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Better conclude to join the American Philatelic Association.

The Bogert-Durbin Co. open their Philadelphia sales season with an auction on Oct. 17.

The Milwaukee society will in the near future hold an exhibit of uncatalogued varieties.

With the October number the Adhesive ceases to be the official organ of the American Fiscal Society.

Mr. F. L. Smith reports the 1c, 1902 precancelled for Belle Plain, Iowa.

Pittsburg has at last been heard from in the secretary's report of the American. It is in the resignation column, tho'.

Especially rich in the scarce "Sydney views" will be the November Wolsieffer sale. Better send now for a catalog.

One hundred and twenty-nine years ago today the Continental Congress decided to pass a declaration of rights.

The paragrapher of the St. Paul Daily News observes that "a letter remains stationary until you put a stamp on it."

It is stated that a New York collector recently paid \$600 for a collection of seven thousand varieties of revenues.

The annual general meeting of the American Fiscal Philatelic Society will be held on Friday at the Collectors' Club Building in New York.

W. Webster, 11 Leonard Street, Derby, England, has issued the first number of a neat little paper. The Stamp Mount, one shilling for twelve issues.

Capt. Henry A. Castle resigned last week as auditor of the postal department and his friends are urging him to accept the Republican nomination for mayor of St. Paul.

Chicago now has a stamp. It is not a postage stamp but it means revenue, for it is an official seal. It is said that Cook county, for which this new seal was recently made has been without one for over sixty years.

Two hundred and sixty-eight of the six hundred lots offered in Tuttle's 63d sale, to be held in New York on Oct. 24 are stamps from Cuba, Philippines and Porto Rico. Many cut provisional and similar pieces will attract the specialist's attention.

With the current number Ex-President Geo. L. Toppan of the American Philatelic Association becomes associate editor of the American Journal of Philately. The pa-

per is to be congratulated on the addition of such an able philatelic student to its staff.

In the last report of the secretary of the Canadian Philatelic Society fifty-five members are dropped for non-payment of dues. As two of the names included are of deceased philatelists whose death has been widely announced, it would look as tho getting dropped were the only way to leave this society.

In writing to Mr. E. A. Hill of Fort Gibson, Indian Territory, Mr. Theo. Siddall says:

"It takes weeks to get from one island to the other. There are cannibals living within 150 miles of here who never saw a white man. By the way, one thing you should see and that is the Philippine exhibit at the World's Fair. I have seen most of it, and it will be worth going to see. Don't miss it, for it will open your eyes."



Clerking for Uncle Sam

Continued from page 259.

"straight" or "through" are put aside as they are not to be opened on the train. Most of those thrown in, however, are bags of "working mail," and it is on these that the clerks will soon begin.

Finally there is much hurrying to and fro on the platform. The last "drop" from the office arrives. The last sack is flung in the open doorway of the mail car. A far away gong clangs the warning double stroke. "All aboard!" echoes and re-echoes among the lofty steel arches of the station. The conductor flings high his lantern and our clerk is off on his first trip in a mail car.


Inside the car, the older clerks have quietly settled down to their usual task of deciphering thousands of different handwritings and placing the letters, one by one, in their

proper boxes. As soon as a box is filled, the letters are removed and formed into neat bundles—all this before the first junction is reached. As the new clerk stands amazed at the various acrobatic feats executed in this process, he begins to understand why mail clerks have thin faces and carry such a preoccupied air.

Like so many human automatons the clerks are now veritably devouring the mass of mail before them. Their movements, lightning-like in their rapidity, yet always accompanied by that same unerring accuracy, are truly a revelation to the uninitiated clerk as he gazes on the scene with wonder and awe depicted on his countenance, while the dizzy swaying and pitching of the train and the dull, angry roar of the pounding drivers of the engine, not twenty feet away, add to the strangeness of the sensation.

The powerful engine is responding fiercely now to the 200 pounds of steam let through the wide-open throttle, into its great double cylinder, and the long train is being whirled along at the rate of sixty miles an hour. And still those flying hands are wading through the long rows of letters.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps 

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers..... 10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee,     Illinois.

BIRTHDAY NUMBER

NOVEMBER FOURTH

WE WILL CELEBRATE THE ISSUING
OF OUR PAPER FOR FIFTY-TWO
WEEKS WITHOUT A SKIP BY A
LARGE TWENTY PAGE BIRTHDAY
NUMBER ❁ ❁ ❁ ❁ ❁ ❁ ❁ ❁ ❁ ❁

FOUR TIMES USUAL CIRCULATION

Rates the Same

Printed in Colors

It's Worth While

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

Minneapolis, ❁ Minnesota

Suddenly a quick blast of the engine's whistle arouses the clerk and directs his attention to the most exciting feature of the night's run. The local clerk is about to exchange mail pouches at the flag station while the train is running at full speed.

He has already prepared and locked a catcher pouch, and at the sound of the whistle he springs to the door, takes a quick look ahead through the narrow glass window, and at what he judges to be the right moment flings the pouch far out on the station platform.

The next instant he lifts the arm of the receiving apparatus attached to the doorway of the car, and with a sharp report like a pistol shot, the pouch is snatched from the crane close to the track.

The pouch is then hauled into the car, unlocked, emptied and its contents distributed. Before the whistle sounds again the clerk has another ready to fling out into the darkness, and the same operation is repeated with the catcher arm. Thus the night wears on. One new clerk has held out as long as tired nature can in the face of the trying experience through which he has already been compelled to pass, and as the early dawn finds the train rushing through the Arkansas lowlands our mail clerk lies down to sleep, as only the exhausted can sleep. His couch is made of the unyielding surfaces of piled-up mail pouches.

The work of the regular crew goes wearily on. At noon they unload the result of the trip's work in the shape of thousands of pounds of pouches and sacks containing mail made up to cities and railroad lines all over the great state of Texas.

They have spent about nineteen hours in work that is strenuous in all the term implies, with scarcely any food or stimulant, save generous draughts of strong coffee, to keep tired nature from nodding off even over the filling sacks. They rest now till midnight again, when, re-enforced with a hearty meal, they begin the return trip, collecting mail

and preparing it to be handled by the lines running north, east and west from St. Louis.

The question has often been asked as to why the government requires its railroad postal employes to work so many hours in succession. No one can answer that question better than the employe himself. On a through line there is no other way out of the difficulty. The run once entered upon, could hardly be completed by another crew, except with very great difficulty.

In return, the mail clerk asks for a long rest between trips, and this the government willingly grants.

BETTER BUY
60° Bureau Print
NEWSPAPER
A RARITY

Unused o. g. perfect only . . \$12.50
EBEN S. MARTIN, Minneapolis, Minn.

Now Ready
Standard Postage Stamp
Catalogue for 1903.

	Post Free	
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
“ “ Leather.....	1.25	1.35
“ “ “ Interleaved.....	2.00	2.16

International Postage
Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in
1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free	
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25	
“ “ “ “ Cloth,....	.40	

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y



Send me a money order for \$1.00 and I will send you the following Cuban stamps. Numbers 12, 1, 24, 25, 47, 48, 52, 56, 59, 60 61 63, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 76, 78, 80, 82, 85, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 97, 98, 99, 102, 104, 106, 107, 109, 110, 112, 118, 115, 116, 118, 119, 122, 124

127, 127a, 128, 131, 137, 121, 148, 151, 152, 163, 419, 425, 56, unused, 2 used. Catalog value over \$5.00. My price \$1.00.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Russia 1-3½ and 7 Roubles
Catalogue \$4.95: \$2.50

EBEN S. MARTIN,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

The Brightest and Best
MAGAZINE

PLEASANT PASTIMES

A Magazine for every Sport and Hobby. Articles by the best authors on stamps and entires, Picture Postcards, Amateur Photography, Holiday Travel, Coin, Crest and Curio Collecting, etc., etc.

2/6 Per Annum Post Free. Circulated all over the World.

Advertisements 12 words one cent and one cent for every other two.

Specimen Copy 5c Post Free.

PLEASANT PASTIMES, 6 Bradley Street,
Burnt Tree, Lipton Staffs, ENGLAND.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, ½, 1, 2, 2½d o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat.....	\$1.89 .60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1899, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2½cl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl, fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1896, \$1, black, fine.....	.32
" Omaha, 50c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

Join the **AAA**

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight ½ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

SAYMON'S MAGAZINE

A monthly magazine devoted to Literature and Philately.

Subscription 25c a year or four months trial 10c.

JOSEPH SAYMON, Publisher,

12 West 117th St. - New York.

A CURIOSITY OF HISTORIC INTEREST

A limited number of Genuine and Original **BALLOTS** cast Nov. 6 1861, for **JEFFERSON DAVIS**. Each Ballot has the name of voter who cast it, written across the back. Unsurpassed as a relic of the "Lost Cause!" Every G. A. R. Post should have one framed.

Price: One Dollar

A. W. DUNNING, Wilton, N.H.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The **PHILATELIC STAR**"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. **Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You?** Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make **good** customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for **15c.**

10 blank Approval Books, **10c.**

100 Approval Sheets, **15c.**

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at **65** per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 42. Whole No. 51. Minneapolis, Minn. October 21, 1903 Weekly

CHICAGO NOTES.

W. H. Adams.

At the last meeting of the Chicago Philatelic Society, Eddie Rosenthal, an old time collector and member of the society, put in an appearance for the first time in several years and was cordially welcomed. One member suggested that Mr. Rosenthal be known in the future as the Philatelic Rip Van Winkle, but this was vetoed, as it was explained that although Mr. Rosenthal had "stayed in the mountains" for some time, he had not been asleep, in a philatelic sense.

The next C. P. S. auction will be held on October 24th.

Messrs. B. L. Drew & Co., of Boston, announce that they will hold an auction sale in Chicago on Nov. 7th. This has excited some interest, as a local sale conducted by an eastern firm is somewhat of a novelty.

The new issue for Montserrat has appeared in Chicago. The stamps are very attractive in appearance and will probably prove favorites with collectors, as the limited number and high grade of the issues of this country have made it popular with the average collector.

Mr. L. T. Brodstone, of Superior, Neb., has been a visitor in Chicago during the past week. "Brody's" smiling face is always welcome here and his friends are equal in number to his acquaintances. As usual, he had a little bunch of "good things" tucked away in his inside pocket.

Mr. A. C. Stewart, proprietor of the Toledo Stamp Company, Toledo, Ohio, has been in Chicago this week. Mr. Stewart is of the opinion that this season will be a banner one in a commercial way.

It is rumored here that the new U. S. 2c stamp will put in an appearance within the next month or so. It is noted, however, that the small boy speculator has ceased buying up the present 2c stamp in the hopes of getting a corner, the extended delay in supplanting it with the new stamp having apparently discouraged his belief that the current 2c would become valuable.

A. W. Batchelder, of the New England Stamp Co., Boston, who recently passed through Chicago en route to San Francisco, states that the removal of the Weekly Philatelic Era from Portland, Maine, to Boston fills a long felt want and that Boston philatelists would give this well edited publication strong support in its new home.

Local collectors are awaiting with a good deal of interest the arrival of the new 2c stamp. The printing of the stamps has been going on for about two weeks and a supply of them should reach Chicago in the near future.

A magnificent unsevered pair of the first issue \$200.00 U. S. revenue imperforate changed hands here during the week at a price of \$50.00. While the catalogue value of the stamps is \$30.00 each, or \$60.00 for the pair, they are undoubtedly worth the price paid, as it would be very hard to duplicate them at any price.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, *Benson, Minn.*
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Five new members and four applicants is the October showing of the Union Philatelic Society.

An election has been called in the Canadian Philatelic Society, the polls to close Dec. 15.

Commencing with the first of this month the price of Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News was advanced to \$1 per annum.

Ceylon is going to make a fine display at the St. Louis Exposition, erecting a building of its own in native architecture. There will be few places of greater interest on the grounds of the great fair.

The revenues for the postal department for the fiscal year ending June 30 were \$134,224,443 and the expenditures were \$138,784,488, making a deficit of over four and a half millions.

Johnnie had a stock of stamps
On sheets so neatly mounted
He advertised them in the World
And sold at prices undiscounted.
Why not follow Johnnie's
Example and sell at top notch
prices.

The Metropolitan Philatelic Association is issuing their own organ in the shape of The Metropolis issued at Corning, N. Y., by the president, H. D. Munger. It is a four page paper and presents a good appearance.

Mr. W. H. Faber of Charleston, S. C., whose researches established the status of the Steinmeyer stamps (Scott Nos. 837-840) as semi official governmental carriers recently cut his sheets of pink and yellow paper varieties and is offering them separately.

The date for the trial of A. W. Machen et al. for conspiracy relative to mail box contracts has been set for November 23. Ass't District Attorney Taggett recently stated that there are over fifty persons accused of various crimes in connection with the postal scandals.

The Svensk Filatelistisk Tidskrift announces the death on Sept. 14 of the distinguished Stockholm philatelist, A. W. Bodstedt. Dr. Bodstedt was for several years associate editor of Tidning for Frimärksamlare and from 1889 to 1893 was president of the Swedish Society.

Two shades of color can be found of the 1d English wrapper stamps. Ewen's Weekly says that those sold at the postoffice are carmine, while those specially printed to order are orange-vermillion.

The Northwest still heads the procession in securing new members for the American. Five applicants from St. Paul and two from Cuba is what the last report contained.



Not expensive to collect when you buy from my precancelled list.

For instance: 25 varieties U.S. Revenues for 10 cents.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Russia 1-3 1/2 and 7 Roubles

Catalogue \$4.95: \$2.50

EBEN S. MARTIN CO.,

Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.80	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1876, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2 1/2 gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5 gl, fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official. No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.92
" Omaha, 5c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c:
 10 blank Approval Books, 10c.
 100 Approval Sheets, 15c.
 Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.



FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful, color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
 Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors. The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay, Do not delay but, send today For the WEST which is the best.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp

Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " Interleaved.....	2.00	2.16

International Postage

Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
 20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards.....	\$.25
" " " " Cloth.....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
 18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

The Philatelic World

Vol. II. No. 43. Whole No. 52. Minneapolis, Minn. October 28, 1903. Weekly

BOSTON NOTES.

Edward DeZ. Kelley.

The writer in assuming the onerous duties of your Boston correspondent begs to say that it will be his aim to please, but that if occasionally it should prove that his marksmanship was poor, he craves your indulgence.

Another "Trust!" This time a combination of two of our leading philatelic weeklies. "Mekeels" has purchased the "Era," and I am informed by Mr. Wiley of the former paper, that the new proprietors of the "Era" will continue it as a separate publication, of a literary character, and that the publication offices will in future be located in Boston.

The kings head set for Seychelles has now received three surcharges, and the latest one, the three cents on 18 cents, has been shown here this week. With the good start this Colony now has we doubtless will have the opportunity to make a set of all values surcharged three cents.

I understand that one of our leading firms of dealers has extended a courtesy to the members of the Boston Philatelic Society, which, if accepted, will be very valuable to the members.

At present the library of the society is mostly in the Boston Public Library, which, unfortunately for those that may wish to consult any of the works in the collection, is not conveniently located; therefore the offer of this firm to furnish space in their office in which the society may

place a bookcase containing such volumes as may be designated, and which will then be distributed to borrowers upon application with suitable card, is, in the opinion of the writer, a most fortunate arrangement, and one that he hopes to see effected.

Mr. J. M. Bartels has shown me the German official stamps on the original cover, which are quite interesting in that condition. Mr. Bartels is in doubt as to the correctness of the statements in some papers that there have been stamps issued with numbers other than "21," as he thinks the "21" refers to the section of the law under which these stamps were issued.

As I am a cover crank, I may possibly be pardoned mention of anything in that line that comes under my observation, notably a cover that came through the registered post to me this week from Abyssinia, bearing the 4 g. stamp of the last issue of Emperor Meneliks Empire, (Amharic characters in surcharge) cancelled "Harar," the letter then passed through the French Postal Agency at Harar, and came out by way of Zaila, and Berbera, British Somaliland. The cover is also franked with the correct postage in stamps of the French Somaliland and of British Somaliland, and, therefore, it apparently took the services of three nations to bring the letter to Boston.

A collectors club, on the lines of that in New York, would be welcomed, and doubtless will in time come to pass.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

The work on the check list of pre-cancelled being prepared by G. F. Duck is reported as progressing satisfactorily and the work may soon be expected.

Mr. F. L. Smith, New York's pre-cancelled specialist, is enjoying a vacation this month among the beauties of the Catskills.

Russian aggression in the Orient continues, they having reoccupied Mukden in Manchuria on the last day of October. The indications that the continued disturbances in the far east is being felt by dealers by increased demands for the stamps of this section of the world.

Under date of Sept. 4 F. W. Collier, postmaster general of British Guiana, gives notice as follows: "On and after Monday, the 7th instant, a new issue of stamps of the value of sixty cents (green stamps on

white paper with red overprint) will be on sale by this department. This stamp will be available for postage revenue and judicial purposes."

Mekeel's Stamp Collector in its last issue announces the death of Millard F. Walton, who ten years ago was one of the more prominent of Philadelphia's philatelists. For several years he held the office of secretary of the American and did much toward placing it on the high level it reached during his incumbency in this office. In 1893 it was the editor's pleasure to meet him in Chicago and found him to be one of the most pleasant gentlemen in attendance at the meet of that year. To the sorrowing family the World extend its most heartfelt sympathy.

Mr. H. Hungerford, the editor of the junior department of the New York monthly, Success, has in preparation for early publication in that paper an illustrated article on the leading philatelist of the United States.

The Era in its new dress reminds one so strongly of the Weekly Stamp News, that one is not surprised by the following from the letter: "Now, however, that the Weekly Philatelic Era has become the property of interests that are immediately connected with the Weekly, we recommend the paper heartily to our readers."

As we have said before, you can get an application blank for membership in the American Philatelic Association of the World for the asking.

Seventy-eight years ago today the first boat through the Erie Canal reached New York. The comple-

tion of this canal was the entering wedge from which came the fast transit of today and started the displacement of the old post chaise and stage coach.

The American Fiscal Philatelic Society at its recent convention changed its name to the Philatelic Fiscal Society of New York City. The officers elected were: A. E. Lawrence, Pres.; E. H. Wood, 1st Vice-Pres.; W. W. Norton, 2nd Vice-Pres.; Raymond Wilcox, Sec'y; J. H. Peterson, Treas.; F. J. Schoof, Exchange Supt.; A. Herbst, Auction Manager; Wm. J. Salva, Librarian; T. O. Young, Chairman, A. M. Trujillo, Dr. L. M. Hornburger, A. G. Burgorjne, J. C. Miller, A. B. Kay, Trustees. Official journal, The Philatelic West.

The Globe Souvenir Card Exchange ..

The biggest and best club ever organized for card collectors. Write us for information. Dues fifty cents the year.

Lock Box 301, Minneapolis, Minn.

FINE SETS.

- Argentine Official 1901, complete.....\$.50
- Hungary 1, 2, 3, 5, Krone..... .40
- Guatemala 1902 complete, mint very fine..... 1.15

FINE APPROVALS

AT LIBERAL DISCOUNTS

William H. Hush, Sta. J. Baltimore, Md.

Are You Looking for Bargains? IF SO LOOK HERE

- 1896 Ecuador, 7 var..... \$.25
- 1902 Guatemala, 1, 2 5, 6 & 10..... .12
- 1892 Mozambixue, 6 var..... .25
- 1897 North Borneo, 9 var..... .30
- 1901 Faultless Hinges..... .08

U. S. and Foreign stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. An inducement: Stamps given to everyone who applies for approval books.

Highland Stamp Co., 188 Marion St., Springfield, Mass.

SNAPS IN TRANSVAAL ALL O. G.

No. 81 o. g., catalogue	\$3.00	\$1.25
No. 94 o. g., "	.70	.38
No. 140 o. g., "	.60	.28
No. 141 o. g., "	.06	.08
No. 121 o. g., "	.25	.12
No. 139 o. g., "	.12	.06
No. 111 o. g., "	.12	.06
No. 216 o. g., "	.05	.02
No. 220, 221 o. g., "	.07	.04

Satisfaction guaranteed. Postage extrr.
E. C. DODD, 259 So. Hermitage Ave., CHICAGO.

STAMPS BOUGHT AND SOLD
My Buying List for two cent Stamp.

100 Foreign mounted in book	....\$ .10
500 U. S. and Foreign, good lot	.... .15
10 Original Covers U. S. and for.	.... .10
60 U. S. all sorts in a book	.... .20
60 U. S. (1856 to date) including Commemorative. Dues and Revenues, dated and mounted	..... 30c

R. R. McGILL, 7 Burton Place, CHICAGO.

BARGAINS Superb copies, Canada Jubilees unused, o. g., at 25 per c. off cat.

Cuba 1870-40c post used	.....\$ .70
Cuba 1878-1 p. unused, o. g.	..... .45
Cuba 1891-20c post used	..... .40
Cuba and Philippines 1898-99 all at 1/2 cat.	
Bavaria 1850 18 post used	..... .50
British Guiana 1882, 4c unused, o. g	..... .25
Peru 1902 5c on 10. Sols green, post used	.... .25

UNIVERSAL STAMP CO. 110-116 Nassau St. NEW YORK.

PREMIUM

Readers of the Philatelic World writing for my approval books and guaranteeing a purchase of 50c I will present a perfect copy of Newfoundland No. 62 in uncut condition.

I make a specialty of United States entire envelopes and would be pleased to send a selection to parties interested in this branch of philately. Also can forward cut square envelopes at 25 per cent below 1904 quotations.

Original covers and Post Card specialists will do well to correspond as I am sure I can interest them.

Honduras 1891 1c to 10c, 14 varieties catalogue value \$1.44 for 50c.

**S. VALENTINE SAXBY
ROCKFORD. ILL.**



Not expensive to collect when you buy from my precancelled list.

For instance: 25 varieties U.S. Revenues for 10 cents.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Russia 1-3½ and 7 Roubles

Catalogue \$4.95: \$2.50

EBEN S. MARTIN CO.,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1890, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, ½, 1, 2, 2½ o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.89.....	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1g1, fine.....	.06
" " 2½g1, fine.....	.25
" " 5g1, fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official. No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.32
" Omaha, 5c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.
10 blank Approval Books, 10c.
100 Approval Sheets, 15c.
Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight ¼ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful, color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp
Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " " Interleaved.....	2.00	2.16

International Postage

Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,....	\$.25
" " " " Cloth,....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

Join the **AAA**

American
Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 44, Whole No. 53. Minneapolis, Minn. November 4, 1903 Weekly

THE KANSAS CONVENTION.

The annual meet of the Kansas Philatelic Society was held at Wichita on Sept. 30. One of the members in attendance writes:

"The only drawback to the occasion was the absence of the K. C. crowd who usually attend. The convention met at the house of the retiring president, Wednesday evening (the usual form of meeting being observed). The banquet was the first order of business, after which an adjournment to the parlor where the official ballot was duly elected and very little other business was presented, in fact we were most too local to attempt much. We were highly entertained by an inspection of Rev. Stollenwick's 13,000 collection of stamps, and 1,500 var. of foreign postals. The coin collection of the Pres. was also on display throughout the day; over 1,000 var. Meeting adjourned subject to the call of President Kelley."

While various circumstances caused a small attendance, it is said it was not through apathy and that all augers well for a prosperous year. The officers-elect are:

President—

Wm. P. Kelley, Kansas City, Mo.

Vice-President—

Foster A. Lilly, Sabetna, Kans.

Secretary-Treasurer—

F. J. Ford, Wichita, Kans.

Sales Supt.—

F. N. Dela Mater, Wichita, Kan.

Librarian—

E. G. Stephens, Kansas City, Kans.

Attorney—

H. W. Broadbent, Kansas City, Kans.
Counterfeit Detector—

Rev. R. Stollenweck, Liebenthal, Kans.

Trustees—

T. O. Cunningham, Kansas City, Kans.

T. O. Stephens, Kansas City, Kans.

F. J. Bescher, Kansas City, Mo.

Official Organ—

Philatelic West & Camera News.



CHICAGO NOTES.

W. H. Adams.

A year ago nice uncut copies of the \$30.00 red U. S. revenue sold readily at \$15.00. Today the stamp can be bought in perfect condition for \$7.00 to \$8.00. It looks as though somebody had let go of a "corner" on this stamp.

An attorney in Chicago, who was engaged to settle up the affairs of a defunct fire insurance company, secured several hundred revenue stamps from the old and worthless papers of the concern. While no great rarities were discovered, he was well repaid for his trouble with many nice copies of medium priced stamps and is now busy trading his duplicates for other specimens for his collection.

There has been a dearth of philatelic visitors in Chicago during the past week. Judging from the activity which is manifested in Chicago this season in stamp circles, it is reasonable to suppose that our out-of-town friends are all too busy selling or collecting stamps to permit of any visiting.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Report says that W. W. Jewett has sold the Philatelic Era to Boston parties. We regret seeing Bro. Jewett retiring from the journalistic field and trust it will not be permanent.

A press report says the "indicted boodlers" realized over half a million from the postoffice department.

A prominent eastern firm has a most exacting contract to fill. It is no less than a complete, perfectly centred mint set of blocks of four of departments. We venture to say the collector will not receive it before the advent of the new year.

"Whether four or five values shall constitute the L. P. set seems to be what the stamp department is wrestling with this week," writes a Washington correspondent.

For Mayor—Henry J. Crocker is

the way the San Francisco Republicans head their ticket.

The editor's better half recently enjoyed an evening with the Chicago branch of the American and reports a most enjoyable time. The superb collection of straits settlement of Mr. Wollesley was on exhibit that evening and was a revelation of what could be done with a single country.

The last report of the American Philatelic Association shows \$3,200.11 in the various funds. Do you want to belong to a society of such financial stability? The World will send you an application blank.

The superb collections of Colonial stamps, one of the best in existence, containing as it does many colonies complete and a majority of the great varieties, which was brought together by the Earl of Kintore is being placed on the market by a London dealer.

An English collector has invented a new perforation gauge, which from its appearance might have been modelled after a buzz saw. The especial point of excellence claimed by the inventor is the ease with which it can be inserted under the side of a mounted specimen.

H. L'Estrange Ewen recently offered a prize of £5 to be competed for by collectors of railway stamps of Great Britain for the most thoroughly specialized collection. Undoubtedly this will bring to public notice many unknown varieties of these stamps.

The publisher of Gibbon's Catalog announce that the sections devoted to New South Wales, New Zealand, Victoria and British East Africa will be rewritten and rearranged in the new catalogue.



Not expensive to collect when you buy from my precancelled list.

For instance: 25 varieties U.S. Revenues for 10 cents.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Russia 1-3 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 7 Roubles

Catalogue \$4.95: \$2.50

EBEN S. MARTIN CO.,

Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.89.....	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl. large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ l, fine.....	.06
" " 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ l, fine.....	.25
" " 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ l, fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official, No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1896, \$1, black, fine.....	.32
" Omaha, 6c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.

10 blank Approval Books, 10c.

100 Approval Sheets, 15c.

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.



FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " " Interleaved.....	2.00	2.16

International Postage Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25
" " " Cloth,....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

Join the **AAA**

*American
Philatelic Association.*

The representative society of the new world

The Philatelic World

Vol. II. No. 45. Whole No. 54. Minneapolis, Minn. November 11, 1903. Weekly

BOSTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

The October Meeting.

The 129th regular meeting was held on Tuesday evening, October 20th, with President Lombard in the chair and 36 members and friends present.

A framed photograph of the attractive window exhibit made by the Springfield Stamp Club at the time of the A. P. A. convention in their city last year was presented to the society by the club and a vote of thanks was given the donors for their kindness.

Two applications for membership were posted, Mr. T. C. Champagne, Springfield, Mass., and Mr. J. A. Craig, Tarmouth, N. S. One new member was elected, Mr. H. S. Herman, Malden, Mass., No. 382.

It was voted, after considerable discussion, that the library committee place a suitable case in the store of the New England Stamp Co. where all books and literature now in the hands of the committee or hereafter obtained shall be kept for the use of the members under such card or other system as may be deemed advisable. It is recognized that the placing of our books in the Boston Public Library does not give our suburban members the privileges that they desire, hence the formation of this "library station."

The appointment of a committee to arrange a program for the season of 1904 was brought up and various suggestions looking to an increase in the interest of our meetings were

made. These included papers or talks with illustrative exhibits, discussions or any other form of philatelic interest. The President favored the giving of ribbons hereafter in ordinary competitions, reserving medals as prizes for a series or for competitions open to all philatelists. The chair appointed as a committee Messrs. A. W. Batchelder, J. M. Bartels and Geo. F. Loring.

An informal auction sale of 69 lots was held.

The exhibitions for the evening included two classes, United States Adhesives for those who had not previously taken a prize and United States envelopes, cut square, open to all. Mr. W. H. Randall won the silver medal and Mr. C. K. B. Nevin the bronze medal in the former class, while Mr. Jos. S. Rich won the silver and Mr. H. P. Harris the bronze medal in the second class. The exhibits contained many notable things and were greatly enjoyed by all present.

Adjourned at 10 o'clock.

C. A. HOWES,
Secretary.



H. R. H. The Prince of Wales has kindly consented to exhibit his accumulation of English stamps of King Edwards before the London Philatelic Society on Nov. 6. The collection is very rich in essays, proofs and other desirable pieces and will be accompanied by data, etc., furnished by official sources. It will be a genuine stampic treat.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.*NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.***EVERY WEDNESDAY.****SUBSCRIPTION:**

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

The "White List" projected in England seems to be a dismal fizzle.

The one cent 1895 was used pre-cancelled by two heavy rules $7\frac{1}{2}$ m m at Sedalia, Mo.

Two applicants and one new member is the E. S. P. S.'s record for September.

An eastern firm offers a "specimen" set of Justice at \$35 and a similar set of State at \$25.

The same old story from Washington—nothing new relative to St. Louis.

The printing of the new two cent stamps was commenced last week by the Bureau.

In the near future a sale of wholesale lots will constitute one of the C. P. S. sales.

The Isle of Jersey has recognized its famous cattle by depicting a milker

on one of its new issue of revenues.

C. W. Abbott has severed his connection with the staff of the Perforator to devote his time to the new Dealers' Protective Association.

Japan and Corea now occupy so much attention upon the stage of the world, considerable interest naturally is attracted to their postal emissions from collectors.

The Stamp Collector's Fortnightly says: "Ladies are more prominent in American than in British philately. The annual convention of the American Philatelic Association was attended by eleven ladies and twenty-five gentlemen."

The S. of P. is in the throes of internal strife. The Clayton convention declared the election illegal, the secretary declares it legal and the new president has issued an appeal to members and nominations have been made for a new election by the contra faction.

Mr. F. L. Smith has been appointed secretary-treasurer of the Precancelled Stamp Club vice E. R. Aldrich, resigned. If interested in this class of stamps you should not fail to lend your influence by joining the club. You can get a blank of the editor if you wish it.

Price list No. 7 of Hugo Michel's Apolda Germany, which was received this week, contains many bargains in medium priced stamps. In addition to stamps this house also handles fine wines and liquors and a few grades of these are priced. What's the matter with the stamp conventions going over there at the first possible date?

The Salesman is a small neatly printed paper, devoted to philatelic advertisements.

I am breaking up a collection of 4000 different stamps which I am sending on approval at 50 per cent discount. If you want a selection, mention four or five countries you are interested in.

12 different foreign original covers only 05c
1000 hinges and 10 Cuban stamps 10c

JOSEPH SAYMON, Publisher,
12 West 117th St. - New York.

Send me \$1.00 and I will mail you a packet of nice, clean, high grade stamps to the catalogue value of \$4.00. No damaged trash or "gold bricks". My success depends on my pleasing you. If you will give me the size of your collection I will make up a special packet to correspond

W. H. ADAMS,
205 La Salle St., Chicago, Illinois.
MORAL: Gold dollars are cheap at face.

Wanted for Cash or Exchange

U. S., Columbia, Pan American, Omaha and New Issue. Write me stating what you have with lowest price.

GUSTAV H. BECKER
708 Elk Grove Avenue, CHICAGO, ILL.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c
A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,
P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

GOOD LINES. SPECIAL PRICES.

Fine condition - Firsts - Not Second Quality.

Canada, Kings Head, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10.....	\$.12
Newfoundland 1 on 3c, Type 1, o. g., Fine.	.65
" 1 on 3c, Type 2, o. g., Fine.	.90
" 10 varieties well ass'd 100	1.15
" 15-20 " " " " " " " " " "	1.65
" 25 varieties Different.....	.75
" 30 " " " " " " " " " "	1.00
100 varieties British Colonies all postage	.60
" " " " " " " " " " " "	.20
100 varieties Australian Countries	1.25
25 varieties Brazil.....	.25
50 varieties Bulgaria.....	.35
50 varieties Spain.....	.20

Dealers and Collectors -
Send for our new 50 page wholesale and retail list. Cheapest list in America.

MARKS STAMP COMPANY, Toronto, Canada.
Largest Wholesale Dealers in Canada.
Reference: EBEN S. MARTIN, Publisher.

Yankee Peelable Hinges

NOT ENGLISH NOT GERMAN

1000 12 cents Post free. 5000 50 cents Post free.

STRONG PAPER. TASTELESS GUM.

W. F. GREGORY, 65 Nassau St. N. Y.

The Virginia Philatelist

The Best and Brightest of the monthlies. Now in sixth year of publication. Only one South. Subscription 30c per year. Advertisements 40c per inch. Sample copy free.

Virginia Philatelic Publishing Co.,
P. O. BOX 124, RICHMOND, VA.

BETTER BUY

60¢ Bureau Print

NEWSPAPER

A RARITY

Unused o. g. perfect only . . \$12.50

EBEN S. MARTIN CO., Minneapolis, Minn.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers..... .10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Illinois.

Join Union Philatelic Society

Due 35 cents per year. Initiation Fee 10 cents after July 1st. Dues 2 cents per month until January 1st. For blanks, &c. send to

A. D. BLAIR, Jr.

Box 215, ELMIRA, NEW YORK.

Metropolitan Phil. Association

Issues own official organ, has representatives in every country. Blanks from Vice-President below.

Auction department S. of P. now in fine shape. Send lots to auction manager, address below.

I have the disposal of the entire stock of Park & Dougherty Co. Some fine stamps. Correspondents note change of address.

J. A. D. PARK

The Hill School, Pottstown, Pa.

Pres. N. C. P. A. Auction Mgr. S. of P. etc.
40c to join M. P. A.



Not expensive to collect when you buy from my precancelled list.

For instance: 25 varieties U.S. Revenues for 10 cents.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Russia 1-3½ and 7 Roubles

Catalogue \$4.95: \$2.50

EBEN S. MARTIN CO.,

Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, ½, 1, 2, 2½d o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1898, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1878, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1886, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2½gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 5c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. **Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You?** Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for **15c.**
10 blank Approval Books, **10c.**
100 Approval Sheets, **15c.**
Fine Approval Books of Stamps at **65** per cent.

JUDSON N BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.



FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight ¼ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " " Interleaved.....	2.00	2.16

International Postage

Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25
" " " Cloth,....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N. Y.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 46. Whole No. 55. Minneapolis, Minn. November 18, 1903 Weekly

THE NEW SCOTT.

The new 1904 catalog is at hand. In size it shows a shrinkage of about twenty-five pages, this being brought about by the suppression of envelope stamps, wrappers and letter sheet stamps, even the Mulready being discarded. As is well known to most of our readers the most noticeable price changes are found in the cut envelope of the United States. If the pages devoted to these had accompanied the foreign it would have been more consistent than retaining them.

Of course there are other changes in price, among those noted in a cursory glancing through are a fifty raise in the 1847 10c used, also in all the varieties of the 1857 five cent. In the 1895 issue a new minor variety is noted of the eight cent, the variety being on revenue stamp paper, and a shade variety—red orange of the fifty cent is listed.

In the 1898 series a new shade of the four cent appears, orange brown the same color as is given for ten cent, while a minor variety of the latter in brown is also given. The yellow brown shade which is the only color of the ten cent listed before is lost in the scuffle, except for Guam, for which the entire supply of this shade would seem to be surcharged!

In the documentary stamps the \$30 Spanish War stamp, not heretofore priced is valued as \$15 and with the exception of the \$50 stamp the 1902 series also receive prices.

In Argentine a noticeable advance is that of the five cent perforate of 1867 which is now doubled in price being \$10 unused, \$8 used. The same ratio also applies to the 1 peso 1891. A price—\$50—has been assigned to the British Columbia dollar of 1868, the first time for years that a quotation has been made.

In Thuru and Taxis a noticeable advance is made on several varieties, in fact nearly all the old German state issues have advances on some numbers.

In Great Britain the R. H. official, heretofore unpriced, are listed at \$5 each. In the O. W. officials, on the 1902 series of which no prices have been before quoted are now some are now priced:

½d green	\$12.00	\$5.00
5d lilac-ultramarine	30.00	10.00
10d carmine and lilac	40.00	

At a cursory glancing through Portugal would seem to be the country with the most price changes, nearly everything showing an upward tendency. Some of the early ones previously unpriced, appear priced, the 50 r green first issue unused is quoted at \$125 and the 100 r same condition \$250. In used shape the latter moves from \$12 to \$13. In the advertising pages devoted to sets, increases of price are frequently met with.

Taken all in all the 1914 issue is a worthy successor of its predecessors and will be indispensable to the collectors of the U. S., however much they may use the foreign catalogs.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

As supplement to the L'Annouce Universelle for Oct. 15 comes a warning against counterfeit Oil Rivers, with enlarged photo engravings of the forgeries. The surcharges and cancellation is said to be painted on in a masterly manner. The work is said to be done at Amsterdam.

The discussion and determining of the manner of entertainment for the American's meet next fall at Pittsburg will be special order of business of the Twin City Society at their November meeting. Whatever may be determined upon it will mean a rattling good time for the Pittsburg boys are jolly good fellows.

The Junior says "Changes in important portion of the design of a postage stamp seldom fails to have some special significance, if collect-

ors but understood their meaning. A case in point is formed by the two almost identical issues of Bolivia, which differ from each other only in the number of stars below the central oval—there being nine stars in the first, and eleven in the successor. The reason is very simple indeed. When the 1869 set appeared Bolivia was divided into nine departments (corresponding to our states), named La Paz Cochabamba, Potasi, Chequiseca, Santa Cruz de la Sierra, Oruro, Tiri Beul and Otacama. Shortly afterwards two more departments were created, Melgarejo and Mexillón and it was on account of this that the 1869 set was retired and the new issue with two extra stars for the two new departments, put in its place."

It is said that only one specimen of the four cent 1871 revenue with inverted center is in existence. It rests in the collection of Mr. Clarence Eagle.

One of the finest of the collections formed by Canadian collectors is that of E. F. Wurtele of Quebec, covering over ten thousand varieties.

The Rev. Henry Madtes, who was elected president of the Precancelled Stamp Club at the August election, has resigned from the office.

We are in receipt of Perrin & Co.'s 1904 list, 56 pages and covers. About half the space is given up to sets at low prices.

Not to be outdone by Jersey Guernsey has passed a "stamp act" and will issue a set of revenues in the near future.

We again call attention to the December exhibit of the Boston Society

ty which is open to all. This is for the Silver Cup offered by Mr. A. H. Weber. It is to be an exhibition of Uncatalogued Varieties, such as very many collectors run across, the condition being that they be not listed in Scott, Gibbons or Senf. The exhibition is open to all Philatelists. The cup will be competed for annually and will remain in the winner's possession for the succeeding year, his name and the date being engraved upon it. The interest of all thorough philatelists is assured and all are asked to co-operate in adding to our knowledge. Exhibits may be sent to C. A. Howes, Sec'y, 55 Kilby St., Boston, U. S. A.

SNAPS IN TRANSVAAL ALL O. G.

No. 81 o. g., catalogue	\$3.00	\$1.25
No. 94 o. g., "	.70	.38
No. 140 o. g., "	.60	.28
No. 141 o. g., "	.06	.08
No. 121 o. g., "	.25	.12
No. 139 o. g., "	.12	.06
No. 111 o. g., "	.12	.06
No. 216 o. g., "	.05	.02
No. 220, 221 o. g., "	.07	.04

Satisfaction guaranteed. Postage extrr.
E. C. DODD, 259 So. Hermitage Ave., CHICAGO.

STAMPS BOUGHT AND SOLD
 My Buying List for two cent Stamp.

100 Foreign mounted in book	\$.10
500 U. S. and Foreign. good lot	.15
10 Original Covers U. S. and for.	.10
60 U. S. all sorts in a book	.20
60 U. S. (1856 to date) including Commemorative. Dues and Revenues, dated and mounted	.30c

R. R. MCGILL, 7 Burton Place, CHICAGO.

BARGAINS Superb copies, Canada Jubilee⁹ unused, o. g., at 25 per c. off cat.

Cuba 1870-40c post used	\$.75
Cuba 1878-1 p. unused, o. g.	.45
Cuba 1891-20c post used	.40
Cuba and Philippines 1898-99 all at 1/2 cat.	
Bavaria 1850 18 post used	.50
British Guiana 1882, 4c unused, o. g.	.25
Peru 1902 5c on 10. Sols green, post used	.20

UNIVERSAL STAMP CO. 110-116 Nassau St. NEW YORK.

The Globe Souvenir Card Exchange...

The biggest and best club ever organized for card collectors. Write us for information. Dues fifty cents the year.

Lock Box 301, Minneapolis, Minn.

FINE SETS.

Argentine Official 1901, complete	\$.50
Hungary 1, 2, 3, 5, Krone	.40
Guatemala 1902 complete, mint very fine	1.15

FINE APPROVALS

AT LIBERAL DISCOUNTS

William H. Hush, Sta. J. Baltimore, Md.

Are You Looking for Bargains? IF SO LOOK HERE

1896 Ecuador, 7 var.	\$.25
1902 Guatemala, 1, 2 5, 6 & 10	.12
1892 Mozambixue, 6 var.	.25
1897 North Borneo, 9 var.	.30
1,000 Faultlts Hinges	.08

U. S. and Foreign stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. An inducement: Stamps given to everyone who applies for approval books.

Highland Stamp Co., 188 Marion St., Springfield, Mass.

PREMIUM

Readers of the Philatelic World writing for my approval books and guaranteeing a purchase of 50c I will present a perfect copy of Newfoundland No. 62 in uncut condition.

I make a specialty of United States entire envelopes and would be pleased to send a selection to parties interested in this branch of philately. Also can forward cut square envelopes at 25 per cent below 1904 quotations.

Original covers and Post Card specialists will do well to correspond as I am sure I can interest them.

Honduras 1891 1c to 10c, 14 varieties catalogue value \$1.44 for 50c.

S. VALENTINE SAXBY ROCKFORD, ILL.



Not expensive to collect when you buy from my pre-cancelled list.

For instance: 25 varieties U.S. Revenues for 10 cents.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Russia 1-3½ and 7 Roubles

Catalogue \$4.95: \$2.50

EBEN S. MARTIN CO.,

Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, ½, 1, 2, 2½ d o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queenland, 1875, 2 sh. blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2½gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official, No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 5 c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.

10 blank Approval Books, 10c.

100 Approval Sheets, 15c.

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight ¼ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful, color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " Interleaved.....	2.00	2.16

International Postage

Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25
" " " " Cloth,....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

The Philatelic World

Vol. II. No. 47. Whole No. 56. Minneapolis, Minn. November 25, 1903. Weekly

CHICAGO NOTES.

W. H. Adams.

While Mr. B. L. Drew, of Boston, was in the city last week, conducting the auction sale which his firm held at the rooms of the Chicago Philatelic Society on Nov. 7th, he exhibited his 122nd sale, to be held in New York, and his 123rd sale, to be held in Boston. The lots were particularly fine and secured many bidders. It is reported that the results of the auction sale on 7th inst. were very satisfactory.

Mr. Herbert C. Beardsley, an old time philatelist of St. Joseph, Mo., was a recent visitor in Chicago. Mr. Beardsley has published several stamp papers in the past and is a charter member of the American Philatelic Association.

The new society pins of the Chicago Philatelic Society have arrived and are selling rapidly. They are very attractive and neat, being in the design, of course, of the regular symbol of the society.

Part I. of the Schuyler Collection, consisting of British Colonials only, which will be sold at Wolsieffer's Auction on 28th inst., will be exhibited in Boston and New York city. This promises to be one of the best sales of the season. It is rarely indeed that such a fine lot of stamps is offered at auction.

From information recently received, the new 2c stamp is in no hurry to leave Washington. Chicago collectors had hoped to see them here very soon, but it is doubtful if they will be put on sale in Chi-

cago inside of a month, at the least.

The jubilant feeling occasioned by the unexpected early arrival of Scott's catalogue is still very manifest. Let us hope that the good work will continue and that this important publication may arrive every year hereafter ahead of its schedule.

A philatelic joker informed the writer the other day that he knew of a Chinaman who was collecting stamps. Being interested in freaks, I secured the street address of the heathen in question and sure enough the number fitted a laundry with an ideal Chop Suey artist busily engaged on the inside. When I tackled him about stamp collecting he shook his head, smiled blandly and tried to sell me some counterfeit Chinese money. I might have known it.

The United Stamp Company announce that they have purchased the general collection of Mr. H. W. Wolseley at the high price of 50 per cent of catalogue. This price is certainly a record breaker, but the collection is one of the finest aggregations of stamps that has ever been placed on the market and those who have had the pleasure of seeing it agree with the buyers that it was very cheap at the price. It is understood that Mr. Wolseley will continue to specialize in certain countries. Mr. Wolseley is an old time collector and one of the prominent attorneys of Chicago.

Mr. S. Valentine Sexby, a prominent collector of Rockford, Ill., was a visitor in Chicago during the past week. Mr. L. T. Brodstone, of Superior, Neb., also made another short visit to the city.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD
 16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Both the St. Paul and Minneapolis postoffices showed gains in current receipts in October, as compared with the same month last year. The receipts of the St. Paul office last month, as announced by the postoffice department today, were \$65,907, as against \$64,444 in October, 1902, a gain of 2.2 per cent. The Minneapolis receipts were \$97,712, as against \$93,260, a gain of 4.7 per cent. New York and several other large cities show a loss in October receipts.—*St. Paul Globe.*

The merry war over the delinquencies in the postal department still wages on. Capt. H. A. Castle, the auditor who is about to retire, sent some hot shot in his annual report and among other things says that there is no account kept by the auditor of postage stamps, stamped papers or envelopes, etc., nor is

there any between the department and the manufacturers or contractors for furnishing such paper.

FRANK E. OLNEY.

The second president of the American Philatelic Association died at his home in Providence, R. I., on Oct. 24, after a very brief illness. He accompanied the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston on its trip to Niagara Falls which they recently made as escort to the Honorable Artillery Company of London, Eng., and during the trip caught cold which subsequently developed into pneumonia.

Mr. Olney for years was an ardent philatelist but disposed of his collection in 1900. He joined the American soon after its formation and upon John K. Tiffany's refusal to again accept the presidency in 1896 was chosen to that office, and was twice re-elected.

Mr. Olney was exceedingly prominent in civic and political life, being a member of city council of Providence from 1889 to 1892, when he was elected alderman. In 1894 he was elected mayor and re-elected two years afterwards. Subsequently he served as park commissioner and police commissioner. He was always prominent at republican gatherings and was several times delegate to the national conventions. He was as ardent a military man as philatelist and was a member of several militia companies in different parts of the country.

At the time of his death he was a few months past 52 years of age.

I am breaking up a collection of 4000 different stamps which I am sending on approval at 50 per cent discount. If you want a selection, mention four or five countries you are interested in.

12 different foreign original covers only 05c
1000 hinges and 10 Cuban stamps 10c

JOSEPH SAYMON, Publisher,

12 West 117th St. - New York.

Send me \$1.00 and I will mail you a packet of nice, clean, high grade stamps to the catalogue value of \$4.00. No damaged trash or "gold bricks". My success depends on my pleasing you. If you will give me the size of your collection I will make up a special packet to correspond

W. H. ADAMS,
205 La Salle St., Chicago, Illinois.
MORAL: Gold dollars are cheap at face.

Wanted for Cash or Exchange

U. S., Columbia, Pan American, Omaha and New Issue. Write me stating what you have with lowest price.

GUSTAV H. BECKER

708 Elk Grove Avenue, CHICAGO, ILL.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Dennison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

GOOD LINES. SPECIAL PRICES.

Fine condition - Firsts - Not Second Quality.

Canada, Kings Head, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10.....	\$ 12
Newfoundland 1 on 3c, Type 1, o. g., Fine.	65
" 1 on 3c, Type 2, o. g., Fine.	90
" 10 varieties well ass'td	100 1.15
" 15-20 "	100 1.65
" 25 varieties Different	75
" 30 "	1.00
100 varieties British Colonies all postage	.60
50 "	.90
100 varieties Australian Countries	1.25
25 varieties Brazil	.25
20 varieties Bulgaria	.35
50 varieties Spain	.20

Dealers and Collectors—

Send for our new 60 page wholesale and retail list. Cheapest list in America.

MARKS STAMP COMPANY, Toronto, Canada.

Largest Wholesale Dealers in Canada.

Reference: EBEN S. MARTIN, Publisher.

Yankee Peelable Hinges

NOT ENGLISH NOT GERMAN

1000 12 cents Post free. 5000 50 cents Post free.

STRONG PAPER. TASTELESS GUM.

W. F. GREGORY, 65 Nassau St. N. Y.

The Virginia Philatelist

The Best and Brightest of the monthlies. Now in sixth year of publication. Only one South. Subscription 30c per year. Advertisements 40c per inch. Sample copy free.

Virginia Philatelic Publishing Co.,

P. O. BOX 124, RICHMOND, VA.

BETTER BUY

60c Bureau Print

NEWSPAPER

A RARITY

Unused o. g. perfect only . . \$12.50

EBEN S. MARTIN CO., Minneapolis, Minn.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers..... .10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Illinois.

Join Union Philatelic Society

Due 35 cents per year. Initiation Fee 10 cents after July 1st. Dues 2 cents per month until January 1st. For blanks, &c. send to

A. D. BLAIR, Jr.

Box 215, ELMIRA, NEW YORK.

Metropolitan Phil. Association

Issues own official organ, has representatives in every country. Blanks from Vice-President below.

Auction department S. of P. now in fine shape. Send lots to auction manager, address below.

I have the disposal of the entire stock of Park & Dougherty Co. Some fine stamps. Correspondents note change of address.

J. A. D. PARK

The Hill School, Pottstown, Pa.

Pres. N. C. P. A. Auction Mgr. S. of P. etc. 40c to join M. P. A.



Not expensive to collect when you buy from my precancelled list.
For instance: 25 varieties U. S. Revenues for 10 cents.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Russia 1-3 1/2 and 7 Roubles

Catalogue \$4.95: \$2.50

EBEN S. MARTIN CO.,

Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl. large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1886, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2 1/2 gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl, fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official. No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 5c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.
10 blank Approval Books, 10c.
100 Approval Sheets, 15c.
Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.



FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Healthful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

SPECIAL.—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc... all over the world. Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors. The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay, Do not delay but, send today For the WEST which is the best.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " " Interleaved.....	2.00	2.16

International Postage

Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25
" " " Cloth,....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

The Philatelic World

Vol. II. No. 48. Whole No. 57. Minneapolis, Minn. December 2, 1903. Weekly

PRECANCELLED STAMPS.

F. L. Smith.

The use of these stamps is now familiar to every postmaster and the labor saved by cancelling stamps in sheets readily recognized. We may therefore look for a steady increase in their use, also an attempt on the part of postmasters to safeguard the cancellation by the use of a special disc instead of type. This has already been done in a few cases, and I am just informed an office which heretofore has used only type, is now preparing a disc similar to the first Indianapolis to be used on their stamps. Collectors who make United States a specialty can find here an opportunity to collect stamps which are not only attractive, but illustrate the interior working of postal affairs under department regulations. The issues up to the present time are large enough to make a good size collection by themselves. This already has been recognized, and a club for that purpose is in active working, and offering such information as they have to any who will join.



4-Cent Invert.

Should the Washington dispatch as published in the daily press be authentic it would seem to be one of the concluding chapters in the history of the famous invert.

The name of the collector, however, makes it look to us just a trifle awry on truth. The dispatch is:

Washington, Nov. 2.—Under the

direction of the postmaster general, inspectors are investigating the department of Third Assistant Postmaster General Madden relative to charges made against him by M. E. Keel, a stamp collector of Philadelphia.

Among other complaints is one that reprints of 4-cent stamps with an inverted center have been made under the direction of Madden and sold for \$100 each to private collectors.



BOSTON NOTES.

It is my sad duty to chronicle the death of the Hon. F. F. Olney of Providence. He was a member of the American Philatelic Association, and the Boston Philatelic Society, and was prominent in military circles. I understand that the success of the recent visit to Providence of the Ancient & Honorable Artillery Co., of Boston, with their guests, the Honorable Artillery Co., of London, was due in large measure to the efforts of Mr. Olney.

I note the publisher's price the 1902 2c on 4c of Seychelles at 6c unused, I know a number of gentlemen who would like to purchase a copy at that price. The 12c Queen's head of Hong Kong, issue of 1902, at 15c also seems a bargain, as I understand the wholesalers are asking 30c for it.

I have just seen this week's issue of the "Era," and must compliment Brother Wiley on so creditable a production.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD
 16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

From the local paper on Nov. 6 we clip: Shirley Moisant has sold a half interest in his stamp business to A. D. Blair, of Elmira, New York. Mr. Blair will carry on the business in New York while this end will be attended to by Mr. Moisant. The business is done entirely by mail orders, and amounts to considerable more than the casual observer would believe, and this year, although the stamp craze seems to have subsided in Kankakee, the business will be greater than ever before. A ton of stamps are being shipped to New York, where they will be sold by the pound to enthusiasts, who hope to find valuable specimens among them.

The 3d. and 6d. Victoria current are now out, both perf. 11, and the 6d. with comp. perf. 12½x11. All stamps printed by the Victorian

Government Printer are likely to turn up with the 11 perf., as the machines are used indiscriminately. In consequence of the projected Commonwealth issue all Victoria printed stamps are closely scrutinized for 11 perfs., and the splendid uncertainty is making the hunt general and quite delightful to all concerned. In fact, if we could but arrange for a few varieties of papers and watermarks we should be in a fair way of depriving New Zealand of its unenviable honor.

These are likely to be scarce, as the Government Printer appears to use the 11 and 12½ perforating machines together and the same supply which contained the 6d., perf. 11 and 12½x11, probably consisted largely of the ordinary 6d., perf. 12½. Also, the applicant for stamps has to take what is given him, the Post-Office not allowing the stock to be picked over. The popular idea that these varieties are made for collectors and that the dealer with bank notes in his hands is welcomed and given all he likes to ask (and pay) for is all wrong. In reality, he will probably be told that stamps are made for use and that all the 6d. stamps (or whatever may be the value applied for) in stock are all alike—the official is generally quite sure they are all alike and is not open to argument. In fact, rather than show a little courtesy, we have known a £500 order to be refused. Perhaps, however, the Post-Office official has his side of the question, so we must not be too hard on him.—Ewen's Weekly Stamp News.



RE-CANADIANS.

In speaking of the new Canadians Morley's Journal says: "The new

postage stamps for Canada possess a unique interest for collectors in several ways. They were designed by H. R. H., the Prince of Wales, although this statement must be qualified by the fact that the design has, for some unknown reason, altered in detail by no means for the better, by the Canadian authorities. The portrait of His Majesty which they bear, being taken specially for the purpose, far surpasses any that has yet appeared on a stamp and finally the die was engraved by Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co., the designers of all the beautiful old colonials. As far as we know these are the first designed by the firm for many years past. We hope that the new stamps for this country, which are now generally supposed to be in contemplation, will be as effective as these new Canadians.

The Globe Souvenir Card Exchange..

The biggest and best club ever organized for card collectors. Write us for information. Dues fifty cents the year.

Lock Box 301, Minneapolis, Minn.

FINE SETS.

Argentine Official 1901, complete.....	\$.50
Hungary 1, 2, 3, 5, Krone .....	.40
Guatemala 1902 complete, mint very fine.....	1.15

FINE APPROVALS

AT LIBERAL DISCOUNTS

William H. Hush, Sta. J. Baltimore, Md.

Are You Looking for Bargains? IF SO LOOK HERE

1806 Ecuador, 7 var.....	\$.25
1902 Guatemala, 1, 2 5, 6 & 10.....	.12
1892 Mozambixue, 6 var.....	.25
1897 North Borneo, 9 var.....	.30
1900 Faultlts Hinges.....	.08

U. S. and Foreign stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. An inducement: Stamps given to everyone who applies for approval books.

Highland Stamp Co., 188 Marion St., Springfield, Mass.

SNAPS IN TRANSVAAL ALL O. G.

No. 81 o. g., catalogue \$3.00	\$1.25
No. 94 o. g., " .....	.70
No. 140 o. g., " .....	.60
No. 141 o. g., " .....	.06
No. 121 o. g., " .....	.25
No. 139 o. g., " .....	.12
No. 111 o. g., " .....	.12
No. 216 o. g., " .....	.05
No. 220, 221 o. g., " .....	.07

Satisfaction guaranteed. Postage extrr.
E. C. DODD, 259 So. Hermitage Ave., CHICAGO.

STAMPS BOUGHT AND SOLD
My Buying List for two cent Stamp.

100 Foreign mounted in book.....	\$.10
500 U. S. and Foreign, good lot....	.15
10 Original Covers U. S. and for. .	.10
60 U. S. all sorts in a book .....	.20
60 U. S. (1856 to date) including Commemorative. Dues and Revenues, dated and mounted.....	.30c

R. R. MCGILL, 7 Burton Place, CHICAGO.

BARGAINS Superb copies, Canada Jubilees unused, o. g., at 25 per cent off cat.

Cuba 1870-40c post used.....	\$.75
Cuba 1878-1 p. unused, o. g.....	.45
Cuba 1891-20c post used .....	.40
Cuba and Philippines 1898-99 all at 1/2 cat.	
Bavaria 1850 18 post used.....	.50
British Guiana 1882, 4c unused, o. g .....	.25
Peru 1902 5c on 10. Sols green, post used .....	.20

UNIVERSAL STAMP CO. 110-116 Nassau St. NEW YORK.

PREMIUM

Readers of the Philatelic World writing for my approval books and guaranteeing a purchase of 50c I will present a perfect copy of Newfoundland No. 62 in uncut condition.

I make a specialty of United States entire envelopes and would be pleased to send a selection to parties interested in this branch of philately. Also can forward cut square envelopes at 25 per cent below 1904 quotations.

Original covers and Post Card specialists will do well to correspond as I am sure I can interest them.

Honduras 1891 1c to 10c, 14 varieties catalogue value \$1.44 for 50c.

S. VALENTINE SAXBY
ROCKFORD, ILL.



Not expensive to collect when you buy from my precancelled list.

For instance: 25 varieties U.S. Revenues for 10 cents.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Russia 1-3½ and 7 Roubles

Catalogue \$4.95: \$2.50

EBEN S. MARTIN CO.,

Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, ¼, 1, 2, 2½d o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1396, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1g1, fine.....	.06
" " 2½g1, fine.....	.25
" " 5g1, fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official, No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 5c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it - it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.

10 blank Approval Books, 10c.

100 Approval Sheets, 15c.

Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight ½ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light, Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp
Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " Interleaved.....	2.00	2.16

International Postage

Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,....	\$.25
" " " " Cloth,....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N. Y.

Join the

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 49. Whole No. 58. Minneapolis, Minn. December 9, 1903 Weekly

KAMEHAMEHA IV.

Ed. World:

I was much interested in Mr. Steinbrueck's article on Hawaiian and thinking the following letter written by David L. Gregg, the United States minister to Hawaii, to W. L. Marcy would interest your readers I send it to you.

Respectfully,

Jno. L. Thorson.

Honolulu, December 19, 1854.

Sir: The King of the Hawaiian Islands, Kamehameha III, died on Friday last, the 15th instant, after an illness of about two weeks. He was born on the 17th of March, 1813, being in his forty-second year. By his subjects he was universally beloved, and among them the manifestations of grief are universal and striking. With scarcely an exception the resident foreigners respected him and confided in his justice and generosity. His partiality to Americans has always been strong, and it will be universally conceded that by his decease they have lost a faithful and honorable friend.

As soon as his death was known, minute guns were fired from the fort on shore and by all the vessels of war in the harbor.

On the same day the accession of the Prince Royal Alexander Liholiho to the throne, under the style of Kamehameha IV, was proclaimed and received universal acquiescence. The young monarch will be 21 years of age on the 9th of February next. By the Hawaiian laws

the age of majority for males is fixed at twenty, so that he becomes at once ruler de facto of the Kingdom.

But few young men of his years have more ability or intelligence. His general education is good and for sometime past he has been accustomed to take part in the management of public affairs. A few years since, with his older brother, he visited the United States and Europe, and evidently derived much profit from the opportunity thus placed within his reach. His manners and habits are plain and simple, in consistent with the American education he has received.

The cabinet ministers and members of the privy council placed their offices at the disposal of the new sovereign yesterday, but he desired them to remain for the present in the discharge of their several functions.

The King's confidential and most influential adviser is the Hon. William L. Lee, chief justice of the supreme court, a thorough American and a man of undoubted integrity. On the 2d instant he resigned his office on account of ill health, but his resignation was not then accepted, and the present King absolutely refuses to allow him to quit his position, promising to have such an arrangement made as will relieve him of his most burdensome duties.

Mr. W. H. Peckhitt, who recently purchased the Earl of Knitore's large collection has secured another superb accumulation. This time the collection, rich in mint specimens of old colonial issue, of the late Rev. William Bell of Cork.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

BOSTON NOTES.

The Boston dealers all report a good business. The demand for the new things is a feature of the local stamp trade.

Mr. A. W. Dunning of Newton Centre is to sail for Europe on Nov. 19th.

I am told that the Somerville, Mass., public library is to add a number of philatelic works to its shelves. This action is due to the activity of Mr. Geo. F. Loring, who is always on the outlook for ways and means of promoting philatelic interests.

A correspondent of mine in Porto Novo, Dahomey, recently presented an envelope at his postoffice address to me, and franked with the correct amount of postage in the

new issue for French West Africa, "Senegambie et Niger," and was told by the postoffice officials that they new nothing official concerning these stamps, and, therefore could not accept them for postage. The letter came through with a ten centime stamp of "Benin," issue of 1894. Apparently the Colonial officials are not able to keep up with the home authorities' efforts in the stamp providing line, or, possibly, such a small detail as notifying the officers where the stamps are supposed to be used, was not considered necessary.

A friend here who receives official mail from Liberia, has given me some envelopes from his recent correspondence, and they are interesting as showing the indiscriminate use of different sorts of stamps, by persons who are not interested in stamp collecting.

One envelope bears the ten cents regular postage, with a five cents, surcharged "O. S." Another has the three cent black, "Inland Postage," lately issued, with a pair of the one cent regular postage, another the same inland stamp with a pair of one cent "O. S."

On a heavy letter was employed a strip of five of the three cents, inland postage, of the issue of 1897. (Scott No. 58) and a pair of the five cent "O. S." Some of the envelopes covered registered mail, but the handsome (?) registered stamp, lately issued, is conspicuous by its absence. Mr. T. J. Champagne of Springfield was proposed for membership at the last meeting of the Boston Philatelic Society. Those who visited Springfield at the time of the American Philatelic Association convention held there in 1902, will remember Mr. Champagne as the courteous and efficient secretary of the Springfield Stamp Club.

I am breaking up a collection of 4000 different stamps which I am sending on approval at 50 per cent discount. If you want a selection, mention four or five countries you are interested in.

12 different foreign original covers only 05c
1000 hinges and 10 Cuban stamps 10c

JOSEPH SAYMON, Publisher,

12 West 117th St. - New York.

Send me \$1.00 and I will mail you a packet of nice, clean, high grade stamps to the catalogue value of \$4.00. No damaged trash or "gold bricks". My success depends on my pleasing you. If you will give me the size of your collection I will make up a special packet to correspond

W. H. ADAMS,

205 La Salle St., Chicago, Illinois.

MORAL: Gold dollars are cheap at face.

Wanted for Cash or Exchange

U. S., Columbia, Pan American, Omaha and New Issue. Write me stating what you have with lowest price.

GUSTAV H. BECKER

708 Elk Grove Avenue, CHICAGO, ILL.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Dennison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

GOOD LINES. SPECIAL PRICES.

Fine condition - Firsts - Not Second Quality.

Canada, Kings Head, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10.....	\$.12
Newfoundland 1 on 3c, Type 1, o. g., Fine.....	.65
" " 1 on 3c, Type 2, o. g., Fine.....	.90
" " 10 varieties well ass'd 100.....	1.15
" " 15-30 " " " 100.....	1.65
" " 25 varieties Different.....	.75
" " 30 " " ".....	1.00
100 varieties British Colonies all postage.....	.60
50 " " " " ".....	.20
100 varieties Australian Countries.....	1.25
25 varieties Brazil.....	.25
30 varieties Bulgaria.....	.35
50 varieties Spain.....	.20

Dealers and Collectors—

Send for our new 50 page wholesale and retail list. Cheapest list in America.

MARKS STAMP COMPANY, Toronto, Canada.

Largest Wholesale Dealers in Canada.

Reference: EBEN S. MARTIN, Publisher.

Yankee Peelable Hinges

NOT ENGLISH NOT GERMAN

1000 12 cents Post free. 5000 50 cents Post free.

STRONG PAPER. TASTELESS GUM.

W. F. GREGORY, 65 Nassau St. N. Y.

The Virginia Philatelist

The Best and Brightest of the monthlies. Now in sixth year of publication. Only one South. Subscription 30c per year. Advertisements 40c per inch. Sample copy free.

Virginia Philatelic Publishing Co.,

P. O. BOX 124, RICHMOND, VA.

BETTER BUY

60¢ Bureau Print

NEWSPAPER

A RARITY

Unused o. g. perfect only , \$12.50

EBEN S. MARTIN CO., Minneapolis, Minn.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers..... .10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, Illinois.

Join Union Philatelic Society

Due 35 cents per year. Initiation Fee 10 cents after July 1st. Dues 2 cents per month until January 1st. For blanks, &c. send to

A. D. BLAIR, Jr.

Box 215, ELMIRA, NEW YORK.

Metropolitan Phil. Association

Issues own official organ, has representatives in every country. Blanks from Vice-President below.

Auction department S. of P. now in fine shape. Send lots to auction manager, address below.

I have the disposal of the entire stock of Park & Dougherty Co. Some fine stamps. Correspondents note change of address.

J. A. D. PARK

The Hill School, Pottstown, Pa.

Pres. N. C. P. A. Auction Mgr. S. of P. etc. 40c to join M. P. A.



Not expensive to collect when you buy from my precancelled list. For instance: 25 varieties U.S. Revenues for 10 cents.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Russia 1-3/2 and 7 Roubles
Catalogue \$4.95: \$2.50

EBEN S. MARTIN CO.,
Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 3/10 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1/2, fine.....	.06
" " 2 1/2, fine.....	.25
" " 5/1, fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official. No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 5c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.
10 blank Approval Books, 10c.
100 Approval Sheets, 15c.
Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N. BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.



FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE

Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight 1/2 oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful, color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co.,
Bayonne, N. J.

TRADE MARK.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors. The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " " Interleaved.....	2.00	2.16

International Postage Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards....	\$.25
" " " " Cloth....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

Join the **American Philatelic Association.**
The representative society of the new world

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 50. Whole No. 59. Minneapolis, Minn. December 16, 1903 Weekly

THE SWEDISH SERVICE.

From a letter from Josiah H. Moyer in the Minneapolis Journal of Oct. 25, 1903, appears:

"As you may surmise, the state owns the telephone system in Sweden, and thru constant effort it has brought the same to a state of very high perfection. I had a talk with Mr. Midden-dorff, the director general of the system in his office this morning, and in response to some questions, he said. 'Our chief purpose, of course, is to serve the public in the highest measure. We feel that the telephone is of even greater importance than the post-office. In this age of activity it is of the greatest use. Correspondence is a slow process; you must always wait for an answer. In one minute, with the aid of a phone, you can transact a world of business. Our people appreciate this and we have but the one object in view, better service and cheaper rates. It is true postoffice receipts have fallen off some since the advent of the cheap system, but the public in this case is the arbiter; they choose and we serve. In a measure the postoffice has been superceded and locally at least the postoffice is only a supplement of the telephone system. We have still many improvements to make, but we are proud of what we have done.'

"It will be of interest to note a few of the tariff rates. For Stockholm and a sixty-mile zone, $2\frac{1}{2}$ cents for three minutes. In this zone the telephone tariff is quite as cheap as letter postage. The 360-mile zone limit

has a rate of 13 cents for three minutes, while 600 miles costs 26 cents. The rate for 1,000 miles is 38 cents, over that distance it is about 52 cents. This latter is the highest rate in the kingdom. For private houses the unlimited use of the telephone costs \$9 per year, and for public places, hotels, etc., \$12 per annum.

"While at the post office department I saw a unique device which has materially reduced the number of letters missing, lost or gone astray. Each mail collector has a bag with an iron lid. This, when he wishes to collect mail, he attaches closely to the bottom of the letter box; while thus in a fixed position and by means of a spring, the lid of the bag opens downward, the bottom of the box opening at the same time; the mail matter now drops down into the bag. Both box and bag close instantly when the latter is detached. The mailman at no time gets a sight of anything he has bagged until he arrives at the postoffice where he opens the bag with a stationary key in front of his superiors."



From London, Eng.

M. Giwelb is offering a superb specimen of the rare Connell of New Brunswick at £24. He also shows superb unused copies of the Canada 1868 one cent and three cent on laid paper.

At the meeting of the Fiscal Society held on Oct. 15 the fiscals of Peru were shown, discussed and catalogued. The secretary, A. B. Kay, is busily engaged upon the annual report which will be issued next month.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, *Benson, Minn.*
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

A New Annual.

Early next month C. Uresen & Co. of London, W. C., will issue the first number of a handbook which they expect hereafter to issue yearly. It will be of an hundred or more pages and will be a compilation of facts and figures which will make it almost indispensable to the well informed philatelist. A number of essays by prominent authorities on special topic will also be included. The book will sell for one shilling. In speaking of it the publishers say: This new "Annual," in fact, will strive to become the "Whitaker" or the "Hazell" of our hobby, its publishers being firmly convinced that there exists a real demand for an interesting and authoritative "Year Book of Philately."

A new explanation to the differ-

ences shown in the various Washington portraits was recently given. It is attributed to the fact of differences in false teeth worn at different times. The writer says:

"Thus, when Washington granted a sitting to one artist, he had in his mouth the set that tended to elongate the central portion of his face, and apparently increase the distance between nose and chin.

"When the other painter was favored the subject was using the duplicate teeth, which appeared to bring the nose and chin closer together. It is pointed out that the difference caused in the facial appearance of a person by teeth with different "bites" is marked, and was more so in the eighteenth century, when the art of manufacturing teeth was not characterized by the exactitude and finish of today.

"The teeth now preserved by the Baltimore college were constructed by Dr. John Greenwood of New York, who presented them to the college when it was founded 64 years ago. They are regarded as the most valuable relics in the college collection, and several flattering offers for them by outside historical institutions have been refused."



CHICAGO NOTES.

W. H. Adams.

A small boy recently came into a local stamp shop and deposited a nickle on the show case, with the request that he be given "one of those microbe stamps." It was only after considerable questioning that the dealer discovered that what was wanted was one of the Chinese stamps of the dragon type. The dealer was not surprised to discover

that the boy's home was in St Louis.

The universal stamp button movement appears to be still "in the air," but its supporters in Chicago have not lost hope and are still confident that the idea will bear fruit.

Considerable disappointment is felt in Chicago on account of the action of the Danish authorities in refusing to issue the contemplated commemorative set for the Danish West Indies. New issues from this interesting and philatelically clean little country are always welcome. While unnecessary issues are the bane of a stamp collector's existence, legitimate stamps of an interesting nature, such as these would have been, are always accorded a hearty reception.

The Globe Souvenir Card Exchange..

The biggest and best club ever organized for card collectors. Write us for information. Dues fifty cents the year.

Lock Box 301, Minneapolis, Minn.

FINE SETS.

Argentine Official 1901, complete.....	\$.50
Hungary 1, 2, 3, 5, Krone.....	.40
Guatemala 1902 complete, mint very fine.....	1.15

FINE APPROVALS

AT LIBERAL DISCOUNTS

William H. Hush, Sta. J. Baltimore, Md.

Are You Looking for Bargains? IF SO LOOK HERE

1896 Ecuador, 7 var.....	\$.25
1902 Guatemala, 1, 2 5, 6 & 10.....	.12
1892 Mozambixue, 6 var.....	.25
1897 North Borneo, 9 var.....	.30
1,000 Faultlts Hinges.....	.08

U. S. and Foreign stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. An inducement: Stamps given to everyone who applies for approval books.

Highland Stamp Co., 188 Marion St., Springfield, Mass.

SNAPS IN TRANSVAAL ALL O. G.

No. 81 o. g. catalogue \$3.00.....	\$1.25
No. 94 o. g. " ".....	.70
No. 140 o. g. " ".....	.60
No. 141 o. g. " ".....	.06
No. 131 o. g. " ".....	.25
No. 139 o. g. " ".....	.12
No. 111 o. g. " ".....	.12
No. 216 o. g. " ".....	.05
No. 220, 221 o. g. " ".....	.07

Satisfaction guaranteed. Postage extr.
E. C. DODD, 259 So. Hermitage Ave., CHICAGO.

STAMPS BOUGHT AND SOLD

My Buying List for two cent Stamp.

100 Foreign mounted in book.....	\$.10
500 U. S. and Foreign. good lot.....	.15
10 Original Covers U. S. and for.....	.10
60 U. S. all sorts in a book.....	.20
60 U. S. (1856 to date) including Commemorative. Dues and Revenues, dated and mounted.....	.30c

R. R. MCGILL, 7 Burton Place, CHICAGO.

BARGAINS Superb copies, Canada Jubilees unused, o. g., at 25 per c. off cat.

Cuba 1870-40c post used.....	\$.75
Cuba 1878-1 p. unused, o. g.....	.45
Cuba 1891-20c post used.....	.40
Cuba and Philippines 1898-99 all at 1/2 cat.	
Bavaria 1850 18 post used.....	.50
British Guiana 1882, 4c unused, o. g.....	.25
Peru 1902 5c on 10. Sols green, post used.....	.30

UNIVERSAL STAMP CO. 110-116 Nassau St. NEW YORK.

PREMIUM

Readers of the Philatelic World writing for my approval books and guaranteeing a purchase of 50c I will present a perfect copy of Newfoundland No. 62 in uncut condition.

I make a specialty of United States entire envelopes and would be pleased to send a selection to parties interested in this branch of philately. Also can forward cut square envelopes at 25 per cent below 1904 quotations.

Original covers and Post Card specialists will do well to correspond as I am sure I can interest them.

Houduras 1891 1c to 10c, 14 varieties catalogue value \$1.44 for 50c.

S. VALENTINE SAXBY
ROCKFORD. ILL.



Not expensive to collect when you buy from my precancelled list.
For instance: 25 varieties U.S. Revenues for 10 cents.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Russia 1-3½ and 7 Roubles

Catalogue \$4.95: \$2.50

EBEN S. MARTIN CO.,

Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1896, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Luban, 1898, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, ¼, 1, 2, 2½d o. g.....	.21
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.80
1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.08
" " 2½gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official, No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" " Omaha, 5c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it— it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 18c.
10 blank Approval Books, 10c.
100 Approval Sheets, 15c.
Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W, Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.



TRADE MARK.

FEATHERWEIGHT EYE SHADE Will Save Your Eyes.

Light weight ½ oz. Adjustable. Durable. No metal. Lies flat. Hygienic, perspiration has no effect on it. Heathful color restful to the eyes. Visor extra wide. Transparent for natural light. Opaque for artificial light and those wearing glasses. Postpaid on receipt of 25 cents.

Featherweight Eyeshade Co., Bayonne, N. J.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc. all over the world. Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors. The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 22 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay. Do not delay but, send today For the WEST which is the best

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " Interleaved 2.00		2.16

International Postage Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25
" " " " Cloth,....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

Join the

American Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

THE
PHILATELIC WORLD

Christmas
1903

WEEKLY

VOL. II

WHOLE NO. 66

NO. 51

MINNEAPOLIS.

MINNESOTA

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 51. Whole No. 60. Minneapolis, Minn. December 23, 1903 Weekly

A STAMP-O-TALE.

Once there was an old time Collector who had taken them All but the 33rd degree. In other Language, he had been Up against everything except a Stamp convention. After listening to considerable Past History from his fellow Cranks who had Been There, he concluded to go the Limit. When the time came for the Annual gathering, he sidetracked his Wife at a summer resort and Boarded the special. He was also Foolish enough to take along a few Gems in a pocket stock Book. When he got to the end of his Ticket he met a Crowd of live Ones who seemed to have Forgotten all about stamps. By the time the Dinner Horn blew he had visited all the Refreshment Parlors in town and was in Bad Order. He therefore passed up his Feed and took a short nap under a Table. He woke up in the middle of a Fresh Bunch and started over the course again. Once in a while someone would shove in a Remark about stamps, but the rest of the Crowd passed over the subject. At the end of the second day the Old Timier was all in and ducked for the Station. He reached home still somewhat Groggy and it was Two Days before he remembered, in a Hazy way, of giving his Pocket Stock book to a Good Spender from Vermont whose name was Lost in the Shuffle.

MORAL—It's always wet at a stamp convention, even when the sun shines.

W. H. ADAMS.

THE ADAMS' CARD.

H. P. A.

In the summer of 1897 in various papers throughout the country appeared the advertisement—

Post Office Department,
Washington, D. C., July 8, 1897.

Sealed proposals will be received at this department until 12 m. on Wednesday, the 18th day of August, 1897, for furnishing all postal cards which the department may call for during a period of four years beginning December 1st, 1897. Blank forms of bids, with samples of the Department's standard of paper and full specifications, will be furnished upon application to the Third Assistant Postmaster General, Washington, D. C.

JAMES A. GARY,
Postmaster General.

The specifications call for single cards $3\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$, double or reply cards $5\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ and for single cards 2 15-16x4 15-16. This latter is the card, sometimes called the Adam's card because of its portrait, with which this sketch purports to treat. The specification and the signed contract called for the card to be uniform and to weigh five pounds to the thousand cards, the paper to be "made of 69 per cent sulphite bleached spruce fibre, of 22 per cent of soda chemical popular fibre and of 9 per cent of English clay. "It must be clean and free from imperfections, run and calendered to a uniform thickness and weight, finished on both sides suitable for writing with

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 51. Whole No. 60. Minneapolis, Minn. December 23, 1903 Weekly

A STAMP-O-TALE.

Once there was an old time Collector who had taken them All but the 33rd degree. In other Language, he had been Up against everything except a Stamp convention. After listening to considerable Past History from his fellow Cranks who had Been There, he concluded to go the Limit. When the time came for the Annual gathering, he sidetracked his Wife at a summer resort and Boarded the special. He was also Foolish enough to take along a few Gems in a pocket stock Book. When he got to the end of his Ticket he met a Crowd of live Ones who seemed to have Forgotten all about stamps. By the time the Dinner Horn blew he had visited all the Refreshment Parlors in town and was in Bad Order. He therefore passed up his Feed and took a short nap under a Table. He woke up in the middle of a Fresh Bunch and started over the course again. Once in a while someone would shove in a Remark about stamps, but the rest of the Crowd passed over the subject. At the end of the second day the Old Timer was all in and ducked for the Station. He reached home still somewhat Groggy and it was Two Days before he remembered, in a Hazy way, of giving his Pocket Stock Book to a Good Spender from Vermont whose name was Lost in the Shuffle.

MORAL—It's always wet at a stamp convention, even when the sun shines.

W. H. ADAMS.

THE ADAMS' CARD.

H. P. A.

In the summer of 1897 in various papers throughout the country appeared the advertisement—

Post Office Department,

Washington, D. C., July 8, 1897.

Sealed proposals will be received at this department until 12 m. on Wednesday, the 18th day of August, 1897, for furnishing all postal cards which the department may call for during a period of four years beginning December 1st, 1897. Blank forms of bids, with samples of the Department's standard of paper and full specifications, will be furnished upon application to the Third Assistant Postmaster General, Washington, D. C.

JAMES A. GARY,

Postmaster General.

The specifications call for single cards $3\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$, double or reply cards $5\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ and for single cards 2 15-16x4 15-16. This latter is the card, sometimes called the Adam's card because of its portrait, with which this sketch purports to treat. The specification and the signed contract called for the card to be uniform and to weigh five pounds to the thousand cards, the paper to be "made of 69 per cent sulphite bleached spruce fibre, of 22 per cent of soda chemical popular fibre and of 9 per cent of English clay. "It must be clean and free from imperfections, run and calendered to a uniform thickness and weight, finished on both sides suitable for writing with

ink and pencil and the same in color, quality, tensile strength, weight, finish and all other respects as the standard."

The contract required the cards to be packed twenty-five in a banded package, and twenty packages in a box, and when 2,000 cards or less filled a requisition the boxes to be securely packed in manilla paper, larger shipments to be made in wooden boxes securely strapped with iron.

Orders for 10,000 could be filled under department's direction in uncut sheets.

It was estimated that 250,000,000 of the small size card would be necessary under the contract. A clause in the specifications also permit bids with card board not in accordance with the specified kind, thus making a competition among the paper-makers, and while several other kinds were submitted it was not found expedient to adopt other than the regulation and the contract was awarded to Albert Daggert by Order No. 513 dated Sept. 13, 1897.

The price paid for the Adam's card under this award was 20 cents a thousand cards. The die and rolls for making the plates were made and furnished by the government, but the working plates were made and kept in working order by the contractor.

A week after the award, on Sept. 21, the contract was executed and Daggett gave bonds for \$100,000, with the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland as surety for the faithful performance of the contract.

Shortly afterward the postmaster general approved the design which is officially described as follows: "In

the upper right hand corner is a portrait of John Adams, three-quarters face, looking to the left, surrounded by an olive wreath, and with the name "John Adams" upon a scroll at the bottom. To the left of the portrait are three lines of ordinary Roman capitals, the first $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches long, contain the words, "Postal Card—One Cent," the beginning letter of each word being larger than the other letters. The second line, $3\frac{1}{8}$ inches long, contain the words, "United States of America," in capitals exactly like the large letters in the line above. The third line, $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches long, contains in quite small letters, "This side is for the address only." Between the second and third lines is an ornamental dash $1\frac{3}{8}$ inches long.

The records of the department show that the card was issued in the first quarter of 1898 but it is not until November that it is listed by the American Journal of Philately as issued and it may be that the department figures intend to show acceptance by the department and not actual issue, although no small cards either Grant or Adams seem to have been issued the last quarter of 1897. 276,000 appear to have been issued the first quarter of 1898 and 815,500 the second quarter. Of these only 300,000 were shipped direct from Piedmont, W. Va., where the factory was located, 173,000 being sent from the sub agency at Troy, N. Y.; 213,500 from Cincinnati, O.; 375,500 from St. Louis; and 29,500 from Washington.

The third quarter saw 106,000 put forth and the last 246,000. In 1899 the first quarter's issue was 97,000, the second 69,000, the third 136,000 and the last 88,000. In 1900 the first

quarter brought forth 142,000, the second 83,000, the third 95,500, and the fourth 82,000. In 1901 the first quarter 82,000, the second 322,500, third 120,500 and fourth 7,246,040. In 1902 the first quarter 2,439,000 and second 1,592,000. The data since is not accessible but will show about as in 1899 it is said. The contract expiring in December, 1901, on July 20, the advertisement for bids for supplying the next four years, was published and on Sept. 24 the award was made again to Daggett and the contract executed on Oct. 17. But little change can be noted save the price is reduced to 17½ cents per thousand and the manufactory moved to Rumford Falls, Maine. The fact that the card has not been popular is shown by the estimate being only 658,000 for the four years.

The seeming increase in popularity that the increase of the issue in latter part of 1900 and early part of 1901 was caused by the rejection of the McKinley design card and a consequent famine of card caused the output of surplus stock on hand at the manufactory of this size. While the design is pleasing and the execution well done, the size has always been unpopular with the business interest.

Since writing the above, I note in Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News for Dec. 1, 1898, relative to the date of issue, "Upon seeing our notation" (issue of Nov. 3) "Mr. W. C. Stone kindly forwarded us a copy, with the information that they had had it on sale for three months in Massachusetts. A letter was printed in a subsequent number of the Weekly giving June 1st as date of issue, but now we have word from a corre-

spondent mentioning a card in his possession as having been mailed in St. Paul in the last week in May."



THE YOUNGEST POSTMAN.

From the Girl's Companion of Oct. 24 we reproduce:

"Perhaps the youngest postman in the country, though not in Uncle Sam's service, is Reta Dickie, an eleven-year-old girl of Belmar, New Jersey. In the town where she lives the government has no uniformed carriers, and the summer visitors, who come in large numbers to the little town, are obliged to walk to the office to get their mail and also to post their letters.

"This state of affairs suggested an idea to Reta, who is one of those bright-eyed, energetic girls who do not wait for opportunities to come and seek them out. She decided to turn postman, and do for the summer residents what the government did not do. Her suggestion was welcomed, and, soon after her bright idea had popped into her head, she had put her scheme into execution.

Every morning Reta is at the post-office awaiting the first distribution of the day's mail. Then, when her bag is filled with the letters, newspapers and packages, she mounts her wheel and flies away to her patrons. There were fifty-three of them last summer, and, as each one pays a dollar a month for Reta's services, it is easy to calculate that this eleven-year-old girl, during the summer, draws a larger salary than many men.

Three times a day Reta distributes the mail to her customers, and, when she calls, she takes their letters and carries them to the post-office. Not only has she proved her enterprise, but she is so careful and painstaking that, in the months she has acted as postman, she has never lost anything entrusted to her keeping."

RICHMOND, VA., NOTES.

Bosco.

It is seldom that Richmond is ever represented in the personal notes in our stamp papers, so the writer believes a few personals will not be amiss from the capitol city of the "Lost Cause."

Richmond is well represented with collectors and dealers, and we have one publication, *The Virginia Philatelist*, now in the sixth year of its publication, and a local society, the Virginia Philatelic Association, which has not been as active as it should have been.

Many valuable collections are to be found here, among which that of C. F. W. Moser will undoubtedly take first rank. Mr. Moser is a specialist in United States stamps—in immaculate condition, and it is very nearly complete. His collection of entire envelopes lacks only a few of the rarest ones. Among other fine collections, the collections of Messrs. John F. Mayer, Wm. S. Ahern, Franklin Stearns, August Dietz, E. K. Victor, Dr. Mark W. Peyser, Roy B. Bradley, H. P. Morris, John Paalzow, Thomas W. Christian and Charles P. Davis are worthy of mention, besides a host of others.

Of course it is to be expected that Confederates predominate. Many rare covers are held here, and it will be remembered that at the magnificent exhibit of Confederate stamps and locals made in the Valentine Museum during the convention of the Southern Philatelic Association here in 1899, over sixty frames were filled and on exhibition, including the celebrated Confederate collection of H. E. Deats, Flemington, N. J.

The philatelists of Richmond are nearly all members of some society. At one time the Southern Philatelic Association had over 30 Richmond members on its rolls, but owing to the inattention of former officials and the fact that the officers and conventions have been carried North, little interest is manifested in its affairs here.

One of our stamp men recently exhibited a cover that is unique, and is probably the only one in existence. It consists of an envelope mailed from the Federal prison at Elmira, N. Y., bearing a United States stamp with the inscription "Prisoner's Letter—Examined." On its arrival at the Southern lines a Confederate stamp is added, making two stamps. After arriving at its destination the envelope was turned and again used, with another Confederate stamp used in forwarding it to a Georgia party, making as interesting a souvenir as one could find.

Richmond has many points of interest to the tourist and stamp man. Surrounded on all sides by battlefields and scenes of strife and carnage—Seven Pines, Yellow Tavern, Cold Harbor, Hanover Court House, Drewry's Bluff—all of interest.

In Richmond one will find many places of more than passing interest. Here can be seen the "White House of the Confederacy," the Executive Mansion where Varina Anne ("Winnie") Davis was born, now occupied by the Confederate Museum. In historic Hollywood lie four Presidents of the United States, as well as President Davis. Monuments abound in all directions, and Belle Isle and the site of Libby Prison will also claim their share of attention.

To philatelists there is much more to claim their attention. Here the visitor can see the building where Hoyer & Ludwig printed the Confederate stamps, the old sign being faintly visible even now. And the visitor can meet and talk with the men who printed the Confederate stamps.

Visitors are always cordially welcomed by Richmond philatelists, and any one passing through is cordially invited to make himself known.



A PARENT'S LETTER.

G. H. C. to His Son.

A letter from G. H. Collectum of Chicago to his son at school at Worcester, Mass:

My Dear Charles:—Surprised is hardly the word to express my feelings when reading your letter. It is too mild an expression. To think you should finally have taken it into your wooden pate to start a stamp collection, when for sixteen years I have tried to impress upon you the pleasures as well as the profitable educational features connected with it well nigh put your dad off his trolley. And then to think you should ask any—at least my—advice on the best methods to proceed. I well remember when you were twelve when my friend Wolsieffer asked me “why don't you start your boy collecting,” I replied, “The blamed little fool hasn't brains enough.” I must congratulate that eastern institution that it has done more than make drafts on me for your feed and instruction in foot ball, etc. It has started a growth of gray tissue cells.

Well, while you are a novice try a printed album, it will help you

put your stamps in by series correctly if you follow it, and I believe until at least five or six thousand specimens are brought together it is not wise to specialize, unless you select a series of countries and collect only those from the beginning.

Be careful where you obtain your stamps. It is not always wise to send orders for bargains offered cheaply by unknown dealers. In this respect I can but recall a little happening back in the little Maine town where I was raised. In the next house lived a bright little golden curled girl, the smiles of whom was a cause of contention among all of us tow headed chaps. Now one winter when the little witch was about nine her mother bought her a little red jacket and a hood of the color of a robin-breast and it was not long before she won the title of “Little Red Riding Hood.” One day her mother sent her to the store for some groceries and the smart Aleck who was clerking there opened up with, “Well, Red Riding Hood, where is the wolf this morning?” and she softly poured out her answer, “On the other side of the counter.” That's where lots of the wolves of philately are; so patronize only those dealers who have a reputation at stake. And while I could send you an occasional paper, it would be as good policy as to subscribe to one or two good stamp journals and keep abreast of the times. Better take the Philatelic World anyhow.

And if there is a local society among the friends who have interested you or anywhere within an hour's trolley of the city hall, post your application for membership and draw on dad for the damage,

and sign the blank I send you for the American Philatelic Association and send it back to me and I'll look after it. Mix with other collectors. Don't be in stamp matters like the preacher I met over in England. I was staying with a friend in a Yorkshire village where a new curate had been recently appointed and one day he dropped into to see my friend and my friend's father. Now the old gentleman was a bluff old specimen of a hound riding squire and as an opening civility it was, "Won't you have a nip of toddy parson?"

With an even more sanctimonious look than his usual lantern jawed face was wont to possess the curate curtly declined. "Well, well," said the old squire, "maybe ye can tak' a draw at the pipe wi' me."

"I am very sorry—but I can not tolerate the nasty tobacco habit."

Such unheard of abstinence nonplused the old man, and he sat in silence for a few moments when he blurted forth, "Do ye eat grass?"

"Eat grass. Certainly not. I do not understand."

"Well, well! Ye don't drink, ye don't smoke—ye're a queer 'un—and ye don't eat grass. Why, man, ye're no fit company for either man or beast."

Let me know a little more to the point just how or what you intend to collect and don't forget to buy good hinges.

For fear you might be getting kinder weak and sickly on that consarned diet of Johnny cake and baked beans your ma has had me send you a chafing dish and a keg of nice good red hots. They packed in brine and will keep.

Your loving dad,

G. H. COLLECTUM.

P. S. Just met Jack Oesch and told how proud I was of your new resolve and he says Bully Boy. I wanted him to go into Hannah and Hoggs but he refused—was going to hunt for watermark tonight.



NEW CARDS.

A. Lohmeyer

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE. I have received the ½d. Inland and the 1d. Postal Union cards of the King type. The former bears the oblong halfpenny stamp of the 1892 issue, except that the portrait of the King replaces that of the Queen and a slight change in the arrangement of the inscription surrounding the oval. The inscription "CAPE OF GOOD HOPE—HALFPENNY," begins to the left of the crown, at the top of the oval band, running continually around the oval and ending at the right of the crown. As a third line of inscription, in the upper centre, the words (INLAND SERVICE) have been inserted. As to the Postal Union card, the inscription in the oval stamp is arranged like that on the Inland card. The second and third lines of the inscription have been changed to read "CAPE OF GOOD HOPE (CAP DE BONNE ESPERANCE)"—"POST CARD-CARTE POSTALE." It bears illustrations in the lower left corner. P. C. ½d. green on white, 89x139 m|m. Queen type, ½d. green on white, 89x139 m|m. King type, 1d. carmine on cream, 89x139 m|m. King type.

Both are of the regulation Postal Union size.

I have also received, with a lot of cards from South Africa, a single used copy of a ½d. Queen type card of the Postal Union size and with

the inscription "(INLAND SERVICE)," which has not been catalogued, except that it is enumerated in Senf's as a sub-variety of the 1892 issue, no mention being made of the additional inscription or the year of issue. It is postmarked at Cape Town on July 23, 1902.

CEYLON. The first of the King type cards for this Colony has arrived, being the Inland 2c. card, the only change from that of 1896 being the stamp, the color of impression, mustard-yellow, remaining the same. I am informed that the 5c. letter card has likewise been issued.

P. C. 2c. mustard-yellow on white, 88x124 m|m.

HONGKONG. I have received a supply of King type cards, comprising the complete new set, single and double. The stamp, of a distinctive Chinese type, bears the portrait of the King, standing out boldly on a solid circular background, surmounted by the crown. The inscriptions, English and French, are those of the new Colonial Postal Union formula.

P. C. 1 cent, green on cream, 89x140 m|m, 1x1c., green on cream, T. 3 140, 4 cents, carmine on cream, 89x140 m|m, 4x4c., carmine on cream, T. 3 140.

ORANGE RIVER COLONY. I have received the new Inland card of the new Colonial type.

P. C. 1/2d. green on thick white, 74x121 m|m.



WHAT TO COLLECT. AND OTHER THINGS.

By E. R. Steinbrueck.

Every now and then some modifier or ameliorator turns up with

prescriptions what to collect and what not in regard to stamps and especially to postage stamps. Hence it becomes necessary every now and then to spring a counter mine and tell such modifier or would-be ameliorator, that collecting of any kind is a hobby limited solely by the individual fancy of the respective collector.

There is much dispute principally about the collecting of postage stamps. What be collectible and what not. For instance I find in German stamp magazines much controversy concerning the counting stamps of Germany recently in use.

In the United States as well as in other countries, we will say in Germany, official stamps were in use for official correspondence for some time. Official stamps could not and can not be bought by the general public. These official stamps were used only to count the amount of postage used for official mail matter in payment of the postal administration. The postoffice department has to be paid for the services rendered to the government in order to receive its proper dues and to keep a just and correct account of its work done.

The U. S. have abolished the official stamps and official correspondence passes through the mails in certain official envelopes unstamped. In what way the postoffice department is remunerated for its services to the government I am at a loss to define. May be it is done in the same manner as in some other countries, that the government pays an adjusted amount in bulk according to agreement or contract to the postoffice department.

In Germany they use the counting stamps now. These counting stamps are in design similar to the ordinary postage stamps with the difference that the head of the Germania is omitted and instead the value of the otherwise payable postage is imprinted. In short the counting stamps of Germany are nothing else but official postage stamps, to count the amount of postage due on official mail matter to the postal administration or to the postoffice department.

Now I wonder how a dispute can be raised on the collectability of these stamps and how a place can be denied them in a postage stamp collection. It be then by the dealers, who can not, as no other private person can, obtain such counting or official stamp in unused condition and very rarely in used condition. And that may be also the reason why these counting stamps do not appear in stamp catalogues issued by dealers.

The above explanation I have put down for two reasons. First, to inform my fellow-collectors of the character of the German counting stamps, and second, to show how absurd it seems to prescribe what should be collected and what not. It seems to me that every collector should be allowed so much rope as he wants for sufficient pasturage of his own hobby, to use an illustration may be a little too much western for many of our readers. As long as my meaning is understood it cuts no ice in what terms it is expressed.

What, if a collector collects everything and anything used in the transportation of mail matter, for instance postage due stamps, too

late stamps, the additional war tax stamps of Spain then necessary for the passing of a letter through the mails, the registration stamps for inst. of the Columbian Republic and other countries, the "postally sealed" and so many other labels as some may call them. Is the collection of these stamps and labels here enumerated out of place in an album for the collection of anything concerning matters connected with the carriage of mail or post matter? I don't think so.

Of course, if a fellow (-collector) is a specialist in stamps of one or more certain countries the collection of stamps outside of his specialty or specialties would eo ipso be out of place. A person collecting postage stamps only could not range any revenue stamps with his postage stamps, it then be that these revenue stamps were postally used.

And even if a person would chose to collect anything in stamps, I don't believe that any outsider is right to restrict another person in his own fancy.

Some advise to specialize. Advice is good enough, but a hobby is like a wild broncho and does not like the bit. Come on you feather bed cow boys and attempt to break a bucking broncho of the plains or leave every collector collect a collection of whatever he has a mind to. There is room for study in everything connected with stamps of every description.

I for my part do not advise to specialize. I don't say that I advise not to specialize, and beg to mark the distinction. Specializing offers a limited study of one or more certain countries. Generalizing gives a wider berth for the study of the

countries of the wide wide world and consequently widens the mind and blotts conceit. Even if, and in most cases actually a collector is, not able to fill all the designated places for all the countries stamps in an album printed in that manner. Therefore, I prefer a blank album in which I leave no objectionable blank spaces for stamps out of my reach.



A Few Precancelleds.

One-cent 1902 Milwaukee recently made its appearance.

The plate setting of the Lockport 1902 series is the same as the prior issue as the "Lockprot" error has been noted.

St. Paul is, I believe, the second city to surcharge the thirteen cent stamp, Northampton being the first, nearly a year ago. Last week a St. Paul notion firm used the "bad luck" number on the catalog of a prominent notion firm. All specimens I have seen are the type without the state, reading down.

Thus far I have met with the one, three, five and eight cent of the 1902 series, double print of Chicago.

A new arrival is the Minneapolis one cent without the lower bar. As it seems to be unusual it is my opinion that it does not exist on the whole bottom row of stamps, but that the rule used is too short to reach the full length of the sheet and that only one or two stamps on a sheet are of this variety.

Three varieties of the 1902 Danbury can be found, 1st, comma after Danbury; 2d, no comma; 3d, period after Danbury.

Rev. J. M. Frost reports the following dues from his city:

St. Johnsbury (up) 1, 2, 3, 5, 10 cent.
 " " (down) 1, 2 cent.

St. Johnsbury, Vermont (up), 1, 2, 3, 5, 10 cent.

St. Johnsbury, (down) 1, 2 cent.

The 2c due has received the customary surcharge at Chicago.

Every little while we hear of new discoveries of old issues surcharged. I believe that a very strict search should be made into the history of these before accepting them as bona fide specimens, as it would be very easy with but little effort for dishonest persons to turn out unlimited varieties of "newly unearthed varieties." True there probably are yet undiscovered old types, but with two or three years of careful search I doubt if many varieties, save minor types, have escaped discovery. The old proverb—look before you leap—can well be applied to the purchase of newly discovered precancelled issued before 1900.



CHICAGO NOTES.

W. H. Adams.

Marshall Hancock has been appointed Chicago correspondent of the Fortnightly.

Messrs. B. L. Drew & Co., of Boston, held an auction sale at the rooms of the C. P. S. on Saturday evening, Nov. 7th. The sale was well attended and fair prices were realized. Mr. Drew also had with him several stock books of fine stamps and transacted considerable business at private sale.

The last meeting of the Chicago Philatelic Society was well attended. Several questions of importance came up for discussion, including the contemplated increase in size of the Society Library. Mr. Baldwin exhibited his collection of stamps from the Western Hemisphere, which was much admired, his

stamps from the United States and Newfoundland being particularly noteworthy.

A year ago a certain Chicago collector was offered \$125.00 for his collection, which was refused. This same collection was recently sold for \$95.00. The explanation given for this remarkable dropping off in value is that during the past year collectors have become much more particular in regard to condition, centering, etc., and that, on this account, it would be hard to sell many stamps contained in this collection which would have brought good prices a year ago.

Another novel use for stamps has been discovered. A teacher in a Chicago Kindergarten recently purchased several dozen packages of cheap stamps. Each of her little pupils was given a packet and instructed to sort out the different colors, the stamps being given to the children after the work was completed.

The demand for U. S. stamps in fine condition is constantly growing. The fact that so many collectors have disposed of their general collections and started specializing in United States is largely accountable for this demand.

The new French stamps of the Sower type are now appearing quite frequently on mail matter received in Chicago from France. The new type of French colonies are also putting in an appearance in large quantities, both the "regular" and "volunteers," i. e., surcharges.

A local dealer recently purchased a lot of 100 U. S. 1869 2c brown Horseman at 5c each. The dealer claims that this is the best purchase he has made this season in proportion to the amount involved. The stamps were

all nice copies and he has had no difficulty in selling the greater part of them at full catalogue.

A local collector took a three-mile street car ride one evening last week to view an alleged inverted 2c Pan American which was advertised for sale at \$10.00. Not only did he discover that it had been made with a sharp knife, but the artist, in his desire to have everything right, had turned over the figure "2" in each of the lower corners as well as the train in the center. The collector almost wept at the discovery of such a mixture of carelessness and dishonesty in one stamp.



From London, England.

October has seen two removals of stamp firms to new quarters. Messrs. Alfred Smith & Son have left Essex Street for 4 Southampton Row, W. C., and Mr. J. Lewis is now found at 63-64 New Broad St., E. C.

The programme for the rest of the year as arranged by the Junior Philatelic Society well merits attention. It is:

Oct. 17. Forgery Night—Discussion and display of bogus stamps together with paper by A. R. McCallum.

Nov. 7. Paper by C. J. Patnam—"Is Philately on the Wane?" Display and Discussion of Stamps of Cyprus.

Nov. 21. Lantern Lecture—The Romance of Postage Stamps, by Fred J. Melville.

Dec. 5. Paper. Entries and their Collection, by W. A. Boies. Display and Discussion Stamps of Malta.

Dec. 19. Stamps of Seycelles, by W. H. Poole, including exhibit of

his specialized collection of this country. Paper, "The Joys of Generalism," by J. Feeney.

Many good prices were realized at the recent Puttick & Simpson sale. Among especially noticeable numbers were a lot of St. Vincents, 1866 block of four 1s slate £11, 1880 1s red £6 5s, two 5s rose £17, 1881 pair 1d on 6d green £7, 1880 block of four 1d in red on 6d blue green £27, 1881 strip of three 4d on 1s unused £50, same single specimen used £7 5s.



CHIPS.

E. R. Steinbrueck.

The first type 15 centimes orange France, 1900, has been printed occasionally on thin transparent paper, showing the design on the reverse side of stamp, which kind of stamp tho never has been issued or postally used, still exists unused in some collections as a rarity of no philatelic value.

The first issue 25 centimes blue, of 1900, has been issued without perforation. This has been a mistake and that stamp is very rare and postally used worth something.

The Engine stamps of Honduras have been imitated or counterfeited, as also has a quantity of the genuine been stolen. To control the remainder of the genuine the postal administration has ordered the surcharge "Permittase," that is to be permitted. This in reference to such stamps with a cancellation of later date than 1900 or 1901.

Beware of counterfeits of the 2 Kreuzer orange or orange yellow of Germany, 1872, No. 22 Scott's. The distinction between the genuine and the falsified is this:

The genuine shows the ribbons of

the crown very close to the upper feathers of the wings, while the counterfeit leaves a considerable space. The neck of the eagle behind the shield extends straight and plumb above it on the genuine, while the counterfeit eagle's neck is slender and bent. The claws of the eagle on the genuine stamp touch the circumference of the circle if drawn around the stamped design in center, while the claws of the counterfeited eagle do not touch that circle, but seem to be withdrawn.

It is always a high-priced stamp which pays the counterfeiters for their black art and before the fraud is detected and made public a quantity has been sold to dealers and collectors.



DENVER ITEMS.

There is an astounding dearth of "stampic" news to report at this time; the stamp collecting season is not opening up very briskly, due largely, no doubt, to the fine weather Colorado has enjoyed since the little cold snap in September.

A decided interest is being taken at present (locally, at any rate) in revenues, especially the older issues.

Chas. A. Nast is rapidly getting together another sheet cancelled collection of Spanish war revenues but it will be long before it reaches the level of the one he sold to the New York collector.

A recent philatelic visitor to Denver was Edw. H. Hall of Ft. Collins; but no time to talk stamps.

Pierce & Zahn report the new issue of the International Albums on hand, and are expecting the catalog earlier and more promptly this season than in former years. It would be well for philately in general if this desirable result could be attained.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

To old and young, to one and all,
 Around Philatelias' shrine,
 The World extends the joyous call,
 A Merry Christmastide be thine.

If you wish it we will ask "Santa Claus" to send you an application blank to the American Philatelic Association—the best in America. "Ask and you shall receive."

If you are not a regular subscriber why not make yourself a present of the World for a year. It would be the kind of a present you would appreciate each week.

It is said that Chicago was the first city to precancel the new two-cent stamp.

James N. Makin has retired from Makin & Co., but the stockholders will continue the business.

The second part of the Gibbons catalog—the world except the British Empire—will be out in February.

Mr. L. T. Bradstone has favored us with the Chicago, 1902, 2 cent precancelled with double impression.

Coldwater, Mich., is using the one cent stamp with the pen line precancellation similar to last year.

W. H. Peckitt, the London dealer, has acquired the fine large collection of J. N. Marsden of Lisbon.

The Covington, Ky., precancelled is used principally, if not entirely, by the medical firm of James & James.

An application blank of the American Philatelic Association for the asking.

Ewen's Weekly states that the 8, 12 and 16 öre of the current type of Denmark are now obsolete.

J. M. Bartels of Boston is now counterfeit detector of the American Philatelic Association.

The new constitution of the Precancelled Stamp Club recently submitted to members has been adopted.

With No. 2 The Metropolis—the organ of the Metropolitan Philatelic association dons a cover and is evidently on the high road to prosperity.

Mr. Joseph A. Carr of Newport, R. I., reports a current Boston precancelled with the city misspelt Bsston.

It is probable that the parcel post will receive considerable consideration at the hands of congress the coming session.

Illinois has a new state organization. Its board of directors are M. H. Hancock, Otto von Schaezler, F. J. Lefevre, Thos. G. Crosby.

A. W. Dunning of Newton, Mass., writes us to have the World follow to England where he will sojourn for the next six months.

The Mafeking Baden Powell 3d

pale blue reverse impression brought \$82.62 at a recent London auction sale.

It is said there were 12,000 of the 3c on 18c Seychelles provisionals issued, the date of issue being Feb. 9 of this year.

A fine lot of Confederate local form the most noticeable numbers of the Chicago societies' sale of Dec. 19th. Twenty-seven lots are given up to U. S. essays and proofs.

Stanley-Gibbons' annual list of publications and albums has been received. It is priced in American currency and is issued from the New York office.

A neat four page list has been received from S. D. Pierce of St. Francis, Minn. The World is pleased to welcome this new dealer to the ranks of Gopher State Philately.

The agitation in favor of an album for match and medicine stamps continues and it seems not unlikely that an eastern dealer would push the enterprise.

The order prohibiting the use of Philippine surcharges in this country has been modified so as to permit the use of the reply portion of the double card.

That the governmental stamp display at St. Louis will be carefully and accurately arranged is vouchsafed by the fact that J. M. Bartels has had supervision of its arrangement.

The Stamp Collector's Fortnightly is the authority that S. M. Bixby & Co. of New York are giving away packets of stamps in return for labels taken from their shoe polish.

By decree on the 10th of August there was issued provisional stamp for Senegal as follows: 40,000 5c on 40c red; 20,000 10c on 50c red; 30,000 10c

on 75c violet; 15,000 10c on 1 fr. olive.

The late printings of the 2c 1902 issue are of a deep rich color and show finer impression than the earlier printings and present so fine an appearance that one is loath to say good-bye.

The Boston Stamp Co. is reported to have taken advantage of the Nelson law and gone into bankruptcy. The assets are about five per cent of the liabilities which are stated to be \$16,000.00.

Le Timbrophile Poitevin announces a new series in preparation for Switzerland. The design is to be that of a Swiss maiden leaning on the national escutcheon, "Helvetia" above, value below in small shield.

Mr. F. Doughty reports new pre-cancelled issues for Stations H, Grand Rapids, Mich., in three horizontal lines with rule above and below and Detroit, Mich., Station C in three horizontal lines heavy bar above and below.

In spite of the difficulties which the Dominion Philatelic Association has experienced in the secretary's office recently eleven new members are shown by the last report. The secretary pro tem. filling the unexpired term of Mr. Ussher is R. A. Miller, London, Ont.

An exceedingly neat little booklet—A Gilt Edged Investment—has been received from W. James Wurtele, of Montreal, explaining his club method of securing new issues at but little above face value. It would be worth while for every new issue collector to examine the plan.

The Pall Mall Gazette, London, Eng., under date of Nov. 4th, says relative to the Canadian King's

Heads "The presentment of the king's portrait gives the youths of the Dominion a far better idea of the imperial ruler than the decapitated head which floats in space of the British stamp."

Mr. F. L. Smith has favored us with specimens of the one cent pre-cancelled used at Brockport, N. Y., and Marshall, Mich. The former consist of parallel horizontal lines 5mm apart covering the entire stamp and the latter of a single 7mm wide horizontal bar.

The Era reports C. A. Howes has a 10c green 1861 cancelled at the Shanghai postal agency office July 10, 1870, which is by far the earliest date known. The editor has seen the following stamps showing this cancellation, 1885 2c; 1887 1c, 2c; 1890 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c; 1893 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, 5c; 1895 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, 5c; 1895 ordinary 5c, 1898 Trans-Mississippi 1c, 4c, 5c.

One of the finest philatelic libraries in America is that of Wm. E. Loy of California, which is especially rich in English periodicals embracing files of London Philatelist, Gibbons' Monthly, Philatelic Record, The Philatelist, Stamp Collectors' Magazine, Philatelic Journal of Great Britain, Philatelic Journal of India, etc. Of course all the representative American journals are represented but Mr. Loy does not pay attention to collecting the small and some times rare small papers of but one or two issues.



CLEVELAND NOTES.

The traveling rep. of the N. E. Stamp Co. exhibited a valuable lot of stamps at the Sept. meeting of the G. P. S. Club.

Mr. Brodie's West Indies were on exhibition at the Oct. meeting of

the same club and the owner gave a talk on same.

Mr. W. H. Barnum, president of the Stamp Collectors' Assn., has appointed H. C. Crowell of this city as exchange supt.

Mr. Worthington added the three high value "August" 1861 stamps to his collection during October.

B. L. Drew of Boston was here Oct. 30th.

The Crowell Stamp Co. of Cleveland has removed to their new quarters in the Caxton building. A large fire proof vault is now at their disposal. They report counter trade as picking up but mail trade about as usual.

Cleveland has many collectors of pre-cancelled stamps but they can't see the necessity of a club for that

The Globe Souvenir Card Exchange...

The biggest and best club ever organized for card collectors. Write us for information. Dues fifty cents the year.

Lock Box 301, Minneapolis, Minn.

FINE SETS.

Argentine Official 1901, complete.....	\$.50
Hungary 1, 2, 3, 5, Krone.....	.40
Guatemala 1902 complete, mint very fine.....	1.15

FINE APPROVALS

AT LIBERAL DISCOUNTS

William H. Hush,

Sta. J. Baltimore, Md.

Are You Looking for Bargains? —IF SO LOOK HERE—

1896 Ecuador, 7 var.....	\$.25
1902 Guatemala, 1, 2 5, 6 & 10.....	.12
1892 Mozambixue, 6 var.....	.25
1897 North Borneo, 9 var.....	.30
1,000 Faultless Hinges.....	.08

U. S. and Foreign stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. An inducement: Stamps given to everyone who applies for approval books.

Highland Stamp Co., 188 Marion St.,
Springfield, Mass.

purpose and while on this line why is it necessary to have more than three stamp collectors' associations? If there was more combination could we not make more progress and be better thought of by the general public? One or two large organizations with a few additional departments could fill the bill, one of the new departments might be a "Fraud Dept." for the listing and prosecution of these parasites, or if that advisable it might be incorporated with that of the attorney.



THE CHRISTMAS TREE STAMPS.

E. R. Aldrich.

Robbie was sitting at his father's side, watching him arranging stamps in his album. On two or three evenings each week this was Robbie's favorite occupation. True he didn't like it as well as on some other evenings when papa would hold him on his lap and tell him—oh, such lovely fairy stories—or would romp and play with him until sleepy time came. But then sometimes papa would look up and seeing the eager looks of the little lad, would draw him closer and tell him a story or an interesting history of this stamp or that and gradually Robbie got to enjoying papa's stamp evenings quite as well as the others. But tonight it was awfully dull, papa was intent upon the stamps and did not notice the eager little face. The old, silk and watermark papers were not so easy to determine that attention could be divided, so papa worked on while Robbie watched and dreamed of Christmas.

As the page was turned, however, one stamp especially attracted Rob-

SNAPS IN TRANSVAAL ALL O. G.

No. 81 o. g., catalogue	\$3.00	.....	\$1.25
No. 94 o. g.,	.70	.....	.38
No. 140 o. g.,	.60	.....	.28
No. 141 o. g.,	.06	.....	.03
No. 121 o. g.,	.25	.....	.12
No. 139 o. g.,	.12	.....	.06
No. 111 o. g.,	.12	.....	.06
No. 216 o. g.,	.05	.....	.02
No. 220, 221 o. g.,	.07	.....	.04

Satisfaction guaranteed. Postage extrr.

E. C. DODD, 259 So. Hermitage Ave., CHICAGO.

STAMPS BOUGHT AND SOLD

My Buying List for two cent Stamp.

100 Foreign mounted in book	.....	\$1.10
500 U. S. and Foreign, good lot	.....	.15
10 Original Covers U. S. and for	.....	.10
60 U. S. all sorts in a book	.....	.20
60 U. S. (1856 to date) including Com-	.....	memorative. Dues and Revenues,
dated and mounted	.....	.30c

R. R. MCGILL, 7 Burton Place, CHICAGO.

BARGAINS

Superb copies, Canada Jubilees	unused, o. g., at 25 per c. off cat.
Cuba 1870-40c post used	..... \$1.75
Cuba 1878-1 p. unused, o. g.	..... .45
Cuba 1891-20c post used	..... .40
Cuba and Philippines 1898-99 all at 1/2 cat.	
Bavaria 1850 18 post used	..... .50
British Guiana 1882, 4c unused, o. g.	..... .25
Peru 1902 5c on 10. Sols green, post used	..... .20

UNIVERSAL STAMP CO. 110-116 Nassau St.
NEW YORK.

PREMIUM

Readers of the Philatelic World writing for my approval books and guaranteeing a purchase of 50c I will present a perfect copy of Newfoundland No. 62 in uncut condition.

I make a specialty of United States entire envelopes and would be pleased to send a selection to parties interested in this branch of philately. Also can forward cut square envelopes at 25 per cent below 1904 quotations.

Original covers and Post Card specialists will do well to correspond as I am sure I can interest them.

Honduras 1891 1c to 10c, 14 varieties catalogue value \$1.44 for 50c.

S. VALENTINE SAXBY
ROCKFORD, ILL.

bie's attention and suddenly a shrill little voice exclaimed, "Oh, papa! look at the Christmas tree stamp." Of course this attracted papa's attention, and pushing aside the perplexing varieties he asked, "What is that Robbie?" "The Christmas tree stamp there, papa," answered Robbie, pointing to a little diamond shaped label near the center of the page, and following his finger papa found that the one green of W. D. Curtis was the one that attracted the little boy's attention. "Don't you see, papa," persisted Robbie, "that must be the Christmas stamp, for don't you see the Christmas tree on it and there is one of Santa Claus' reindeers there, too. Oh! that's the Christmas stamp sure, isn't it papa?" "I'm afraid not, Robbie," answered papa, "the persons who brought the stamp never gave Christmas a thought. It is a revenue brought into existence by the laws which the great civil war made necessary and was prepared to pay the tax on matches manufactured by a man named Curtis who ran a match factory at Oshkosh, Wis. The stamp was first used in the fall of 1869 and continued to be employed until in August, 1873. Maybe you have noticed, Robbie, that tonight I have been looking very carefully at the paper upon which the stamps I have been mounting are printed. See," and he pointed to another stamp which seemed to Robbie to be the same as the other; "this is the same design but on different paper. About a million and three-quarters of this stamp was printed on each kind of paper. One is the kind first used and we call it old paper and the other is somewhat like bank notes are printed on and we call it silk paper.



Not expensive to collect when you buy from my precancelled list.

For instance: 25 varieties U.S. Revenues for 10 cents.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Russia 1-3 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 7 Roubles

Catalogue \$4.95: \$2.50

EBEN S. MARTIN CO.,

Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1888, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2 o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl. large stamp.....	.10
Queenland, 1875, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2 1/2gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official. No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.05
" Omaha, 5c green.....	.15

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

WILL SHOW YOU

That if you read a copy of "The PHILATELIC STAR"—you have to subscribe. It's bright, interesting and neatly printed in two colors. Send for Sample Copy. It pays advertisers to be in it—Are You? Better write about it—it reaches thousands of buying collectors and dealers who would make good customers if you only knew them.

We give you 100 fine stamps and year's subscription for 15c.
10 blank Approval Books, 10c.
100 Approval Sheets, 15c.
Fine Approval Books of Stamps at 65 per cent.

JUDSON N BURTON,
MADISON, - - NEW YORK.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

"Now Robbie," continued papa, pointing to still another on pink colored paper, "this is another stamp from the same die but the inscription shows a change of ownership. This was used by the Cannon Match Co. of Stillwater, Minn., who bought the plates, altered them and had stamps printed from them in 1877 and 1878. Over a million of these stamps were used."

"Are they awfully rare stamps," asked Robbie, "for when I get big I'm going to collect them."

"The three are worth four dollars and when you get big enough you shall have them."

Though interested with his father's account Robbie would do nothing else but continue to call these the "Christmas tree stamps."

This was several years ago and Robbie is now quite a youth and has a collection of his own but the fancy has never left him and on one page of his album are carefully arranged the Curtis stamps, the Cannon Co. stamp, the stamps of the Orono Match Co. and a one-cent proprietary stamp cancelled with a design showing a pine tree and the inscription "Benton's Pine Tree Tar Torches" and in showing them to friends never fails to say "These are my Christmas Tree Stamps."



BOSTON NOTES.

Edw. de Z. Kelley.

The Boston Philatelic Society held a very enjoyable meeting Tuesday Nov. 17th, with thirty-one members present. Mr. Loring, for the committee, presented a report outlining a scheme for entertainment during the coming year. The features mentioned promise a series of entertainments at the coming meet-

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price.
1885 1c.....	\$.20	\$.06
1879 2c.....	.30	.12
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.15

OTHER BARGAINS.

EBEN S. MARTIN.

MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. *Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors.* The very best of everything and lots of it Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1903.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
" " Leather.....	1.25	1.35
" " " Interleaved 2.00		2.16


International Postage Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

	Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,...	\$.25
" " " " Cloth,....	.40

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

Join the 

American Philatelic Association.
The representative society of the new world

ings that should cause the next year of the Boston Society to be a most memorable one. The members of this committee have performed a great service for the Society in arranging such a fine program.

My good friend, Mr. Wylie, has shown me a 20 centavo stamp of Panama, with the word "Colombia," surcharged with the words "Republica de Panama." The surcharge is in red, and evidently applied by means of a rubber stamp. Thus is another historical event marked by a stamp issue.

Mr. J. M. Bartels has been honored with the appointment from the Federal government to go to Washington and arrange the Government's stamp exhibit for the coming Louisiana Exposition at Saint Louis next year.

A letter received from a correspondent in Niue gives some interesting news concerning the stamps of that Island, and I will quote: "With regard to the surcharge on the shilling stamp: it is not really an error, the words should be 'Taha e Sileni,' but joining the a and e together makes no difference in the Niue language, although in the Maori language of New Zealand writing it as 'Tahae' alters the meaning of the words. As a matter of fact the error is in spelling the word 'sileni.' It should be spelled 'selini.' This appears to have been overlooked." "None of these misspelled stamps have reached Niue, all having been bought up in New Zealand."

Mention has been made in some of the stamp journals recently anent expected changes in the stamps of Tonga, and in this connection the following just received from a gentleman in Tonga is timely: " * * *

The Virginia Philatelist

The Best and Brightest of the monthlies. Now in sixth year of publication. Only one South. Subscription 30c per year. Advertisements 40c per inch. Sample copy free.

Virginia Philatelic Publishing Co.,

P. O. BOX 124, RICHMOND, VA.

BETTER BUY

60¢ Bureau Print

NEWSPAPER

A RARITY

Unused o. g. perfect only . . \$12.50

EBEN S. MARTIN CO., Minneapolis, Minn.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

20 different stamp papers..... 10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, 3 3 3 3 3 Illinois.

Join Union Philatelic Society

Due 35 cents per year. Initiation Fee 10 cents after July 1st. Dues 2 cents per month until January 1st. For blanks, &c. send to

A. D. BLAIR, Jr.

Box 215, ELMIRA, NEW YORK.

Metropolitan Philc. Association

Issues own official organ, has representatives in every country. Blanks from Vice-President below.

Auction department S. of P. now in fine shape. Send lots to auction manager, address below.

I have the disposal of the entire stock of Park & Dougherty Co. Some fine stamps.

Correspondents note change of address.

J. A. D. PARK

The Hill School, Pottstown, Pa.

Pres. N. C. P. A. Auction Mgr. S. of P. etc. 40c to join M. P. A.

would say that a change was to take place this month (September) and the people generally expect this to occur at a later date." "I am creditably informed that the High Commissioner, Governor of Fiji, through whom these government changes are operated, has received orders from London to postpone his visit to Tonga until next year, so for the present I do not anticipate a change in stamps."

Your correspondent had the pleasure of looking over some parts of the collections of Mr. C. A. Howes recently, notably his fine accumulations in South Africa, China, Chinese Treaty Ports, and Corea. Mr. Howes also has a very nice lot of stamps on the original cover. Corea is just now receiving the most of Mr. Howes' attention, and the result of his studies in connection with the little known varieties of the issues of that country will doubtless be an article in some stamp paper at a future date, which will be a great help to any other collectors who may wish to take up this interesting country.

Mr. Grimmon, a member of the Boston Philatelic Society, is to be a candidate for mayor at the approaching caucus in Somerville.

Mr. C. A. Howes has shown me a new set of stamps for Corea, 13 in number, which were issued on October 1st. The values range from two re to two wen. The stamps are of large size, and at first sight look like revenue stamps. The design is the Imperial bird, called the "Violet Falcon." This bird bears on its breast a symbol representing the arms of Corea (which is Chinese "Yang & Yin" symbol), and is surrounded by "Pa-kua," or "The Eight diagrams." In the right claw is born a sheathed sword, and in the left claw a terrestrial globe. This series of stamps was made in Paris, and was shipped to Corea about a year ago.

I am breaking up a collection of 4000 different stamps which I am sending on approval at 50 per cent discount. If you want a selection, mention four or five countries you are interested in.

12 different foreign original covers only 05c
1000 hinges and 10 Cuban stamps..... 10c

JOSEPH SAYMON,

12 West 117th St. - New York.

Send me \$1.00 and I will mail you a packet of nice, clean, high grade stamps to the catalogue value of \$4.00. No damaged trash or "gold bricks". My success depends on my pleasing you. If you will give me the size of your collection I will make up a special packet to correspond

W. H. ADAMS,

205 La Salle St., Chicago, Illinois.

MORAL: Gold dollars are cheap at face.

Wanted for Cash or Exchange

U. S., Columbia, Pan American, Omaha and New Issue. Write me stating what you have with lowest price.

GUSTAV H. BECKER

708 Elk Grove Avenue, CHICAGO, ILL.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Denison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

GOOD LINES. SPECIAL PRICES.

Fine condition - Firsts - Not Second Quality.

Canada, Kings Head, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10.....	\$.12
Newfoundland 1 on 3c, Type 1, o. g., Fine.....	.65
" " 1 on 3c, Type 2, o. g., Fine.....	.90
" " 10 varieties well ass'td 100 1.15	
" " 15-20 " " " 100 1.65	
" " 25 varieties Different.....	.75
" " 30 " " " 100 1.00	
100 varieties British Colonies all postage	.60
50 " " " " " " " " " " " "	.20
100 varieties Australian Countries.....	1.25
25 varieties Brazil.....	.25
30 varieties Bulgaria.....	.35
50 varieties Spain.....	.20

Dealers and Collectors—

Send for our new 50 page wholesale and retail list. Cheapest list in America.

MARKS STAMP COMPANY, Toronto, Canada.

Largest Wholesale Dealers in Canada.

Reference: EBEN S. MARTIN, Publisher.

Yankee Peelable Hinges

NOT ENGLISH NOT GERMAN

1000 12 cents Post free. 5000 50 cents Post free.

STRONG PAPER. TASTELESS GUM.

W. F. GREGORY, 65 Nassau St. N. Y.

Mr. J. M. Bartels has shown me the illustrations for his forthcoming work, "The Postage Stamps of the Philippines" which he expects to publish in about two months. A feature of this work will be the absolute chronological arrangement, and the 140 or more illustrations, including photographs of all existing types of surcharges. There will also be a full illustration of all known counterfeits. Where it will be advantageous, the illustration of the genuine and counterfeit stamp will appear side by side.

Our dealers who went over to New York to attend the Smith sale brought back many nice things, and report that very good prices were realized for the lots.

New things shown here this week include one and two annas Kings head British Somaliland, Sierra Leone, and Cyprus, Kings heads, Egyption Soudan, 5 milliemes surcharged on 5 piastres.

❀❀❀ KOHL'S CATALOG.

The fourth edition of the illustrated catalog issued by Paul Kohl at Chemnitz, Germany, is a neat little volume of 976 pages, typographical fine and upon an excellent grade of exceedingly thin tough paper, so that the volume even with nearly thousand pages easily slips into a hip pocket.

The work is very replete with illustrations showing various types and in many cases goes into minutia so far that it is practically a specialists guide, for instance, the 1867 issue of Austria is regularly listed, showing two types differing principally in the engraving of the emperor's whiskers, also with three divisions of perforation, after which a half page is devoted to illustrating and tabulating the minor differences of the 5 K and then further along for the specialist is given a tabulated list of the different values in the perforation varieties, showing the plain and compound perforation varieties in no less than sixty-four different combinations.

For an American collector of course the greatest interest centres on the portion devoted to the United States and here the illustrations are profuse and better arranged than in the Scott catalog, for instance, in the 1861 the cuts showing the difference between the August and September type of each value are placed side by side, so that the comparison is easy and does not necessitate the consulting of two pages, and the same method is followed with the 1870 issue. The cap variety of 1890 is illustrated so that the beginner can easily discern it. The green registration seal is included but none of the other official seals. The second issue of newspaper stamps is arranged in tabular form showing the series arranged in five distinct sets. This tabular arrangement is also carried out in the officials, the continental and American prints arranged side by side saving at least page on the Scott method. If an American collector can read German he will find this catalog a great assistance in studying his stamps and even if he can't the use of the cuts alone will repay the expenditure. In in all the United States pages contain over a hundred and fifty illustrations. This same plenteousness of cuts is carried throughout the book. Great Britain's pages showing over a hundred and other countries correspondingly as numerous.

A feature also calculated to interest the specialist is the frequent references to monographs and exhaustive magazine articles, nearly every country showing references. The work is strictly on alphabetical lines, even the native Indian and Columbian states being placed in their alphabetical order and not grouped and in the corner of each page is catch of two letter to assist in the rapid finding of a country.

Attached to the inside of the back cover is a millimeter rule and perforation gauge, always at hand when wanted. This catalog can be obtained of the publisher for 2m 50pf.

The Philatelic World

Vol. II, No. 52. Whole No. 61. Minneapolis, Minn. December 30, 1903 Weekly

NEW CARDS.

A. Lohmeyer.

CEYLON. I have received the 5 cent King Letter Card, spoken of in my chronicle of the 2 cent Postal Card. It is an exact counterpart of the Queen's Head Letter Card of 1895, L. C. 1 of the 1898 catalogue, except as to the stamp and the absence of the scored line at the fold.

L. C. 5c. black on blue, 88x139, perf. 11, B.

RHODESIA. A Letter Card (the first has been issued for this British possession. It bears a 1 penny stamp, inscribed "BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA," and has only one line of inscription in the upper center, "LETTER CARD."

L. C. 1d. carmine on blue, 90x140 m. m., perf. II, B.

SIERRA LEONE. I have received the King's Head cards issued in October. They are of the new Colonial type. These cards were chronicled in the January (1903) number of "Der Philatelist," the Official Organ of the Dresden International Society, as having been received by the Editor, but it was not stated that they were Specimens or advance copies. This practice of chronicling new issues in advance of the actual date of issue has created a great deal of confusion among collectors. From this very chronicle they have evidently been admitted into Senf's 1903-04 catalogue, the forms for which were closed the latter part of May.

P. C. 1/2d. green on cream, 74x121

m. m.

1/2x1/2d. green on cream, T. 3., 74x121 m. m.

1d. carmine on cream, 89x140 m. m.

1x1d. carmine on cream, T. 3. 89x140 m. m.



THE NEW TWO.

The Washington correspondent of Mekeels Weekly Stamp News, writes thus of the new two cent stamp.

We believe the Department, through the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, is giving the public a handsomer stamp than the one which a month hence will go out of use. It is a stronger design, the lettering is clearer, the entire design has a cleaner cut and the portrait of Washington is mechanically superior. However, as one views the two stamps side by side, one cannot but regret, if he possesses philatelic instinct in any degree, that the current stamp must pass on and be lost to sight so far as postal use is concerned.

The current design is certainly artistic in the highest degree. The new design is bolder, far more striking and looks as though it would wear well. The bust of Washington is noticeably larger and consequently the lines are coarser and the print shows up to better advantage in the stamp. Yet we believe the die proof of the current Washington is a finer thing than the new one. In the current stamp some of the shoulders and a portion of the shirtfront of Washington appear, while in the new design much less of the figure below the neck may be seen.

In the new design the redness of the cheek and nose has been shaded out to a considerable extent by using the coarser lines. In the die proof, how-

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c

City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

The receipts of the presidential postoffices in North Dakota during the last fiscal year were \$310,049, as against \$253,978 in the year before. This was a much larger percentage of gain than was shown by the South Dakota offices, although the receipts of the postoffices of the presidential class in that state increased from \$311,886 in the fiscal year 1902 to \$354,043 in the fiscal year 1903.

Ewen's Weekly gives the following as a full list of O. P. S. O. official of New Zealand 1892 Queen's Head Issue Surcharge in pink:

½d. black perf. 10x11.

1d. rose perf. 11.

2d. lilac perf. 11.

2½d. blue perf. 10x11.

Stamps of Pictorial Issue.

1d. rose perf. 11 Surcharge violet.

5d. brown (no w.), Surcharge violet.

5d. brown, Surcharge green.

8d. blue (no w.), Surcharge green.

Marki i Kollektioner is the name of a new philatelic journal published by J. Stauff, Pushkinstaya 17, St. Petersburg, Russia. It is the first attempt for several years to publish a stamp paper in the Muscovite Empire.

To exhibit the stamps offered in an auction sale at other places than the place of sale was, a few years ago, an unheard of occurrence but is now quite customary, but it is not often that as many exhibitions occur as that of the 123d Drew sale which will be shown at Baltimore, Buffalo, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, Hamilton, Ont., Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Rochester, Syracuse, Toronto, Utica, Washington, New York, as well as at the home office.

Victor Marsh, London, S. W., has issued a list of British Colonials, with prices ranging exceedingly low.

The inland rate has been reduced in Italy from 20c. to 15c.

Lincoln, Nebr., has a new society. The Star of that city for Nov. 12 says:

"A stamp and coin collectors' society was organized Wednesday night at 115 North Fourteenth street with a membership of twelve. Temporary officers were elected and other business done toward the perfection of the organization. E. N. Rector was elected chairman and Harwood Bowers secretary. A committee on constitution and by-laws, consisting of Mr. Hargreaves and Mr. Barth, was appointed. Another meeting will be held soon for the purpose of adopting the constitution."

THE NEW TWO.

Continued from first page.

ever, the old design strikes us as the better.

The word "Washington" underneath the bust appears on a ribbon, and instead of being white against a dark background it is dark against a white background. While in the current stamp the name can be read with difficulty, in the new one it is clear and plain. The same is true of the dates of birth and death. The words "United States of America" are also much clearer in the new design than in the old. In the new design the "Burnside" whiskers, blocked out on the side of the face, are clearly distinguishable. While they doubtless were engraved on the current plate, they are lost to view in the deep shadow or filling up of the lines.

We are disposed to fancy the figures "2" in the current design rather than the new one. In the new design the figures are an eighth of an inch higher and the effect seems to be to make Washington's head set down on his shoulders more noticeably. The figures, as previously mentioned, are enclosed in wreaths, and these wreaths cut into the panel reserved for the bust. While this is not by any means objectionable, it is not as artistic or pleasing, in our opinion, as the figures in the current stamp.

The shield, with its supposedly blue field, and the alternate red and white stripes (supposedly) as the main frame or background for the stamp, is a unique conception, indeed, and worked out by the artists in a most happy manner.

At the time the description of the proof was given, a month ago, reference was made to the point that until the stamps should be completed and perforated it would not be possible to determine just what the effect of the rounded corners of the bottom and the sharp ears of the upper portion of the shield would appear. While, of course, the slight rounding of the lower corners is noticeable to some extent,

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1904.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
“ “ Leather.....	1.25	1.35
“ “ “ Interleaved.....	2.00	2.16

International Postage Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
 20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

		Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,....	\$.25	
“ “ “ “ Cloth,....	.40	

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
 18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

PREMIUM

Readers of the Philatelic World writing for my approval books and guaranteeing a purchase of 50c I will present a perfect copy of Newfoundland No. 62 in uncut condition.

I make a specialty of United States entire envelopes and would be pleased to send a selection to parties interested in this branch of philately. Also can forward cut square envelopes at 25 per cent below 1904 quotations.

Original covers and Post Card specialists will do well to correspond as I am sure I can interest them.

Honduras 1891 1c to 10c, 14 varieties catalogue value \$1.44 for 50c.

S. VALENTINE SAXBY
ROCKFORD. ILL.

it is not of such a character to constitute a valid objection. The upper corners to the shield project so slightly as not to be prominent or offensive to the most fastidious.

On the whole, the new stamp, we should say, rather lays over the current one in point of strength and boldness and its radical departure from the conventional design, yet there is not the soft, artistic effect that marks the current design, especially as it is depicted in the die proof.

However, we will predict that collectors and the public will be greatly pleased with the new stamp and that it will grow in popularity as the years roll on.



A FAMOUS WOMAN COLLECTOR.

A recent number of the Fargo Daily Forum is responsible for the following:

"That Mrs. Elizabeth Cady Stanton was a philatelist of many years' standing has just come to light by the discovery of a stamp room in her old home at Woodcliff, N. J. In a recess of one of the rooms more than 18,000 stamps were found hung on the walls. Portions of the wall and ceiling were covered with stamps of every country, and some of them are of great value, according to the estimates of stamp fanciers. No two are alike. There are indications that most of the stamps were detached from letters received by Mrs. Stanton herself. She carried on a voluminous correspondence with friends whose homes were located in almost every part of the civilized world."

BARGAINS Superb copies, Canada Jubilees unused, o. g., at 25 per c. off cat.
 Cuba 1870-40c post used.....\$.75
 Cuba 1878-1 p. unused, o. g..... .45
 Cuba 1891-20c post used..... .40
 Cuba and Philippines 1898-99 all at 1/4 cat.
 Bavaria 1850 18 post used..... .50
 British Guiana 1882, 4c unused, o. g..... .25
 Peru 1902 5c on 10. Sols green, post used..... .30

UNIVERSAL STAMP CO. 110-116 Nassau St.
 NEW YORK.

Send me \$1.00 and I will mail you a packet of nice, clean, high grade stamps to the catalogue value of \$4.00. No damaged trash or "gold bricks". My success depends on my pleasing you. If you will give me the size of your collection I will make up a special packet to correspond

W. H. ADAMS,

205 La Salle St., Chicago, Illinois.

MORAL: Gold dollars are cheap at face.

Wanted for Cash or Exchange

U. S., Columbia, Pan American, Omaha and New Issue. Write me stating what you have with lowest price.

GUSTAV H. BECKER

708 Elk Grove Avenue, CHICAGO ILL.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps..... 10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Dennison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

GOOD LINES. SPECIAL PRICES.
 Fine condition · Firsts · Not Second Quality.
 Canada, Kings Head, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10.....\$.12
 Newfoundland 1 on 3c, Type 1, o. g., Fine..... .65
 " 1 on 3c, Type 2, o. g., Fine..... .90
 " 10 varieties well ass'd 100 1.15
 " 15-30 " " 100 1.65
 " 25 varieties Different..... .75
 " 30 " " 1.00
 100 varieties British Colonies all postage..... .60
 " 50 " " "..... .20
 100 varieties Australian Countries..... 1.25
 25 varieties Brazil..... .25
 30 varieties Bulgaria..... .35
 50 varieties Spain..... .20
 Dealers and Collectors—

Send for our new 50 page wholesale and retail list. Cheapest list in America.

MARKS STAMP COMPANY, Toronto, Canada.

Largest Wholesale Dealers in Canada.

Reference: EBEN S. MARTIN, Publisher.

Yankee Peelable Hinges

NOT ENGLISH NOT GERMAN

1000 12 cents Post free. 5000 50 cents Post free.

STRONG PAPER. TASTELESS GUM.

W. F. GREGORY, 65 Nassau St. N. Y.

The Philatelic World

Vol. III. No. 1. Whole No. 62. Minneapolis, Minn. January 6, 1904. Weekly

SANTA'S CHECKING UP.

(The following was received too late for insertion in the Christmas number but believing it worthy of publication we give it space even if a trifle tardy.—Ed.)

Let me see, let me see,
How forgetful I be!
Are my presents all there?
Chicago presidency chair
Which I promise to Oesch
An Alsace, invert mesh,
I guess that's for him too.
Of new issues a few
Alex Holland's are they.
A French tete beche
For Lambard. Auction sale
Where the bids come by mail
For Wolsieffer and Drew
Bartels and Bogert too.
A local for Severn
That's loaded; Thank Heaven!
Rarest stamp papers known
A bundle for Will Stone.
Telegraph stamps or "sich"
They're for Joseph S. Rich
From the isles of the sea
A rare Missionary.
For Crocker or John Luff
One apiece, that's enough.
Spanish war, that's now past
Brought these labels for Nast.
From old papers legal
Some old "revs" for Eagle.
Lohmeyer of Balto
Must have a card or so
Precancells—that's good luck,
For Smith, Lewis and Duck.
For Cobe nice souvenir,
A few bottles of beer

For next year's 'vention seat
The stamp meet to complete,
A "Best Album" for Scott
The "dad" of the whole lot
Of this stamp hunting set,
Jolly good chaps you bet!



With the Auction Catalogues.

A. E. Richards.

Nine hundred and eighty-five dollars was the amount netted for the stamps sold on Oct. 24th by Geo. R. Tuttle at his office in New York. The sale was especially rich in Spanish issue for the colonies lost by the late war. Among other noticeable pieces were a number of bisected stamps upon the original cover, among these a diagonal half of the 25c of 1873, Cuba, brought 80c; a similar piece of the 12½c, 1878, 10c, unused, 13.00; Porto Rico sue, 90; and two similar pieces of 1875, 25c, were knocked down at 80 and 70 and a half of the 50c at 90. In the 1876 issue a diagonal half of the 25c brought 80 and the bisected 50, 75.

A few good prices were Cuba, 1857, ¼r dull red, (Scott No. 15) on original cover, 1.00; Porto Rico, 1878, 10s, unused, 13.00; Porto Rico, 1890, 80c, yellow green, 11.00; United States reports used of the Franklin and Eagle Carriers, 1.30; Messenkope's Union Square Post Office, green on part of original cover, 4.00. This sale was the 63d held under Mr. Tuttle's capable management.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
Managing Editor.

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

I noted with much interest the editorial in a late number of one of the weeklies concerning foreign exchange. I have conducted an extensive foreign correspondence for several years for the betterment of my collection of covers, and during these years have never found a desirable correspondent among those that advertise for exchange. This may seem a strong statement, but is the result of my experience, and the sixty or more correspondents that I now have none came to me from corr advertisements, but wholly from introductions received from the two or three correspondents with whom I started.

I do not mean to convey the impression that all of those that advertise for exchange relations are dishonest, but I have found that they generally are very much "on

the make," and are exchanging for the benefit of their collections, not so as to benefit those of their correspondents.

Colonial Stamp Album.

"The first Album ever published exclusively for British Colonial Stamps" has been put forth by the Colonial Stamp Co. of Chicago according to a recently received circular. A cut shows reduced facsimiles of several pages and the work must present an attractive appearance and should meet with a hearty welcome from those who confine their collecting to this field. Further on the scope of this album we quote from the publishers:

The great majority of collections are now confined exclusively to the adhesive postage stamps of regular government issues. With our field thus narrowed into practicable boundaries we still find an unattainable and ever receding horizon in the surcharges, revenues used for postage, errors, varieties and shades of the modern stamp dealer. Some limits must be placed to the factors of our problem of collecting, and these we have judged to be a strict adherence to regular government postal issues, distinct types of design, watermarks, intentional and authorized varieties of paper and separations, and have omitted surcharges, locals, revenues used for postage, errors in color and watermarks, and accidental or unauthorized variations in paper and separation. These omissions, while including by far the greatest number of the absolutely unattainable stamps, still leave a large field for careful study, and furnish enough material to keep up interest in new acquisitions for a lifetime.

But the number of stamps is now so great that a still further limit has been placed by philatelists on their collections, so that today, throughout the world, a majority of philatelists confine their collecting to British Colonial Stamps.

The omission of illustrations may at first sight offend some persons who have found such illustrations a guide to the easy locating of stamps, yet in some cases these very illustrations compel a reference to a handbook to determine the point at issue. A little study will show that we have given for each field every essential point for determining, absolutely, the proper stamp which is to occupy it. The white paper also forms a better background for the stamps than the black picture, which often projects outside of the stamp and detracts from its beauty.



THE RURAL DELIVERY.

As Viewed By a Kansas Farmer.

We have become so accustomed to see laudatory articles in the papers upon the rural mail delivery that a contra opinion is such a rarity, indeed almost an oddity, that having happened upon one we could not refrain from reproducing it. Had it come from any source other than it did—one of the farmers who would be directly benefited by the service—it would not seem to command attention, for there is a growing sentiment among the merchants of the smaller villages that it is detrimental to their business interests, that many sales of smaller articles are lost by the failure of the farmer to come to town as he did before the inauguration of the delivering system, which though small in each in-



Not expensive to collect when you buy from my precancelled list.

For instance: 25 varieties U.S. Revenues for 10 cents.

WEEKLY BARGAINS.

Russia 1-3½ and 7 Roubles

Catalogue \$4.95: \$2.50

EBEN S. MARTIN CO.,

Minneapolis, - Minnesota.

STAMPS YOU NEED.

Belgium, 1886, 2 Fr. fine.....	\$.10
Brazil, 1890, 700 r. o. g. scarce.....	.30
Labuan, 1896, 25c, 50c and \$1.00.....	.45
Niger Coast, 1897, ½, 1, 2, 2½d o. g.....	.20
Nyassa, 1897, 300 r. unused, o. g.....	.15
" 1398, complete set unused cat. \$1.89	.60
" 1901, giraffe set complete.....	.75
Russia, 1889, 1 rbl, large stamp.....	.10
Queensland, 1876, 2 sh, blue, fine.....	1.50
" 1885, £1, dark green, fine.....	2.00
Netherlands, 1899, 1gl, fine.....	.06
" " 2½gl, fine.....	.25
" " 5gl, fine.....	.65
Wurtemberg, Official, No. 215.....	.05
U. S. 1895, \$1, black, fine.....	.22
" Omaha, 5c green.....	.18

Send for lists of bargains in stamps mailed free. Fine selections on approval.

L. N. HERBERT,

1520 Washington Av., New York.

Wm. v. d. Wettern, Jr.

Wholesale Dealer in Postage Stamps

411 W. Saratoga St., Baltimore, Md.

New special list just issued, sent free on application to dealers only.

Metropolitan Phil. Association

Issues own official organ, has representatives in every country. Blanks from Vice-President below.

Auction department S. of P. now in fine shape. Send lots to auction manager, address below.

I have the disposal of the entire stock of Park & Dougherty Co. Some fine stamps.

Correspondents note change of address.

J. A. D. PARK

The Hill School, Pottstown, Pa.

Pres. N. C. P. A. Auction Mgr. S. of P. etc.

40c to join M. P. A.

stance is considerable in the aggregate.

The particular opinion we reproduce is that of a farmer in Kansas and is taken from the annual report of the second assistant postmaster general for the year ending June 30, 1897.

From other source we would have considered it the work of some way but from whence it comes it is probably seriously intended.

The honest granger says:

"I don't see no partic'lar advantage in it. I can go to town often enough to get all the papers I've got time to read. There ain't no call for the Guv'ment to go to any such trouble for us farmers. It's gittin' too darned plutocratic anyway. Fust thing you know the Guv'ment will be wantin' us to wear cyarpet slippers an' smoke seegyars, an' then what in thunder's goin' to become of the farm work? We'll all be gettin' like them lazy town folks an' won't stir out of the house to do a chore till we get our mornin' paper to read. An' do you think I'm goin' to drop my letters in a box out here for any one to come along an' get? How'm I goin' to know they'll ever git to the post-office, or that some'n won't come along an' take the stamps off'n 'em? No, siree, Harry, the old way's good enough for me, as long as I'm a plain farmer."

The Virginia Philatelist

The Best and Brightest of the monthlies. Now in sixth year of publication. Only one South. Subscription 30c per year. Advertisements 40c per inch. Sample copy free.

Virginia Philatelic Publishing Co.,
P. O. BOX 124, RICHMOND, VA.

SPECIAL—Four months trial 10c, or 50c per year.

Philatelic West, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.

Oldest, Independent, Philatelic 100 page monthly brim full of interesting matter, that will interest every reader, pertaining to stamps, Coins, Curios, Relics, Photography, etc. Illustrated, leading collectors, etc., all over the world. Nothing similar or as good. Six associate editors. The very best of everything and lots of it. Official organ of over 23 societies and clubs, over 12,000 members.

One cent a word advertisements pay,
Do not delay but, send today
For the WEST which is the best.

NEWSPAPER STAMPS.

All Fine Unused, o. g.

	Cat.	My Price.
1885 1c.....	.20	\$.06
1879 2c.....	.30	.12
3c.....	.75	.25
4c.....	.75	.25
6c.....	.75	.25
1885 10c.....	.40	.15

OTHER BARGAINS.

EBEN S. MARTIN,
MINNEAPOLIS. - MINN.

1 lb.

Mixed U. S. Stamps.

48c

Post Free.

This mixture contains mostly common stamps and there is some paper on the backs. The lot is cheap at the price.

REMEMBER

48c

POST FREE.

90 different stamp papers..... .10

SHIRLEY E. MOISANT,

Kankakee, * * * * * Illinois.

Join Union Philatelic Society

Due 35 cents per year. Initiation Fee 10 cents after July 1st. Dues 2 cents per month until January 1st. For blanks, &c. send to

A. D. BLAIR, Jr.

Box 215, ELMIRA, NEW YORK.

Join the * * *

American

Philatelic Association.

The representative society of the new world

The Philatelic World

Vol. III, No. 2. Whole No. 63. Minneapolis, Minn. January 13, 1903 Weekly

CHICAGO NOTES.

W. H. Adams.

The current 15c stamp is somewhat scarce in a used condition in Chicago. Local dealers report that the supply is not equal to the demand. The other values are quite plentiful, including the \$2.00 and \$5.00, one dealer having twenty of the last named in stock.

King's Heads have taken a decided slump in the local market. The older issues of British Colonials, however, are steadily increasing in favor, particularly the stamps of British North America.

In connection with the Wolle matter, the writer has been shown two very clever fakes which originated from this source. One of them is the common Die B 3c Plimpton envelope on blue paper which has been altered to resemble the rare Die C, catalogued at \$125.00, and the other is a common Die C 2c vermilion on amber which has been altered to resemble the rare Die D. The work on the face of the stamps is so clever that it is almost impossible to detect the fraud, but the embossing on the back could not be altered and an inspection of the reverse readily discloses the fact that the design has been changed.

It is reported that Mr. R. Robinson, formerly proprietor of the Randolph Stamp Co., Chicago, who is now located at St. Boniface, Manitoba, has been suffering from an attack of typhoid fever.

Local collectors are quietly filling up their blank spaces under Panama, but not enough eagerness has been shown thus far to cause the price of the stamps to advance to any great extent. With one or two exceptions, the stamps of Panama have never been very hard to obtain and the supply seems to be quite equal to the demand in spite of the new interest which has become manifest on account of the recent political changes in that country.



"ZAHLMARKEN."

The Philatelic Record says, "it appears that the various states and some institutions have the right of franking their correspondence by means of these stamps, and the number simply indicates which state, etc., etc., has used them. No. 21, being the number of prussia, are of course the most common, hence all papers give this number and illustration. The various numbers denote the following:

No. 1. The Duchy of Saxe-Meiningen.

No. 2. The Administration of the large Military Orphanage at Potsdam.

No. 3. The Grand Duchy of Mecklenburg-Schwerin.

No. 4. The Grand Duchy of Mecklenburg-Strelitz.

No. 5. The Grand Duchy of Hesse.

No. 6. The Principality of Lippe-Detmold.

Continued on page 332

THE PHILATELIC WORLD.

NIHIL NISI OPTIMUM.

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SUBSCRIPTION:

United States, Canada and Mexico 50c
 City and Foreign Countries 75c

*ERNEST R. ALDRICH, Benson, Minn.
 Managing Editor.*

THE PHILATELIC WORLD

16, 18, 20 North 4th St.,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

General Information.—Parties are notified by postal upon expiration of subscription.

In case of change of address the subscriber will confer a favor upon the publisher by giving both his old and new address.

Good manuscript is desired. All manuscript must be accompanied by four cents in stamps.

Remittances should be made by Postal or Express Orders, personal check or N. Y. draft. Unused stamps accepted only at 5 per cent discount.

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

We shall be glad to enter subscriptions at the above rate or send the paper six months for twenty-five cents providing cash is sent with order.

Yearly subscriptions may be paid any time within six months.

We will refund paid subscriptions anytime upon request.

Whether it was a coincident or the result of careful calculation on the part of the senders, the editor is unable to say, but it seemed strange on Christmas day to receive cards of greeting from Norway and Germany. The Minneapolis office received a card the same day from Mr. A. W. Dunning mailed at Naples.

An especially noticeable price was that obtained for a damaged 25 cent inverted medallion, second issue, proprietary at a November sale, \$75.25 being realized, hardly an endorsement on the catalog price of \$40.

The Marks Stamp Co. have issued a new eight page list of sets priced for a single set or lots of ten or a hundred.

Any of our readers who are in-

terested in photography should try the fine Blue Photo Cloth manufactured by the Permanent Photo Cloth Co. of Collinwood, Ohio. The editor has used it and can truthfully say that the results which can be obtained are all that the makers claim and that by its use many pleasing novelties can be prepared by the amateur.

The Washington dispatches in the daily press announce that J. J. McCurdy, of St. Paul, will succeed Henry A. Castle as auditor of the postoffice department. Mr. McCurdy is a prominent St. Paul politician but is best known by his long and valuable services as grand treasurer of the A. O. U. W.



"ZAHLMARKEN"

Continued from first page.

No. 7. The Principality of Schwarzburg-Rudolstadt.

No. 8. The Principality of Schaumburg-Lippe.

No. 9. The Duchy of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha.

No. 10. The Principality of Waldeck and Pyrmont.

No. 11. The Principality of Reuss, younger line.

No. 12. Duchy of Anhalt-Dessau.

No. 13. The General Administration of the Thuringian Association of Customs and Taxes at Erfurt.

No. 14. The Principality of Reuss, older line.

No. 15. The Grand Duchy of Saxe-Weimen.

No. 16. The Grand Duchy of Baden.

No. 17. The Thuringian Provincial Court at Jena.

No. 18. The Solicitor-General's office at the same court.

No. 19. The offices of the Governor of Alsace-Lorraine.

No. 20. The Committee of the Grand Ducal and Ducal Saxon University at Jena.

No. 21. The Kingdom of Prussia.

No. 22. The Principality of Schwarzburg-Vondershausen.

No. 23. The Grand Duchy of Oldenburg.

No. 24. The State of Bremen.

No. 25. The Duchy of Saxe-Attensburg.

No. 26. The Duchy of Brunswick.



N. Y. EXHIBITS.

The Collectors Club of New York will hold exhibits this seasons as follows:

Jan. 11, U. S. Telegraph Stamps; silver and bronze medals donated by Mr. Alex Holland.

Feb. 8, Porto Rico; similar medals donated by Mr. J. N. Luff.

March 14, U. S. Postage and Revenues; gold, silver and bronze medals donated by the Scott Stamp & Coin Co.

April 11, Strait's Settlement; silver and bronze medals donated by Mr. Jos. S. Rich.

May 9, U. S. Essays and Proofs; similar medals furnished by Club.



With Our Contemporaries.

Under this head we shall review and cull from our exchanges and publishers wishing to assume exchange relations with us will please mail copies to E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

The Adhesive

The Adhesive for November opens with Chapman's usual readable editorial, one of which we clip:

The idea that "booming" a society will make it appear an undignified affair is unique, certainly. We all know that the soliciting business is overdone, but, with all due respect to the American Philatelic Association, the Adhesive editor rises to

Now Ready

Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1904.

		Post Free
Bound in Cloth.....	\$.50	\$.58
“ “ Leather.....	1.25	1.35
“ “ “ Interleaved.....	2.00	2.16

International Postage

Stamp Albums.

19th Century Edition, from \$1.50 upwards
20th Century Edition, for stamps issued in 1901-2 only. From \$1.00 upwards.

		Post free
Imperial Albums Bound in Boards,....	\$.25	
“ “ “ “ Cloth,....	.40	

Circular of new packets and sets on application.

SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.,
18 East 23rd Street., New York, N Y

PREMIUM

Readers of the Philatelic World writing for my approval books and guaranteeing a purchase of 50c I will present a perfect copy of Newfoundland No. 62 in uncut condition.

I make a specialty of United States entire envelopes and would be pleased to send a selection to parties interested in this branch of philately. Also can forward cut square envelopes at 25 per cent below 1904 quotations.

Original covers and Post Card specialists will do well to correspond as I am sure I can interest them.

Honduras 1891 1c to 10c, 14 varieties catalogue value \$1.44 for 50c.

S. VALENTINE SAXBY
ROCKFORD. ILL.

remark that there are just as good people connected with some of the lesser organizations whose methods are considered by some ignoramuses as partaking too much of the "booming" process. A scanning of the list will show that some of the members of our leading society are no more entitled to be classed as dignitaries than those generally considered as "small fry." Better to be a paid-up member of a "cheap" society than a suspended \$1.20 a year "dignitary."

Cheap Postage and Cheap Service is reproduced from the Hartford Daily Courant. Thieles "Sheet Notes" as always contains much of interest. Among the subjects treated this time I find:

Since the last instalment of this series I have already described the sheets of some of the Spanish stamps. I may here add some information relative to one of the issues made by the Carlist insurgents in 1873; I refer to the 1 real blue (Scott Nos. 501 and 502). This stamp is more often found in collections as a reprint than as an original; its history is rather variegated. It was originally printed by M. J. Cluzeau, a lithographer at Bayonne in France, where the Carlists had at that time established a postal center, until finally stopped by the French authorities. The sheets originally contained 84 stamps in 7 vertical rows of 12 each, rather an odd arrangement and without regard to the currency. Twenty-four single transfers were taken to form the stone; these were arranged in two vertical rows and from this group three transfers were taken to form the stone. The first row of 12 of the original group was then added as the seventh row. A second printing was made from the stone made up with single transfers; this new stone gave sheets of 121, 12x11, also quite an arbitrary number. Of this there are two make-ups, as seen from the varying width of the space between the horizontal rows. Both these printings were all wrong in that the word *espana* had no tilde (or "accent") over the *n*, as it should have had by all rules of Castilian orthography. When the attention of the lithographer was called to the omission, he corrected the error on all three stones then prepared; the added tilde differs slightly on each stamp. Of these stamps with irregular tilde there are thus sheets of 84 and sheets of 121 in two settings. Later on the lithographer corrected his omission on the original die and took transfers from this to form a new printing stone. This with regular tilde, contained 180 stamps, in 15 horizontal rows of 12.

Miss Madeline Keller discourses entertainingly on "Picture Post Card" and the usual society reports complete the number.

BARGAINS Superb copies, Canada Jubilees unused, o. g., at 25 per c. off cat.
Cuba 1870-40c post used.....\$.75
Cuba 1878-1 p. unused, o. g..... .45
Cuba 1891-20c post used..... .40
Cuba and Philippines 1898-99 all at 1/2 cat.
Bavaria 1850 18 post used..... .50
British Guiana 1882, 4c unused, o. g..... .25
Peru 1902 5c on 10. Sols green, post used..... .30

UNIVERSAL STAMP CO. 110-112 Nassau St. NEW YORK.

Send me \$1.00 and I will mail you a packet of nice, clean, high grade stamps to the catalogue value of \$4.00. No damaged trash or "gold bricks". My success depends on my pleasing you. If you will give me the size of your collection I will make up a special packet to correspond

W. H. ADAMS,

205 La Salle St., Chicago, Illinois.

MORAL: Gold dollars are cheap at face.

Wanted for Cash or Exchange

U. S., Columbia, Pan American, Omaha and New Issue. Write me stating what you have with lowest price.

GUSTAV H. BECKER

708 Elk Grove Avenue, CHICAGO ILL.

Hey There!

I want you to send for a collection of my fine stamps on approval at 50 per cent commission. You will see some bargains. Collections of stamps wanted for cash.

100 varieties of stamps.....10c

A postal card is all that is necessary.

Francis R. Dennison,

P. O. Box 896, Waterloo, N. Y.

GOOD LINES. SPECIAL PRICES.

Fine condition - Firsts - Not Second Quality.

Canada, Kings Head, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10.....\$.12
Newfoundland 1 on 3c, Type 1, o. g. Fine. .05
" " 1 on 3c, Type 2, o. g. Fine. .90
" " 10 varieties well ass'd 100 1.15
" " 15-20 " " " 100 1.05
" " 25 varieties Different..... .75
" " 30 " " " " 1.00
100 varieties British Colonies all postage .60
50 " " " " " " .30
100 varieties Australian Countries..... 1.25
25 varieties Brazil..... .25
30 varieties Bulgaria..... .35
50 varieties Spain..... .20
Dealers and Collectors—

Send for our new 50 page wholesale and retail list. Cheapest list in America.

MARKS STAMP COMPANY Toronto, Canada.

Largest Wholesale Dealers in Canada.

Reference: EBEN S. MARTIN, Publisher

Yankee Peelable Hinges

NOT ENGLISH NOT GERMAN

1000 12 cents Post free. 5000 50 cents Post free

STRONG PAPER. TASTELESS GUM.

W. F. GREGORY, 65 Nassau St. N. Y.